Reviewer’s report

Title: Forecasting future prevalence of type 2 diabetes mellitus in Syria.

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This version of the manuscript is clearer than the previous version. Overall, I am not sure that the estimated figures how much can be reliable and valid. Authors compared the results from the IDF projection and discussed the differences between the estimation from the IDF and current study. In fact, the authors did not provide evidence and discuss the limitation of both comparison. Forcasted diabetes prevalence was estimated based on the conditions of obesity and smoking. The authors did not mention that any other common risk factor may contribute to the estimate in population. Some other life style habit and parameters should be considered as well.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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'