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Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJTDH_125260
Title of the Manuscript:	Epidemiology of Mansonella perstans and Loa loa: Prevalence and Specific Risk Factors in Njombe-Penja Health District, Littoral Region of Cameroon
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PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback (Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	This manuscript is very important requiring its publication for addressing the need for public health professionals and the general public on the prevalence of <i>M. perstans</i> and <i>Loa loa</i> . High prevalence of <i>Loa loa</i> poses a great risk of encephalopathy with serious threat to life. Public awareness is therefore implied especially in Cameroon. Information on Coendemicity of the two filarial parasites is crucial to the scientific community especially for research in genetics and serology.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	The title is appropriate.	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	The abstract is concise and addresses most relevant points about the study. The authors need to add study period.	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	The structure and subsections are good	
Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The article is correct in its presentation and risk analysis – odds ratio and association and prediction using simple chi square. Further correlation analysis would add more value. Association of environmental and socioeconomic factors to parasitological mf densities is laudable.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form. :	Referencing: The references were appropriate, but the ordering did not reflect the frequently referenced publications. Again, referencing did not compare the contrasting publications from Nigeria that shares boundary with Cameroon where <i>loa loa</i> and <i>M. perstans</i> are coendemic with similar ecological conditions.	
Minor REVISION comments Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	The language is okay but exhibited some monotonous use of words like “align” “we found”, “our study”	
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PART 2:

	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)
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