Reviewer’s report

Title: Time to viral load suppression and its associated factors in cohort of patients taking antiretroviral treatment in East Shewa Zone, Oromiya, Ethiopia, 2018

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This is a good study; however, the following comments are to be noted:

1. There are significant grammatical and typographical errors that would require to be corrected.

2. The time of measurement of the plasma viral load assay was not mentioned. Was it at 6 months or 12months?

3. The results are not presented in a logical manner; I suggest you begin with sociodemographic characteristics of study participants, and move on to clinical, before laboratory results.

4. Too much detail of the statistical analysis is presented in the pros; most of these should be presented in a table for easy comprehension.

5. Many statements made did not have references.

6. Nothing was mentioned about the ART regimen the patients were on.

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