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PART 1:

Journal Name:	British Journal of Medicine and Medical Research
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Title of the Manuscript:	SICKLE CELL DISEASE IN PREGNANCY: MATERNAL AND FETAL OUTCOME IN PORT HARCOURT, NIGERIA

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
The author has corrected nearly all the observations previously noticed. However, some issues still require attention. The issue that need corrections are: • Abstract - o Line 13 – change observational to descriptive - o Conclusion – Your conclusion should be based on your finding. Although the current study showed that proportion of pregnant mothers with sickle cell disease was infinitesimally small (<1%) compared with non- sickle cell disease booked mothers for ANC. Can this be use to draw up general conclusion as to the rarity of pregnancy among female with sickle cell disease in Port Harcourt, Nigeria. • Materials and Methods - o Describe the routine care for pregnant women with sickle cell disease within the study location - o “Haemolytic crisis” should be “hyper-haemolytic” - o Provide reference for definition of malaria and crises • Discussion - o Line 135 – 138 ▪ The reason highlighted was not appropriate. There is documented evidence of increased survival among children with SCD in the country where the study was conducted due to documented improvement in care. Ref 8 was published in 2007 while ref 9 was in 1992. The authors should identified any disparity, if any, between current study and the two	Changed Modified Done Done Done I have no issues with the reason given



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reference studies e.g. are sample size same - o Line 162 ▪ Change “were” to “have” - o Line 163 – 164 ▪ Not clear. What about maternal fetal haemoglobin (HbF) levels? Final Disposal: Accepted subject to above modifications.	Done Removed
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