

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

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This article is good as it attempts to address the mediating role of outsourcing on the link between lean manufacturing and firm profitability. Nevertheless, there are some suggestions to improve this paper further. First, most citations used are very old. I believe that there are more recent work in the studied area. Second, when interpreting the results of correlation analysis, the authors should carefully choose the words just to indicate the relationship between the two variables. Third, the authors proceed with the regression analysis and Sobel test to examine the mediating effect of outsourcing on the link between lean manufacturing and profitability. The result indicates partial mediation effect (it should be quasi mediation effect). The authors should explain further how outsourcing affects the relationship between lean manufacturing and profitability.