

## SUPPLEMENTARY FILES

### Supplementary Material S1

#### Sample Size Determination

The sample size for this study was calculated using the formula described by Araoye (2007) for populations greater than 10,000, as shown below:

$$\text{Sample size (S)} = (A \times A \times B \times (1 - B)) / (D \times D)$$

Where:

S = required sample size

A = standard normal deviate corresponding to 95% confidence level (1.96)

B = estimated prevalence of typhoid fever in Kwara State (7% = 0.07)

D = margin of error (5% = 0.05)

Substituting the values:

$$S = (1.96 \times 1.96 \times 0.07 \times (1 - 0.07)) / (0.05 \times 0.05)$$

$$S = (3.8416 \times 0.07 \times 0.93) / 0.0025$$

$$S = 0.25008864 / 0.0025$$

$$S = 100.04$$

Therefore, the minimum sample size was approximated to 100 participants.

### Supplementary Material S2

#### Estimation of Total Antioxidant Potential (FRAP Assay)

##### Reagent Setup

Solution	Blank	Standard	Test
Sample (Plasma)	—	—	100 $\mu$ L
Standard (Ascorbic acid)	—	100 $\mu$ L	—
Working FRAP solution	3000 $\mu$ L	3000 $\mu$ L	3000 $\mu$ L

##### Procedure

Briefly, 100  $\mu$ L of plasma sample was mixed with 3 mL of pre-warmed FRAP reagent and absorbance was measured at 593 nm at 0 minute. Samples were incubated at 37°C for 4 minutes, after which absorbance was measured again at 593 nm. Ascorbic acid standards (100–1000  $\mu$ M) were processed similarly.

##### Calculation of FRAP Value

FRAP value of sample (in micromoles) was calculated using the formula below:

FRAP value of sample = (Change in absorbance of sample from 0 to 4 minutes / Change in absorbance of standard from 0 to 4 minutes)  $\times$  FRAP value of standard (1000 micromoles)