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Very interesting article on an important topic, based on a large homogenous population. Methods and design are scientifically sound. The article is well-written.

- Major Compulsory Revisions: None.

- Minor Essential Revisions:
  1. The reference in second last sentence in Background section is missing.
  2. The second last sentence in Results section –Prevalence of MetS is incomplete.

- Discretionary Revisions.
  None.

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.