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Content	<p>Background: The Gezira state is known as an endemic area, especially for Malaria. The purpose of this study is to evaluate the awareness of the community regarding Anti Malarial medications and the faulty belief that it protects against COVID-19, as a significant and remarkable increase of confirmed cases of COVID-19 has been identified in January/2021. Methods: A random sample of 360 participants were selected from the population in Al-Gezira state using qualitative analysis of structural interviews that elicited their knowledge regarding Anti-Malarial medications. The data was analyzed using Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS). Results: The results of the study indicate that the majority of participants don't have enough knowledge about Anti-Malarial medications. The study shows poor and wrong knowledge about Anti-Malarial medications, where there is a belief that the medication protects the patient from COVID-19, which plays a major role in the spread of COVID-19 infection. Conclusion: The study concludes with some recommendations regarding Sudan and its situation in facing the COVID-19 virus. It also recommends further studies be conducted to establish more information about COVID-19 spread.</p>