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Title of the Manuscript:	Assessment Of Knowledge and Attitude Regarding Risk Factors of Malaria Among Caregivers of Under-Five Children in the Buea Health District, South West Region, Cameroon.
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	I read with interest the article entitled “Assessment Of Knowledge and Attitude Regarding Risk Factors of Malaria Among Caregivers of Under-Five Children in the Buea Health District, South West Region, Cameroon” attempting to describe the knowledge and attitude of caregivers regarding preventive measures, use of antimalarials, and treatment of children with malaria in BHD. However, several flaws and questions are raised in this manuscript that need to be addressed and clarified. In particular, the discussion should be made more robust and convincing by means of a more thorough bibliographic research. Adequate and thorough literature search is essential for a similar article (currently, we have more than 102,000 articles about Malaria!!). In this sense, different important papers on Malaria can reinforce the present article. MAIN CONCERNS: 1. The Authors should note that in the scientific literature there are currently a lot of articles on Malaria (over 102,000!). However, little is said about Malaria and the fever throughout the text! At present this article looks like a common article on Malaria (one among many). The authors are requested to implement the bibliographic research. 2. The Authors should mention the history of Julius Wagner-Jauregg (this is a very good point!!), who won the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine in 1927 for his discovery of the therapeutic value of malaria inoculation (hyperpyrexia) in the treatment of other diseases. Wagner hypothesized the curative role of fever on the basis of the observation that terminal manifestations of progressive paralysis due to syphilis were found very rarely in countries where malaria was endemic (PMID 1619744). 3. Important concern: The authors should note that similar findings were disclosed for COVID-19, as reported in the following article: “Global Spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 and Malaria: An Epidemiological Paradox in the Early Stage of A Pandemic” (PMID: 32316118 - J Clin Med 2020 Apr 16;9(4):1138. doi: 10.3390/jcm9041138). Please quote the aforementioned article and discuss this point. 4. What is the usefulness of this article? What are the original findings of this research article compared to the others? Please clarify. In sum, the article is quite interesting, but discussion should be improved as suggested. At the moment, the paper is not ready for publication. I have some concerns about some areas noted above, particularly in bibliographic research, and I would like to see the revised version again before allowing it to be published.	
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments		

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PART 2:

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