Reviewer's report

Title: Hemoglobin levels and anemia evaluation during pregnancy in the highlands of Tibet: a hospital-based study

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My original criticism and additional comments have been answered in the second revision of the manuscript.

A few minor comments:

1. The authors should use the same reference to the altitude correction methods, either "Dirren et al. and Dallman et al. methods" or "Dirren's and Dallman's method". In the current version of the manuscript, the authors use both.

2. Line 53: Omit "urgently"

3. Line 91: Add "inhabitants" after million, and replace "was" with "were"

4. Figure 1 indicates that pregnant women with gestational age 44 weeks are included in the study. Is this due to an approximate last menstrual period?

5. Line 169: Omit "around" and "old"


7. Line 289: Omit "urgent"

8. Lines 200 & 202: replace "per" with "pre"-adjusted

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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