Reviewer’s report

Title: Predictive factors for tooth loss during supportive periodontal therapy in patients with severe periodontitis: A Japanese multicenter study

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Reviewer: Bryar Koyi

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This is a good paper in terms of the scientific content. However, the language could be simplified to make reading the paper easier. There are some very long sentences that can be broken down, and there are some terms that can be shortened. An example specialist periodontists has been described as (periodontal disease specialist dentists). In my opinion, there is no need to use 4 words to describe specialist periodontists since this is a scientific oral health journal.

The study also mentions aggressive and chronic periodontitis. It would be interesting for the authors to make a comment on the significance of this, because this classification was abolished in June 2018.

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