**Reviewer’s report**

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**Reviewer:** Helaine Milanez

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My suggestion of a more appropriate title:

I think you can erase (Or DISPENSE) the second presence of the word syphilis

It could stay:

Effects on preventing MTCT of syphilis and related adverse pregnancy outcomes: a longitudinal study from 2001 to 2015 in Shangai, China

Well written work, with relevant theme.

The frequency of syphilis and congenital syphilis in pregnancy is a serious problem all over the world, but even more serious in the Americas and Asia, where data are alarming!

We know that what has occurred most is not the failure to perform the screening, since the majority of patients who present an adverse result performed prenatal care. What has happened the most is the misinterpretation of serology or non-treatment of sexual partnerships.

Intensifying the clarifications for the population of physicians, who attend these women, will help reduce this serious problem.

Knowing the epidemiological reality is the first step in defining the most vulnerable populations and focusing efforts on their attention!

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