

Peer Review Report

Review Report on The Magnitude of Black/Hispanic Disparity in COVID-19 Mortality across United States Counties during the First Waves of the COVID-19 Pandemic

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EVALUATION

Q 1 Please provide your detailed review report to the authors. The editors prefer to receive your review structured in major and minor comments. Please consider in your review the methods (statistical methods valid and correctly applied (e.g. sample size, choice of test), is the study replicable based on the method description?), results, data interpretation and references. If there are any objective errors, or if the conclusions are not supported, you should detail your concerns.

These issues should be addressed in an original article:

1. Basic limitation of research must be a few. Many of these limitations are mentioned in the text, while important characteristics such as racial differences in health status and disease, access to health services, etc., are not considered.
2. Are these differences observed relative to other causes of death??
3. The conclusions would have to be drawn from similar studies.

Q 2 Please summarize the main findings of the study.

This study examines ethnic and racial differences in Covid-19 mortality across United States.

Q 3 Please highlight the limitations and strengths.

This study focuses on ethnic and racial differences in mortality of Covid-19, the sample size is very appropriate

but the manuscript is a report, despite the excellent method.

Limitations:

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PLEASE COMMENT

Q 4 Is the title appropriate, concise, attractive?

The title is appropriate and attractive.

Q 5 Are the keywords appropriate?

Yes

Q 6 Is the English language of sufficient quality?

Good

Q 7 Is the quality of the figures and tables satisfactory?

Yes.

Q 8 Does the reference list cover the relevant literature adequately and in an unbiased manner?)

NO

QUALITY ASSESSMENT

Q 9 Originality

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Q 10 Rigor

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Q 11 Significance to the field

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Q 12 Interest to a general audience

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Q 13 Quality of the writing

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Q 14 overall scientific quality of the study

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REVISION LEVEL

Q 15 Please take a decision based on your comments:

Reject.