

Review of: "Coronavirus COVID-19: A Short Review on the Psychological Effects of Coronavirus, How It Disturbs Social Life, Its Mechanism to Affect the Central Nervous System, Possible Modes of Transmission, and the Smart Lockdown Policy of Pakistan"

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Title and Abstract

- Title of the manuscript is quite lengthy and unclear. Consider making the title more concise and clearer.
- The title mentions "Coronavirus COVID-19," which is redundant.
- The abstract lacks structure. There is no cohesive flow of information.
- In the abstract, few abbreviations are mentioned for the first time without spelling them out. E.g. ACE2
- Redundancy; in the abstract authors repeated certain points multiple times, such as the mention of stress, anxiety, and depression, as well as the impact on various organs.
- The abstract lacks scope and context for the review being conducted.

The Introduction

- This sentence is not clear: "In this century, coronavirus is spreading a severe respiratory disorder in humans and has demolished all researched treatments"
- The objective of the review covers a wide range of topics. The review could benefit from refinement in terms of scope and inclusion of specific questions.
- The authors' objectives stated that they would cover the psychological effects and social impact of COVID-19. However, the majority of the review primarily focused on transmission, with limited attention given to psychological effects.
- Same would apply for the effects on CNS

Main Body

- The review seems to lack organization and clarity. For example, authors might benefit from considering the orders of the paragraphs.

- “The angiotensin-converting enzyme ACE2 plays a role as a receptor for SARS-CoV-2. ACE2 is present in the endothelial linings of all organs, especially the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys....”. Redundant information. Authors already mentioned this somewhere else.
- Paragraph 5. Modes of Transmission: authors mentioned ‘Human to human transmission was first studied by Chan et al.’ Please cite the correct reference.

The conclusion

- The conclusion makes general statements without any specific evidence, in addition, authors did not draw any meaningful conclusions.