

Review of: "Tobacco Use and Perceived Stress Among Male College Students in Bangalore, India"

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The manuscript is about tobacco use, one of the major threats to public health currently. The issue is important, especially for countries with higher populations and higher smoking rates, such as India.

Introduction:

The authors have specifically studied a younger population and the male gender. The importance of addressing this age group is indicated as preventing initiation. However, comprehensive tobacco control measures are needed for addressing all aspects of tobacco control. Please mention them here. More current references should be covered in this section and in the discussion section.

Method:

The recruitment method and process should be explained in detail. There should be an explanation of why the female gender was not included. The current smokers' identification criteria should be explained based on references.

Results:

Results for other tobacco product use besides cigarettes should also be indicated.

Limitations of the study should be indicated as a separate section.

Language: Minor revisions of the English language are needed.

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