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There have been studies conducted on CMV disease in the newborn due to maternal CMV infection found in the literature with contradictory findings. The present study adds new findings on this topic which would be an important contribution to literature. Manuscript has been written well. Few comments are given below:

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→ Title: May consider adding study design to the title. "Symptomatic Congenital Cytomegalovirus Disease Following Non-primary Maternal Infection: A Retrospective cohort study"

→ Introduction: Page 4: Line 13: Please correct: "and to detect women who are at risk ....."

→ Methods: Briefly describe Hospital setting

→ References: Use et al. if there are more than 6 authors (For example, reference number 7). Please check all references.

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