

Review of: "Incidence risk of major reproductive disorders of dairy cows and cow-level risk factors in Wolaita Sodo town, southern Ethiopia"

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Presented research provide interesting results and is well written. Despite relatively simple methodology, study is well designed. Nevertheless, some revisions should be done.

Starting from the materials and methods, description of the study area is not essential for the research, therefore it should be excluded or blended in the discussion part.

Regarding herds included in the research, there is no data showing average herd size. What criteria defined 30 to be limitation for herd size? Is 30 cows average herd size?

I suggest to state precise number of heifers and cows in M&M part (study population section).

Why specific infectious diseases that could play important role (e.g. BVD) where completely neglected, either in questionnaire nor in wider aspects through estimation of obtained results. It would also be of importance to state current country status for the specific infectious diseases of impact. Vaccination status was also not considered.

What was the case definition of dystocia?

Criteria for diagnosing metritis was also not stated.

Tables are not traceable, as risk factors' order is not consistent, which would facilitate tracking.

There are numerous mistakes in tables. For example in Table 2. there are 121 cows of HF local crosses breed, while in others the number is 122.

Despite all deficiencies, I find presented research interesting and believe that after modifications it should be published.

