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Comment 1. Identify in the title that this is a 'retrospective cohort analysis'.

Reply 1: This has been rectified accordingly

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Comment 2. Please clearly define all outcomes, diagnostic criteria in the methods.

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Comment 3. Describe how the sample size was reached, including any loss of follow-up and missing-data (how missing data were handled). Also consider a diagram to visualize the process.

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Comment 4. Describe any efforts to address potential sources of bias.

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Comment 5. 'largest sample size of 50 cases in Africa' presented on line 205 needs reconsideration. Please DO make sure a systematic search is done before making such a statement. There are over 100 hip arthroplasty (though not total hip arthroplasty) in a study from West-Africa

(https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6470119/pdf/264 2019 Article 4286.pdf).

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Comment 6. Discuss the generalizability(from this hospital to Africa) of the results. May need consider conditions of other Africa areas.

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