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This manuscript investigates the lived experiences, perceptions, and care requirements of temporary colostomy patients within their home environment, contributing to develop standardized management protocol for temporary colostomy patients. Identifying factors influencing patients’ self-care at home and proposing strategies to mitigate barriers can serve as a foundational framework for developing and implementing nursing interventions tailored to the needs of patients with temporary intestinal stomas. The topic is of great significance, and the manuscript is clearly presented. I have only a few minor concerns: 1. There are several English and typographical errors in the manuscript. Examples include line 4 of the results in abstract, “progression;” should be “progression;”. In 3.3.1, “Instead” should be “therefore”. In the abstract, there should be a space after “Aim;”. 2. In the discussion section 4.2, the authors mentioned “Research indicates that patients often maintain overly optimistic beliefs regarding stoma reversion”. This statement is inconsistent with the survey results of this study, and the reference (PMID: 19694841) provided by the authors also did not convey this conclusion. 3. It would be better to discuss the potential limitations in this
study. For example, the sample size was not large enough. What’s more, the proportion of male patients (10/12) was greater than that female of patients (2/12), thus there may be gender bias in the results.