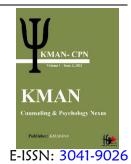


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# Interactive Pathology of the Spousal Relationship Before and After Husbands' Infidelity

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#### 1. Round 1

#### 1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The study focuses on a specific cultural context (women in Isfahan), which may limit the generalizability of the findings. Expanding the research to include diverse cultural and social backgrounds could enhance the applicability of the insights.

The study identifies extensive damages caused by infidelity but could further explore specific therapeutic approaches or interventions tailored to addressing these damages. Offering concrete recommendations for practitioners would increase the article's practical value.

### 1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

This article provides a compelling exploration of the wide-ranging impacts of husbands' infidelity on spousal relationships, highlighting the need for comprehensive therapeutic responses. By addressing the suggested areas for improvement, future

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research could build on these findings to offer more generalized insights and detailed intervention strategies, thereby contributing to improved support mechanisms for individuals and couples navigating the aftermath of infidelity.

Providing more detailed information on the selection criteria, interview process, and thematic analysis method would strengthen the study's methodological rigor and allow for better replication and verification of the findings.

While the study offers valuable empirical insights, integrating a stronger theoretical framework to guide the analysis and interpretation of findings could deepen the understanding of why and how infidelity impacts spousal relationships in the observed ways.

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#### 2. Revised

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