Reviewer's report

Title: Waist circumference and insulin resistance: a cross-sectional study of Japanese men

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Reviewer: Patrice Brassard

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The authors need to be congratulated for their effort in answering all my comments. I would still have minor suggestions for this revised manuscript.

Discretionary Revisions

In the methods section, the sentence "Women, particularly middle-aged ones, are very few in the SDF" should be inserted and discussed in the limitations and not in the methods.

In the results section, the authors should avoid adjectives and need to stay objective when reporting their results. Specifically, the authors should remove "fairly large" in the second paragraph of the results section.

In the last paragraph of page 9, I would suggest replacing "advantage" by "strength".

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests