Reviewer's report

Title: Validation of the Finnish Version of the SCOFF Questionnaire among Young Adults Aged 20 to 35 Years.

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Reviewer: german rueda

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All of our recommendations are discretionary revisions, except, the question 2 which is a minor essential revision

1. Is the question posed by the authors well defined?
   Yes, the question posed was correctly defined.

2. Are the methods appropriate and well described?
   Yes, although, we suggest to clarify if the interviewers and patients were blinded to the questionnaire’s results.

3. Are the data sound?
   Yes, the data are sound; anyway, we recommend describing the ROC area’s confidence intervals.

4. Does the manuscript adhere to the relevant standards for reporting and data deposition?
   Yes.

5. Are the discussion and conclusions well balanced and adequately supported by the data?
   Yes they are. We recommend not repeating the results of the study in the discussion.

6. Are limitations of the work clearly stated?
   Yes

7. Do the authors clearly acknowledge any work upon which they are building, both published and unpublished?
   Yes, they clearly acknowledge that this research is part of a national research that they are conducting in Finland to validate other scales.

8. Do the title and abstract accurately convey what has been found?
   The title and the abstract were accurately, but, we suggest mentioning in the abstract the good performance of the SCOFF to excluded eating disorders.

9. Is the writing acceptable?
Yes.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests