Author’s response to reviews

Title: Treating repetitive suicidal intrusions using eye movements: study protocol for a multicenter randomized clinical trial

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Dear Matthew Hickey,

Thank you kindly for your response. Below you will find detailed responses to the reviewer/editorial points raised.

Best wishes,

Jaël van Bentum

1. Please indicate in the Methods section of the main manuscript text that the SPIRIT guidelines had been followed for your manuscript.

Authors’ response: We have added a sentence stating that we followed the SPIRIT guidelines and fulfilled the SPIRIT checklist in the Methods section, line 131-132, page 6.
2. We note that the date of registration for your trial (10-17-2018) is after the date of the start of the trial as listed on the Netherlands Trial Register (09-15-2018). Please clarify on what date the first participant in the trial had been recruited. If the participant had been recruited after the listed date of registration, typically on the listed trial start date, then please also state ‘retrospectively registered’ alongside your trial registration information at the end of the Abstract section.

Authors’ response: The first participant that had been recruited for our randomized clinical trial was included on 11-27-2019. This means that the first participant had been included a little over a month after the registration date.

3. We note that Arnoud R. Arntz, Emily A. Holmes, Gerdien Franx, and Jan Mokkenstorm have not been mentioned in Authors’ contributions. Please ensure all authors are included in this section, along with their individual contributions.

Authors’ response: The abovementioned authors have now been included in the Authors’ contributions section, line 542, page 23. Arnoud R. Arntz, Emily A. Holmes, Gerdien Franx, and Jan Mokkenstorm were all co-applicants for this study. Furthermore, all authors have read, contributed, and approved the final manuscript.