

# Review of: "Factors Influencing Youth Drug Abuse: A Review Study"

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Thank you for the opportunity to review the article titled "Factors Influencing Youth Drug Abuse: A Review Study". This study sought to review literature suggesting links between Youth and Drug use/abuse. I commend the author(s) for their interest in an important topic, that is the study of drug use during adolescence. However, there are several areas of this article that dampen my enthusiasm.

1. There are few statements in the introduction that I believe need refining. For example, the importance of the definition of "drug abuse" and "drug dependence". Please watch for outdated language. Drug abuse for instance should be replaced with "substance use disorder".
2. It seems as though there are a vast number of studies missing from this review. Relations among drug use and adolescence are very common, and it is unclear to this reviewer why these aren't included. See just a few below. While I commend the authors on undertaking such a large task, I'm unsure what it is a narrative review in this method.
3. A clearer method would be very important, such as the date of the search and other databases other than Google Scholar, and the language.
4. You included "ethnicity" in the biology factors in section 3.2. Try to use concepts.
5. In section "Recommendations", I really like this section, however it is better if try to use the perspective of cultures and society, and bring more real examples in communities for solve this problem.
6. In general, it is well written and some sections are very explanatory, which makes it easy to read and realistically reachable for people in society, not just for scientists. I really liked it!