Reviewer’s report

Title: Factors for successful weight loss after bariatric surgery. Are there really any predictive factors for a successful weight loss after bariatric surgery? : Results from a group of severely obese patients

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The paper is interesting but shows several critical points:

1. The authors should declare that bariatric surgery is effective in cases of obesity with BMI > 40 and BMI > 35 with comorbidity and not in all cases of obesity.

2. The difference between the number of subjects considered and those who actually entered the study is considerable. The criteria for inclusion and exclusion are not well described.

3. In general, bariatric subjects after one year almost always have a good efficacy in terms of %EBWL. It is from the third year that it is assessed whether the intervention has been successful and if there has been weight regain. Please underline this aspect.

4. The differences between 80% of subjects who had 50% EBW and 20% who did not have it are very few. In the discussion and in the title this aspect should be underlined rather than highlighting the differences.

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