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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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	Abstract: Justify Collection of 10ml blood each from children 1-5 years old? Authors need to justify such a copious quantity. Results: The authors should revisit the calculations the table of prevalence. The overall prevalence of malaria should not be divided among the age groups. In fact, the age-group specific prevalence should be calculated on the basis of a particular age-group, e.g. $397/584 \times 100 = 68\%$. Table 1: column for control is not necessary since prevalence is only calculated as No. positive cases/total no. examined multiplied by 100. Tables: there should be proper alignment of values. Tables 2 to 5.....there should be a key for the acronyms/abbreviations such as TB, CB, etc. Also use capital letters for the International Unit 'iu' and 'L' in $\mu\text{mol/L}$, i.e. $\mu\text{mol/L}$. References: Check punctuations, especially between volume, issue and page range of the journal articles cited.	
Minor REVISION comments	Title: Line 3.....space between comma and Rivers State Abstract: Line 17.....capitalise 'g' of giemsa Line 21 and 22.....test malaria subjects.....please it should be 'test subjects' Line 22 and 23....tests than in controls.....should be 'test than in control groups' to be more formal. Line 34....are among young.....should be occur among young..... Line 40.....space between semi-colon and WHO. Line 43.....with P. knowlesi, monkey malaria.....please it should be.....with P. knowlesi the cause of monkey malaria. Line 43.....please hyphenate 'South East' Line 52.....Wokem et al.,.....please remove the 'comma' after et al. and adopt same throughout the manuscript. Line 60.....put comma before 'etcetera' Line 61.....correct typing error.....this 'rgives' Line 65.....seemed common.....should be seemed to be common Line 66,,,,,correct spelling of 'aspartate' Line 67.....aminotransaminase? Please check. Line 72...alkaline phosphate? Please check Line 72.....please recast.....'when bilirubin is then.....to the end of the sentence. Line 81.....put article 'the' before 'study area' Line 85.....please delete 'enzyme' as the work is not restricted to enzymes. Line 97.....correct spelling of formular, i.e. to 'formula' Experimental design: the authors need to interpret the formula, stating the prevalence rate of malaria obtained from Araoye (2003). Line 104....please state the type of container for collection of blood samples for LFT, whether anticoagulated or plain. Line 112.....put comma between serum and while. Line 114.....remove comma after 'Cheesbrough' Line 116.....equal to or less 0.05.....should be 'equal to or less than 0.05, or simply write '≤ 0.05' Results: Table 1.....studied population....please change to study population. Line 127...the authors should not refer to the table using words such as 'below' or 'above' Line 141.....malaria-infected.....in my opinion 'malaria' can stand alone since it is a disease/condition in	



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	subjects infected with <i>Plasmodium</i> parasite. Thus, instead of saying malaria-infected please write simply 'malaria' and to be adopted throughout the paper. Table 2: line 159...authors need not to be repeating 'parasite density' 3 times in the same row/line. The 3 columns can be merged so as to have one heading, i.e. 'parasite density, for professionalism. Lines 210 and 211.....please rephrase to the value is slightly higher (65.5%) than the one reported by Wokem et al. (2008), for clarity of meaning, or recast in another style. Line 215.....please it should be.....(Wokem <i>et al.</i> 2006; Wokem <i>et al.</i> 2008). Line 215.....may be? Probably?...the authors should choose either since the two mean the same. Line 219 and 220.....there is a disconnect between the seemingly two sentences, while in reality there should be only one sentence for clarity of expression. Line 250.....check spelling.....'aminotransaminase' Do the authors mean aminotransferases? Line 252....(2005); Onyeasom.....change semi-colon to comma. Line 258....put 'dot' after 'et al.' Line 258 and 259..there is also a disconnect between the seemingly two sentences. See lines 219 and 220. Line 261.....correct spelling of 'suprice' Conclusion: Authors should be a little bit elaborate in the conclusion for clarity.	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments		

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