

Manuscript. Number.: HELIYON-D-21-05313

Title: USES AND GRATIFICATIONS APPROACH: INFLUENCE OF COVID-19 MEDIA EXPOSURE ON MILLENNIAL GENERATION IN MAKASSAR CITY, INDONESIA

Journal: Heliyon

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Pavica Sheldon
Section Editor
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Editor and Reviewer comments:

Reviewer #1: Methods:

- * 270 out of 1,070 seems like a very low response rate - I'm wondering if the authors did any analysis to see if the folks who did not participate were different in any important way from those who did complete the survey.
- * The measurement descriptions need to be clarified. Why does the frequency measure begin at 2?
- * The first paragraph on page 3 needs clarification - what is that mean and standard deviation related to? How was the scale compiled?
- * I'm not sure how you calculated the anxiety measure either - if you created a mean score for the scale, then the mean should be between 1-5.
- * Reliabilities should be reported for all scale measures in the method section.

Results:

- * You don't need to repeat the sample description in the results since you mentioned it earlier.
- * The reporting of exposure is confusing. It seems odd that 100% of the sample reported being at least consistently exposed to COVID-19 information, and 100% of the sample checked in to their social media at least 11 times a day.
- * I'm not following the anxiety results. The chart is difficult to read, and there needs to be more discussion of the meaning of these numbers. This is where it would really be helpful to see any research questions or hypotheses.
- * The regression results need to be fully explained. What are the predictors? What was the outcome? You don't need to report the ANOVA results. You do need to explain the Betas and which predictors were significant.

Interpretation:

- * You have to be careful in how you frame these results. You can't say that social media use caused anxiety - you could easily see that a student who is anxious about COVID might be drawn more to seeking out information through social media.
- * How did you measure knowledge? How is that relevant to the discussion of your results?
- * I would also avoid discussing the validity of the information students were exposed to. Since you didn't measure whether the information they were seeking was credible or not, then you can't really make any assumptions about what they are seeing.

Other comments:

Introduction

- * The rationale needs some clarity. The argument about information overload needs to be expanded and clarified.
- * I'm not certain about calling anxiety a mental health disorder. In general, I'm not following the argument at all in that paragraph.
- * There is no discussion of theory and how theory informs this research. A few I would recommend to check out would be information/news diffusion as well as uses and gratifications.
- * There are no clearly outlined hypotheses or research questions.

Reviewer 2: Methods: ok

Results: ok

Interpretation:ok

Other comments: This study is interesting but the scope of the research is too small, namely only on students of FISIP Hassanudin University in Makassar. The results cannot be used to represent the millennial generation in general in Indonesia.

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Journal: Heliyon

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Editor and Reviewer comments:

Reviewer 2: Methods: ok

Results: ok

Interpretation: ok

Other comments: Some references are not updated

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Reviewer's Comments

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Title: Uses and gratifications approach: influence of covid-19 media exposure on the millennial

generation in Makassar city, Indonesia Authors:Tuti Bahfiarti, Arianto

Date: 21 September 2021

Reviewers Comments
<p>Reviewer #2</p> <p>This manuscript is reviewed "Uses and gratifications approach: influence of covid-19 media exposure on the millennial generation in Makassar city, Indonesia." Overall, I would suggest that this article needs to be revised for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. This study is interesting but the scope of the research is too small, namely only on students of FISIP Hassanudin University in Makassar. The results cannot be used to represent the millennial generation in general in Indonesia.2. The research method is explained in detail and is easy to understand.3. The use of statistics for hypothesis testing and data analysis is used appropriately and clearly
<p>4. Results: the results of quantitative research are supported by valid data and support the conclusions of the study.</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none">5. Interpretation: the research results are interpreted reasonably6. The use of references from the last 10 years is preferred
<p>7. The novelty and implications of this research have been well explained by the researcher.</p>

Reviewer #2

Totok Wahyu Abadi

Response to reviewer

Manuscript Number: HELIYON-D-21-05313

Title: Uses and gratifications approach: influence of covid-19 media exposure on the millennial generation in Makassar city, Indonesia

Authors:Tuti Bahfiarti, Arianto Date: 25 October 2021

The articles that we submit are the result of revisions based on the suggestions of the reviewers. What we have fixed in this post are:

1. The scope of the research
2. The research method
3. The use of statistics for hypothesis testing and data analysis
4. Results that the results of quantitative research are supported by valid data and support the conclusions of the study.
5. The interpretation that the research results are interpreted reasonably
6. The novelty and implications of this research have been well explained

Reviewer's Comments

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Title: Uses and gratifications approach: influence of covid-19 media exposure on the millennial

generation in Makassar city, Indonesia Authors:Tuti Bahfiarti, Arianto

Date: December 15, 2021

Reviewers Comments	Author Response	Reviewers Comments
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<ol style="list-style-type: none">4. Results: the results of quantitative research are supported by valid data and support the conclusions of the study.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">4. Results that the results of quantitative research are supported by valid data and support the conclusions of the study.	<p>Done</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none">5. Interpretation: the research results are interpreted reasonably6. Reference use of the last 10 years is preferred	<ol style="list-style-type: none">5. The interpretation that the research results are interpreted reasonably	<p>Done</p> <p>Some references are not updated</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none">7. The novelty and implications of this research have been well explained by the researcher.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">6. The novelty and implications of this research have been well explained	<p>Done.</p>

Reviewer

Totok Wahyu Abadi

Article Title: USES AND GRATIFICATIONS APPROACH: INFLUENCE OF COVID-19 MEDIA EXPOSURE ON MILLENNIAL GENERATION IN MAKASSAR CITY, INDONESIA

Corresponding Author: Dr Tuti Bahfiarti

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Yours sincerely,

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Tuti Bahfiarti
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Author Name : Arianto Arianto
Author Affiliation : Department of Communication Science, Hasanuddin University
Makassar, Indonesia

Furthremore, I agree with the new order of authors as follows
: Tuti Bahfiarti^a and Arianto Arianto^b

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- 3) Contributed reagents, materials, analysis tools or data;
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Journal: Heliyon

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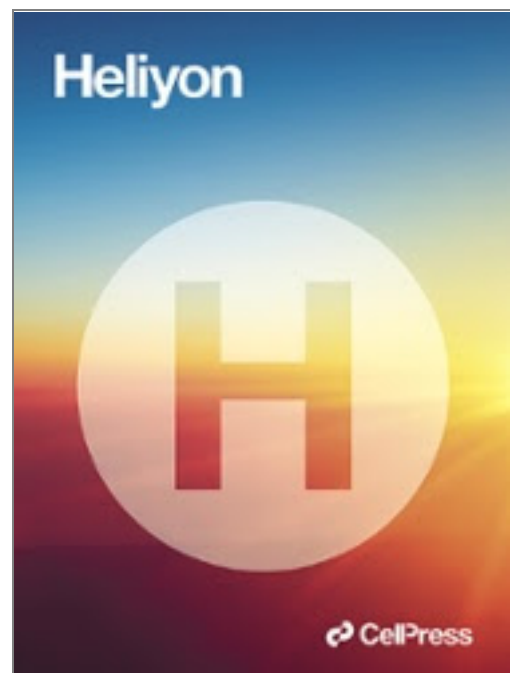
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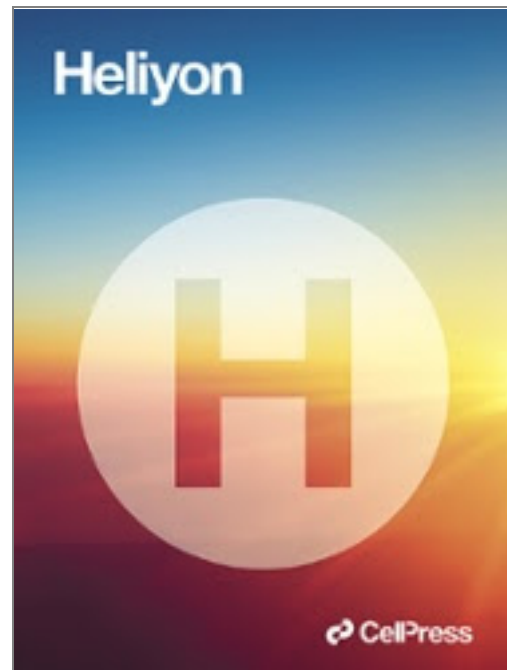
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