

# Review of: "Identifying Psychological Distress Patterns during the COVID-19 Pandemic using an Intersectional Lens"

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The article addresses a topic of great interest worldwide and the results will be very useful not only now but in the event of future health crises.

Regarding the title, when mentioning that it seeks to identify patterns of psychological distress, one would expect to find the following throughout the manuscript:

1. Deep theoretical approach through which the variables are explained.
2. Use of validated and/or standardized instruments to measure the variable of psychological discomfort since there are many available. In addition, this was measured with only 5 items.
3. When talking about identifying patterns, it generally refers to repeated measurements, which is not clearly evident in the results and it would be interesting to see a descriptive table to compare data between March and April, since although the analyzes implemented are of great impact, it is also useful to visualize simpler statistics.
4. The discussion could be expanded with possible explanations for the differences found between March and April, because although it is a very short period of time, it is important to analyze these differences in light of the global evolution that the pandemic had in each phase, and likewise rely on theoretical models to explain them.