

Review of: "Skin related health issues among health care workers due to utilizing of personal protective equipment during COVID-19 pandemic in Pakistan"

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Thanks the authors for conducting this research which is timely COVID-19 pandemic related. It was an interesting study on medical healthcare workers' skin protection. The good points are detailed sample size calculation, validation of the translated questionnaire, and details of the ethics application no. was mentioned.

However, there are few minor corrections needed:

Please spell out the abbreviations used in the manuscript, e.g. HCW in the abstract.

In the Methods of Abstract, the number of questionnaire responder 52 should be supported by sample size calculation. Or the number of planned questionnaire responder should be listed out instead of the actual responder. From the main text, the planned sample size is 100, so please list out the details on such in Abstract.

Google should start with a capital letter G for google forms, as if WhatsApp used subsequently in the same sentence.

"... and majority respond "no" 45 (86.5%)" something is missed here, it should be "... and majority respond "no" (n=45, 86.5%)". Same applies to similar sentence structure in the main text.

For Figure 1, the % and numbers were overlapping, making readers difficult to read. Please amend.

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In short, this study is under powered to prove the results given 52 responder instead of the planned 100 subjects were recruited. Besides, setting in a private hospital might have different results from the public hospitals where most COVID-19 patients were managed under the pandemic.