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Journal Name:	Journal of Advances in Medical and Pharmaceutical Sciences
Manuscript Number:	Ms_JAMPS_126413
Title of the Manuscript:	The influence of Serum Zinc level and Serum Copper level on melasma duration and severity among Iraqi patients.
Type of the Article	

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PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The study is important to community to validate the existent hypothesis/possible causes.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Title is not suitable, I would like to change the title to - The influence of Serum Zinc level and Serum Copper level on melasma duration and severity in Clinic population/primary care setup or The influence of Serum Zinc level and Serum Copper level on melasma duration and severity in limited population. I will never apply a limited study to a whole population.	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	Rewrite the objective more clearly and with correct grammar.	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	Yes. There are already established studies about Zinc in Melasma. Would be great if authors provide an explanation of why they worked on this despite multiple study results available in accessible literature. Authors should explain the rationale behind this study like if there is any specific association of selected population with Melasma, like genetics, demographics. Zinc distribution in the selected geographic area or is it just that the authors want to solidify the existing concept.	
Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	Study wasn't randomised to the entire nation, done only in two clinics, each in different part of the country. So, it's truly not the representation of an entire nation. Change the title to "the influence of serum Severity in a private clinic or address the biases in the discussion.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	No need corrections in this part.	
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	Many grammatical errors are noted throughout the article. Need revisions.	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	The study was conducted at only two places and at only two clinics, but the results are generalised to the entire nation. This results in many errors including, but not limited to Selection Bias, Incidence/Prevalence bias, implementation bias. Conclusion looks like a generalised statement when the study population was limited to two clinics (as per included population) or to Iraq (as per title). Its not ethical to apply a limited study to a whole population (as per title and study population), but in here, it was mentioned by the author that further national larger samples were needed. These are contrasting statements. Please clarify your conclusion in relation to study population and title.	

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PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)	

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