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Title: Perceived Stress and HanuSandhi (Temporomandibular Joint) Dysfunction among Medical Students: A Cross-Sectional Study.

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

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

Reviewer's ID: Dr. Sumathi

Detailed Reviewer's Report

1. **Perceived stress is the degree to which you feel situations in your life are unpredictable, uncontrollable, and overwhelming. Rather than measuring the actual number of difficult events happening to you, it focuses on your personal feelings and thoughts about how well you can handle those demands.**
2. **The Perceived Stress Scale (PSS-10) is a widely used, 10-item psychological questionnaire developed by Sheldon Cohen and colleagues to measure the degree to which situations in a person's life are appraised as stressful over the past month.**
3. **Temporomandibular disorders (TMDs) are a group of more than 30 conditions that cause pain and movement problems in the jaw joints (temporomandibular joints, or TMJs) and the muscles that control jaw movement. You have two TMJs, one on each side of your face just in front of your ears, connecting your lower jaw to your skull.**
4. **A cross-sectional study is an observational research design that measures exposures and outcomes in a population or sample at a**

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single point in time. Often described as taking a "snapshot," it does not manipulate variables or follow participants over time.

5. **A cross-sectional study is an observational research design that analyzes data from a population at a single, specific point in time. Researchers often compare it to taking a "snapshot" of a group of people to measure characteristics, exposures, and outcomes all at once.**
6. **Cross-sectional studies show that temporomandibular joint dysfunction (TMD) is common among medical and health science students, with reported rates ranging from 49.7% to over 80% depending on the group and screening tool used. High academic stress, long study hours, and jaw clenching frequently link to these symptoms.**
7. **Cross-sectional studies consistently show a high prevalence of Temporomandibular Joint Dysfunction (TMD) among medical students—typically ranging from 49% to over 80%—primarily driven by academic stress, anxiety, and parafunctional oral habits.**
8. **Key words are good.**
9. **Significant point with abstract are awesome.**
10. **Result part tables with values are excellent but can be made graphs or pie chart for values.**
11. **Summary points also be included.**
12. **References can be made in alphabetical order.**
13. **After those changes good to publish in your journal.**