Reviewer’s report

Title: The relationship between low maternal serum vitamin D levels and glycemic control in gestational diabetes mellitus assessed by HbA1c levels

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I find this article to be of high merit and interest in the field, it is well written, in good English, concise and to the point.

I see neither major nor minor compulsory revisions necessary.

However there are some Discretionary Revisions that might add to the value of the manuscript:

Lines 62, 116 & 117: mention neonatal hazards which were not part of the study design and no mention of any work done on neonates in the study.

Line 127: A lot of work was done with fasting blood sugar, insulin levels and QUICKI which should be added to the methods accessing glycemic control in the aim of work.

Line 152: (in methods) as the body mass index affects glycemic control in patients, the method of its’ calculation was mentioned without actually saying that all patients in the study and control group were (BMI) matched, which later came to be said in the results on line 188.

The results and tables were clear and easy to read and interpret.

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.