

# Review of: "The Impact on People's Well-being of Utilizing Greenery in the Design of High-rise Residential Building Balconies"

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# Reviewer's report

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Title: "The Impact on People's Well-being of Utilizing Greenery in the Design of High-rise Residential Building Balconies"

### **General Comment**

The manuscript concerns a really important and interesting issue. The manuscript is well written, well organized, and logically structured. Therefore, in my opinion, some minor revisions, which can improve the understanding of the quality of the research and highlight its novelty and findings, are necessary before the manuscript could be considered for publication in *Int. Journals*.

# **Minor revisions**

- The authors should provide and discuss all the related effects on the perception and sensation of the socio-cultural background and employment (work activity, type of work performed, working hours and days of the week of commitment, etc.) of the elements/subjects of the sample studied.
- Factors such as orientation, the shape of the balcony (e.g., loggia or other...), and the access of solar radiation to it should be investigated because they have a direct effect on vision and perception as well as on mental representation and sensations. The authors should explain why they were not considered in the application of the investigation method to which they refer.
- The authors should explain why they did not consider parameters such as locality, urban, territorial context... and/or neighbourhood, block, group of buildings, and presence of greenery, parks, gardens, or surrounding woods...
- The authors should better explain the type of greenery (plant species, height, size, leaf diameter and biological characteristics, PAR, UV filtration, and pollutant absorption capacity, etc.) that was considered in their study.
- The whole written text of the manuscript should be checked for grammar, expression, and style by a native English speaker.
- In the whole text of the manuscript, there are many repetitions, often of the same sentence (e.g., " .... the impact of using greenery in the balcony design on users' well-being" ....maybe, the concept to which this sentence alludes can be



summarized and expressed differently).

• The authors could use the Mendeley Reference Management to standardize bibliographic citations (all the references) and follow an approved and proven international method.

Level of interest: Research work with a good level of interest.

Quality of written English: Editing of the English language for grammar and style is required before being published.

**Statistical review**: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

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