Reviewer's report

Title: Rapid, Simple and Sensitive Detection of Spotted Fever Group Rickettsias by Loop-Mediated Isothermal Amplification of the ompB Gene

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The manuscript is poorly written in English. There are many mistakes in spelling and grammar. For example in the abstract, rickettsiae was misspelled as rickettsias and the first sentence "Infection with spotted fever group rickettsias (SFGR) causes spotted fever, incidences of which are prevalent throughout China" is difficult to understand and the sentence can be simplified as "Spotted fever caused by rickettsiae is prevalent throughout China". Due to too many mistakes, the reviewers will not point out the mistakes item by item and the authors need ask a person who is fluent in English to revise the manuscript.

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 declare that I have no competing interests' below