Peer Review

## Review of: "Self-Rated Periodontal Health and Its Association With Pre-Eclampsia Among Pregnant Patients in Lagos State"

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Dear authors, you have conducted very detailed research.

This is proof that even low-income countries can contribute to scientific research.

The paper is well-conceived, and I have made a few corrections in the paper, which you will find in the attached file. I have also added one reference, which is also listed in the attached file: Nikolić L, Čakić S, Perunović N, Čolak E, Kotur-Stevuljević J, Janković S, Đurić M, Plećaš D. Salivary and plasma inflammatory mediators and secretory status in preterm women with periodontitis – a cross-sectional study. Vojnosanitetski pregled. 2020;77(3):247–55. doi:10.2298/VSP171106066N

My corrections may contribute to the accuracy and consistency of the data between the materials and methods and the results presented.

The added reference supports and encourages researchers from low-income countries to continue their research, as the reference relates to determining secretory status from saliva in transfusion services. The method is non-invasive and inexpensive, as it does not require additional reagents.

For example, the materials and methods state: The questionnaire obtained information on Sociodemographic Characteristics such as Age, parity, marital status, educational level, occupation, and ethnicity; Medical and Obstetric History including history of hypertension, diabetes, renal disease, preterm births, and previous pre-eclampsia episodes; Clinical Parameters including Blood pressure and proteinuria assessment using dipstick tests; and perinatal outcomes including birth weight, Apgar scores, and neonatal admissions.

However, the results also showed: smoking, alcohol use, contraceptive use, family history, gravidity. In my opinion, the added reference should be added to reference number 14.

Attachments: available at <a href="https://doi.org/10.32388/9H2S7H">https://doi.org/10.32388/9H2S7H</a>

## Declarations

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