

Review of: "The Punishment Intensity for Research Misconduct and Its Related Factors: An Exploratory Study on Hospitals in Mainland China"

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Thank you for your significant improvement; however:

1. The title, objectives, hypothesis, and results have been improved.
2. In the abstract, references are not accepted. "Please remove the in-text citation."
3. Under the section "Data and Sample Collection," in the second line, "fill the empty brackets."
4. In Figure 2, the upper part of the independent variables is "These are bar charts and not a histogram." Only the lower part of punishment integrity is a histogram. Correct the title of the upper part to bar charts.
5. Figures 2, 5, and Appendix 4 are of low quality and low resolution. You need to improve their resolution.
6. The title of Figure 3 contains a spelling error, "ofmultivariate." Make a space.
7. The reference "Li, Dan, and Gustaaf Cornelis. 2020b" is not written in the full authors' names as in Li, Dan, and Gustaaf Cornelis. 2020a. If that is not recommended as the publisher reference style, you have to write it completely.

I hope you find the comments and suggestions valuable to improve your paper.