

Review of: "Prevalence and Associated Factors of Hemorrhoids and Other Perianal Complications During the Puerperium Among Mothers Who Gave Birth at Debre Tabor Referral Hospital, Debre Tabor, Ethiopia, 2022"

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Thank you to the author's of this paper for investigating a relevant topic and for bringing up novel findings specific to the study site in Debre Tabor Ethiopia.

This study is well structured , with a methodology that would certainly be reproducible.

My comments for areas of improvement are as follows:

- The title could read "Prevalence and Associated factors of perianal complications...."
- Justification why the focus of the results is on haemorrhoids , whereas the study reveals fissures to be more prevalent
- The abstract ought to mention what the statistical significance means i.e the odds of having haemorrhoids increased with more parity
- The abstract conclusion ought to read "Anal fissure, hemorrhoids, and perianal episiotomy infections are the most common perianal problems in the postpartum period, causing a significant reduction in the quality of life of those afflicted with them. These complications can potentially cause a significant reduction in the quality of life."
- In instances where patients cannot read and write , a thumbprint ought to have been used
- Minor corrections in sentences

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Though some patients need to undergo surgery, many hemorrhoid patients can successfully be treated ~~with conservative~~ conservatively with medication and ointments

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Descriptive statistics including frequency and percentage was done to describe the study population in relation to different variables

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We found that ~~mothers who gave birth to heavier babies~~ giving birth to a heavier baby[>4000 grams] was associated with

the development of anal fissures during the puerperium.

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Overall this is a very good study . I am optimistic ,that with some edits , this manuscript would be ready for publication .

Thank you