

### **Editor's Comment:**

**Good and interesting subject but there are some minor modifications that need to be done.**

#### **1. Concerning the method:**

The authors should give details about the:

- Target population,
- Sample size calculation method
- Non-inclusion criteria.

#### **2. Concerning results**

2.1. In order to compare your population with others population, it is interesting to give information about the means and the SD of the quantitative variables instead/ with the median values, especially for the:

- Age,
- Anxiety
- Depression.

2.2. Is there between students some in the age of 50? (or above 40)?

- If yes, please specify in which academic year in his study;
- Create a variable concerning the academic year of the students.

2.3. Put the p values in Table 1 (in order to compare the IBS according to Sociodemographic variables and Psychological Ill-Health, and to identify the factors that were found significant during univariate analysis)

#### **3. Concerning references:**

23 out of 41 references (56%) were old >10 years: please update some references.

**After the correction of the above comments, the manuscript will be accepted: 8.1.**

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