

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

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Thank you very much for the interesting manuscript related to diagnostic delays in bipolar disorder.

I have listed my recommendations:

1-) In the *Complex nature of BD* section, you can also mention the comorbidity of schizophrenia.

2-) You can also specify countries.

*The studies demonstrated that socioeconomic status was linked with delays in seeking help, as patients would be faced with healthcare costs.*

3-) You can highlight the novelty of the study in the discussion section. You should discuss the common patterns in the studied papers. Also, you can report the limitations of the studies.

4-) If possible, you can also mention other confounding factors in those reviewed studies.