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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	The title of the paper should be recast to reflect intensity because most of the tables presented mentioned Average number of individual infected with the parasite which is the same as intensity. 1. Table 1 presented lack information on the number of individuals infected in each age category. 2. Since prevalence of infection is the main focus, data should be provided on the prevalence of infection in each age category at each site. I would suggest to the authors that table 1 should present data on the overall prevalence and intensity of S. mansoni infection in each age category. 3. Table 1 which presented "Average number of indiv. at different sites" should now be table 2 and should read "Mean intensity of S. mansoni infection in relation to age, gender and location. The number of people examined in each age category should be stated. 4. Since it has been suggested that the overall intensity be provided in table 1, table 3 should be deleted.	Title: Word 'intensity has been included in the title 1. A new table 1 has been inserted reflecting the required data. 2. A new table 2 has also been generated reflecting the required data 3. Table 3 has been deleted 4. Line 140-141 has been rephrased as Infection rates were higher in adolescents and adults than in children (Table 3 and Figure 2



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<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	In the result section line 140-141 : The authors stated that “percentages in adolescents (5.2%)..... (table 3 and fig. 2). There were no data presented to show this statement. The statement should be removed.	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	This paper investigated intestinal schistosomiasis with the aim of determining the prevalence of the infection in West Nile region of Uganda. It is well written paper and it is focused on its objective. However, there are some corrections which must be effected before it is published in international Journal.	