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Manuscript Number:	Ms_JOCAMR_121709
Title of the Manuscript:	RESEARCH ON THE EFFECT OF CANID-ASSISTED THERAPY ON THE THERAPEUTIC EFFICACY OF TREATMENT AGAINST AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS IN CHILDREN
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<p>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.</p>	<p>I liked the manuscript since Canine-Assisted Therapy holds significant promise in enhancing the therapeutic efficacy of treatments for Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) in children. By providing a unique and engaging interaction, dogs can help children with autism develop essential social, emotional, and communication skills. There is major flaw in spellings, that need to be corrected. The abbreviations used should be uniform through out the study.</p>	
<p>Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p>	<p>The Title can be more crisper. Alternative could be "Impact of Canine-Assisted Therapy on Behavioral Challenges in Children with Autism"</p>	
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<p>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p>	<p>Yes, sub sections and structure of the manuscript is appropriate</p>	
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<p>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.</p>	<p>References are sufficient.</p>	
<p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <p>Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>Language of the article can be improved further for scholarly communications.</p>	
<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>Reference writing not followed one style.</p>	

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PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(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)</i>
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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