

# Review of: "Perceptions and Attitudes about COVID-19 Vaccines Regarding Vaccine Intention and Hesitancy of Attendants of a Healthcare Center in Northern Cyprus"

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## INTRODUCTION AND OBJECTIVES

- "By 2022, of the percentages of people with a complete initial vaccination protocol were 88.95% in China, 88.67% in Cuba, 86.48% in Portugal, 80.96% in Italy, 76.02% in Germany, 75.13% in the United Kingdom, 62.67% in Turkey and 67.18% in the USA."

The author should consider rephrasing this: "By 2022, China had 88.95% of the initial population with the complete vaccination protocol..."

- "For example, the rates of fully vaccinated people were 56.21% in Pakistan, 35.57% in Egypt, 31.84% in Ethiopia and 11.56% in Nigeria in the same period."

The author should consider rephrasing this: "For example, in Pakistan only 56,21% of the population had the full vaccination protocol..."

- "Vaccine hesitancy was previously defined as the delay in acceptance or refusal of vaccination services despite their availability."

Please provide a reference.

- "In societies where vaccination services are sufficiently available, the factor that is most influential on vaccination rates is vaccine hesitancy [9][10][11]. Vaccine hesitancy constitutes a prominent barrier to the uptake of the COVID-19 vaccine in high-income countries or regions [10][12]."

This idea was mentioned earlier on the text. The author should consider to re-direct this sentence to two paragraphs ago.

- “Objective: The current study aims to investigate the vaccine uptake, intention to accept the COVID-19 vaccines and vaccine hesitancy rates in the society of Northern Cyprus and associated factors.”

The author should place this sentence before the sentence “To the best of our knowledge...”

The author should re-organize the Introduction as the following way:

- Data on vaccination,
- Vaccination hesitancy,
- Research Question,
- Preliminary Results,
- Organization of the rest of the manuscript.

## METHODS

- Outcome Measurement

Is this the Dependent Variable? Please clarify this.

- “The data collection tool was a questionnaire designed by the researchers, utilizing ...”

Is the questionnaire available on an appendix?

Please consider substituting “utilizing” by “using”.

- (frequency, mean, median, standard deviation, maximum-minimum values)

The author has no need to mention the considered statistics. They will be shown on the tables.

- Ethics Issues

The author should consider placing this section by the end of the paper, near the conflicts of interest.