

# Review of: "[Review Article] Drug Use Disorder and Coping Mechanisms Due to COVID-19 Pandemic Measures: A Cross-Sectional Survey"

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First, thank you very much for giving me the opportunity to review this manuscript that deals with a relevant topic using an interesting method such as big data.

The presentation of the manuscript is generally quite clear, easy to understand, and informative. The abstract is well structured.

I have three big concerns related to the external and internal validity of this study.

The first of them is that all the analyses are based on the country. This makes it impossible to extrapolate the results to other places in the world. From my point of view, it is more interesting to analyse the situation in each country in function of the basic health areas.

The second concern relates to the analysis of the data. The authors examined the use of morphine and other drugs. Because, what are those drugs?

Finally, add the ethical approval and the duration of the study.