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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This study conducts a thorough investigation into the effectiveness of combining acupoint massage with touch therapy in the context of oral implant surgery, revealing significant outcomes in alleviating both patient anxiety and pain. The research is commendable for its clarity in articulating the study's objective—to observe the impact of the combined therapy on oral implant patients. Methodologically, the study is robust, employing randomization and utilizing standard anxiety assessment tools (MDAS) and other physiological indicators, thus enhancing the credibility of the results. The statistical analysis is appropriately applied, with clear tables provided in the results section for easier comprehension. The conclusion effectively summarizes the study's positive findings, emphasizing the improved perioperative comfort for patients. However, certain aspects could be enhanced. Including a more comprehensive literature review in the introduction would strengthen the research context. Additionally, offering more detailed descriptions of the acupoint massage and touch therapy procedures in the methods section would facilitate replication by other researchers. In the discussion, a more in-depth exploration of the study results' consistency with prior research and

potential physiological mechanisms could add depth. Acknowledging the limitations of a small sample size and the single-center nature of the study in the conclusion, and suggesting future studies with larger samples and multicenter designs, would be beneficial. In summary, while the study makes a valuable contribution to understanding the application of acupoint massage and touch therapy in oral implant surgery, addressing these aspects would enhance the overall comprehensiveness and interpretability of the research.