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PART 1:

Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
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Title of the Manuscript:	Co-infection of malaria and typhoid fever in feverish patients in the Kumba Health District, Southwest Cameroon: public health implications
Type of the Article	Original research article

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
After examining blood films, malaria parasites were detected in 186 (90.3%) of the participants. Please kindly delete the above statement in line 151, (previously commented on) being that there is no clear explanation given and such data conflicts with the ones included in the table. Blood culture (<i>not serology</i>) should have been carried out along with the stool culture in the investigation of the typhoid fever being that stool culture reveals more of carrier status than clinical infection. Other corrections have been noted	We will like to emphasize that this was a prevalence study and it is not possible to be reporting the prevalence of malaria parasites with respect to other factors such as sex, age etc without stating the overall prevalence of the disease. Therefore, we cannot delete that statement because the results will be incomplete. We refer the reviewer to Line 75 (highlighted in green) where it is clearly stated that stool samples were collected only from 178 patients and this explains the figures in the table. We are sorry that we did not do blood culture and that is the weak point of this manuscript. We will definitely do it in our future research. Thank you.