Reviewer’s report

Title: Sexual dysfunction in women with Multiple Sclerosis: Prevalence and impact on quality of life

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Reviewer: Rocco Calabrò

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This is a very interesting study dealing with sexual dysfunction (SD) in Female patients with MS, living in Iran, a place where sexuality is still a taboo.

The study methodology is well planned and the results convincing. However i have some concern, to improve the quality of the paper.

First of all, i see no mention of the drugs tooken by the patients: this is an issue that should be addressed, as antidepressants and antiepileptics used for pain and depression, as well as benzodiazepines and baclofen used for spasticity often lead or exacerbate SD. The relation between the disease and depression in inducing SD should be added, as well as the role of counselling in improving knowledge, management and quality of life in these patients. To this end, refer to the works by Calabrò et al (2019, 2018, 2015 and 2014) on these important topics.

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