Author's response to reviews

Title: Association of Biomass Fuel Use with Acute Respiratory Infections among Under-Five Children in a Slum Urban of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

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Re –Point by point responses for reviewer’s comment of MS: 2223189061247278 - Association of Biomass Fuel Use with Acute Respiratory Infections among Under- Five Children in a Slum Urban of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

On behalf my colleagues I would like to thank both reviewers for the valuable comments and suggestions on the manuscript “Effects of Biomass Fuel Use on Acute Respiratory Illness among Children in Slum Urban of Addis Ababa City, Ethiopia”. Please, find below a point-by-point response to each concerns.

Response to Reviewers Comment

Reviewer: Paulo Saldiva

  a) ‘Major points: Authors reported a response rate of 100%, but, at the same time, acknowledge with exception of some families. Please, clarify this point;
     -The recommendation is accepted and we have edited the statement
  b) Minor points: English is not adequate in some points and need to be revised.
     For instance, in Introduction, the frase “Acute respiratory infection in including of pneumonia is number one killing diseases among under-five children in Ethiopia.” is confusing.
     In table four, the * should read reference category and not categor.
     - The manuscript has been edited by native British English Speaker for quality of language. BMC Public Health state article can be in either American or British as long as it’s consistent. So, spelling and grammar overall have been corrected and consistent.
  c) Discretionary: The bar and pie charts do not add information that is not present in the tables, and authors could consider excluding them.
     - Corrected, Both Pie –chart and bar graph were excluded

Reviewer: Heriberto Jose J. Chong Neto

1. Discretionary: Revisions

    - Over all the manuscript has been revised

With best regards

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