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The Relationship between Body Shame and the Tendency towards Cosmetic Surgery among Female High School Students

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

Enhance the introduction by providing a more detailed historical context of body image studies and cosmetic surgery trends among adolescents. This could include statistical data on cosmetic surgery rates among young populations and a discussion on societal and media influences on body shame and cosmetic surgery.

Offer a more detailed description of the questionnaires used, including their development, validation process, and any adaptations made for the specific context of your study.

Beyond Pearson correlation coefficient and regression analysis, consider applying more sophisticated statistical methods such as structural equation modeling to explore the relationship between variables more deeply.

Provide a more detailed interpretation of the results, focusing on the practical implications of the findings. Discuss how the magnitude of the correlation affects real-world behaviors and attitudes towards cosmetic surgery.

Elaborate on the broader implications of your findings for mental health professionals, educators, and policymakers. Discuss how this study could inform interventions aimed at reducing body shame and mitigating the pressure to conform to unrealistic beauty standards.



Suggest specific future research directions, such as longitudinal studies to examine causal relationships or experimental designs to test interventions aimed at reducing body shame.

Deepen the discussion on ethical considerations, especially regarding the potential psychological impact on participants recalling experiences of body shame. Discuss how informed consent was obtained and how participants' confidentiality and well-being were protected throughout the study.

Authors revised the manuscript and uploaded the document.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

Broaden the literature review to include studies from diverse cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds. Comparing and contrasting these findings with your study can offer insights into how cultural norms influence body image and cosmetic surgery tendencies.

Provide a more thorough justification for the sampling technique and its suitability for the research question. Discuss any limitations or biases introduced by the chosen method and how they were addressed.

Offer a detailed comparison with prior research findings, highlighting agreements or discrepancies and discussing possible reasons for these outcomes.

Provide a more comprehensive discussion of the study's limitations, including the impact of social desirability bias and the self-reported nature of the questionnaires. Discuss how these limitations could affect the findings' reliability and validity.

Provide actionable recommendations for educators, parents, and mental health professionals on addressing body shame and its implications for young women's mental health and attitudes towards cosmetic surgery.

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