

Review of: "The symptomatic expression of infection with the Omicron variant in Chinese patients; findings from the Clifical COVID-19 clinical case registry"

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This is an interesting study, there are only minor comments. I encourage the authors to present the course of the disease with respect to homeopathic treatment.

Page 1, Results: Please rewrite (also take care of lower case letters): "With respect to A), the most frequently reported clinical symptoms were respectively cough (71%), fever (65%), extreme tiredness (58%), headache (51%), sore throat (46%), runny nose (34%), unusual muscle pains (31%), hoarseness (21%), eye soreness (8%) and brain fog (6%). With respect to B), cough and fever related symptoms appeared to be particularly prevalent."

Page 2, line 8: "... The Lancet"

Page 2, para 4: "In this study we report in detail on the symptoms of Chinese patients": Please clarify clinical or homeopathic symptoms?

Page 2, Material and Methods, line 1: "Retrospective analysis of prospectively collected," Please clarify: retrospective or prospective?

Page 2 M&M: "diagnostic criteria": Being not an expert in laboratory analyses, which of the described criteria proves the "omicron" variant? In addition, antigen testing alone may not confirm omicron. Please clarify.

Page 3, line 2: Was this flu questionnaire ever published? If yes, then cite.

Page 3, end of first para: Add company, town and country of RadarOpus

Page 3, Table 1: I am wondering about the paucity of homeopathic fever symptoms, e.g. circadian rhythm, etc..

Page 4, legend of Table 1: Explain abbreviation first "HMP"

Page 4, para 1, line 3: I am wondering that ICU patients could complete a 171-item questionnaire: Or were relatives helping? I am also surprised that patients were willing to complete such an extensive questionnaire.

Page 4, para 3, line 2: Explain abbreviation first "GDPR/HIPAA"

Page 4, para 6: Statistical analyses: Were statisticians blinded?

Page 5, Figure 1: After excluding 19 patients, 347 remain. However, only 330 patients with symptoms/rubrics are evaluated. Please explain the difference.

Page 6, Table 2: Since children are included, it should be described in M&M that parents have completed the questionnaires for their children.

Page 7, legend of Figure 2: Explain numbers 0 to 200 in axis of ordinates

Page 8, line 8: Please correct: "...related to one ..."

Page 9: Please insert "clinical" symptoms three times. Also include the number of patients in France.

Page 9, legend of Figure 4: insert that the left axis is in %.

Page 10, Discussion, para 6, line 5 Replace “homeopathic medicine” by HMP