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PART 1:

Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Medicine and Health
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Title of the Manuscript:	A STUDY ON RELATIONSHIP OF THROMBOCYTOPENIA AND LIKELIHOOD OF SEVERE MALARIA IN PATIENTS ADMITTED WITH MALARIA IN A TERTIARY CARE HOSPITAL OF DAKSHINA KANNADA
Type of Article:	Original Research Article

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The authors have improved certain points of the manuscript. However, the quality of Tables is very poor; for instance the elements of each table are not standardized as certain are in while capital letter while others in small letters. In addition, these tables should be properly captioned as they should be self-explanatory. - You outlined a 4-fold increased risk for death in patients with thrombocytopenia but by looking at your Odds ratio values, the relation between thrombocytopenia and death risk is not statistically significant. So, please it not necessary to discuss about not significant results which are greatly due to the small sample size. - Table 4: add sociodemographic and other clinical characteristics of the patients in both univariate and multivariate logistic regression models. - Table 4: you said this study aimed to determine the significance of thrombocytopenia as diagnostic tool of severe malaria. However, your analytical approach is poor as you did not clearly specify which sign of severe malaria you wanted related to thrombocytopenia. Clearly specify it in the "Materials and Methods " as well as in "Results and Discussion" - Line 117: change "vivax and falciparum" to "<i>P. vivax</i> and <i>P. falciparum</i>" - The authors have to include a section "Acknowledgment" dedicated to patients who accepted to participated in the study and any other person or institution. It is a proof of scientific humility - Bibliographic references are not standardized as per guideline of the journal. 	<p>Authors' response to final evaluator's comments</p> <p>Dear Sir,</p> <p>Thank you for your inputs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We have modified the table - The thrombocytopenia statistics were included in the abstract as per the comments of reviewers. Can be removed as directed by you. - We have not taken into account the sociodemographic data in our study and hence will not be able to add the same - Materials and Methods and Discussion has been modified - Line 117 changed - Acknowledgement has been added - References modified