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Section	Points to Ponder	Review comments and notes
Abstract, title and references	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Is the aim clear?</li> <li>● Is it clear what the study found and how they did it?</li> <li>● Is the title informative and relevant?</li> <li>● Are the references:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Relevant?</li> <li>● Recent?</li> <li>● Referenced correctly?</li> <li>● Are appropriate key studies included?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Introduction/ background	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Is it clear what is already known about this topic?</li> <li>● Is the research question clearly outlined?</li> <li>● Is the research question justified given what is already known about the topic?</li> </ul>	
Methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Is the process of subject selection clear?</li> <li>● Are the variables defined and measured appropriately?</li> <li>● Are the study methods valid and reliable?</li> <li>● Is there enough detail in order to replicate the study?</li> </ul>	
Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Is the data presented in an appropriate way?                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Tables and figures relevant and clearly presented?</li> <li>● Appropriate units, rounding, and number of decimals?</li> <li>● Titles, columns, and rows labelled correctly and clearly?</li> <li>● Categories grouped appropriately?</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Does the text in the results add to the data or is it repetitive?</li> <li>● Are you clear about what is a statistically significant result?</li> <li>● Are you clear about what is a practically meaningful result?</li> </ul>	
Discussion and Conclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Are the results discussed from multiple angles and placed into context without being overinterpreted?</li> <li>● Do the conclusions answer the aims of the study?</li> <li>● Are the conclusions supported by references or results?</li> <li>● Are the limitations of the study fatal or are they opportunities to inform future research?</li> </ul>	
Overall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Was the study design appropriate to answer the aim?</li> <li>● What did this study add to what was already known on this topic?</li> <li>● What were the major flaws of this article?</li> <li>● Is the article consistent within itself?</li> </ul>	



**Structure your comments into a full review:**

<p><b>Overall statement</b> or summary of the article and its findings in your own words</p>	
<p>Overall <b>strengths</b> of the article and what <b>impact</b> it might have in your field</p>	
<p>Specific comments on <b>weaknesses</b> of the article and what could be done to improve it</p>	<p>Major points in the article which needs clarification, refinement, reanalysis, rewrites and/or additional information and suggestions for what could be done to improve the article.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1.</li><li>2.</li><li>3.</li></ol> <p>Minor points like figures/tables not being mentioned in the text, a missing reference, typos, and other inconsistencies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1.</li><li>2.</li><li>3.</li></ol>