Reviewer’s report

Title: THE CYTOKINE PROFILE OF WOMEN WITH SEVERE ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION DURING PREGNANCY

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Reviewer: Michele Okun

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This is a data rich study intending to examine the association between cytokines and depression scores in pregnant women. I believe that with substantial editing and revising with assistance from a native English speaker, this would be an excellent paper. However, the way it is written makes it very difficult to interpret and follow. I really hope the authors do revisions because it is useful information.

Although the introduction is succinct, it does not really tell a story. It needs more focus and linearity. This applies to the Methods, results and discussion.

The results were very hard to follow. Plus there were a lot of them. Is there a way to portray them more clearly?

Same for Discussion

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No

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