Reviewer’s report

Title: Characteristics of diarrheagenic Escherichia coli among children under 5 Years of age with acute diarrhea: a hospital based study

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The manuscript has been adequately corrected. The language was clearly improved, but, some minor English mistakes are still present and should be corrected. Just some examples:

line 32, 120: "biochemical"instead of "biochemistry" tests

line 39, 45, 151, 153, 169, 186, 206-209, 215, 222, 223, 274…: some underlined or colored words apparently with no reason

lines 75-77: "However, etiology surveys… detail" - rewrite

line 105: excluded "from" instead of "in"

line 124: DEC "was" instead of "where"

lines 164-165: "Statistically significant was…" - rewrite

line 172: "the rest were girls…” should be removed

line 187: What does " .DEC co-infection mean?" Infection with more than one DEC pathotype? Rewrite.

lines 195 and 196: "of EPEC infected cases"can be deleted

lines 204, 217: "… DEC and aEPEC strains" does not seem ok, because aEPEC is a DEC subtype

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