Reviewer's report

Title: Quality of life of Bahraini women with breast cancer - Middle East Perspective: A cross sectional study

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This paper reports on quality of life in a sample of Bahraini women. Although the paper relatively reads well but there are several shortcoming with this manuscript:

1. There are several comparisons where it seems inappropriate. For instance there are a few number of women with monthly income higher than 2000 or stage IV. It seems the authors should take another approach to analyze the data. They could add 1000-2000 to the > 2000 or add stage 0 and stage 1 and stage III with stage 4.

2. The differences were found might be due small sample size in each categories.

3. Regression analysis needs further clarifications in the Methods. How the categorical data dealt with? etc.

4. Regression model is performed only for global quality of life. What about other measures?

5. I feel there is need for re-analysis of the data, re-writing the results section and accordingly changing the conclusion.

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'