Reviewer’s report

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Statistical Review #2: The authors have addressed each of my original points regarding the statistical methods being used; although I do believe the Bonferroni correction (or some other type of correction) is needed when a large number of confidence intervals are being analyzed (i.e., you are more likely to identify an interval that incorrectly excludes one if you analyze a large number of intervals without some correction). However, this is a minor point and the authors can determine if any changes are needed.

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