

# Review of: "Marine Medical Response: Exploring the Training, Role and Scope of Paramedics and Paramedicine (ETRSp)"

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## VERSION 1

The **abstract** does not describe the study design and there is no item describing purposes, objectives or methodology.

The **study design** seems to be framed as a narrative review of the literature.

The **justification** for the work is implicit in the introduction and I am convinced of the importance of the topic and its applicability. But the **purpose** and **objectives** are unclear.

It is essential that scientific studies clearly present the **methodology** of their research and execution. A study needs to be reproducible and, to this end, contain as much description as possible to allow reproduction. This item also explains how the basic references used were found, as well the study design .

In the most part of the text there are **no citations**. If a work is intended to be a literature review, it is imperative to do so. It is not necessary to use too many references, but it is necessary that the text be guided through a review process.

The **tables** that guide immediate treatment procedures do not present references related to professional consensus or scientific guidelines.

In the **figure** that illustrates the process of pressure increase as a function of depth, there is an awkwardness regarding the captions, where there is "figure 1", "figure 2", "figure 3" in just one image. I suggest separating the images or considering them as just one, adding just a caption at the end explaining each relationship presented.

It is important that the image **references** are clear regarding authorship and the information contained. This extends to tables.

I believe it is important to point out **ethical aspects**, even if the the study design does not require submission to research ethics committees.

The main topic has potential for continuity and stimulation of research, as well as changes in public policies and procedures, allowing for an item on **future perspectives**.

## VERSION 2

Aspects about study design, ethical aspects, purpose, objectives, significance and methodology were included, which **greatly improved** the structure. Text development based on the review, including citations, has been also improved.

I keep suggestions regarding references to what is presented in the tables and image configuration.

I hope I contributed.

Best Regards.