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1 Original submission

1 comment · 21 Oct 2024

Editor-in-Chief

MAJOR REVISION 21 Oct 2024

Dear Editor
According to the reviewers' and associate editor's comments, the article needs major revision. It seems that a similar article has already been published. Please explain the similarities and differences between the work under review and this article. In addition, please send us the full text of the published article.

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Revision 1

AUTHORS' RESPONSE TO REVIEWERS

Authors' reply to reviewers

The next pages contain the authors' point-by-point reply to the comments of this revision round, as submitted with the revised manuscript. It is published as the authors wrote it.

Tuesday, October 29, 2024

Dear Reviewers,

Response to Reviewers' Comments:
Reviewer 1
Comment: There is similar research to this study.
Response: We appreciate the reviewer's attention to existing literature. We affirm that this research is an original work created by my team and has not been published elsewhere.

Associate Editor
Comment: A similar article, titled *"The Crucial Role of Psychological Support, Social Resources, and Positive Self-Esteem in Enhancing Resilience Among Traumatic Amputees: Preliminary Insights from North Batinah, Oman"* was found on ResearchGate.
Response: Thank you for highlighting this concern. The referenced title appears on ResearchGate under my student's name, listed solely as a project title. This was an unintended action, and I have requested that it be removed. We apologise for any confusion.

It has been removed and was under the link (https://www.researchgate.net/publication/384286869_The_Crucial_Role_of_Psychological_Support_Social_resources_and_positive_self-esteem_in_Enhancing_Resilience_Among_Traumatic_Amputees_Preliminary_Insights_from_North_Batinah_Oman)

Sincerely,
A.A.
Correspondence Author

2 Revision 1

2 comments · 14 Dec 2024 – 18 Dec 2024

Associate Editor

MAJOR REVISION 14 Dec 2024

- Make the introduction shorter.
- Also include the exclusion criteria.
- Include the name and version of the software used.
- Mention if your research plan has an ethics code.
- Justify your sample size with scientific reasons.
- Explain the abbreviations related to gender below Table 1.
- What do you mean by Amputation
Type in Table 1? Provide the necessary explanations below the table.
- Report the significance level of the variables in Table 3.
- I did not understand what the difference is between Tables 2, 4, and 5. If you can, make them more clear and combine them. The interpretation of the data in each table should be reported below it.
- Please classify the data in Table 7 as follows: the first column should have the main scales, the second column should have the subscales, and the third column should have open codes.

Editor-in-Chief

MAJOR REVISION 18 Dec 2024

Dear Authors
According to the reviewers' and associate editor's comments, your article requires major revision. When revising your manuscript, please consider all issues mentioned in the reviewers' comments carefully: please outline every change made in response to their comments.

In addition, include a flow diagram for participant selection.
Provide a detailed description of the statistical methods used, including how confounding was addressed.
Discuss limitations and potential biases more comprehensively.

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Revision 2

AUTHORS' RESPONSE TO REVIEWERS

Authors' reply to reviewers

The next pages contain the authors' point-by-point reply to the comments of this revision round, as submitted with the revised manuscript. It is published as the authors wrote it.

Associate Editor 1:

- Make the introduction shorter

The introduction has been revised to reduce its length.

- Also include the exclusion criteria.

Exclusion criteria have been incorporated into the manuscript.

- Include the name and version of the software used

The quantitative analysis software has already been provided, and the thematic analysis software is now included in the manuscript.

- Mention if your research plan has an ethics code.

Ethical considerations have now been addressed, and ethical approval has already been mentioned.

- Justify your sample size with scientific reasons.

The study sample now has scientific justification.

- Explain the abbreviations related to gender below Table 1.

Explanation provided in the revised version

- What do you mean by Amputation Type in Table 1? Provide the necessary explanations below the table.

Explanation provided in the revised version

- Report the significance level of the variables in Table 3.

Significance level is provided in the revised version

- I did not understand what the difference is between Tables 2, 4, and 5? If you can, make them more clear and combine them. The interpretation of the data in each table should be reported below it.

Table 2 presents the mean findings across the study variables, while Tables 4 and 5 compare the means between different groups: Table 4 focuses on work status, and Table 5 on psychological support provision.

- Please classify the data in Table 7 as follows: the first column should have the main scales, the second column should have the subscales, and the third column should have open codes.

The modified table includes all themes and subthemes in the updated version.

In addition, include a flow diagram for participant selection.

The diagram is now provided in the revised version

Provide a detailed description of the statistical methods used, including how confounding was addressed.
The revised version includes a description for analysis and addresses the confounding impact.

Discuss limitations and potential biases more comprehensively.
Limitation section was revised and biases and statistical limitation were elaborated.

Diagram 1 is not mentioned in the text correctly (or you have forgotten to mention one or more figures in the article body).

The sample section is now referring to Diagram 1 in the selection description.

3 Revision 2

2 comments · 17 Jan 2025 – 18 Jan 2025

Maliheh Khalvati Reviewer

ACCEPT 17 Jan 2025

I have carefully reviewed all comments from the reviewers and have made the necessary revisions to the manuscript. I believe that I have adequately addressed all concerns raised, and I am therefore prepared to recommend acceptance of this paper.

Editor-in-Chief

ACCEPT 18 Jan 2025

Dear Authors
We are pleased to inform you that your article is accepted for publication in the MEJRHS. We hope to receive other suitable articles from your group.