Reviewer's report

**Title:** Trait-specific tracking and determinant of body composition: a 7-year follow-up study of pubertal growth

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**Reviewer:** Roya Kelishadi

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- More details should be provided for the questionnaire used for dietary assessment.
- It is not clear how socioeconomic status has been categorized.
- There are some typos that should be corrected.

**Which journal?**: Appropriate or potentially appropriate for BMC Medicine: an exceptionally interesting article

**What next?**: Accept for publication in BMC Medicine without revision

**Quality of written English**: Acceptable

**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