Reviewer's report

Title: Complications of circumcision in male neonates, infants and children: A systematic review

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The manuscript 'Complications of circumcision in male neonates, infants and children: A systematic review' deal with early and late complication of circumcision. The topic is of great importance and become more relevant due to new data showing that circumcision may reduce the risk to acquire HIV.

The review is very comprehensive' however one major complication which is common after traditional circumcision was not mentioned: UTI post circumcision, mainly after circumcision done by "Mohel" compared to physicians (Harel et al, Pediatr infect Dis J 2002, 21;879, and Prais, Arch Dis Child 2009, 94:191). This data should be included.

Specific remarks;

The paper deal with complication in children younger than 12 years, however table 4 mention in the discussion and deals in complication in adolescent and adults. As the discussion is very long, I suggest to move the data in Table 4 to the result section.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest 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’