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**PART 1: Review Comments**

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Repeatability of tables kindly correct that.</li> <li>2. In page 2, para 2, line 59-60 you mentioned that "The HBs antigen was demonstrated by the Alere Determine TM HBsAg test (Chiba, Japan)" but you not mentioned weather this is rapid or ELISA test. Kindly mentioned that.</li> <li>3. Kindly mentioned weather you did any confirmatory testing or follow-up the reactive donors.</li> <li>4. Kindly mentioned false positivity or false negativity of your test.</li> <li>5. In discussion page 6, para 1, line 90-93 you mentioned that "This relatively low prevalence of DBS in Kisangani would be underestimated by the fact that other immunological markers of viral hepatitis B are not being sought by the Provincial Blood Transfusion Center in Kisangani City - like HBsAg, HBcAg, HBcAb, HBeAg, HBeAg - and excluding at-risk individuals when recruiting blood donors. <b>As per this that low prevelance of Hepatitis B in your study is because you not detecting HbsAg, while your aim of the study is to determine the seroprevalence of carrying HBs antigen in blood donors. So, the statement in the discussion section is confusing. Kindly rectify.</b></li> </ol>	
<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments	Whenever you mentioned the acronyms of any word first time in the manuscript kindly mention full form of that acronyms like you mentioned DBS but no full form of that	
<b>Optional/General</b> comments		

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