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Journal Name:	International Journal of Research and Reports in Gynaecology
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Title of the Manuscript:	Unsafe abortions at the University Hospital Bogodogo (UTH-B) in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
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)
<p>Compulsory 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>The article is weak in terms of scientific novelty. Scientific literature widely describes the complications of illegal abortion. What is the authors' objective? The text may be useful for the development of new welfare strategies for local women.</p> <p>Health professionals have a social responsibility to educate policymakers, legislators, and the public at large about adverse impacts of restrictive abortion regulations, laws, and policies on women's health. The liberalized abortion law can save pregnant women from abortion related complications and death.</p> <p>The article can become more interesting by describing and comparing illegal abortions in countries where the practice is permitted or prohibited. Change something? How were abortions legalized? What are the strategies adopted? What has changed in terms of numbers and health?</p> <p>The title and abstract are well written. The references are excessively old, the authors are asked to also cite more recent texts. The latest data is needed. I suggest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bridwell RE, Long B, Montrieff T, Gottlieb M. Post-abortion Complications: A Narrative Review for Emergency Clinicians. West J Emerg Med. 2022 Oct 23;23(6):919-925. doi: 10.5811/westjem.2022.8.57929. PMID: 36409940; PMCID: PMC9683756. - Fathalla MF. Safe abortion: The public health rationale. Best Pract Res Clin Obstet Gynaecol. 2020 Feb;63:2-12. doi: 10.1016/j.bpobgyn.2019.03.010. Epub 2019 May 20. PMID: 31201007. - Paes SC, Paiva NS, Kawa H, Fonseca SC. Aborto inseguro no Estado do Rio de Janeiro, Brasil: magnitude e evolução de 2008 a 2017 [Unsafe abortions in the State of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil: magnitude and time trend from 2008 to 2017]. Cad Saude Publica. 2021 Oct 29;37(10):e00299720. Portuguese. doi: 10.1590/0102-311X00299720. PMID: 34730695. - Preventing unsafe abortions through task shifting and sharing. Lancet. 2015 Aug 8;386(9993):504. doi: 10.1016/S0140-6736(15)61461-1. PMID: 26293426. - Limoncin E, D'Alfonso A, Corallino C, Cofini V, Di Febbo G, Ciocca G, Mollaioli D, Patacchiola F, Jannini EA, Carta G. The effect of voluntary termination of pregnancy on female sexual and emotional well-being in different age groups. J Psychosom Obstet Gynaecol. 2017 Dec;38(4):310-316. doi: 10.1080/0167482X.2017.1285901. Epub 2017 Feb 15. PMID: 28635530. - Wall LL, Yemane A. Infectious Complications of Abortion. Open Forum Infect Dis. 2022 Nov 23;9(11):ofac553. doi: 10.1093/ofid/ofac553. PMID: 36438622; PMCID: PMC9683598. - Rivera Rodriguez G, Tamayo Acosta J, Sosa Gomez AE, Marcucci Rodriguez RE, Rodriguez Cintron GA, Acosta M. The Medical and Financial Burden of Illegal Abortion. Cureus. 2022 Oct 20;14(10):e30514. doi: 10.7759/cureus.30514. PMID: 36415416; PMCID: PMC9675393. - Namagembe I, Nakimuli A, Byamugisha J, Moffett A, Aiken A, Aiken C. Preventing death following unsafe abortion: a case series from urban Uganda. AJOG Glob Rep. 2022 Feb;2(1):100039. doi: 10.1016/j.xagr.2021.100039. PMID: 35252906; PMCID: PMC8883508. - Drabo S. The Domestication of Misoprostol for Abortion in Burkina Faso: Interactions Between Caregivers, Drug Vendors and Women. 2022 Jan 1. In: Wallace LJ, MacDonald 	<p>We wanted to describe the situation in our hospital. We can do another study along the lines you suggest.</p> <p>these comments have been taken into account</p>

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	<p>ME, Storeng KT, editors. Anthropologies of Global Maternal and Reproductive Health: From Policy Spaces to Sites of Practice [Internet]. Cham (CH): Springer; 2022. Chapter 4. PMID: 36108125.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sedgh G, Rossier C, Kaboré I, Bankole A, Mikulich M. Estimating abortion incidence in Burkina Faso using two methodologies. Stud Fam Plann. 2011 Sep;42(3):147-54. doi: 10.1111/j.1728-4465.2011.00275.x. PMID: 21972666. - Rossier C. Abortion: an open secret? Abortion and social network involvement in Burkina Faso. Reprod Health Matters. 2007 Nov;15(30):230-8. doi: 10.1016/S0968-8080(07)30313-3. PMID: 17938091. - Atuhaire S. Abortion among adolescents in Africa: A review of practices, consequences, and control strategies. Int J Health Plann Manage. 2019 Oct;34(4):e1378-e1386. doi: 10.1002/hpm.2842. Epub 2019 Jul 9. PMID: 31290183. 	
<p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The use of the English language is good 	Improvements have been done
<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I would like the article to include the average time after which women go to the hospital from the beginning of the abortion procedure. - In the text I read about the existence of the "Post Abortion Care". You need to introduce data on how you follow women after their abortion. Do women follow sex education plans? Are contraceptives administered or offered? Are you aware of any social consequences suffered by patients? <p>Changes in the text should come back highlighted in red</p>	Some of the data requested on the consultation deadline had not been collected.

PART 2:

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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)	Precisions have been done