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### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The article is devoted to a topical topic and appears to be interesting. Indeed, to date, enough data have been accumulated on the role of the neurogenic factor in the development of many therapeutic diseases. It is recommended that the authors continue this topic and prepare a review article.

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This is a interesting letter. References are properly cited and updated. They hypothesize that stress, severe or prolonged over time, is the driving factor that promotes the onset of depression. And they describe why most of the people with altered inflammatory status and low BDNF do not automatically have depression, and the question sounds interesting.