Reviewer’s report

Title: Spanish validation of Bad Sobernheim Stress Questionnaire (BSSQ.es) for adolescents with braces

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The article is clearly improved compared to the previous version. However, I believe that some aspects should be corrected before it can be accepted.

Major Compulsory Revisions
1. Introduction. The first paragraph is somewhat dense. The connection of this paragraph with the topic of the article is unclear. The bibliographical citations do not correspond to the reference list and the style of citation must be modified according to that recommended by the Journal.
2. The section "Results and Discussion" should be separated in agreement to the norms of the Journal.
3. Results. The definition of the floor and ceiling effects refers to the percentage of patients in minimal/maximal possible punctuation. If the range of punctuation of the BSSQ goes from zero to 24, then there is no patient neither in maximum punctuation nor minim and, consistently, the floor and ceiling effects are zero %.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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'