Reviewer’s report

Title: Usage patterns and adverse experiences in traditional Korean medicine: results of a survey in South Korea

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Reviewer’s report:

• Major Compulsory Revisions
None

• Minor Essential Revisions

Abstract
1. There are still issues with the grammar
a. Background line 2 “----(CAM), and not mainstream------“

b. Methods: A total of 2000 ------

Background
1. Third paragraph: first sentence is not a complete sentence
2. Fourth paragraph: Line 1- “spontaneous” does not seem to fit in with reporting. Authors may use words such as “immediate” or “fast”

Method
1. The first paragraph: First sentence – there is no need for ----(33------------------------057)
2. Second paragraph, line 2: should read “----ethical approval-----“, not ethic approval

Results
1. Paragraphs 2 & 3 can be combined

Discussion
1. Recast 2nd paragraph. The phrase “That rate----” is not appropriate. It may read “The rate obtained in the present study--------”
2. Limitations of the study which I believe is in the last paragraph seem to include some of the results/discussion. This may not be necessary. Just mention the limitations and what effect it might have had on the results obtained in the present study

• Discretionary Revisions
None
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