# Review of: "Mediating Role of Outsourcing on The Relationship Between Lean Manufacturing Practices and Profitability"

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The Relevance and Appropriateness of the Topic Overall, the topic of the paper is relevant and appropriate. However, there are some areas that require major corrections and improvements in order to enhance its overall quality.

Abstract: Specifically, the main problem, objective, design, population, sample size and sampling techniques, main findings, and recommendations should be addressed more clearly and accurately.

The introduction lacks a structured approach and fails to support the argument with current and relevant literature. It is crucial to provide a clear framework in the introduction and ensure that the argument is robustly supported by up-to-date literature.

The references used in the literature review are outdated and insufficient to establish a strong foundation for the necessity of conducting the proposed study on outsourcing as a mediator. It is recommended to incorporate more recent and relevant literature to strengthen the research background.

The choice of words used in the methodology section, such as "cross-sectional research" instead of "cross-sectional survey," needs to be reviewed for accuracy and clarity. Furthermore, the flow and sequencing of processes and procedures within the methodology are problematic and should be addressed.

Additionally, if sampling techniques are used simultaneously, it is essential to provide a clear and explicit outline of how these techniques will be applied. This will enhance the overall rigor and transparency of the research methodology.

Interpretation: The interpretation of the results lacks depth and should be further expanded upon. It is important to delve into the significance and implications of the findings in order to provide a comprehensive understanding for the readers.

The conclusion section lacks structure and clarity. It should be based on the main findings, their relevance to the main problem, and the achievement of the main objective. Additionally, suggestions for the applicability of the derived model should be provided to add depth and practicality to the conclusion.

Overall, the paper requires significant editing and major corrections. There is a need for improvement in terms of structure, clarity, and accurate representation of key concepts. It is suggested that the authors thoroughly revise the paper to address these concerns and enhance its overall quality.