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Dear Editor,

I have the pleasure to submit a manuscript entitled: "Chlamydia trachomatis serovar distribution in clinical urogenital specimens from Tunisian patients: high prevalence of C. trachomatis serovar E and mixed infections" by Houda Gharsallah, Olfa Frikha-Gargouri, Hanen Sellami, Fatma Besbes, Abir Znazen and Adnene Hammami, for publication in BMC Microbiology.

The purpose of this study was to genotype C. trachomatis strains circulating in Tunisia using our in house reverse hybridization method, previously developed and optimized (submitted article). We aimed also to assess the relationship between gender, age, clinical and microbiological factors and C. trachomatis serovars. Such data might help to develop strategies of sexually transmitted infections control.

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Sincerely yours

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