
Peer-Review Report

Peer Review of "Postacute Sequelae of COVID-19 and Adverse Psychiatric Outcomes: Protocol for an Etiology and Risk Systematic Review"

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KEYWORDS

COVID-19; long COVID; post-COVID-19 condition; postacute sequelae of COVID-19; PASC; psychiatry; epidemiology; evidence-based medicine

This is a peer-review report submitted for the paper "Postacute Sequelae of COVID-19 and Adverse Psychiatric Outcomes: Protocol for an Etiology and Risk Systematic Review."

Are sufficient details provided so that the method can be replicated?

Yes.

Are datasets available so that others could use them?

Not applicable.

Round 1 Review

Serious Concerns

Do you have any serious concerns about the manuscript such as fraud, plagiarism, unethical or unsafe practices?

No.

Have authors provided the necessary ethics approval (from authors' institution or an ethics committee)?

Not applicable.

Language Quality

How would you rate the English language quality?

High quality.

Validity and Reproducibility

Is the reasons for conducting the study and its objectives clearly explained?

Yes.

Is the study design appropriate?

Yes.

Suggestions

Based on your answers in section 3 how could the author improve the protocol?

There is a more specific definition of PASC that should be included (with a reference). There is a need to list specific medical databases to search and not just mention "various" [1]. PECO criteria need to be listed and not only implied that they will be used.

Do you have any other suggestions, feedback, or comments for the Author?

The GRADE approach will be useful, as is mentioned along with a narrative synthesis if needed. Strengths and limitations seem accurate and are good to list.

Decision

Verified with reservations: The content is scientifically sound but has shortcomings that could be improved by further studies and minor revisions.

Conflicts of Interest

None declared.

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Reference

1. Effiong A. Postacute sequelae of COVID-19 and adverse psychiatric outcomes: protocol for an etiology and risk systematic review. JMIRx Med 2023;4(1):e43880 [[FREE Full text](#)]

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