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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
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<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Abstract section Use Aims, Methodology, Results and Conclusion headings as mention in guidelines	
	In Background section	
	The word "ultrasound" can be replaced by "ultrasonography" as the latter word is better and used in most of the places in text to maintain uniformity	
	Fetal ultrasonography is useful for dating when the last menstrual period (LMP) is uncertain.	
	This line can be replaced with better wording and more meaning to the sentence like suggested sentence be reframed as	
	Fetal ultrasonography of crown rump length accurately determines the gestation age in first and second trimester of pregnancy when the last menstrual period (LMP) is uncertain	
	2. Studies have shown that about 30% of pregnant women forget the date of their LMP Kindly provide reference for this. "Studies" word can be replaced by "Literature" Put full stop after this sentence	
	Reframe the main objective of the study as it sounds disconnected with reasons mentioned earlier. I have suggested sentence here.	
	"When the gestational age is not accurately known, the progression of pregnancy can become unpredictable with an unfavourable outcome. To have a predictable course in antenatal period and a safe labour especially in the third trimester, ultrasonography measurement of fetal kidney length can be used as a tool to determine the exact gestational age in the third trimester of pregnancy."	
	Method Section of Abstract 1. Kindly state the- Study set up, design, place, duration and type of study done 2.Full form of "BPD, AC& FL" have to be mentioned as it has been for the first time in text. 3.Clearly mentioned the number of study participants in group 1 and 2. Incorporate terms such as control group and test group in methods	
	 IUGR: use full form when used first in the text and latter abbreviated can be used The following sentence is not grammatically correct. Kindly reframe it. Make it into sentences The mean length and width of the left kidney were similar in both groups, as the mean length of the left kidney in the IUGR group was (38.40 ± 4.000) while it was in the control group (38.17 ± 0.007) 	
	3.637).3. The following sentence is not grammatically correct. Kindly reframe it. Make it into sentences	
	The average width of the left kidney in the intrauterine growth restriction group was (23.09 ± 2.339) while it was in the control group (23.16 ± 2.341) , there were significant	

positive correlations between the different study variables

4. Kindly state who is "they" in the last line of results . And reframe the sentence like: <u>use</u> both right and left kidneys in last sentence instead of repeating again about left kidney association

"they also found a positive association with the length of the left kidney."

Conclusion section of abstract

- 1. Reframe the conclusion paragraph as it is grammatically incorrect
- 2. Use full form for Rt and Lt

Kindly see the suggested conclusion

With respective to the fetal growth and gender there was no difference in measurements in terms of length, weight and volume parameters used for both right and left kidneys. Hence, in the absence of renal anomalies or abnormalities', these parameters can be employed as a reliable indicator to determine the exact gestational age of the fetus

Introduction section

- Correct the first line: Obstetric ultrasound is the initial imaging method used to evaluate the fetus and monitor growth
 - (evaluate fetal outcome), change the word ultrasound to ultrasonography
- 2. In the second sentence use this -dating pregnancy
- 3. Labor or labour use one word in text to maintain uniformity
- 4. Check for grammatic mistakes in the text of introduction paragraph.
- **5.** Limitation of study: Renal abnormalities can be stated in last paragraph

Patients and Method:

- 1. Use "Material and methods" heading
- 2. Mention the duration of study clearly: starting month and year stated but ending is not stated clearly
- 3. Mention control and test groups
- 4. Put it in proper paragraphs, do not use any bullets
- 5. Mention the age in years of study participants in both the groups
- 6. If single number are used put it in full spelling instead of digits
- 7. Do not use "and" symbol
- **8.** Kindly restrict number of parameters mentioned, state those parameters only, which are important and valid for the present study and are ued in tables or figures. Please remove unnecessary investigation or parameters mentioned.

Statistical section

1.Type of computer need not be mentioned , software version is Sufficient

Results section

- 1. If single number are used put it in full spelling instead of digits
- 2. As fetal doppler study table is mentioned, add a not in abstract part of methodology also.

Discussion section

- 1. First paragraph last line stating the objection: incorporate the word "normal" kidney
- 2. In second para clearly mention that it is the gestational age of pregnant women and not age in years
- 3. In third paragraph correct the spelling : period
- 4. If single number are used put it in full spelling instead of digits
- 5. In fourth para check for punctuations and grammar
- 6. In fifth para avoid repeating the lines used for explaining about reference

	study 7. In sixth para check the grammar 8. While comparing the present study with reference studies avoid using the results values in the parameters stated as it is mentioned in detailed in results section. Please make it concise.	
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Minor REVISION comments	In Keyword section	
	. Keywords: Ultrasonographic , fetal kidney ,, gestational ,restricted fetuses	
	1.Kindly not the font size, commas, use capital letter in first word	
	Ultrasonography, Fetal kidney measurements, Gestational age, Intrauterine growth restriction	
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