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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This study is interesting and useful for the medical practice. I suggest to the authors to point out two aspects (as limitations of the study) to discussion: 1. It would also be interesting to analyze the relationship between patient's knowledge about the disease and the degree of adherence to treatment, aspect that must be quantified in future studies, and the possible relationship between these two parameters and the quality of life. 2. The patient's average level of knowledge about their disease is at least at an alarming rate, if not a surprising one. It is no wonder that this low level is not able to influence the quality of life. It would be desirable to repeat the study in the future, after the application of a medical education program focused on these diseases, followed by verification, for several years.