Reviewer’s report

Title: German Version of the Death Attitudes Profile- Revised (DAP-GR) – Translation and validation of a multidimensional measurement of attitudes towards death

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Translation and testing of measures for cross-cultural use is important and this article presents an opportunity to disseminate a German version of the Death Attitudes Profile, to stimulate research about treatment and adaptation to the threat of mortality in the context of medical illness. Note that the present article is "results-free" at this stage of review, and so my comments are limited to what is currently described in the main text. Some comments for the authors to consider:

1. The procedure section needs to provide more detail, as it only briefly describes the face validity portion of the study involving 32 medical students, but neglects to provide info about the rest of the study. Note that the manuscript may need more attention to issues of organization when describing what appear to be these two separate phases of study. For example, the sample description at the bottom of page 4 seems somewhat out of place.

2. Because the study focuses on a medical student sample, the introduction would benefit from focusing on or providing a clearer rationale for studying death attitudes in this population.

3. Please include in an appendix the German version of the instrument.

With these additional details, the manuscript deserves consideration of its results for publication.

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