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Assistant Editor Comments

- We note that the current submission contains some textual overlap with other previously published works, in particular:

  https://www.researchgate.net/publication/233882561_An_overview_of_mixed_method_researc. This overlap mainly exists throughout the manuscript.

  While we understand that you may wish to express some of the same ideas contained in this publication, please be aware that we cannot condone the use of text from previously published work.

  If there is overlap in the Methods section, please ensure to summarize the methods and cite the source. Please re-phrase these sections to minimise overlap.

Dear editor

Firstly we would like to thank the editor for the careful reading of the script and helpful comments.

Regarding the degree of similarities, the article was examined by the CrossCheck software of the university ( file has been attached) and the results showed that 57% of the similarities were related to a copy of the present article which has been made available as a preprint by Research Square in BMC Nursing (DOI: 10.21203/rs.3.rs-24912/v1). These similarities are even evident in the figures of the tables which are unique.
Even though preprinting has become a standard practice in publication and many publishers and journals are now encouraging it, one of the problems with it is the similarities which make journals suspect plagiarism. We would also like to point out that the authors have not used the article referred to in the reviewer’s comment in any way. However, following the editor’s comment, the Methods section was shortened.

Best regards

Dr, Torabizadeh