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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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<p>In the Materials and Methods section there is a need to include the population size.</p> <p>In the materials and method section it was mentioned that "urine was screened for visible haematuria and microhaematuria using urine reagent strip" but no results of these tests are mentioned</p> <p>In the results section the relationship between precipitation and egg secretion is expressed but that of temperature (LST) is silent. There is a need to include the statistical significance of the difference between LST and egg secretion</p> <p>The conclusion needs to be explicit in line with the set objectives. The link between LST and egg secretion is silent</p>	
Minor REVISION comments	<p>Need to include land coordinates of the area under study Issue of ethical clearance in some countries like Zimbabwe requires both the local and national board. In this study on the local board is included.</p> <p>Egg release carried over from the previous season into the month when the first measurement was done needs to be considered and explained as a possible confounding variable</p>	
Optional/General comments		



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PART 2:

	<u>Reviewer's comment</u>	<u>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)</u>
<u>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</u>	<p><u>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</u> Yes , at the local level; study approved by the Ethical and Scientific Committee of the Institutional Review Board, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Buea (No2017/0481/UB/FHS/IRB). Written informed consent, opt out option at any time included and participation voluntary HOWEVER no mention of the treatment of those found to be positive for S haematobium in the study</p>	

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