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PART 1:

Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJTDH_28884
Title of the Manuscript:	Investigating the <i>Plasmodium falciparum</i> infection intensity and two methods of malaria diagnosis in North Western Nigeria.
New Title	Investigating the <i>Plasmodium falciparum</i> infection prevalence and intensity and two methods of malaria diagnosis in North Western Nigeria.
Type of Article:	original research paper

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
Thank you for this revised manuscript. Most of the earlier comments are addressed. However, I still need an explanation and more information about the randomization process. The authors wrote in the manuscript "The study was conducted in some randomly selected" but in the answer they wrote that they used an "authoritative sampling". I am not familiar with the presentation $p < 0.0$ that has been added in this version. Perhaps another reviewer recommends the authors to write it in this way? Finally, there are some grammatical errors. For example, "the intensity was highest in males than in females"	Thank you for the constructive criticism. It is important to understand that there were two selections that were undertaken in this study. First the five sampled states were randomly selected from seven states of North West Nigeria. Secondly informed/written participation consent was obtained from the patients prior taking their blood samples, thus authoritative sampling was used. It was earlier suggested by a reviewer, however has been corrected. It has also been addressed.