Reviewer's report

Title: Adherence to drug treatments and adjuvant barrier repair therapies are key factors for clinical improvement in mild to moderate acne: The ACTUO observational prospective multicenter cohort trial in 643 patients.

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1. I did not see a point by point description of author responses to the previous critique
2. The paper is still not consistent in terminology, going back and forth between adherence and compliance
3. The description of the limitation of their measure of adherence is very weak. They claim the measure is "validated," but they provide no discussion of how sensitive or specific the measure is for identifying poor adherence or how this is likely to have affected the study results.
4. I'm not sure what they mean by "expected" when talking about responses to the adherence measure in the Methods section.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

Same as before, I have had considerable support from Galderma