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Journal Name:	Journal of Advances in Biology & Biotechnology
Manuscript Number:	Ms_JABB_40283
Title of the Manuscript:	Premature parturition in a bitch with Visceral Leishmaniasis: Case report
Type of the Article	Case study

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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	<p>Results may be target for a veterinary journal issue.</p> <p>At the begining a paragraph of dog leishmaniasis (lifecycle, generalities) should be included.</p> <p>The word "bitch" may be changed by "female dog".</p> <p>In the section Case Description, the phrase "this works describes" is repetitive.</p> <p>Some of the results of clinical pathology and others are in the discussion section, should be in the case description section.</p> <p>In the discussion section, the presence of the parasite at lymph nodes and bone marrow was confirmed... However, it was not highlighted that in the case description. A brief description of proceedings should be included.</p> <p>An image of the cytology from lymph node or bone marrow with the parasite would be better than a photo with the dog and puppies.</p> <p>Why VL disease was not discard in male dog?</p> <p>The main results (premature parturition according to the research) have not been describe. It is not clear if was abortion. A description of the pathology or clinical tests findings in the puppies should be included (if they are alive if not, necropsy).</p>	<p>Corrected paragraph.</p> <p>Corrected.</p> <p>Corrected.</p> <p>Corrected.</p> <p>Corrected. Now it's between line 73 and 82.</p> <p>Added figure.</p> <p>The diagnosis of VL was performed in the dog that crossed with this bitch being negative for the disease.</p> <p>No other tests were performed in the fetuses, besides the clinical evaluation and the body development inferior to the gestation age (50-52 days). Because of the gestational age of this bitch it can't be considered an abortion, but a premature parturition, since the gestation of a female dog turns around 60-65 days. It is worth mentioning that it isn't stated in the article that the fetuses were contaminated by the parasite, but rather that the female dog was with the disease and that with the clinical and laboratorial changes present in the same there occurred premature parturition.</p>
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Optional/General comments		