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Title of the Manuscript:	The Scorpion Sting: Epidemiology, Clinical Symptoms, Treatment, Surveillance and Reporting Obstacles in the Salfit District (West Bank) (2014-2015)
Type of the Article	Original Research Articles

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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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Interesting article. However, it is very prolonged and verbose. If it can be trimmed down, removing some nonsignificant/irrelevant information in Introduction as well as discussion... e.g. A scorpion sting is a life threatening medical emergency, and thus is a major public health problem in developing countries {1,2}. Scorpion stings are responsible for significant morbidity and mortality in many parts of Asia, the Middle East, northern and southern Africa as well as in Central and South America {3}. Similarly Discussion also may be revised/trimmed down In addition the significance of the map, is not understood! If it is not very relevant to the study itself, may be considered for omission.	
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Nothing to mention.	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	It appears to be a mildly interesting article. It has significance specifically to a small geographical area/ population. In addition the Number of patients is also very small to draw a set of conclusions. In addition the authors can draw another conclusion: The scorpion envenomation is one of the extremely painful occurrences, that can happen in a human being's life. Somehow, the protocol which should include the infiltration by a Local Anaesthetic, like lidocaine is significantly lacking (only one patient reportedly had the injection) Authors can draw this finding and make a recommendation as such.	

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