Reviewer's report

Title: Physical fitness and levels of physical activity in people with severe mental illness: a cross sectional study

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Reviewer: PAUL GORCZYNSKI

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This was a brief and novel study that illustrated some interesting points about physical activity and fitness in people living with SMI. Overall, not much was found aside from grip strength and balance. The authors may wish to highlight the important points of their research and focus on the future. Specifically, some notes to make regarding your paper:

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