

Table 1. Characteristics of mother-newborn pairs

Characteristic	N	n (%) / mean (SD)
Baseline data		
Study site:	1,435	
	Tanzania	557 (38.8)
	Malawi	416 (29.0)
	Kenya	462 (32.2)
Study settings:	1,435	
	Rural	1,065 (74.2)
	Semi-urban	309 (21.5)
	Urban	61 (4.3)
Study interventions arms:	1,435	
	SP	481 (33.5)
	DP	472 (32.9)
	DP+AZ	482 (33.6)
Education level:	1,433	
	None	126 (8.8)
	Primary	787 (54.9)
	Secondary	440 (30.7)
	Higher	80 (5.6)
Marital status:	1,435	
	Married	1,235 (86.1)
	Single	156 (10.9)
	Others	44 (3.0)
Socio-economic status	1,435	
	Low	506 (35.3)
	Middle	466 (32.5)
	High	462 (32.2)
History of smoking	1,435	3 (0.2)
Alcohol use	1,435	11 (0.8)
Age at enrolment, years ^a	1,431	24.9 (5.8)
Height at enrolment, Cm ^a	1,432	158.5 (7.1)
Weight at enrolment, Kg ^a	1,431	60.6 (10.7)
BMI at enrolment, Kg/m ²	1,428	
	<18.5 (Undernutrition)	40 (2.8)
	18.5-24.9 (Normal)	914 (64.0)
	25-29.9 (Overweight)	347 (24.3)
	>=30 (Obese)	127 (8.9)
MUAC at enrolment, cm ^a	1,428	26.9 (3.4)
GA at enrolment, days ^a	1,435	146.8 (24.2)
Bed net use at enrolment	1,435	1,138 (79.3)
	Bed net use last night	1,138
	Treated bed net	1,137
IRS sprayed in household	1,435	78 (5.4)
Morbidity during pregnancy		
Hypertensive disorders:	1,435	
	Essential hypertension ^b	4 (0.3)
	Pregnancy induced hypertension ^c	8 (0.6)
	Pre-eclampsia ^d	2 (0.1)
Urinary tract infection ^e	1,435	221 (15.4)
Hemoglobin (g/dL) at enrolment ^a	1,433	11.0 (1.5)
Pregnancy outcome		
Place of delivery:	1,338	
	Hospital	1,039 (77.7)
	Health centre	202 (15.1)
	Home	67 (5.0)
	On the way	30 (2.2)
Mode of delivery:	1,330	
	Spontaneous vaginal	1,196 (89.9)
	Cesarean Section	132 (9.9)
	Forcep/Vacuum	2 (0.2)
Live birth (GA>28)	1,342	1,342 (100.0)
Male newborn	1,342	663 (49.4)
GA at delivery, days	1,339	278 (13.0)
Preterm delivery	1,339	58 (4.3)

Birthweight, grams ^{a, f}	1,325	3087 (470)
Low birthweight (<2500g)	1,325	107 (8.1)
Small for gestational age ^g	1,299	174 (13.4)
Large for gestational age ^h	1,299	96 (7.4)

SP: sulfadoxine-pyrimethamine, DP: dihydroartemisinin-piperaquine, AZ: azithromycin, IRS: insecticide residue spray, BMI: body mass index, MUAC: mid upper arm circumference, GA: gestational age, ^a mean (standard deviation), ^b systolic blood pressure (SBP) \geq 140 or diastolic blood pressure (DBP) \geq 90 mmhg before GA 20 weeks measured twice at least 4 hours part, ^c SBP \geq 140 or DBP \geq 90 mmhg measured twice at least 4 hours apart after GA 20 weeks without proteinuria, ^d hypertension with proteinuria after GA 20 weeks, ^e positive urine leucocytes and nitrites, ^f The majority (78%) of the newborns were measured within 12 hours of birth, and weight measured >1 hour after birth were adjusted for the physiological weight loss [21], ^g <10th percentile based on a Tanzanian reference chart [22], ^h >90th percentile using Tanzanian reference chart [22].

Table 2: Prevalence of Malaria and STIs/RTIs

A. Malaria exposure: ^b	Paucigravidae ^a		Multigravidae		P-value
	N	n (%) / mean (SD)	N	n (%) / mean (SD)	
At Enrolment	787	233 (29.6)	648	144 (22.2)	0.002
During pregnancy	787	160 (20.3)	648	105 (16.2)	0.045
At Delivery	787	84 (10.7)	648	67 (10.3)	0.84
Cumulative malaria prevalence ^c	787	364 (46.3)	648	259 (40.0)	0.017
Number of malaria episodes	787		648		
0		423 (53.7)		389 (60.0)	0.02
1		249 (31.6)		198 (30.6)	
2		79 (10.0)		42 (6.5)	
3+		36 (4.6)		19 (2.9)	
Gestational age at first malaria detection, days ^d		177 (50)		187 (58)	0.02
Malaria by trimester ^e					
Never malaria		423 (53.7)		389 (60.0)	0.006
2 nd trimester only		190 (24.1)		120 (18.5)	
3 rd trimester only		94 (11.9)		92 (14.2)	
Both 2 nd and 3 rd trim.		80 (10.2)		47 (7.3)	
Symptomatic malaria	787	119 (15.1)	648	55 (8.5)	<0.001
B. STIs/RTIs exposure					
		Negative	Positive at enrolment only	Positive at weeks 32-36 only	Positive at both enrolment and weeks 32-36
	N	n (%)	n (%)	n (%)	n (%)
Composite STIs/RTIs ^f	1,429	666 (46.6)	304 (21.3)	134 (9.4)	325 (22.7)
Specific STIs/RTIs ^g :					
Bacterial vaginosis	1,297	848 (65.4)	214 (16.5)	79 (6.1)	156 (12.0)
Trichomoniasis	1,301	999 (76.8)	104 (8.0)	106 (8.2)	92 (7.1)
Chlamydia	1,297	1,080 (83.3)	137 (10.6)	38 (2.9)	42 (3.2)
Gonorrhoea	1,298	1,244 (95.8)	32 (2.5)	17 (1.3)	5 (0.4)
Syphilis	1,407	1,380 (98.1)	26 (1.9)	1 (0.1)	0 (0)
Symptomatic STIs/RTIs		No STIs/RTIs	STIs/RTIs		
		666	763	11 (1.4)	0.19

^a 1st and 2nd pregnancy, ^b Malaria was confirmed by any positive test: real time polymerase chain reaction, malaria rapid diagnostic test, microscopy, and at delivery also included placental histology, 599/623 (96%) of the women got the first malaria attack before the 3rd trimester, ^c the total number for enrolment, during and delivery visits is not equal to the cumulative number as some women had >1 episodes which are not mutually exclusive, GA: gestational age, ^d Mean (standard deviation), P by chi² for the difference in proportions or t-test for the mean difference. ^e The malaria prevalence in the 2nd and in the 3rd trimester was significantly different for paucigravidae (McNemar, p<0.001), and close to significant for multigravidae (McNemar, p=0.06). STIs/RTIs: Sexually transmitted/reproductive tract infections ^f women who were never tested for STIs/RTIs were excluded in all analyses where STIs/RTIs were considered as an exposure. The STIs/RTIs prevalence at enrolment and in the 3rd trimester was significantly different (McNemar, p<0.001). ^g Women who were never tested for the specific STI/RTI were excluded in all analyses where the specific STIs/RTIs was considered as an exposure.

Table 3: Fetal weight and newborn anthropometrics at delivery by malaria infection and composite STIs/RTIs status

A. Effect of malaria infection		No malaria		Malaria		unadjusted		adjusted	
	Outcome	n	Mean (SD)	n	Mean (SD)	mean difference (95% CI)	p-value	mean difference (95% CI)	p-value
All gravidae	BW, grams	738	3115 (471)	587	3053 (466)	-45.7 (-97.1, 5.8)	0.08	-36.5 (-80.6, 7.62)	0.11
	BW Z-score ^a	722	-0.09 (1.1)	569	-0.24 (1.1)	-0.12 (-0.24, -0.01)	0.04	-0.10 (-0.22, 0.02)	0.09
	HC, mm	688	343 (18.6)	566	342 (20.0)	-0.62 (-2.7, 1.5)	0.56	-0.12 (-2.0, 1.8)	0.91
	HC Z-score ^b	675	0.38 (1.3)	551	0.30 (1.3)	-0.03 (-0.17, 0.12)	0.72	-0.01 (-0.15, 0.13)	0.89
	AC, mm	665	322 (21.8)	553	320 (26.6)	-1.14 (-3.9, 1.6)	0.42	-0.88 (-3.5, 1.8)	0.51
	FW-Z-score ^a	834	0.11 (1.3)	284	-0.20 (1.3)	-0.18 (-0.30, -0.06)	0.004	-0.15 (-0.27, -0.03)	0.016
Paucigravidae	BW, grams	371	3110 (472)	342	3008 (443)	-100.2 (-168.4, -32.1)	0.004	-71.7 (-131.8, -11.6)	0.02
	BW Z-score ^a	362	-0.13 (1.1)	328	-0.34 (1.1)	-0.22 (-0.38, -0.05)	0.01	-0.19 (-0.35, -0.03)	0.02
	HC, mm	337	342 (19.6)	331	341 (19.7)	-0.74 (-3.7, 2.2)	0.62	-0.76 (-1.98, 3.5)	0.58
	HC Z-score ^b	328	0.26 (1.3)	319	0.24 (1.2)	-0.01 (-0.18, 0.20)	0.93	-0.02 (-0.17, -0.22)	0.81
	AC, mm	323	320 (22.2)	325	319 (24.0)	-1.8 (-5.4, 1.81)	0.34	-0.13 (-3.6, 3.4)	0.94
	FW-Z-score ^a	421	0.02 (1.3)	176	-0.30 (1.3)	-0.21 (-0.37, -0.04)	0.014	-0.20 (-0.36, -0.03)	0.018
Multigravidae	BW, grams	367	3120 (471)	245	3115 (491)	20.6 (-58.0, 99.2)	0.61	12.2 (-53.7, 78.0)	0.72
	BW Z-score ^a	360	-0.05 (1.1)	241	-0.10 (1.03)	-0.01 (-0.19, 0.16)	0.87	-0.02 (-0.19, 0.16)	0.86
	HC, mm	351	344 (17.5)	235	343 (20.4)	-0.61 (-3.7, 2.5)	0.7	-1.1 (-3.8, 1.8)	0.49
	HC Z-score ^b	347	0.39 (1.1)	232	0.38 (1.4)	-0.05 (-0.27, 0.17)	0.66	-0.02 (-0.23, 0.20)	0.88
	AC, mm	342	323 (21.3)	228	322 (29.7)	-0.61 (-4.9, 3.7)	0.78	-1.6 (-5.7, 2.5)	0.45
	FW-Z-score ^a	413	0.19 (1.3)	108	-0.03 (1.3)	-0.15 (-0.34, 0.04)	0.11	-0.13 (-0.32, 0.05)	0.17
	Outcome	n	n (%)	n	n (%)	RR (95% CI)	p-value	RR (95% CI)	p-value
All gravidae	SGA ^a	725	77 (10.6)	574	97 (16.9)	1.50 (1.14, 1.98)	0.004	1.50 (1.14, 1.97)	0.004
	LBW	738	52 (7.1)	587	55 (9.4)	1.24 (0.86, 1.79)	0.25	1.28 (0.89, 1.85)	0.19
	PT	746	27 (3.6)	593	31 (5.2)	1.50 (0.90, 2.48)	0.18	1.43 (0.86, 2.36)	0.17
Paucigravidae	SGA ^a	363	36 (9.9)	330	63 (19.1)	1.86 (1.27, 2.71)	0.001	1.84 (1.26, 2.69)	0.002
	LBW	371	27 (7.3)	342	36 (10.5)	1.40 (0.87, 2.25)	0.17	1.33 (0.81, 2.18)	0.25
	PT	373	8 (2.1)	346	21 (6.1)	3.03 (1.37, 6.71)	0.01	2.84 (1.29, 6.27)	0.01
Multigravidae	SGA ^a	362	41 (11.3)	244	34 (13.9)	1.12 (0.75, 1.69)	0.58	1.11 (0.73, 1.67)	0.63
	LBW	367	25 (6.8)	245	19 (7.8)	1.00 (0.55, 1.80)	0.99	1.23 (0.70, 2.17)	0.47
	PT	373	19 (5.1)	247	10 (4.1)	0.83 (0.38, 1.80)	0.63	0.81 (0.38, 1.71)	0.58
B. Effect of STIs/RTIs		No STIs/RTIs		STIs/RTIs		unadjusted		adjusted	
	Outcome	n	Mean (SD)	n	Mean (SD)	mean difference (95% CI)	p-value	mean difference (95% CI)	p-value
All gravidae	BW, grams	608	3107 (476)	711	3071 (465)	-31.5 (-82.0, 19.0)	0.22	-38.7 (-81.8, 4.3)	0.08
	BW Z-score ^a	589	-0.09 (1.1)	697	-0.21 (1.04)	-0.10 (-0.21, -0.02)	0.1	-0.09 (-0.21, 0.02)	0.12
	HC, mm	579	342 (21.1)	669	344 (17.4)	0.60 (-1.5, 2.7)	0.57	0.21 (-1.7, 2.1)	0.83

	HC Z-score ^b	561	0.32 (1.4)	659	0.37 (1.2)	0.003 (-0.14, 0.14)	0.96	0.01 (-0.13, 0.15)	0.93
	AC, mm	554	321 (26.9)	658	321 (21.5)	-0.05 (-2.8, 2.7)	0.97	-0.75 (-3.3, 1.8)	0.57
	FW-Z-score ^a	602	0.06 (1.3)	514	-0.01(1.3)	-0.08 (-0.20, 0.03)	0.14	-0.10 (-0.21, 0.01)	0.08
Paucigravidae	BW, grams	738	3115 (471)	587	3053 (466)	-38.6 (-106.7, 29.5)	0.27	-55.5 (-114.8, 3.7)	0.07
	BW Z-score ^a	722	-0.09 (1.1)	569	-0.24 (1.1)	-0.17 (-0.33, -0.01)	0.04	-0.17 (-0.33, -0.01)	0.04
	HC, mm	688	343 (18.6)	566	342 (20.0)	0.01 (-2.9, 2.9)	0.99	0.52 (-3.2, 2.1)	0.7
	HC Z-score ^b	675	0.38 (1.3)	551	0.30 (1.3)	-0.02 (-0.21, 0.17)	0.85	-0.02 (-0.21, 0.17)	0.82
	AC, mm	665	322 (21.7)	553	320 (26.6)	-0.90 (-4.5, 2.7)	0.62	-2.0 (-5.5, 1.4)	0.25
	FW-Z-score ^a	307	-0.07 (1.3)	288	-0.08 (1.3)	-0.03 (-0.19, 0.02)	0.67	-0.08 (-0.23, 0.08)	0.33
Multigravidae	BW, grams	738	3115 (471)	587	3053 (466)	-19.8 (-94.8, 56.4)	0.62	-17.2 (-79.8, 45.4)	0.59
	BW Z-score ^a	722	-0.09 (1.1)	569	-0.24 (1.1)	-0.02 (-0.18, 0.15)	0.85	-0.01 (-0.16, 0.17)	0.96
	HC, mm	688	343 (18.6)	566	342 (20.0)	1.3 (-1.7, 4.3)	0.4	1.10 (-1.6, 3.8)	0.43
	HC Z-score ^b	675	0.38 (1.3)	551	0.30 (1.3)	0.03 (-0.18, 0.24)	0.79	0.04 (-0.16, 0.25)	0.68
	AC, mm	665	322 (21.7)	553	320 (26.6)	0.78 (-3.4, 4.8)	0.73	0.26 (-3.7, 4.1)	0.92
	FW-Z-score ^a	295	0.19 (1.3)	226	0.08 (1.3)	-0.14 (-0.30, 0.02)	0.1	-0.13 (-0.29, 0.03)	0.12

	Outcome	n	n (%)	n	n (%)	RR (95% CI)	p-value	RR (95% CI)	p-value
All gravidae	SGA ^a	593	72 (12.1)	700	101 (14.4)	1.14 (0.86,1.50)	0.38	1.17 (0.88,1.55)	0.28
	LBW	608	50 (8.2)	711	56 (7.9)	0.93 (0.64, 1.34)	0.69	1.04 (0.72, 1.49)	0.85
	PT	614	35 (5.7)	719	22 (3.1)	0.58 (0.35, 0.98)	0.041	0.58 (0.35, 0.97)	0.04
Paucigravidae	SGA ^a	297	36 (12.1)	391	62 (15.9)	1.30 (0.89, 1.91)	0.18	1.37 (0.93,2.02)	0.11
	LBW	307	26 (8.5)	401	36 (9.0)	1.10 (0.67, 1.80)	0.7	1.26 (0.79, 2.00)	0.34
	PT	311	20 (6.4)	403	9 (2.3)	0.37 (0.17, 0.82)	0.01	0.38 (0.17, 0.82)	0.01
Multigravidae	SGA ^a	296	36 (12.2)	309	39 (12.6)	0.96 (0.63, 1.45)	0.84	0.94 (0.62, 1.42)	0.75
	LBW	301	24 (8.0)	310	20 (6.5)	0.74 (0.42, 1.28)	0.28	0.81 (0.44, 1.50)	0.5
	PT	303	15 (5.0)	316	13 (4.1)	0.86 (0.43,1.71)	0.67	0.89 (0.43, 1.81)	0.74

Malaria infection was defined as any positive test: real time polymerase chain reaction, malaria rapid diagnostic test, microscopy, and at delivery also included placental histology, AC: abdominal circumference at delivery, BW: birthweight adjusted for time since delivery [21], ^a based on Tanzanian reference chart [22], FW: fetal weight (the mean is for the last FW but the models included all longitudinal FW measurements), HC: head circumference at delivery, ^b based on intergrowth-21 reference chart [25] but it does not include AC, LBW: low BW (<2.5Kg), PT: preterm delivery, SGA: small for gestational age (BW <10th percentiles), STIs/RTIs: Sexually transmitted/reproductive tract infections defined as composite of any STIs/RTIs, SD: standard deviation, P: P-value from linear regression model for newborn anthropometrics or mixed effect linear model for the FW. The unadjusted models included the *a priori* selected co-variables gravidity (paucigravidae defined as primi- or secundigravidae vs multigravidae defined as 3 or more pregnancies), study arm and site, and the adjusted models included gravidity, study arm and site, maternal body mass index, maternal age, and gestational age at enrolment and/or delivery. Furthermore, newborn sex if the outcome was not z-scores.

Table 4: Fetal weight and newborn anthropometrics at delivery by malaria infection, composite STIs/RTIs, or both

A. Continuous Outcome		Analysis	None		Malaria only		STIs/RTIs only		STIs/RTIs + malaria		Malaria-only vs None		STIs/RTIs-only vs None		dual infection vs None		Malaria-only vs STI only	
			n	Mean (SD)	n	Mean (SD)	n	Mean (SD)	n	Mean (SD)	mean difference (95% CI)	p-value	mean difference (95% CI)	p-value	mean difference (95% CI)	p-value	mean difference (95% CI)	p-value
All gravidae	BW, grams	Unadjusted	354	3140 (473)	254	3061 (477)	381	3090 (470)	330	3050 (459)	-64.8 (-140.0, 10.4)	0.09	-47.9 (-114.8, 19.1)	0.16	-70.3 (-140.8, 0.16)	0.05	-16.9 (-91.8, 57.9)	0.66
		Adjusted									-47.8 (-112.3, 16.7)	0.15	-50.8 (-107.8, 6.3)	0.08	-67.3 (-127.5, -7.2)	0.03	3.0 (-61.0, 67.0)	0.93
	BW Z-score ^a	Unadjusted	345	0.001 (1.1)	244	-0.22 (1.1)	375	-0.17 (1.04)	322	-0.25 (1.1)	-0.19 (-0.36, -0.02)	0.03	-0.15 (-0.31, 0.001)	0.05	-0.20 (-0.36, -0.04)	0.02	-0.04 (-0.21, 0.13)	0.66
		Adjusted									-0.16 (-0.33, -0.01)	0.07	-0.14 (-0.29, 0.01)	0.07	-0.17 (-0.34, -0.01)	0.03	-0.02 (-0.19, 0.15)	0.83
	HC, mm	Unadjusted	329	342 (18.0)	250	341 (24.5)	356	344 (19.0)	313	343 (15.4)	-0.18 (-3.2, 2.9)	0.91	0.94 (-1.8, 3.7)	0.5	0.04 (-2.9, 2.9)	0.98	-1.12 (-4.16, 1.92)	0.47
		Adjusted									0.49 (-2.3, 3.3)	0.73	0.72 (-1.8, 3.2)	0.58	0.06 (-2.6, 2.7)	0.96	-0.23 (-3.00, 2.54)	0.87
	HC Z-score ^b	Unadjusted	322	0.33 (1.3)	239	0.30 (1.4)	350	0.42 (1.3)	309	0.32 (1.2)	0.07 (-0.13, 0.28)	0.51	0.07 (-0.11, 0.26)	0.45	-0.01 (-0.21, 0.18)	0.9	-0.002 (-0.21, 0.20)	0.98
		Adjusted									0.09 (-0.11, 0.30)	0.38	0.08 (-0.11-0.26)	0.4	-0.01 (-0.18, 0.20)	0.96	0.01 (-0.19, 0.22)	0.9
	AC, mm	Unadjusted	313	322 (20.8)	341	321 (33.3)	349	321 (22.7)	309	320 (20.0)	-0.61 (-4.6, 3.4)	0.77	0.34 (-3.3, 4.0)	0.85	-1.1 (-4.9, 2.7)	0.58	-0.96 (-4.94, 3.02)	0.64
		Adjusted									-0.38 (-4.4, 3.7)	0.86	0.47 (-3.2, 4.1)	0.8	-0.71 (-4.5, 3.1)	0.71	-0.85 (-4.84, 3.14)	0.68
	FW-Z-score ^a	Unadjusted	458	0.18 (1.3)	144	-0.32 (1.3)	375	0.02 (1.3)	139	-0.07 (1.3)	-0.31 (-0.48, -0.13)	<0.001	-0.16 (-0.30, -0.02)	0.02	-0.22 (-0.38, -0.05)	0.01	-0.15 (-0.33, 0.03)	0.1
		Adjusted									-0.23 (-0.41, -0.06)	0.01	-0.15 (-0.28, -0.01)	0.03	-0.21 (-0.38, -0.05)	0.01	-0.09 (-0.26, 0.09)	0.33
Paucigravidae	BW, grams	Unadjusted	161	3134 (456)	146	3032 (476)	208	3088 (485)	193	2995 (418)	-100.1 (-202.4, 2.3)	0.06	-40.8 (-133.9, 52.4)	0.39	-132.7 (-228.3, -37.0)	0.007	-59.3 (-157.4, 38.7)	0.24
		Adjusted									-58.5 (-148.0, 31.1)	0.2	-47.2 (-128.3, 34.0)	0.25	-121.0 (-205.0, -37.2)	0.005	-11.3 (-97.0, 74.5)	0.79
	BW Z-score ^a	Unadjusted	157	-0.04 (1.1)	139	-0.23 (1.1)	203	-0.21 (1.1)	186	-0.42 (1.1)	-0.19 (-0.43, 0.08)	0.13	-0.15 (-0.37, 0.07)	0.16	-0.36 (-0.59, -0.14)	0.002	-0.04 (-0.26, 0.19)	0.76
		Adjusted									-0.17 (-0.41, 0.09)	0.18	-0.16 (-0.38, 0.06)	0.15	-0.34 (-0.57, -0.11)	0.003	-0.01 (-0.24, 0.23)	0.94
	HC, mm	Unadjusted	147	341 (17.7)	145	341 (24.5)	188	343 (20.9)	183	342 (14.7)	1.02 (-3.3, 5.3)	0.64	1.4 (-2.6, 5.5)	0.49	-0.42 (-4.5, 3.7)	0.84	1.6 (-2.2, 5.5)	0.4
		Adjusted									3.2 (-0.81, 7.2)	0.12	1.5 (-2.2, 5.2)	0.42	-0.40 (-3.4, 4.2)	0.83	-0.40 (-4.6, 8.8)	0.85
	HC Z-score ^b	Unadjusted	143	0.16 (1.3)	137	0.31 (1.3)	183	0.34 (1.3)	179	0.22 (1.1)	0.22 (-0.06, -0.51)	0.12	0.17 (-0.10, 0.43)	0.21	0.01 (-0.26, 0.28)	0.95	0.06 (-0.22 0.33)	0.68
		Adjusted									0.24 (-0.04, 0.53)	0.09	0.17 (-0.10, 0.42)	0.22	0.02 (-0.25, 0.29)	0.89	0.08 (-0.19, 0.35)	0.57

Paucigravidae	SGA ^a	Adjusted								1.14 (0.61,2.14)	0.68	0.35 (0.14,0.89)	0.03	1.19 (0.58,2.38)	0.65	3.28 (1.27,8.48)	0.01	
		Unadjusted	157	12 (7.6)	140	24 (17.4)	204	24 (11.8)	187	38 (20.3)	2.20 (1.14,4.23)	0.02	1.54 (0.80,2.95)	0.2	2.53 (1.37, 4.68)	0.003	1.43 (0.85,2.43)	0.18
	LBW	Adjusted									2.11 (1.08, 4.10)	0.03	1.53 (0.80, 2.92)	0.2	2.53 (1.37, 4.67)	0.003	1.38 (0.81,2.36)	0.24
		Unadjusted	161	11 (6.8)	146	15 (10.3)	208	16 (7.8)	193	20 (10.4)	1.47 (0.71,3.05)	0.3	1.17 (0.56,2.44)	0.68	1.53 (0.75, 3.10)	0.24	1.26 (0.64,2.49)	0.51
	PT	Adjusted									1.07 (0.54,2.12)	0.85	0.99 (0.48, 2.05)	0.99	1.57 (0.81,3.07)	0.19	1.07 (0.54,2.13)	0.84
		Unadjusted	163	6 (3.7)	148	14 (9.5)	208	2 (0.96)	195	7 (3.6)	2.54 (1.06,6.07)	0.04	0.26 (0.05,1.26)	0.10	1.11 (0.39,3.14)	0.83	9.93 (2.14,46.01)	0.003
Multigravidae	SGA ^a	Adjusted								2.44 (1.02,5.84)	0.05	0.25 (0.05,1.23)	0.09	1.07 (0.39,2.92)	0.9	9.55 (2.03,44.81)	0.004	
		Unadjusted	189	21 (11.1)	107	15 (14.0)	172	20 (11.6)	137	19 (13.9)	1.17 (0.64,1.13)	0.6	0.98 (0.56, 1.71)	0.95	1.19 (0.65,2.18)	0.95	0.52 (0.25,1.10)	0.09
	LBW	Adjusted									1.13 (0.62, 2.08)	0.68	0.95 (0.54, 1.66)	0.85	1.20 (0.68, 2.18)	0.56	0.69 (0.31,1.56)	0.37
		Unadjusted	193	15 (7.8)	108	9 (8.3)	173	10 (5.8)	137	10 (7.3)	1.01 (0.45,2.28)	0.97	0.72 (0.34,1.50)	0.38	1.41 (0.59,3.40)	0.44	0.38 (0.14,0.99)	0.05
	PT	Adjusted									1.53 (0.68,3.42)	0.3	0.93 (0.38,2.27)	0.88	1.64 (0.72,3.71)	0.24	0.35 (0.19,1.62)	0.28
		Unadjusted	196	11 (5.6)	107	4 (3.7)	176	7 (4.0)	140	6 (4.3)	0.68 (0.21,2.23)	0.52	0.73 (0.30, 1.71)	0.46	0.93 (0.27,3.21)	0.91	1.04 (0.18,5.9)	0.96
		Adjusted								0.54 (0.28,1.06)	0.07	0.86 (0.33, 2.27)	0.77	0.63 (0.26, 1.53)	0.30	1.02 (0.18,3.9)	0.98	

Malaria infection was defined as any positive test: real time polymerase chain reaction, malaria rapid diagnostic test, microscopy, and at delivery also included placental histology, AC: abdominal circumference at delivery, BW: birthweight adjusted for time since delivery [21], ^abased on Tanzanian reference chart [22], FW: fetal weight (mean is for the last FW but the models included all longitudinal FW), HC: head circumference at delivery, ^bbased on intergrowth-21 reference chart [25] but it does not include AC, LBW: low BW (<2.5Kg), PT: preterm delivery, SGA: small for gestational age (BW <10th percentiles), STIs/RTIs: Sexually transmitted/reproductive tract infections defined as composite of any STIs/RTIs, SD: standard deviation, P: P-value from linear regression model for newborn anthropometrics or mixed effect linear model for FW. Mixed effects linear model was used for continuous longitudinal outcomes while ordinary linear regression was used for continuous delivery outcomes and GLM commands (Poisson regression with robust error variance) was used for binary outcomes, The unadjusted models included the *a priori* selected co-variables gravidity, study arm and site, and the adjusted models included gravidity, study arm and site, maternal body mass index, maternal age, and gestational age at enrolment and/or delivery. Furthermore, newborn sex if the outcome was not z-scores.

Table 5: Effect of malaria infection and composite STIs/RTIs during pregnancy on fetal growth trajectories as Z-scores of fetal weights and birth weights

Exposure groups	Crude model ^a				Adjusted model ^b		
	n	mean difference	95% CI	p-value	mean difference	95% CI	p-value
A. Effect of malaria infection all gravidae pairs ^c							
No malaria	812	Ref			Ref		
Malaria	623	-0.14	-0.24, -0.05	0.003	-0.12	-0.22, -0.03	0.01
B. Effect of malaria infection among paucigravidae ^c							
No malaria	423	Ref			Ref		
Malaria	364	-0.19	-0.32 -0.06	0.004	-0.17	-0.31, -0.04	0.01
C. Effect of malaria infection among multigravidae ^c							
No malaria	389	Ref			Ref		
Malaria	259	-0.09	-0.23 -0.06	0.24	-0.07	-0.21, 0.07	0.34
D. Effect of composite STIs/RTIs among all women-newborn pairs ^d							
No STIs/RTIs	666	Ref			Ref		
STIs/RTIs	763	-0.10	-0.20, -0.01	0.03	-0.11	-0.20, -0.01	0.03
E. Effect of composite STIs/RTIs among paucigravidae women-newborn pairs ^d							
No STIs/RTIs	348	Ref			Ref		
STIs/RTIs	434	-0.10	-0.24, 0.03	0.11	-0.13	-0.26, 0.001	0.05
F. Effect of composite STIs/RTIs among multigravidae women-newborn pairs ^d							
No STIs/RTIs	318	Ref			Ref		
STIs/RTIs	329	-0.10	-0.24, 0.04	0.15	-0.08	-0.21, 0.06	0.25
G. Effect of malaria infection and/or composite STI/RTI among all women-newborn pairs ^e							
No malaria no STIs/RTIs	399	Ref			Ref		

Malaria only	267	-0.22	-0.35, -0.08	0.002	-0.18	-0.31, -0.04	0.01
STIs/RTIs only	410	-0.15	-0.27, -0.04	0.01	-0.14	-0.26, -0.03	0.01
Malaria and STIs/RTIs	353	-0.21	-0.35, -0.08	0.001	-0.20	-0.33, -0.07	0.003

H. Effect of malaria infection and/or composite STIs/RTIs among paucigravidae women-newborn pairs^e

No malaria no STIs/RTIs	193	Ref			Ref		
Malaria only	155	-21	-0.41, -0.02	0.027	-0.17	-0.36, 0.02	0.08
STIs/RTIs only	228	-12	-0.29, 0.04	0.15	-0.13	-0.30, 0.03	0.11
Malaria and STIs/RTIs	206	-0.28	-0.46, -0.10	0.002	-0.30	-0.48, -0.11	0.001

I. Effect of malaria infection and/or composite STIs/RTIs among multigravidae women-newborn pairs^e

No malaria no STIs/RTIs	206	Ref			Ref		
Malaria only	112	-0.23	-0.43, -0.03	0.02	-0.18	-0.38, 0.02	0.08
STIs/RTIs only	182	-0.19	-0.35, 0.03	0.02	-0.16	-0.32, 0.001	0.05
Malaria and STIs/RTIs	147	-0.13	-0.33, 0.06	0.18	-0.11	-0.30, 0.09	0.28

The growth trajectories was based on Z-scores for both fetal weights by ultrasound and birthweight and was assessed using mixed effects regression model, ^a adjusted for gravidity, study arm and site (n=1,329 for all and 717 for paucigravidae), ^b adjusted for gravidity, study arm, site and other covariates including maternal age, maternal body mass index, gestational age at enrolment and delivery (n=1,319 for all and 708 for paucigravidae women-newborn pairs). ^c Considered malaria positive from when the first malaria attack occurred, ^d Considered STIs/RTIs positive from when STIs/RTIs was first diagnosed ^e Consider positive for both malaria and STIs/RTIs from when both diseases had occurred. Malaria was defined as any positive test: real time polymerase chain reaction, malaria rapid diagnostic test, microscopy, and at delivery also included placental histology (5 participants with malaria but no STIs/RTIs data were excluded), STIs/RTIs: Sexually transmitted/reproductive tract infections defined as composite of any STIs/RTIs, NA: not applicable as crude coefficients were not significant.