Reviewer’s report

Title: Higher preoperative pain catastrophizing increases the risk of low patient reported satisfaction after carpal tunnel release: a prospective study

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I've find the paper very interesting and very actual. We are living in a period were the people is full of anxiety and the psychological part of the pathologies should be take more in consideration before treat a patients. Pain catastrophizing is but one of a number of variables that tap into a negative pain schema, including pain anxiety, fear of pain and pain helplessness. Moreover, pain catastrophizing shares significant variance with broader negative affect constructs, such as depression, anxiety, anxiety sensitivity, worry and neuroticism.

The paper is well written and well explained. The datas are well described with a good statical support and a well comparison with the literature.

Normally a 12 months of follow up is a too short period for publication but analyzing the effect of surgery for CTS I think the paper should be accepted for publication.

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