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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	<p>The purpose of the study is to raise the awareness of health planners and health care personnel about oral health management of leprosy patients. The sample size is large enough to conduct the study and produce an article.</p> <p>The merit of this research work lies in the fact that it addresses a health aspect of a particular group, leprosy patients, whose oral health is either ignored or neglected. It has brought to the attention of the international scientific community the management of oral health with this particular group.</p>	
Minor REVISION comments	<p>The writer should start the conclusion from the last paragraph of the discussion section. The conclusion is perfect and fits well with the research work done.</p> <p>Oral hygiene is very poor in this particular group of patients. It is essential to take care of the oral health of leprosy patients. He noted that all leprosy patients have higher MFT scores than the population in India, Spain and Switzerland. Only in Brazil where this group of people live in urban areas and are literate, while in India, China, and Spain it is the opposite, leprosy patients live in a sanatorium and have little or no literacy. He showed that there is a correlation between the level of education and the environment. The level of education affects both their quality of life, oral health and contributes to the high morbidity of dental caries in this particular group of patients.</p> <p>Looking forward, the author is already announcing other lines of research, cross-sectional surveys of basic dental health that can provide a solid basis for estimating the current oral health status of a population and its future oral health care needs. They can produce reliable baseline data for the development of national and regional oral health programs and for planning the appropriate number and type of oral health care personnel. As far as the bibliographic references are concerned, they are sufficient for the publication of the article. The low number shows that there is limited knowledge about oral health for this particular group of patients.</p>	
Optional/General comments	<p>The material and methods used are accessible and the study is reproducible. The results obtained are convincing and deserve to be popularized and therefore published.</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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