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PART 1:

Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	2013_IJTDH_4985
Title of the Manuscript:	PATTERN OF NEONATAL MORTALITY IN A TERTIARY HEALTH FACILITY IN UMUAHIA, SOUTH EAST, NIGERIA
Type of the Article	Research paper

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PART 2: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments		
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments		
<u>Optional/General</u> comment	The research question is obscure; the knowledge gap the research intended to close is unclear. The data is not sound enough to make a statement which could add to knowledge or influence practice. The manuscript depicts the cause of neonatal mortality that are not different from what have always been known in the developing world. If the research were a true audit of newborn mortality, the manuscript should have provided information on “why” neonates die and not just “what kills neonates.	The entire paper has been re-written in line with the suggestions made.