To provide the most helpful academic review and improve structure and flow, I must fully understand the study. I would be grateful if you could clarify the following points before I continue the reviewing/ editing process.

1. **Research questions**

The data collected in the study includes:

1. Ethnicity: Arab or Jewish (and other sociodemographic characteristics)
2. PPD score
3. QoL score

The exact study questions need to be clarified. The possible questions are:

1. Is PPD associated with ethnicity (different between Arab and Jewish women)
2. Is QoL associated with ethnicity (different between Arab and Jewish women)
3. Is QoL associated with PPD?
4. Is the association between QOL and PPD different between Arab and Jewish women (is there interaction)?

**Table 2** compares PPD and QoL separately in the two ethnicities and responds to questions 1 and 2.

**Table 3** examines the association between PPD and QoL but does not compare between ethnicities, responding to question 3.

**Table 4** presents a model that shows that ethnicity does not affect the association between PPD and QoL significantly (p=0.09)

Is this correct? Is this how you see the study?

1. **Variables**

I think there is some confusion with the dependent/independent variables. In the Methods section, PPD is defined as an independent variable. However, in Table 2, it is analyzed as a dependent variable. In the Statistical Methods section, ‘Bivariate analysis was performed to examine associations between the independent variables and PPD…’ (PPD is dependent?)

I suggest that ethnicity is the independent variable, and PPD and QoL are dependent, but it is best to consult a statistician.

1. **WHOQOL-BREF scores**

According to the Methods section and Table 3, only a partial set of 16 questions were used from the WHOQOL-BREF questionnaire. With a 5-point Likert scale, shouldn’t the scores be between 16 and 80?

A range of 26–130 and a cutoff point of ≥87 between lower and higher QoL are mentioned in the methods, and in Table 3, 93-94 is the cutoff. (In addition, the ‘high’ and ‘low’ are the wrong way around in the table). Could you please clarify if the scale is 26–130 or 16–80?

1. **Statistical methods**

‘Bivariate analysis was performed to examine associations between the independent variables and PPD using the Chi-square test including the calculation for odds ratios (OR), and t-test.’

This sentence is unclear. Could you please write the statistical test used in a comment under each table?