Reviewer's report

Title: Brucella spp. infection in large ruminants in an endemic area of Egypt: cross-sectional study investigating seroprevalence, risk factors and livestock owner's knowledge, attitudes and practices (KAPs).

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Reviewer: Patrizio Pezzotti

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The study is very well designed and the statistical analysis is extremely precise. I have only minor comments for the authors.

Figure 1.1 and figure 1.2 are not extremely useful given that they provide only the distribution of the simulation results. I suggest to provide in place of these two figures a table reporting descriptive statistics per animal and per household with the results of the tests. This table should report the results observed based on the tests.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.