Mounika Abbareddy’s Review

**Abstract:**

* Decent overview
* Last sentence is a little confusing. They are not indicative of what?

**Background:**

* Very long run-on sentences that make everything sounds bunched together and confusing.
* There’s information on HIV and then information on diarrhea, but more information can be given to explain why the purpose is what it is. Why are you looking at CD4 count and viral load with parasitic infections? Is there previous research on this connection?

**Methods:**

* If you want to compare viral loads and CD4 counts with parasitic infections, you should look at getting people at different stages of HIV infection. Getting people that were all diagnosed at the same time will not give you a variety or help you see a trend. A longitudinal study may be better for seeing a trend.

**Results:**

* “Infection by parasites was also observed indistinctly with ART and without it.” It was previously stated that all the patients regularly attend the clinic and take ART.

**Discussion:**

* First 2 paragraphs is background information and should be moved to that section.
* 4th paragraph: “…HIV infection if higher proportionally in men than in women and this fact if irrelevant for this study.” If it is irrelevant, why are you stating it? Also, you previously states that more male patients were chosen to be in the study because it represents the male:female ratio of AIDS cases diagnosed. So it is an irrelevant fact or not?

Overall: Major revisions. Reject.