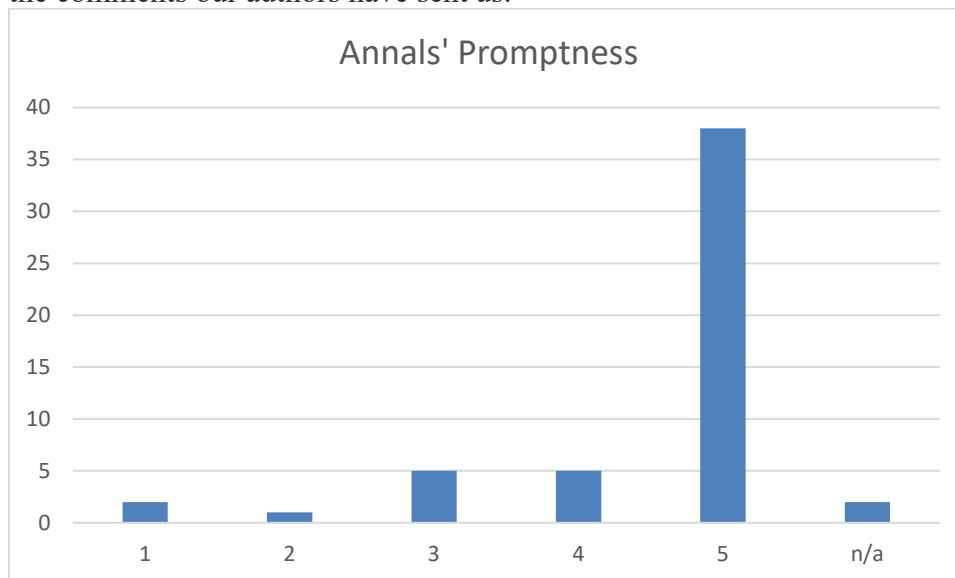
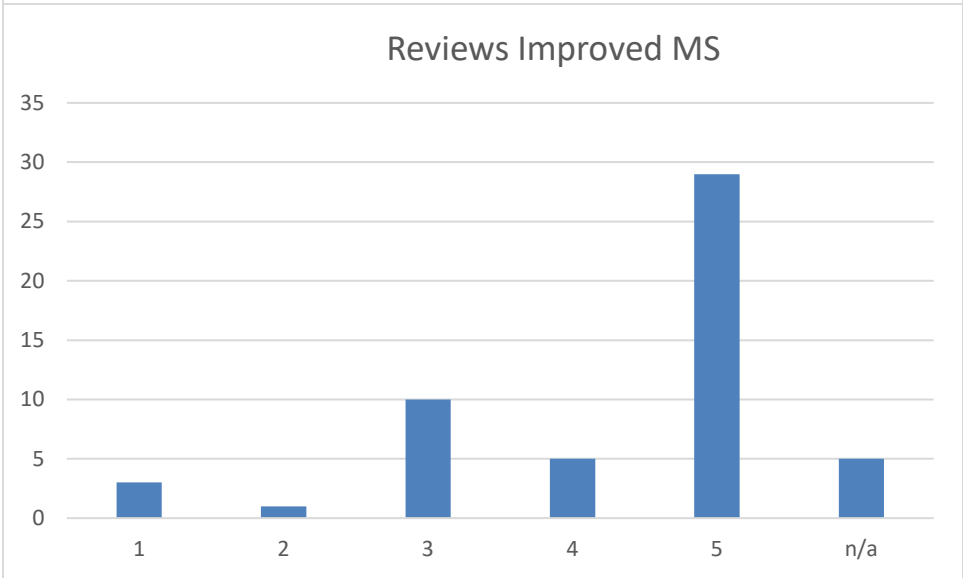
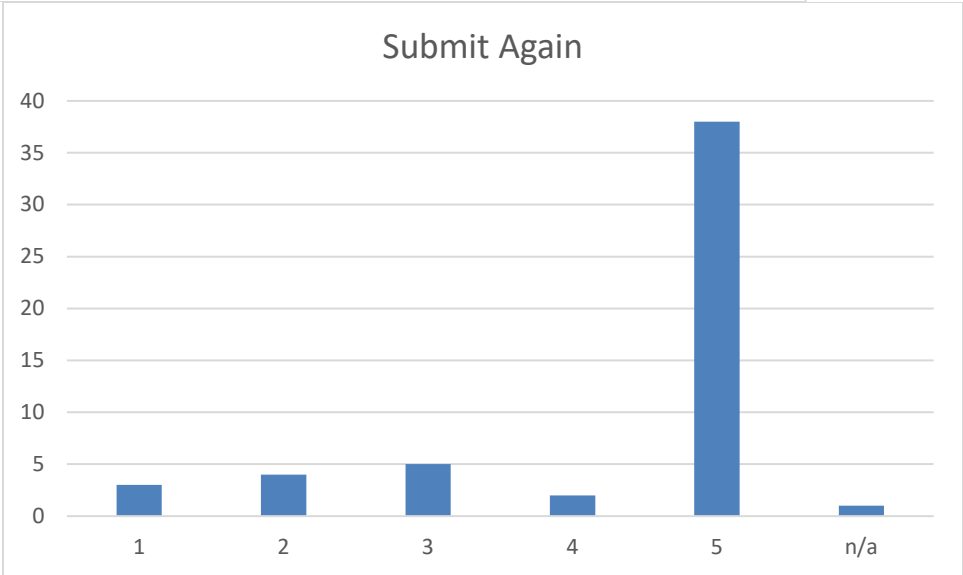
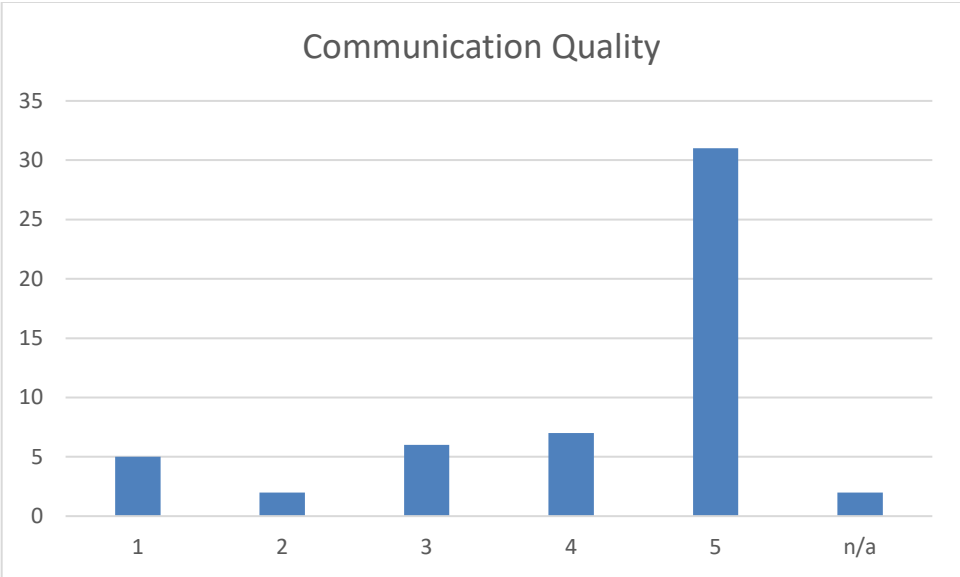
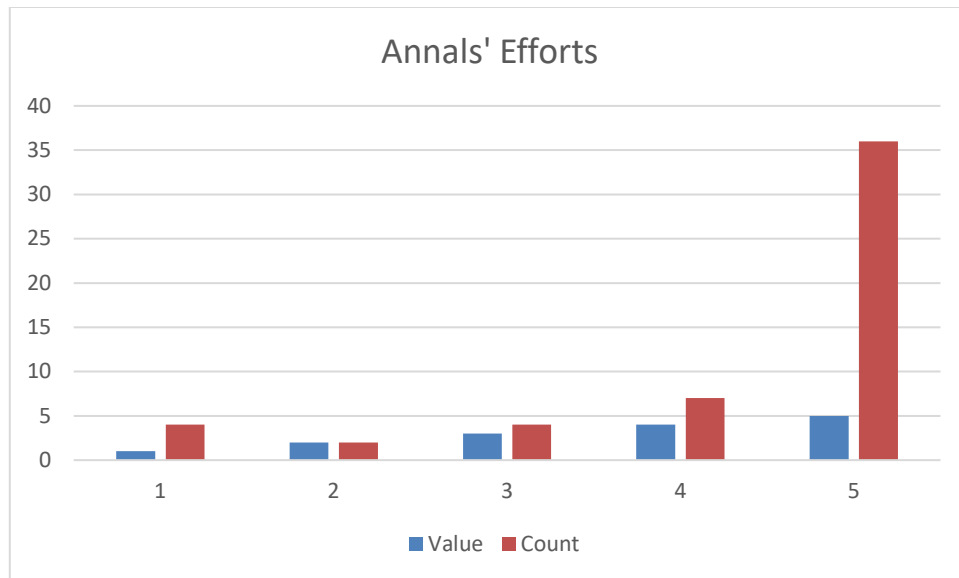


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Authors' Comments:

The reviewers' valuable comments and the time for first decision

Quick response, ease of uploading materials.

The prompt response and the way they dealt with my rejection. The recommendation to submit to another journal was very helpful as I don't have lots of research experience and local help is very limited.

Provided constructive suggestions.

This is the most thoughtful, constructive rejection I have ever received from a journal. I am immensely grateful to Dr. Luz M. Silverio for the comments. I can tell my piece was read and considered with immense care and attention. The feedback will help me be a better writer and influence future pieces I submit to Annals.

Timeliness, effectiveness, and improvement of paper quality.

The suggested edits made sense. The reviewer seemed interested in preserving my voice and vision - just made the piece more refined and focused.

Reviewers' and editors' comments were very helpful in improving our manuscript.

Reviewer comments were helpful.

Many of the comments were thoughtful, helpful, respectfully worded, and actionable.

The editor's passion to create a piece that fits the goals of the journal.

I received insightful comments from the peer reviewers.

The editor was super helpful in helping us to figure out how to create the figures wanted by Annals.

The process of peer review changed significantly over the years. The manuscript submission guidelines provided was comprehensive, detailed, and more involved but understandable.

The speed, creative corrections, and positive tone.

Quick process in every step of the review.

I am a statistician co-author. There were a lot of comments from the reviewers. They were thoughtful and professionally presented. Some were challenging to me in a good way. Their feedback improved the analysis and manuscript.

Timeliness of the decision.

The submission process was straightforward and the turnaround time prompt.

Prompt

They provide the similar article as an example for us to understand the style for arranging the figures we provided.

speed and quality

Submission process and turnaround time

The peer reviewer kindly offered his suggestions to me.

Quick turn around

Very quick

The single best part of my peer review experience was receiving detailed and constructive feedback from the reviewers. Their insights helped me identify areas for improvement and strengthened the overall quality of my manuscript.