Reviewer Report

Title: Large scale phylogenomic analysis resolves a backbone phylogeny in ferns

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Reviewer Comments to Author:

The authors satisfactory addressed all points raised in the previous round of review. The inclusion of a coalescent-based method to estimate the phylogeny is a very welcome addition and the differences in the obtained phylogenies are succinctly presented.

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