

REVIEWER'S REPORT

Manuscript No.: IJAR-58527

Title: Self-Medication Practices and Awareness of Safe Medicine Use Among School Students

Recommendation:

- Accept as it is
 ✓ Accept after minor revision.....
 Accept after major revision
 Do not accept (*Reasons below*)

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality	✓			
Techn. Quality		✓		
Clarity		✓		
Significance		✓		

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Detailed Reviewer's Report

Strength of the study:

- The study addresses an important public health issue among adolescents
- Objectives are clearly stated and relevant
- The manuscript follows a logical structure from introduction to conclusion
- Recent literature supports the background and discussion
- Ethical considerations and participant confidentiality are described
- Results are presented with useful tables and figures
- Practical recommendations for schools and health education are provided

Weakness of the study:

- The sample size is small and based on convenience sampling
- Findings cannot be generalized to a wider population
- The questionnaire shows only moderate reliability
- Actual self medication practices were not directly measured
- Some hypotheses could not be properly tested
- Minor grammatical and formatting errors remain
- Greater statistical analysis would strengthen the findings

Reviewers Comments:

The manuscript explores an important topic related to self-medication and safe medicine use among school students. The study is well organized, and the objectives, methodology, results, and conclusions are presented in a clear manner. Ethical considerations, including voluntary participation, confidentiality, and anonymity, have been adequately described, although information regarding institutional ethical approval should be added if applicable. The language is generally understandable, but the manuscript would benefit from careful grammar editing and correction of minor formatting inconsistencies. The study is limited by its small sample size, convenience sampling, and reliance on self-reported responses, which reduce the generalizability of the findings. In addition, the questionnaire did not directly assess self-medication practices, making some hypotheses difficult to evaluate. Despite these limitations, the study provides useful baseline information and offers practical recommendations for improving medicine safety awareness among school students. Overall, the manuscript is suitable for publication after minor revision.

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The manuscript appears to be an original research study and no obvious evidence of duplicate publication was identified during this review. No clear indication of plagiarism was observed. However, a standard plagiarism similarity check should be completed by the journal before publication to confirm originality and ensure compliance with publication ethics.