

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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<b>Language quality</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
<b>Conclusion</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
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<b>Peer-reviewer statements</b>	Peer-Review: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
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## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The paper delivers evidence about the correlations between specific EEG microstates, clinical scores for evaluation of depression and cognitive functions in patients with depression as compared to healthy controls. The study sample is adequate given the purpose, statistical methods are clearly described. The conclusions are supported with data. Maybe the manuscript may benefit from more extensive introduction to set the background for applications of EEG in psychiatry, including quantitative EEG bio-markers to predict and monitor the treatment response in depression.

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