

For instance, in the revised version the numbers of persons with hypertension (Table 1) are indicated as 25, yet males with HTN are listed as 8 and females as 11 (which adds to 19). **The total is 19 for hypertension.**

In their note on the association between Food Habits and ailments, the authors state that there is an association between skipping meals and hypertension, diabetes, and body ailments--implying a positive association. Yet the correlation in the table is negative. **The correlations with sign of * is referenced as significant**

The authors state that 1/3 of the participants were "malnourished" but do not define this clearly. They appear to include in this category underweight AND obesity. **The correction now includes all categories of malnutrition.**

The paper's basic scientific aims are not well defined, with the result that too much ground is covered in too superficial a manner. **The major aim is to assess the common body ailments dietary pattern and nutrition of elderly and their relationships.**

In my opinion a paper could still be salvaged from the manuscript but more work is needed in close collaboration with a statistician/epidemiologist and nutritionist to produce a worthy scientific contribution.