Case Phenotype	ABO genotype	No Cases/Controls	Odds Ratio comparisons	Wald test <i>p</i> value
All CM	AO vs AA	166/810; 22/83	1.29/1.60	0.422
	BO vs BB	160/683; 16/55	1.45/1.90	0.396
	AO vs AB	166/810; 26/115	1.29/1.47	0.595
	BO vs AB	160/683; 26/115	1.45/1.47	0.951
All SMA	AO vs AA	97/810; 9/83	1.35/1.18	0.736
	BO vs BB	99/683; 10/55	1.62/1.71	0.896
	AO vs AB	97/810; 19/115	1.35/2.05	0.137
	BO vs AB	99/683; 19/115	1.62/2.05	0.394
All RD	AO vs AA	101/810; 13/83	1.41/1.68	0.598
	BO vs BB	99/683; 20/55	1.63/2.01	0.586
	AO vs AB	160/810; 12/115	1.41/1.25	0.715
	BO vs AB	99/683; 12/115	1.63/1.25	0.414
Mortality	AO vs AA	33/810; 2/83	1.74/1.00	0.456
	BO vs BB	23/683; 2/55	1.35/1.66	0.785
	AO vs AB	33/810; 4/115	1.74/1.50	0.785
	BO vs AB	23/683; 4/115	1.35/1.50	0.849

S3 Table: Comparing Odds ratio differences for specific severe malaria syndromes between single dose and double dose non-*O* genotypes using the Wald test

The Wald test was used to compare odds ratio differences between single dose and double dose non-O genotypes to test the hypothesis that double dose non-O genotypes (AA, AB, BB) are associated with a higher risk of severe malaria than single dose non-O genotypes (AO, BO). Odds ratios for severe malaria and specific severe malaria syndromes cerebral malaria (CM), severe malarial anaemia (SMA) and respiratory distress (RD), and malaria-specific mortality were determined following a fixed-effects logistic regression model comparing genotype frequencies between the non-O genotypes (AO, AA, AB, BO, BB) to the reference OO genotype with adjustments for self-reported ethnicity, gender, α^+ thalassaemia and HbAS. SM: Severe malaria; OR: Odds Ratio; LCI: Lower Confidence Interval (95%); UCI: Upper Confidence Interval. [†]Adjusted for HbS, α +thalassaemia, gender, ethnicity and interaction (HbS and α +thalassaemia).