

# 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 for the invitation to review this manuscript. This is an interesting and relevant topic. A few minor questions and suggestions:

- It is unclear where/when the data collection was performed: Did you interview women during labor and delivery? If so, I'd like to suggest changing the term "pregnant women" to "parturients" to make it clear who the population is.
- Was the examination to provide a diagnosis performed by a member of the research team? Was it before or after the delivery? This information can help us understand the influence of obstetrical factors such as mode of delivery and length of the 2nd stage of labor. If the examination was performed before childbirth, it could hinder the real prevalence and influence of such factors.
- I'd like to suggest to the authors that they include the limitations of this study. It is important to highlight that cross-sectional studies are unable to establish a cause-and-effect relationship, and therefore the results of this study should be interpreted with caution. Also, the sample size does not make it possible to generalize the results, and further studies with different methods are needed.