Reviewer's report

Title: Psychoactive Substances Use and Associated Factors among Axum University Students, Axum Town, North Ethiopia

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The authors adequately answered my observations, and I take the time to congratulate them for the manuscript content improvement after reviewing. The manuscript content keeps on being interesting, however, I still believe that some topics deserve the authors’ attention. Major Compulsory Revisions: there are too many grammatical and typographical errors yet. Minor Essential Revisions: in the background section, the authors have stated that drug use is a rising public health problem, however, this idea is supported only by regional studies. In the background and method sections, the terms “drug use” and “drug abuse” seemed to be used with the same meaning in the text. Authors are encouraged to review the use of such terms. Also, authors continue unnecessarily transcribing the results of other studies whose outcomes were consistent with the manuscript. Finally, the authors mentioned about polydrug use among college students. Perhaps that is a topic of interest to be better discussed in the manuscript.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests