

**General Comments:**

This manuscript needs extensive and careful typographic and grammatical corrections. Repetition need to be removed as much possible.

**Specific Comments:**

How many of the 200 subjects were symptomatic and how many were asymptomatic? What was the criteria used to classify these subjects as symptomatic or not ? Quote reference(s), if necessary

Line 25, how many of the 19 subjects were symptomatic or asymptomatic ? What was the p value of significance ?

Line 34, correct the sentence as, "Routine urine culture test.."

Line 68: Mention the name of all the kits/chemicals/reagents used in various assays with the company information (Company, State, Country). Quote reference(s), if necessary. Mention how many times the assays were repeated.This needs to be done for all the tests/assays.

Line 81-82. Why a colony count of >100,000 was considered significant? Quote reference(s), if necessary. Mention how much volume of urine was collected ?

Line 96: Explain how the microscopic analysis was done, what type of microscopy was used? How many fields were observed ? was it done in a "blinded" fashion ? How was the bacterial strain identified? Quote reference(s), if necessary.

Line 116. Briefly mention the type of questions in the questionnaire. Was an ethical clearance obtained from authorities before conducting this study? If yes, mention the name of the committee that approved this study.

Line 130. Mention the signs and symptoms of UTI diagnosed? Quote reference(s), if necessary

Line 145. Explain what is 1+, 2+ and 3+ for leukocyte positivity. Quote reference(s), if necessary

Line 185. Expand "CONS"

Line 204. Define "significant positive culture"

Line 232: Describe the level of education. What are low, middle and higher education?

Line 263. Expand "ASB"

Line 275. Mentioning a global risk rate for UTI is more relevant than any particular country; especially, the present study was not done in the USA?

Line 325. Change "report by C. Obirikorang" to, "report by Obirikorang et.al"

Line 326. Change "Robina Ali..." to "Ali et.al"

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