

Review of: "Measuring the harms of psychotropic substance use and poly-use in the nightlife scene: a pilot application of poly-drug use indicators on Italian data collected within the ALAMA study"

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Thank you for the opportunity to review this interesting and valuable article. This paper addresses the challenging problem of on polydrug use, in particular new psychoactive substance use, among nightlife attendants. It is shown that the use of poly-drug use indicators can be useful for characterizing high-risk subgroups of users which is of great benefit to professionals working with this problem.

I have a few comments:

1. In the introduction, I think that references should be put.
2. Could the authors insert the questionnaire with which the respondents were surveyed?
3. Given that the data was taken on an online survey, were there any limitations of the study.
4. By my opinion, the cited literature should be corrected in some references.

For example

Instead of

"van Amsterdam J., Nutt D. J., Phillips L. D., van den Brink W. (2015). European rating of drug harms,.J. Psychopharmacol, 29(6), 655-660".

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