

## Review of: "Medical students' disease status of COVID-19: A multicenter study"

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Dear authors, despite the theme being important, the study does not bring scientific innovation. I made some specific notes:

Summary: do not use acronyms

Introduction: it only brings information that is already common knowledge in relation to COVID-19. The introduction focused on generic data from Pakistan, rather than on medical students, which is the focus of the study. What are the gaps in the literature in relation to the theme? Why is it important to carry out this study? The rationale for the study is unclear.

Method: the abbreviations MBBS and BDS are meaningless throughout the text

It is not clear whether the study was conducted only with medical students, or with medical and dental students.

Results: There is a number of non-respondents greater than 30% in several variables. Shouldn't these data have been excluded from the analysis?

Figures should present the most important results of the work. I see no sense in presenting the distribution of students by region (figures 1 and 2). What is the importance of these 2 graphics at work?

Discussion and conclusion bring nothing new. Only information that is already consolidated in the literature.

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