

## Review of: "Reasons for diagnostic delays in Bipolar Disorder: Systematic review and narrative synthesis"

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Potential competing interests: I have no conflict of interest.

Thank you for this manuscript. The topic of the article was interesting and practical. However, I have some points of feedback which may help improve the manuscript.

- 1. Arrange the final articles chronologically in Table 7 (from old to new).
- 2. How did you do the theming? With what pattern? How did you agree on the themes?
- 3. The number of articles in the themes does not match with the number of articles included in the analysis, which is 21.
- 4. The number of final articles in the Prisma figure (17) does not match the number of final studies in the text (21).
- 5. Change Table 2 to a figure because it is not a table.
- 6. Add conflict of interest in the article.