Reviewer's report

Title: Epidemiology of hepatitis B and hepatitis C virus infections in pregnant women in Sana'a, Yemen

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1-Major Compulsory Revisions: None.
2- Minor Essential Revisions:

(1) In the methods section, under the heading "Hospital and patients", first and second line in page 5, in stead of "Collaboration between Khartoum, Sudan and Sana'a, Yemen" authors should write "Collaboration between Alzaiem Alazhari University, Khartoum, Sudan and Al-Thawra Hospital, Sana'a, Yemen.

(2) In the same page, line 5, "local women" in stead of "women".

(3) In the same page no. 5, lines 10 and 11, what are the clear inclusion and exclusion criteria with justification for each? Why only women with a singleton baby were approached to participate in the study while women with ante-partum hemorrhage, hypertension and diabetes mellitus were excluded?

(4) In the same page no. 5, last five lines, characteristics should be reconstructed as: sociodemographic characteristics (age, education and residence) and obstetric characteristics (gestational age and parity)

(5) In the Result section under "HBsAg and anti-HCV seroprevalence, authors found that non of the patients were infected with both HBV and HCV, any relevant researches or data show the same patterns? or show coincidence of both infections? If any, please mention. Interestingly that women reside in rural areas and those with low educational level were equal!

(6) In the discussion section, page no. 7, the line before the last, in stead of "a large hospitals" should be "large hospitals".

(7) Page no. 9, line 5, "sexually transmitted diseases" in stead of sexually transmitted sexual diseases

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

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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.