Reviewer’s report

Title: Accuracy of Real-Time PCR, Gram Stain and Culture for Streptococcus pneumoniae, Neisseria meningitidis and Haemophilus influenzae Meningitis Diagnosis

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Discretionary Revisions

In the Methods, under heading Study population and routine clinical testing, first paragraph, it would be helpful if the authors would specify that cell counts and chemistry values were derived from CSF specimens.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests