

## Review of: "Causality Analysis for Non-Communicable Diseases, Obesity, and Health Expenditure: Toda Yamamoto Approach"

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The article uses an interesting approach to analyse the previously studied associations between obesity, multimorbidity and health expenditure, offering a different methodological perspective on them. The results are sound, and supportive of the need to tackle these issues in clinical and social practice. However, I would like to point out the lack of people-first language in the manuscript (e.g. 'obese person' vs 'person with obesity'). I would like to encourage researchers to be mindful of it, to avoide perpetrating the use of stigmatising language in the scientific community.

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