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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)
<b><u>Compulsory</u></b> REVISION comments	<div>1- Does the researcher believe that 52 patients infected with Covid 19 are sufficient to conduct the study and compare with a control group of 40 cases?</div> <div>2- Did the researcher look at the patients' aunts, do they have chronic diseases as well as infection with the virus?</div> <div>3- Are the numbers of patients proportional to sex in order to judge the effect of sex?</div> <div>4- Do patients have cases of smoking or do they drink alcoholic beverages</div>	<div>1. The number of diagnosed and certified positive cases collected and reported are the ones available at the study population at that moment.</div> <div>2. The authors mainly focused on assessing the haematological changes that could occur in subjects with Covid-19.</div> <div>3. The authors did not dictate the number of male and female subjects, but comparison between the haematological parameters of male and female covid 19 subjects was to ascertain if there were differences in the levels of those parameters, (with respect to their gender), as induced by the virus.</div> <div>4. Information on whether patients smoked or drank alcohol was not put into consideration, because it is not one of the objectives of the study.</div>
<b><u>Minor</u></b> REVISION comments	<div>1- Were the patients previously infected with the virus, or were they taken previous treatments, or did they take the blood plasma of others who had previously recovered?</div> <div>2- Biochemical measurements, why weren't they addressed, and they are important, such as glucose, albumin, protein glycase, etc.</div>	<div>The study is a retrospective study, so, information about the patients was collected at the Records. No history of smoking, alcohol intake, previous infections was recorded.</div> <div>This is not part of the objectives of the study, as the study concentrated on haematological parameters only/.</div>
<b><u>Optional/General</u></b> comments	<div>1- Are the nutrition, fruit and vegetable histories of each patient confirmed</div>	<div>Those records were not captured in the clinic where the data was collected from</div>

**PART 2:**

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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<u>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</u>	No ethical issues.