Reviewer’s report

Title: The potential role of Illness Expectations in the progression of medical diseases

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The authors have addressed all my points, although in a rather superficial manner.

As the authors do not empirically support the idea that expectation actually changes the "progression" of diseases I would change the title accordingly, maybe "the possible role of expectation on medical disease".

The authors could at least mention scales such as the treatment expectancy and credibility scale and other preliminary attempts to assess treatment expectation.

Otherwise I still think the authors propose an interesting model that should be backed up by experimental and clinical data in future research.

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