

## Predicting Sexual Function Based on Sexual Self-Awareness and Perfectionism in Employed Women

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### 1. Round 1

#### 1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The current sample is restricted to employed women from a single region (Isfahan). To ensure broader applicability of findings, it's suggested to include a more diverse demographic spread across multiple regions. Additionally, provide a power analysis to justify the sample size in relation to the effect sizes expected based on prior literature. Conduct a supplementary analysis with a stratified sample or include additional data from different socioeconomic backgrounds and regions.

The linkage between sexual self-awareness, perfectionism, and sexual function could be further enriched by incorporating specific psychological theories (e.g., Cognitive Behavioral Theory or Self-Determination Theory) that explain these relationships. Redefine the theoretical framework, specifying hypothesized pathways and interactions between variables based on established psychological models.

The manuscript briefly mentions the use of simultaneous multiple regression but lacks depth in the description of diagnostic tests for assumptions (e.g., homoscedasticity, normality of residuals). Include detailed diagnostics of regression assumptions.

If assumptions are violated, discuss alternative statistical approaches such as transformation of variables or robust regression techniques.

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

### *1.2. Reviewer 2*

Reviewer:

Enhance the methodological description by providing details on the response rate and any follow-up procedures used to minimize drop-out or non-response bias. This is crucial for assessing the robustness and reliability of the study findings.

Expand the literature review to include recent studies that have explored similar themes in different cultural contexts. This can help situate your findings within the global research landscape and highlight unique cultural considerations.

Elaborate on the ethical considerations, especially how informed consent was obtained, how confidentiality was maintained, and the steps taken to mitigate any potential harm to participants given the sensitive nature of the study topic.

Provide a more detailed interpretation of the regression coefficients, especially how changes in sexual self-awareness and perfectionism quantitatively impact sexual function. This could include effect size analysis or a discussion on the clinical relevance of these effects.

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

## **2. Revised**

Editor's decision after revisions: Accepted.

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