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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		
Minor REVISION comments	<p>Were any of the ELISA tests positive upon follow up of the first set of negatives per recommended diagnostic guidelines? Or were the serologic tests performed only conducted once. It would be interesting to know which patients ended up with follow up serology and the correlation with nested PCR. I still doubt that ELISA or any other test would perform as accurately as the nPCR.</p> <p>Well done study and very important</p> <p>There are small errors in language that I am sure the editor will pick up.</p>	
Optional/General comments	<p>This is a very well written manuscript. Clinically very useful. Nested PCR should be performed in parallel with current guidelines for rickettsial infection diagnosis.</p>	

PART 2:

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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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