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Dear Editor,

I would like you to consider the attach article entitled: Positive Affect as a Moderator of the Effects of Stress on Psychological Functioning and Perceived Health, for publication in BMC Public Health.

Positive affect has received increasing recognition during the last couple of years as an important factor in coping with and resilience to disease. There is emerging evidence that people who report higher frequency and intensity of positive emotions are healthier and live longer. The current paper examines a proposed mechanism though which positive affect might increase mental and physical health. More knowledge about the mechanisms of positive affect and outcomes are important for the development of effective public health interventions, and might have substantial impact on future research, in particular regarding prevention of mental health issues.

The manuscript or results from the data have not been published previously and it is not under consideration for publication elsewhere. No conflict of interest prevails.

Yours Sincerely

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