Reviewer's report

Title: Intravenous ferric carboxymaltose for anaemia in pregnancy

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Major comments
1. Abstract. The abstract states the aim to determine efficacy to correct iron deficiency anaemia using IV infusion of Fe carboxymaltose, but the data presented does not indicate how many patients responded favorably to treatment.
2. Methods: How were haemoglobin and ferritin levels determined?
3. How were repeated measures handled in this study? Did each patient only have one measure in each timepoint?
4. Was the post-partum ferritin data which is proposed to indicate replenished iron stores compared to earlier measures in the same patients? Did the patients included in the ferritin analysis also have higher HB remaining in the post-partum period?

Minor comments
5. Table 2. Please include the HB cut points for mild, moderate and severe in the table. At each of the post-infusion time points, how many patients anaemia had resolved?
6. Table 3. Was “site irritation” inflammation or bruising?

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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'