

# Review of: "Giardia lamblia infection And Associated Risk Factors Among Patients Who Are Seeking Stool Examination At Bule Hora University Teaching Hospital, West Guji Zone, Ethiopia"

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Potential competing interests: No potential competing interests to declare.

#### Comments

#### Major comments:

- 1. It is unprecedented for research work to conduct stool examination using direct microscopic examination
- 2. The calculated sample size was 166.9. After adding 10% contingency, the final sample size became 184. However, your calculation gave you 137. How you calculated it, I don't know. This is an irreversible mistake that you can do nothing about.
- 3. You have to re-analyze your data using Binary Logistic Regression. That is, you have to analyze first by Bivariate logistic regression, and those independent variables scoring ≤ 0.25 should be candidates for Multivariable logistic regression. Otherwise, a Chi-square test alone is not enough
- 4. Re-write and reorganize your introduction into:
- a. What is known?
- b. What is not known? and
- c. What will be the contribution of this study?

#### Minor comments:

- 1. You didn't give line numbers to your manuscript, so it is difficult to comment. For future drafts of the same manuscript, you have to give line numbers
- 2. You have to include the following in the study area and period part:
- a. The latrine coverage of Bule Hora town
- b. The drinking water coverage of Bule Hora town

## **Specific comments**

### Cover page



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## **Sections**

## **Abstract**

- In the 'Method' section of the "Abstract" part, modify the following sentence as "A p value of 0.05 was considered statistically significant." to "A p value of < 0.05 was considered statistically significant."
- In the 'Results' section of the "Abstract" part, give space between 'of' and G. lamblia'
- Your recommendation in the 'Conclusions and Recommendations' section of the "Abstract" part has nothing to do with your conclusion. Please re-recommend as per your conclusion

## Introduction

Delete the first and second paragraphs of the introduction part; it is not a seminar, it is research. They have nothing to do with the introduction of a manuscript write-up.

#### **Methods**

# Study area and period

Paragraph one, line three: delete the second comma after the word "centers"

#### Study design and population

L1: add the word "factors" after the word "risk"

MY FINAL DECISION IS REJECT. BECAUSE IT IS UNPRECEDENTED TO DO A RESEARCH USING DIRECT MICROSCOPIC EXAMINATION. MOREOVER, THE SAMPLE SIZE CALCULATION IS WRONG, WHICH IS IRREVERSIBLE AT THIS STAGE, AS I INDICATED IN THE MAJOR COMMENT PART. CONSIDERING THE ABOVE ANOMALIES, I DECIDED TO REJECT IT. HENCE, MY FINAL DECISION IS REJECT.