Review of: "Need for cognition moderates the impairment of decision making caused by nightshift work in nurses"

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This study shows the fatigue level and decision making ability of female nurses after night shift using IGT. This study is very interesting although it has some limitations.

My comments are listed below.

1) The background information is insufficient. Please describe the factors that affect decision-making ability. For example, please describe educational history and medications.

2) Some diseases are known to decrease the IGT. Please cite the following references and state that you have excluded these diseases.

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Dec;45(16):3377-91. doi: 10.1017/s003329171500152x.

3) The following report shows that depressive symptoms affect IGT performance. Please cite the following

article and describe how depressive symptoms were assessed in this study.

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I hope my comments will be helpful.