






## Dynamics of Relationship Maintenance: The Influence of Emotional Support and Trust

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## 1. Round 1

### 1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

"In the Introduction section, the discussion on emotional support and its role in relationships (Paragraph 1) could benefit from a clearer definition of what constitutes emotional support. Providing specific examples would enhance reader understanding."

"The description of the sample in the Methods section (Paragraph 2) should include more detail on how participants were recruited and any exclusion criteria used to ensure a representative sample."

"While the Measures section (Paragraph 3) outlines the scales used, it would be beneficial to include justification for selecting these particular scales over others, including any validity and reliability information relevant to your sample."

"In the Data Analysis section (Paragraph 1), the rationale for choosing Pearson correlation and linear regression should be elaborated upon, including why these methods are most appropriate for the data and research questions."

"The discussion on assumption checks (Paragraph 4) for normality, linearity, homoscedasticity, and multicollinearity is thorough. However, including visual representations such as Q-Q plots or scatterplots would help illustrate these points."

"While the  $R^2$  value is reported (Paragraph 2), a discussion on the effect size and its practical significance in the context of relationship maintenance would provide additional insight into the findings."

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### 1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

"The review of the literature on trust (Paragraph 2) mentions several studies but lacks a synthesis of their findings. A summary that integrates these studies' conclusions would strengthen this section."

"The stated objective in the abstract to 'investigate the roles of emotional support and trust' should be expanded in the introduction (Paragraph 3) to include specific research questions or hypotheses to guide the study."

"The presentation of descriptive statistics (Table 1) is clear, but the interpretation in the text (Paragraph 2) could delve deeper into what these statistics suggest about the sample's relationship dynamics."

"In the Results section (Table 2), significant correlations are reported, but the discussion (Paragraph 1) should connect these findings to existing literature, explaining how they align or diverge from previous studies."

"The regression analysis results (Table 3) show significant predictors, but the explanation (Paragraph 2) would benefit from a more detailed discussion on the potential implications of these predictors in practical settings."

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## 2. Revised

Editor's decision: Accepted.

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