Reviewer’s report

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The author has provided reasonable justification for concerns expressed. The only area where continued concern lies is with the multiple rather weak methods of dealing with missing values.

If one imputation is done, it is not difficult to do many more than this. Precise results are important as findings are summarized over time into reviews and meta analyses. However, this suggestion is discretionary as it would entail considerable work without significant gain. As the group is preparing papers to summarize the final time point, I would highly recommend Craig Ender's very readable text on this issue http://www.appliedmissingdata.com/.

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