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PART A:

Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	MS: 2012/IJTDH/1769
Title of the Manuscript:	RATES AND RISK FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH SURGICAL SITE INFECTIONS IN A TERTIARY CARE CENTER IN SOUTH-WESTERN NIGERIA.

(Note: Title of different sections as proposed below may differ in case of review paper)



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PART B: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part and write here 'Corrected' if not agreed, give suitable justifications)
General comment:	There is no novel information or new finding presented in this study	WE PROVIDE DATA FROM AFRICAN PERSPECTIVE
Specific comments:	The study is well written, but provides a simplistic and descriptive review of surgical site infections from a heterogenous population. There is no new information presented here.	---
Title and abstract	No comment	THANKS
Introduction (Is the problem/objective of this study original, important and well defined?)	No problems identified	THANKS
Are all the references cited relevant, adequate? Are there any other suitable current references authors need to cite?	No problems identified	-----
Materials & methods (Kindly comment on the suitability of the methods. Sufficient details of the methods should be provided to allow peers to evaluate and/or replicate the work)	Statistical methods were fine, but the independent variables are not causally related, in many cases, to SSI's, and are too general and demographic to be of any use for patient care.	THE FINDINGS ARE USEFUL IN A RURAL AFRICAN ENVIROMENT WHERE RESOURCES ARE SCARCE
Results & discussion (Kindly comment on: 1. Are the data well controlled and robust? 2. Authors should provide relevant references during discussion. 3. Discussion and conclusions should be based on actual facts and figures. Biased claims should be pointed out. 4. Are statistical analyses must for this paper? If yes, have sufficient and appropriate statistical analyses been carried out?)	There is nothing new being presented.	----
Are there any ethical or competing interest issues?	No.	-----
Conclusion (Is the conclusion supported by the data, discussed inside the manuscript? Conclusions should not be biased and should be based on the data, presented inside the manuscript only)	The conclusion is vague; SSI's are a problem, but they are an issue everywhere.	CORRECTED-----RE-WITTEN
References	No comment.	----