Reviewer’s report

Title: Predictors of Treatment Failure and Time to Detection and Switching in HIV-infected Ethiopian Children Receiving First Line Antiretroviral Therapy

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Major compulsory revisions have been adequately addressed. However under the level of immunosuppression at ART initiation (table 1) it would be helpful to provide definitions of the various categories.

This could be done either as a foot note to the table providing relevant age-specific cut off values or by making reference to the source document e.g WHO ART guidelines

Minor revisions have been addressed

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I have no competing interests to declare