Reviewer's report

Title: Dietary patterns in clinical subtypes of multiple sclerosis: an exploratory study

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The addition of kcal and changes to table 2 have substantially improved the paper. Overall, the study is sound and group size small but understandable given the challenges of human clinical research.

Major Compulsory
none

Minor Essential
Some inconsistencies still exist in Table 2. Carbonhydrate is still spelled incorrectly in table 2. In some place p<0,05, some p<0.05 and some 0.05.

Given the relatively small group size, more emphasis should be on the comparison between the MS patients and general population than among groups. Further support for this is the fact that MS may be multiple disease subtypes, not just the 3 defined by the authors.

Discretionary
none

This article should really be professionally edited. Simple things, for example "the body mass index (BMI) was assessed by dividing the body weight by the square of the body length" when height is the correct term make the manuscript more difficult to read than it should be.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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.