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The paired study “12-year Trajectory of Health-Related Quality of Life in Gastric Bypass Patients vs. Comparison Groups” is a welcome addition to the literature. It thoroughly reports prospectively obtained 12-year health-related quality of life (HRQOL) data after gastric bypass surgery, compared with two non-surgical groups (those that sought but did not undergo bariatric surgery, and those with severe obesity that did not seek surgery). It is an important contribution as little is known about HRQOL in the long term after treatment for severe obesity, and well designed and conducted HRQOL studies are needed to understand how patients feel and function after treatment¹. Indeed, HRQOL was one of the “core” outcomes selected by patients and health professionals for a core outcome set for bariatric surgery².

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