

Editorial Comment:

From a critical assessment of this manuscript, the authors need to correct the following errors in the manuscript and resubmit their paper.

Throughout the manuscript, they should correct the tense for datum singular and data for plural. In All their tables, they should use frequency statistical analysis, there are many cells within their tables with frequencies less than 5 therefore, their computed Chi-Square values are inaccurate. They should consult a statistician.

Authors Feedback :

We have made the following corrections as stated below and are resubmitting the article.

Corrections:

Line 13: data was corrected to data were.

Line 84: was corrected to were.

Line 86: include corrected to includes.

Line 92: was corrected to were.

Lines 93 - 94: The comparison between the categorical data were performed using chi-square test corrected to The association between gender and mortality was analyzed using chi-square test for categorical data.

With regards to the statistical analysis, chi-square test was used to analyze the association between gender and mortalities (none of the frequencies is < 5). This was indicated in the text and not in a table: lines 120 – 122.

As for the tables, after due consultation with a statistician, it was agreed that the frequencies were too few for any meaningful statistics. Furthermore, will not contribute much to the overall objective of the study.