Reviewer's report

Title: Using an electronic activity monitor system as an intervention modality: A systematic review

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Discretionary Revisions (which are recommendations for improvement but which the author can choose to ignore)

1. NA

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

1. Intro, Paragraph 2, Sentence 2 – The authors state “Jakicic et al[4] reported that 150 minutes or more of PA a week can result in up to 7.5 kg of weight loss over time.” This sentence/citation is not fully accurate – In Jakicic et al [4] it is stated that 150 m/week MVPA results in 2-3 kg weight loss and 225-420 m/week MVPA results in 5-7.5 kg weight loss. Please edit accordingly.

Major Compulsory Revisions (which the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

1. In the section The state of the literature and recommendations for future work, recommendations 3 and 4 need to be more specific. It is not clear what the authors are recommending.

2. Similarly, the information/recommendations included in the paragraph following the 4 outlined recommendations is important. Why is this information not specifically highlighted and elaborated on like recommendations 1-4?

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests