Reviewer's report

Title: Psychotic and schizotypal symptoms in non-psychotic patients with obsessive-compulsive disorder

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Major Compulsory Revisions

1. With the second comment, is there psychometric data to support examining psychoticism and paranoid ideation scales for the study’s purpose in these patient groups?

2. Regarding the 6th comment, it appears that there were trend level (i.e., p < 0.10) group differences for psychoticism and schizotypal symptoms in the non-psychotic group. Which groups differed here? Perhaps putting this into a Table would be helpful for readers. This would also help in addressing Comment 4 by Reviewer 1 (and reader concerns) by illustrating that there were not differences in the participants with no diagnosis.

Minor Essential Revisions

3. The authors did a nice job of responding to most of the revisions. Regarding the first comment, I still feel that there could be clarification with the “delusions and obsessions” statement, perhaps by stating that there may not be a clear distinction in OCD patients.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.