Reviewer’s report

Title: The use of complementary and alternative treatment (CAM) in Europe

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Reviewer: Dennis Anheyer

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This paper attempts to identify predictors and prevalence rates for the use of TCAIM procedures in Europe.

Current figures and trends on this topic are desirable and necessary.

However, this is also the main criticism of the present work. Data from the seventh wave of the European Social Survey are used, which date back to 2014. In the meantime, however, data from the ninth wave from 2019 are already available.

Moreover, large parts of previous studies and evaluations are neither discussed nor included. For example, the CAMbrella initiative has produced a comprehensive review on this topic, which should at least be discussed: https://cam-europe.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/CAMbrella-WP4-part_1final.pdf

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