Recommendations

The manuscript has improved substantially and now requires only moderate revision, focusing on the following changes:

- The **Results** and **Discussion** sections should be separated. These are distinct components of a scholarly manuscript and should not be combined. The Results section should present findings objectively and without interpretation, whereas the Discussion should interpret those findings and integrate relevant literature to contextualize and justify them.
- The manuscript currently contains too many subtitles. Please retain only the major section headings (e.g., Results, Discussion, Implications). The content should be written in a cohesive essay format rather than divided into numerous subsections.
- The current structure resembles a formal report rather than a conventional academic journal manuscript. The formatting and organization should align more closely with standard scholarly article conventions.

If these revisions are implemented, the likelihood of acceptance will improve significantly. At present, these changes are necessary to enhance the overall quality and scholarly rigor of the manuscript.

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