Reviewer's report

Title: Profiling the clinical presentation of diagnostic characteristics of a sample of symptomatic TMD patients

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Report:
1. Is the question posed by the authors well defined? - The authors did answer some of the queries but failed to report other minor essential revisions that I have noted.
2. Are the methods appropriate and well described? - In materials and method it would be interesting to know the intra examiner correlation, authors did not respond. It would be nice to know the characteristics of sleep that the authors did use for their study which the authors did not respond in the manuscript.
3. Are the data sound?
4. Does the manuscript adhere to the relevant standards for reporting and data deposition?
5. Are the discussion and conclusions well balanced and adequately supported by the data? - The authors did not respond on the query regarding the emotional factors which has a strong role in muscle dysfunctions and bruxism and failed to discuss 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 Do the authors clearly acknowledge any work upon which they are building, both published and unpublished?
8. Do the title and abstract accurately convey what has been found? -Yes
9. Is the writing acceptable - Based on these I think if the authors can respond on these queries and the Editor thinks it is acceptable then I do agree with the editor.