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| Journal Name:            | <b><u>British Journal of Medicine and Medical Research</u></b>                                                                           |
| Manuscript Number:       | <b>2015_BJMMR_16302</b>                                                                                                                  |
| Title of the Manuscript: | <b>Clinico-Demographic Determinants of Depression among Infertile Women in a Tertiary Health Institution in Awka, Southeast Nigeria.</b> |
| Type of the Article      | <b>Original Research Article</b>                                                                                                         |

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**PART 1: Review Comments**

|                                     | <b>Reviewer's comment</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>Author's comment</b> (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| <b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments | <p>Abstract:<br/>Fairly satisfactory<br/>Introduction:<br/>"Both men and women aimed ....."<br/>(reference)<br/>"3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph: remove "that regulates ovulation"<br/>BDI is better described in methods<br/>Studies have been done in Nigeria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fatoye F O, Owolabi A T, Eegunranti B A, Fatoye GK. Unfulfilled desire for pregnancy: gender and family differences in emotional burden among a Nigerian sample. J Obstet Gynaecol. 2008 May;28(4):408-9.</li> <li>2. Aina OF. An overview of the socio-cultural and psychiatric aspects of women's reproductive health in West Africa. Niger Postgrad Med J. 2007 Sep;14(3):231-7. Review.</li> <li>3. Upkong D, Orji E. Mental health of infertile women in Nigeria. Turk Psikiyatri Derg. 2006 Winter;17(4):259-65.</li> <li>4. Aghanwa HS, Dare FO, Ogunniyi SO.</li> </ol> | <p>In the sentence "aim" changed to "aimed" and referenced. Page 2, line 11. "that regulates ovulation" expunged. BDI is now described in the methods section. Page 3-4.</p> <p>Affected sentences re-written.</p> <p>Consecutive attendees were recruited for the study. Page 3.</p> <p>In the sentence "depressed or" expunged. The sentence now reads "patient with diagnosed psychiatric state and chronic medical conditions associated</p> |



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|  | <p>Sociodemographic factors in mental disorders associated with infertility in Nigeria. J Psychosom Res. 1999 Feb;46(2):117-23.</p> <p>5. Abiodun OA, Adetoro OO, Ogunbode OO. Psychiatric morbidity in a gynaecology clinic in Nigeria. J Psychosom Res. 1992 Jul;36(5):485-90.</p> <p>Methods</p> <p>English grammar: poor.</p> <p>Sampling technique: ???</p> <p>Patients with diagnosed depressed or .....: ???????</p> <p>Illiterate patients excluded? Reason? How was illiteracy defined? Who is literate?</p> <p>How did the author handled subjects who dropped out of school in Primary 1 - 6?</p> <p>Scoring: author reported that 0 -10 was within normal limit. Cut off score of 10 suggested that score of 0-9 is normal while 10 and above was abnormal. If that is so, then the author has</p> | <p>with.....Page 3.</p> <p>BDI, used is a self assessment instrument which may be difficult for illiterates. Administering by assistants could introduce bias. Page 4.</p> <p>Comment noted and adjusted. 1-9 is within normal limits. Cut off score of 10 and above was abnormal. Page 4.</p> <p>Verbal consent was obtained from each participant after explaining the objectives of the study. Page 3, line16-17.</p> <p>P values expunged from discussion section. Page 4-9.</p> <p>Authors have declared that no competing interests exist. Page 9.</p> <p>There are ethnic, religious and cultural differences in attitude towards female infertility</p> |
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|                                         | <p>included false positive.</p> <p>Consent: written or verbal?</p> <p>Results:</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>It appeared to suggest result with so many figures and P- value.</p> <p>Conflict of interest: Any?</p> <p>Remark: author need to give convincing evidence of how this study has added to established knowledge particularly in Nigeria, aside from other observations noted above</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity.</p> | <p>Nigeria has diverse ethno-religious and<br/>ral composition with varying outlook on<br/>le infertility. Page 3, line5-7.</p> |
| <b><u>Minor</u></b> REVISION comments   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                 |
| <b><u>Optional/General</u></b> comments |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                 |