

## Review of: "Mental health in fishing communities: An overview of current knowledge and information gaps for fisheries"

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The paper concerns a scoping review aimed at identifying the breadth of mental health aspects in fisheries literature, establishing the geographical focus of fisheries mental health literature and examining the factors responsible for the global disparity in fisheries mental health literature.

First of all, I would like to congratulate the authors for this peculiar and current research. In my opinion, the manuscript is quite interesting and has some value.

I would just like to make a few observations and suggestions for the authors to contemplate:

- 1. In order to make the structure of the paper more evident perhaps it would be appropriate to number and differentiate better sections and subsections.
- 2. In the section "Hotspot mapping of geographical distribution of available literature" is mentioned in the text "equation above", perhaps it would be more appropriate to indicate the number of the equation as done for the previous one and therefore write "Equation 2".
- 3. In the caption of Figure 1, Figure 2 and Figure 3 the source of the figures is not mentioned, perhaps it is better to specify it for clarity.
- 4. In the section "Discussion" (at the end of the subsection dedicated to Europe) there is a quote from Turner et al. (2018), if it is a direct quotation it could be better to insert it in quotation marks or in any case in such a way as to differentiate it from the rest of the text.
- 5. In the section "Discussion", in the subsection concerning North America, there is a typo when Palinkas et al. (1993) is cited: the **a** of **et al** is missing.

Finally, I would thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this research and I think addressing the abovementioned aspects can strengthen this important investigation.