Dear Editor,

The recent report by Kamel et al. [1] on primary cytomegalovirus infection in pregnant women is very interesting. The authors noted that ‘women who were IgM positive had no primary CMV infection in the index pregnancy as evidenced by the high CMV IgG avidity testing’ [1]. In fact, the usefulness of the IgG avidity test was previously reported by Seo et al. [2], who noted that this test ‘enabled the identification of women who were at a low risk of transmitting CMV infection and provided informative for subsequent pregnancy outcomes’. However, the diagnostic property of the IgG avidity test should be mentioned. The sensitivity of this test was reported to be only 85.7% [3]. Lumley et al. [4] also recently reported that ‘women with positive IgM and low avidity IgG’ might not present a primary CMV infection.

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