Reviewer’s report

Title: Prevalence of and Factors associated with Sarcopenia among Multi-Ethnic Ambulatory Older Asians with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus in a primary care setting

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Reviewer: Ellen Freiberger

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The authors are to congratulate for their well-improved manuscript. They have addressed most major components of the reviewer. Nevertheless, some comments remain and should be addressed before the manuscript can be considered for publication:

Background:

P 4 line 19-21 nutrition and physical activity are placed under environmental condition. This is confusing as both are lifestyle behavior factors. Furthermore, on p 7 line 90-91 PA is placed under lifestyle behavior. Please correct.

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