Reviewer's report

Title: Detection of allele specific difference of IL28B mRNA expression

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The authors have addressed all Major compulsory revisions and each point has been clarified within the discussion, figure legends and with support of extra data where possible. Reasonable justification is also provided where recommendations have not been included, particularly with regards to the difficulties associated with screening a larger number of PBMCs to demonstrate a difference in expression levels.

The manuscript reads well and provides a novel technical advance that discriminates between IL28A and IL28B, which would be of high interest and value to those working in the field.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests' below