

## Review Form 1.7

Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJTDH_112605
Title of the Manuscript:	Serum procalcitonin as a biological marker to distinguish between bacterial and non-bacterial exacerbation of COPD
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

### 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)
<p><b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is the manuscript important for scientific community? (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</p> <p>2. Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p> <p>3. Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</p> <p>4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p> <p>5. Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</p> <p>6. Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</p> <p><u>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</u></p>	<p>Article covers a topic which has previously been described in the literature.</p> <p>Yes.</p> <p>Results does not include the key information of the number of positive cases.</p> <p>Yes.</p> <p>Yes.</p> <p>Yes.</p>	
<p><b>Minor</b> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>Yes.</p>	
<p><b>Optional/General</b> comments</p>	<p>The major weakness of this study is the small number of cases, this should be included as part of the discussion. Previous publications have described the findings of this paper so it is not novel but does add to existing literature on the topic.</p>	

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