

Review of: "Clinical and Subclinical Bovine Mastitis: Staphylococcus aureus Isolation and Identification from Dairy Farms Located in and Around Hawassa Town, Southern Ethiopia"

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Thank you for giving me the opportunity to participate in the review of the manuscript entitled "Clinical and Subclinical Bovine Mastitis: Staphylococcus aureus Isolation and Identification from Dairy Farms Located in and Around Hawassa Town, Southern Ethiopia".

The purpose and scope of the article have been well defined. The methodology is clearly written and makes it possible to repeat the experiments. The results and discussion are well presented. However, I have a few suggestions for minor edits:

Minor language editing is needed.

In the manuscript, the line numbering is missing. Please number your lines.

Title:

In the title, *Staphylococcus aureus* should be written in italics.

Abstract

Background

1. Mastitis is an expensive disease. Please replace the word "expensive" by another suitable word or rephrase the entire sentence.

Introduction

1. Mastitis has serious zoonotic potential. Please add the letter "a" before the word "serious."

Materials and Methods

Udder cleaning

1. 10 ml of milk was taken: Numbers at the beginning of the sentence should be written in letters (ten).
2. Please check for repeated sentences.

3. Why did you not use selective media for isolation of *Staph. aureus* such as Paired Barker medium?

Results

1. Molecular identification of the isolated staphylococci is necessary.
2. Unfortunately, I cannot judge the statistical analysis.