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PART 1: Comments

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Optional/General comments	Reviewer Comments on Clinical Reasoning Assessment Tool (CRAT) for Preclinical Medical Students: a validation study.	
	It's an interesting research work. However, I would like to highlight some concerns	
	1. The questionnaire and methodology is not aligned with the title of the study. The inclusion of	
	questions assessing self-confidence in the Clinical Reasoning Assessment questionnaire needs to be justified.	
	2. The reason to use different measures to assess accuracy in clinical reasoning (MEQ, SEQ, MCQ) and self-confidence (Likert scale) is not clear.	
	3. Rationale for choosing a sample of 7 medical residents and 7 clinical year students (4 th Year	
	medical students) for validation of Clinical Reasoning Assessment Tool needs to be included as the	
	questionnaire is meant for assessing the clinical reasoning and self-confidence of pre-clinical students (target population).	
	4.A sample size of only 14 students for the pilot test is considered inadequate for statistical analysis. It is suggested that authors quote a reference to justify the chosen sample size for this validation study.	
	5. The number of experts for pre-test is also inadequate. Authors can quote a reference to justify why only 3 experts were recruited for the content validation.	
	6. In the result section, the interpretation of the study's Cronbach's alpha value is 'good'. It is suggested to remove 'excellent'.	
	7. The typo error in p value (Table 2) needs to be corrected.	
	Best regards	

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