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# Section I. Readiness-to-Submit Score & Recommendations

Your manuscript has been rated for **READINESS TO SUBMIT** on a scale of 1-3, where 1 is the lowest score and denotes a manuscript that should not be submitted in its current form, and 3 is the highest score.

### **Your Readiness-to-Submit Score**

# 2 - FAIR: Manuscript is SOMEWHAT READY TO SUBMIT; considerable revisions required

#### Recommendations

We have listed focus areas that should be addressed to improve the submission readiness of your manuscript. Major issues likely to be raised by the journal Editorial Desk and lead to rejection, include:

- 1. The Introduction should be revised to provide a clearer description of the study's rationale
- 2. The methods should be completed with further details on the hospital where the study was held, ethical approval (or waiver) and anonymity of data, and approach to dealing with missing data
- 3. The tables, figures and legends should be revised to ensure they are complete
- 4. The Discussion should be more focused on interpreting and discussing the results, rather than on reporting findings of previous studies.
- 5. Most cited references are over 10 years old and should be replaced, wherever possible, with recent ones.



# **Section II.** Manuscript Assessment

I have evaluated your manuscript and provided comments to explain the rationale behind the rating I have selected for each parameter, and included suggestions for revisions. I hope you find my feedback useful!

## 1. Technical Checks

PARAMETER D		DESCRIPTION	RATING		
1.	Scope Match	Does the scope of the research presented in the manuscript match the scope of the target journal?	Choose an item.		
Notes: No target journal is provided. The article is suitable for trauma/head trauma or epidemiology journals.					
2.	Article Type	Is the article type matched to the structure presented in the manuscripts?	EXCELLENT		
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4.	References	Is the cited literature relevant, selective, recent and sufficient?	FAIR		
No	Notes: The cited literature is mostly old and should be updated.				



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No	Notes: No statement on funding information is provided.				



# 3. Submission Checks

	PARAMETER	GAPS ANALYSIS	EXAMPLE / ISSUE
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2.	Author Contributions Statement	Absent	Please provide a list of authors' contributions at the end of the manuscript
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6.	List of keywords	Absent	Please provide a list of 4-6 relevant keywords for indexing purposes
7.	Data Access Statement	Absent	Please provide a data access statement either in the Methods section or at the end of the manuscript (according to target journal's guidelines)
8.	Figure legends	Included and appear consecutively	Adequate
9.	Table legends	Included and appear consecutively	Included but require revisions



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Literature review for

updated citations

## **Section III. Other Service Recommendations**

Depending on the stage of your research/writing, there are a host of services that we offer (below). More details about some packs/services are provided later.

Research assessment Literature search for (readiness to publish) systematic review Journal Submission Literature search for Pre-submission peer review Data extraction for building protocol (technical content review) Resubmission assistance systematic review Grant proposal review Statistical Check Rewriting based on Review ethical Thesis-to-manuscript Plagiarism Check reviewer comments requirements & consultancy Journal correspondence informed consent Manuscript writing support 3. Ethics, data collection 5. Writing up 1. Define your research topic 7. Publication 6. Manuscript finalization 2. Research design, methods 4. Data analysis & interpretation 8. Dissemination\* **Graphical Abstract** Formulate/ Simple analysis using measures Language editing & Conference Poster review study of central tendency formatting Lay Summary design & Complex analysis (Ttests, Journal selection Infographics methods ANOVA, correlation, regression, Artwork formatting Questionnaire etc.) Video summary Illustration

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# **Appendix.** Frequently Asked Questions

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#### Q: Do I have to address ALL the gaps highlighted by the reviewer in the report?

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