Reviewer's report

Title: Perseverant, non-indicated treatment of obese patients for obstructive lung disease

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1. Page 5, second paragraph. FEV1, FVC, TLC, are expressed in percentage OF THE PREDICTED VALUE.
2. Page 6, line 4 from the top. Substitute "restrictive physiology" with "restriction pattern".
3. Tab 1. Insert "number" and "percentage of the selected study sample" for gender, smoking habit and comorbidities.
4. Table 2. Values of FEV1, FVC, TLC, are expressed in percentage OF THE PREDICTED VALUE.
5. Table 4. It is no clear if table 4 shows treatment that study subjects reported to assume at baseline or follow-up testing. Clarify legend of the table 4.
6. Fig 2. Eliminate "A." from the legend.

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I declare that I have no competing interests