Author’s response to reviews

Title: Severe Fever with Thrombocytopenia Syndrome: Comparison with Scrub Typhus and Clinical Diagnostic Prediction

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed our manuscript entitled “Severe Fever with Thrombocytopenia Syndrome: Comparison with Scrub Typhus and Clinical Diagnostic Prediction” to be reconsidered for publication as an Original Research Article. We revised our previous submission (INFD-D-18-02102-R1) as recommended in the disposition letter.

In response to the Editor’s comments,

1) We clarified authors’ contributions according to the Guidelines for Authorship (page 22, line 368-375). Definitely, all listed authors substantially contributed to the study.

2) The authors confirm that all those mentioned in the Acknowledgements section provided permission to be included.

3) As the two reviewers did not provide any specific comment, we have no response to this.

As already described in the previous cover letter, this manuscript has not been published or is not being considered for publication elsewhere. All authors have read the manuscript and approved its submission. The authors have no conflicts of interest to declare.

Sincerely,

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