Reviewer’s report

Title: Female asylum seekers with musculoskeletal pain: the importance of diagnosis and treatment of hypovitaminosis D3

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General

The major comments have been addressed. Extensive revisions have been made to the manuscript and many of the issues have been clarified. This manuscript is a very nice addition to the growing literature of subclinical vitamin D insufficiency causing a vague chronic pain syndrome.

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

The term asylum seekers is not generally a term used in the US. I wonder if another term could be used. Would foreign refugees be a better term?

Some of the one or two sentence paragraphs could be combined to the preceding paragraphs.

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare I have no competing interests