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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Interesting study with accurate methodology. The findings might not be surprising, but science needs always to check what we observe on a regular basis and measure it, in order to be able to predict in the future similar findings. Your study shows and ponderates the relationship between IBS and its risk factors, standarized in the main clinical guidelines. It interesting to see how Anemia+Fecal occult blood+Unintended weight loss get a 100% of PPV of organic disease. It would be interesting to stratify the weight loss in different levels (as shown in the table), or the severity of the anemia. However, I find it a well-structured interesting study. Congratulations

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A well-focured study of a disease that has a high prevalence in the general population. The conclusions are not particularly innovative however it should be considered that strengthening the evidence of which symptoms are red flag of underlying organic pathologies in the population for suspected IBS is in any case necessary.