Reviewer’s report

Title: Irritable bowel syndrome-like symptoms and health related quality of life two years after Roux-en-Y gastric bypass - a prospective cohort study

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Reviewer: Yoav Mazor

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I thank the authors for their reply to comments.

I believe the manuscript contains relevant and reliable information for decision making and patient information.

Nevertheless, there are crucial points that the authors seem to be unable to answer due to study design. These include:

No control group

Unavailable information regarding medication

Inability to differentiate among the functional abdominal pain syndromes, including pain vs discomfort as per Rome III

No consistent work up for symptoms

I suggest to reword the discussion as to have a paragraph starting with 'This study contains several major limitations...', and then list the relevant limitations as currently contained in the manuscript and also above.

Regarding IBS-subtype information, I find the added information interesting and clinically relevant. Were the increases in all subgroups statistically significant? I would suggest adding this information to the manuscript.
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Yes

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No

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I am able to assess the statistics

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