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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Very interesting topic. I personally enjoyed reading this reminder of basic diagnostic dilemmas in Hemoglobinopathies. The main issue in this article-despite the enthusiastic tone- is that the author did not prove the cost-effectiveness of screening with HPLC or CE nor did he comment on the sensitivity and specificity of different screening strategies. I have enclosed some editorial comments and changes on the original manuscript. Finally, I would be interested in seeing a flow diagram of this screening method.

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This is an interesting review article on screening for hemoglobinopathies. The author states that screening for these conditions early in pregnancy should be added to the routine screening. A point, however, that should be added is that pre-pregnancy counseling and screening might be more suitable, since this gives the opportunity for pre-pregnancy diagnosis in the pre-embryo before implantation via the pre-implantation genetic diagnosis.