

## Review of: "Fornix and Uncinate Fasciculus Support Metacognition-Driven Cognitive Offloading"

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The study enrolled 34 participants to investigate how connections between brain regions support metacognition-driven cognitive offloading by DTI. The study provided new insights into metacognition-driven cognitive offloading. Some issues should be considered prior to publication.

- 1. In the "Participants" section, please describe the age range of participants enrolled.
- 2. In the "Participants" section, it is recommended to add a Cohort diagram of the selection of participants.
- 3. In the "Participants" section, please explain whether participants enrolled were right-handed or left-handed and whether these two groups would influence the results.
- 4. In the "Results" section, please describe how to estimate the cooperation degree of participants.
- 5. In the "Results" section, the intelligence levels might be an important factor in the cognitive offloading task, whereas the intelligence levels of participants were not considered during the study. Please explain.
- 6. In the "Results" section, it is recommended to add more demographic data of participants.
- 7. In the "Results" section, Figure 2 should be modified to make it clearer.
- 8. In view of the relatively small sample size (although the authors improved results by some methods) and statistical method, the results and conclusions should be described more cautiously.

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