Letter to Editor

Letter by Xiao and Song Regarding the Article “Relation Between Obesity, Metabolic Syndrome, Successful Long-Term Weight Reduction, and Right Ventricular Function”

To the Editor,

We read with great interest the article by Zeller, et al.1 which concluded that obesity has less effects on right ventricular function independent of the presence of metabolic syndrome.

It is well known that obstructive sleep apnea is associated independently and strongly with reduced right ventricular function measured by echocardiography, which is confounded by obesity,2 and that obstructive sleep apnea is associated with obesity.3 In the study by Zeller, et al.,1 however, the condition of obstructive sleep apnea were not described in detail. Are there any relations between the results of the study by Zeller, et al.1 and the condition of obstructive sleep apnea? Therefore, the results of the study by Zeller, et al.1 should be interpreted with care according to the condition of obstructive sleep apnea.

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