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Journal Name:	International Journal of Biochemistry Research & Review
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJBCRR_129661
Title of the Manuscript:	Iron Status of Pregnant Women at different Trimester in Nsukka, Enugu State, South East, Nigeria.
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

PART 1: Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	Iron deficiency is still a leading cause maternal morbidity and mortality especially in the developing countries. Therefore estimation of the extent of iron deficiency is important so that adequate measures can be taken for improving the iron and hence haemoglobin status of pregnant women. Hence, this is a very important topic of research for scientific community.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Yes Title is appropriate	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	Abstract of this article has 316 words. This is a bit lengthy for abstract. Although major features of this study have been summed up in the abstract section, it has been written in the form of a continuous paragraph instead of separate headings like background, objective, methodology, results and conclusion. In addition, there are 7 key words given but they have not been arranged in alphabetical order.	
Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.	Yes it is scientifically correct.	
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Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	English quality needs improvement	
Optional/General comments	INTRODUCTION has 654 words. English needs improvement. References are more than 5 years old. MATERIALS AND METHODS section does not mention study design and sampling technique used. Also methods have a lot of details about equipment, instruments, and chemical reactions that do not correlate with the study RESULTS have 9 tables and there is repetition of results in texts and tables. Tables need formatting. DISCUSSION has repetition of results. Also, references are very old.	

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PART 2:

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