Reviewer’s report

Title: Prevalence of obesity among school-age children and adolescents in the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) States: a systematic review

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Reviewer: Luana Bernardi

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The objective of the research is extremely important, since in addition to dealing with juvenile obesity, it raises data that can be useful for the creation of public policies in the Gulf Cooperation Council. The paper presents a methodology that is in agreement with a systematic review. The protocol applied to select and evaluate the articles of the literature demonstrates that specific, detailed and careful criteria have been followed, which yields reliable results and can be published. An example of this is the application of the PICO principle, well defended in a systematic quality review process. In addition, the authors can well justify the limitations of the study, which are fully acceptable. Because of this, I agree with the publication of this paper.

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