

Review of: "An Analysis of Pharmaceutical Inventory Management at a Leading Teaching and Referral Hospital in Kenya"

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1. This is well written manuscript. However I have few issues that needs to be addressed.
2. The sample size and how it was achieved remains vague
3. Fig 3 points out that 26.9% was a proportion of consumed pharmaceutical expenditure for anti-infective. The figure should further be disintegrated into the proportions of consumption for major infective diseases in Africa: HIV, Malaria and Tuberculosis.
4. I am not sure whether the reason for decreased in TPE and case management at JOOTRH between 2019 and 2020 indeed may be linked to the effects of COVID-19, which may have resulted in fewer hospital visits. It is known that COVID-19 resulted into many severe cases and admissions including increased mortality rates. It also lead to high drug consumption since it was yet clearly stipulated on the best treatment approach for this severe respiratory syndrome. The portrayed reason for the decrease needs to be cemented with more justifications and citations
5. The Study has conclusion but misses recommendations in terms of what should be done to improve the identified areas of weakness