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	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)*
Compulsory REVISION comments	Abstract: Aims: there is a need to make a total recast of the aim and avoid the phrase 'to find out' which is vague and difficult to measure; authors may use the phrase 'to determine' instead. Keywords: add 'Risk factors' which are central to the study. Line 33 and 34….Collected data concerned the period from 1rst January to 31rst December, 2015…….Authors should consider recasting by eliminating exact date, for instance, the use of 1rst and 31rst; may to go straight mentioning the period of 12 months, etc. Discussion: Line 131-136……..authors need to clearly state why the change in policy from intravenous quinine to intravenous artesunate in the management of malaria complications and the likely implication for unavailability of the substituted drug. Line 145……seemed to be a recommendation. Please avoid the use of 'must' and vague phrase 'to find out' References: All journal names should be italicised	I agree with remarks and accept to format the manuscript. Thanks.
Minor REVISION comments	Abstract: Methodology: …….Yate's adjustment if necessary……..replace 'if' with 'where' i.e. where necessary. Line 11……Delete words inside brackets Line 17-18……delete space and join the paragraphs Line 22-23…… delete space and join the paragraphs Line 25 and 26……to determine which factors were associated to…….should be 'to determine factors associated to' Line 36…….[5-6]……should be [5,6], since the are only two numbers which are serial and consecutive. Line 43……13,4%....should be 13.4%. Line 45……authors should check the formula and effect correction by replacing ≥ with = sign and deleting * between 'p' Line 46…..that of alive……should be 'those of alive' Line 46….to find out…….replace this vague phrase with an action verb, possibly 'to determine' Line 46…..dying with malaria……should be dying of malaria Line 70……..write figure in full; title should be 'flow chart……' Table 1: replace '6 months to 5 years-old' with '≥ 5 years-old' Line 83 and 85….change 'haemoglobinuria' into adjective form, i.e. 'haemoglobinuric' for consistency. Line 84…….please delete 'with' Line 107……..table 1…….should be 'Table 1' Line 115-119……authors need to discuss in some detail the implication of results for haemoglobinuria and respiratory distress.	

	Line 123……table 2…….should be 'Table 2' Line 127…….and others complication……should be 'and other complications' Line 129……table 3…….should be 'Table 3'	
Optional/General comments	A good research paper worth publishing after consideration of the highlighted corrections.	