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| Journal Name: | Asian Hematology Research Journal |
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| Manuscript Number: | Ms_AHRJ_48529 |
| Title of the Manuscript: | EFFECT OF FALCIPARUM MALARIA ON HAEMATOLOGICAL PARAMETERS IN MALARIA INFECTED PATIENTS IN SOKOTO METROPOLIS |
| Type of the Article | Original Research Article |

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PART 1: Review Comments

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| Compulsory REVISION comments | The theme is interesting. I have some advice. | |
| | 1. Abstract: "One hundred and fifty four (254) patients": Is this "two hundred"? Please be very careful regarding the number. If I did not recognized this, this paper | |
| | would have become a "wrong paper". Please be very careful to write a scientific paper. English should be extensively revised by a native scientific paper-writer. | |
| | 2. Abstract: "Out of the 254 patients, 167 (65.7%) had malaria.": What are the criteria used to pick up 254 patients. 254 what? | |
| | 3. Introduction: "Malaria infected patients tended to have significantly lower platelets, WBCs, lymphocytes, eosinophils, RBCs and Hb level, while monocyte and | |
| | neutrophil counts were significantly higher in comparison to non-malaria infected patients [7]": This is unclear because both neutrophils and eosinophils belong to WBC. | |
| | 4. "While the vast majority of severe malaria and related mortality is caused by <i>P. falciparum</i> infection [9].": Please reconfirm this sentence. This makes no sense | |
| | and grammatically incorrect. "While A is B, C is D." | |
| | 5. Materials: "The study was hospital based cross sectional and involved patients of all ages attending the outpatient clinics who were referred by the resident clinician": Do you mean that patients were tentatively diagnosed as having malaria? Inclusion criteria what? Or does "patients" mean "all patients visiting this | |
| | clinic"? | |
| | 6. 2-4-2; I believe that this is a routine procedure. If so, please delete all these detailed statements. | |
| | 7. Discussion: Please describe if 1) some new findings were made or 2) this study was "reconfirmation" of the previous study regarding the platelet, Hb, and WBC | |
| | counts. I cannot understand which was the case, 1) or 2). Please definitely state which was the case, 1) or 2). | |
| | 8, Discussion should be much more concise. You only found out peripheral blood changes in this condition. | |
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PART 2

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