

Message from your editor

Dear Author,

It was a pleasure working on your document. Do go through my changes and comments in the edited file.

Editor's report

On the basis of changes made for coherence, logic, and flow, I have provided feedback through specific comments along with ratings for each section. The key below the table explains my ratings. I hope you find my feedback useful.

Section	Rating
Title An effective title is concise while being representative.	★ ★ ★
Abstract A good abstract explains the aims of the research, how these were met, and the main findings.	★ ★ ★
Introduction This section should set the context for the study, clearly state the research objective, and establish the significance of the study.	★ ★ ★
Materials and methods This section should completely describe all methods, techniques, and instruments used. This includes ethical considerations.	★ ★ ★
Results and discussion These sections should present the data and findings in clear and unbiased manner, and address the objective or research question stated in the introduction.	★ ★ ★
Conclusions A good concluding section notes the limitations of the study. It should mention the scope for further research as well as the implications/application of the study.	★ ★ ★
Tables and figures The tables and figures should present data clearly, should be referenced in and correspond with the text.	★ ★ ★

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- ★ ★ ★ This section required only a few revisions.
★ ★ Most parts of this section required revision.
★ The entire section required significant revision. Please go through my comments/changes carefully.

Comments

SCOPE

The manuscript adheres to the Aims & Scope of the journal. The study aimed to investigate the RNA expression in major depressive disorder. This is in line with the target journal's scope to promote distinguished research in the field of psychiatry.

NOVELTY OF THE STUDY

The study's contribution to existing research is clearly highlighted. The study presents candidate ncRNAs in the neurogenesis and neuroplasticity pathways of major depressive disorder.

RELEVANCE AND CONTRIBUTION OF THE STUDY

The topic is relevant in today's scenario and will be of interest to the journal's readership. The findings of the study provide insight into the neurogenesis and neuroplasticity pathways in major depressive disorder.

SUBMISSION READINESS

The **title** was brief and well-framed and nicely captured the central point of the study.

The **abstract** indicated the background of the study and the study's motivations. The methods and major findings were succinctly described, and a concluding statement summarizing the findings was provided. This has been formatted per journal guidelines.

The **introduction** effectively set the stage for the study, providing background and explaining what is known in the field as well as the gaps in the knowledge. A clear aim statement was provided at the end.

The **methods** were sufficiently detailed to permit a clear understanding and replication of the study's methodology. A clear, logical order was followed.

The **results** were very well described, aided by the use of appropriate subheadings and containing proper citations to figures; overall, the findings were easy to understand and showed a very good flow.

The **discussion** interpreted these findings and explained their significance quite well. Overall, this section was very well structured, and the broad significance of the findings has been stated.

The **conclusions** highlight the major findings of the study and provide the scope for future studies as well as the limitations of the study.

Overall, the edited manuscript is in a good shape and once highlighted issues are addressed, should be ready for submission. Please feel free to get in touch if you need any further help on this manuscript. My best wishes for an early publication of your work and I look forward to your feedback!

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Explanation

In American English, a comma is inserted before the conjunction that precedes the last element of a series (e.g., bread, eggs, and milk). This comma is called the series comma and is inserted for clarity. Although this comma is not commonly used in British English, its usage is gaining acceptance. In British English, it's called the Oxford comma.

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