

TITLE: Epidemiology of Head Injuries in Aseer Region, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

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Section I. Overview

The manuscript presents a retrospective investigation into the epidemiology of head injuries in one hospital of Aseer region, Saudi Arabia. While the study is interesting and can potentially add to existing information, the manuscript does not clearly convey the relevance and novelty. Prior to submission, several major revisions are required to improve the manuscript's clarity and include sufficient details to allow a proper understanding of the study.

To improve chances of a positive review by the target journal, we recommend that you (and your co-authors) address the following **MAJOR COMMENTS**:

1. The Introduction does not provide sufficient background.
2. The rationale of the study is not clearly described.
3. The methods are not described in sufficient detail.
4. The results need to include additional details.
5. The discussion does not provide sufficient interpretation and discussion of the findings.

The following are the most **IMPORTANT STRENGTHS** of your research/manuscript, which you must retain through the process of revisions:

1. This seems to be the first study of the kind for the Aseer region.
2. The sample size is good for a single-centre study.
3. The data analysis is sound.

Section II. Manuscript Assessment

I have conducted an in-depth technical evaluation of your manuscript for each of the parameters below and provided comments to explain the rationale behind my selected rating. I have also included suggestions for revisions (in addition to detailed recommendations on the manuscript).

Please use this report for an overview of focus areas. The comments in the manuscript will guide you with making revisions.

I hope you find my feedback useful!

1. Research Quality

PARAMETER	DESCRIPTION	RATING
1. Novelty	Does the work add to knowledge already available (original research)?	FAIR
<i>Notes: The findings are potentially novel, but this novelty needs to be more clearly conveyed in the Introduction and Discussion</i>		
2. Rationale	Is the rationale for the research made credible with appropriate references to both scientific principles and literature review?	FAIR
<i>Notes: The rationale needs to be better explained in the Introduction</i>		
3. Ethical considerations	Does the research meet standard good practice guidelines for journals to ensure that ethical and responsible research is published?	FAIR
<i>Notes: The manuscript does not mention any information on data anonymity and ethical approval (or its waiver)</i>		

2. Manuscript structure / sections

REVIEW QUESTION	RATING	EXTENT OF REVISIONS REQUIRED
<p>1. Are the study HYPOTHESIS & OBJECTIVES clear, specific and testable?</p> <p><i>Notes: The hypothesis and objectives are clear, specific, and testable.</i></p>	EXCELLENT	MINIMAL
<p>2. Are the METHODS presented in full details, so that an interested reader can repeat the experimentation?</p> <p><i>Notes: The methods are not described in sufficient detail to ensure a full understanding of the study and its repeatability. Detailed comments with recommendations for improving this section have been included in your manuscript file.</i></p>	FAIR	CONSIDERABLE
<p>3. Is the STUDY DESIGN sound and appropriate to answer the research questions?</p> <p><i>Notes: The study design is adequate to answer the research question.</i></p>	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT
<p>4. Is the STATISTICAL ANALYSIS sufficient and appropriate?</p> <p><i>Notes: The statistical analysis is appropriate.</i></p>	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT
<p>5. Are the RESULTS clearly stated and presented in text, tables and figures?</p> <p><i>Notes: In general, the results are clear, but some additional information is needed in the text. Detailed comments with recommendations for improving this section have been included in your manuscript file.</i></p>	GOOD	MINOR
<p>6. Is the DISCUSSION precise, interprets findings, compares existing research, and shows value addition?</p> <p><i>Notes: The discussion is focused mainly on reporting results of previous studies, rather than on interpreting and discussing the present results. Detailed comments with recommendations for improving this section have been included in your manuscript file.</i></p>	FAIR	CONSIDERABLE
<p>7. Do the CONCLUSIONS highlight the importance of findings, state limitations, and suggest future direction?</p> <p><i>Notes: The conclusions are adequate.</i></p>	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT

Section III. Recommendations and Next Steps

I have included detailed comments on each section in the manuscript file. Comments are structured into focus areas and recommended actions.

- Focus areas are potential gaps that might be raised by journal peer reviewers.
- Recommended actions are solutions that I have recommended to fix these problems. Please follow the recommended actions and make the suggested revisions to your manuscript.

Once you have made revisions to the manuscript, I will review the changes you have made and provide additional comments (if needed). I will also respond to any queries you may have during this process.

Next steps for you

- Please revise your manuscript based on the recommendations in this report and comments on the manuscript.
- Please include any questions you have about specific comments within the manuscript, as a response to my comment.

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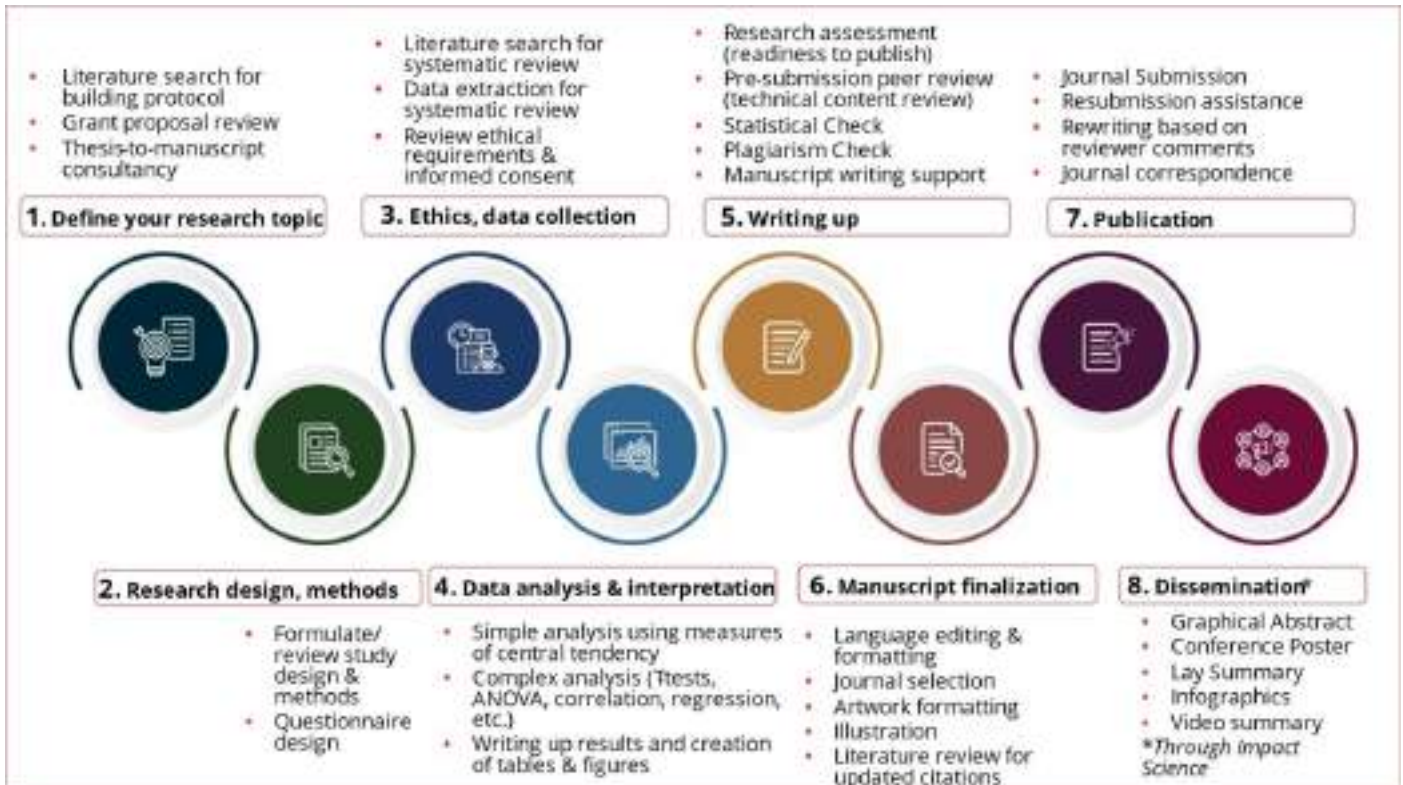
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Q: Do I have to make ALL the changes suggested by the reviewer in the report and the manuscript?

A: We highly recommend that you review and address all the focus areas and recommendations for improvements that we have suggested. These will help with improving the scientific rigor of your manuscript.

Q: I do not fully understand / agree with some of the reviewer comments

A: Please respond in the 'comments' box with your queries about focus areas or recommendations for improvement. The reviewer will respond to these in the free round of review after you have addressed all requests for changes/revisions.

Q: Will you make revisions / correct the areas flagged by your reviewers?

A: No, we will not make any changes to the manuscript. We will provide suggestions for improvement of your manuscript by highlighting gaps in scientific content (similar to a journal peer reviewer). We will review the changes you have made and give you further comments, as needed.

If you are based in Japan, we will be happy to make revisions for you (at an additional cost). You will be required to provide us the factual information necessary to make revisions.

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