Reviewer’s report

Title: Umbilical cord bilirubin as a predictor of neonatal jaundice: a retrospective cohort study

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Reviewer: Tina Slusher

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I found this article to be well written, easy to read and the information to be potentially useful in helping predict which infants among those who were a setup for developing significant jaundice. Even in centers not currently doing aUCB, this study raises the likelihood that doing it in O mothers could prevent missing clinically significant jaundice. I wondered if the authors looked Rh set-ups separately from the group as a whole and if that might also be helpful information. Limitations were addressed. I would change the word untypical on page 13 Line 14 to atypical.

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