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Figure 1: Gametocytes in a standard (‘immediate’ smear, see text). A) female gametocyte and B) male gametocyte. See text for sexing criteria.

Figure 2: Gametocytes in a ‘delayed’ smear’ (see text), in which gametocytes are undergoing gametogenesis. A) female gamete and B) male gametocyte exflagellating to produce male gametes from its enlarged nucleus.