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Predicting Suicidal Thoughts Through Defensive Mechanisms and Psychopathic Traits in Addicted Women

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

Expand the introduction to provide a clearer explanation of the theoretical underpinnings linking defensive mechanisms and psychopathic traits to suicidal thoughts in addicted women.

Clarify the research objectives and hypotheses early in the manuscript to provide a clearer roadmap for the reader.

Strengthen the review of literature by including more recent studies that have explored similar themes to highlight the gap your study aims to fill.

Provide more details about the detoxification camps from which participants were recruited, including the specific treatments or interventions they were undergoing, if any.

Describe why convenience sampling was chosen and discuss its limitations in the context of your study's generalizability.

Clearly define what constitutes 'defensive mechanisms' and 'psychopathic traits' in the context of your study.

Offer operational definitions of all major constructs and ensure they align with the measurement instruments used.

Address the complexity of the psychological constructs being measured, particularly how they might interact with each other and affect suicidal ideation.

Integrate the theoretical frameworks of addiction, psychopathy, and defensive mechanisms more cohesively to support your research hypothesis.

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1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

Ensure each section logically flows into the next; transitions between paragraphs need to be smoother to maintain a coherent argument throughout.

Compare your findings with existing literature, specifying similarities and differences, and discuss possible reasons for these.

Highlight how your findings are relevant to the specific cultural or geographic context of your study.

More thoroughly discuss the assumptions of the statistical tests used and how they were tested or met.

Offer a more detailed interpretation of the regression coefficients and what they imply about the relationships among variables.

Address potential multicollinearity among your predictor variables, especially given the high correlations reported. Include effect sizes in your statistical analysis to provide insight into the magnitude of observed relationships. Standardize the use of terms throughout the paper to avoid confusion (e.g., suicidal thoughts vs. suicidal ideation). Improve the manuscript's grammar and academic writing style to meet publication standards.

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2. Revised

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