



SDI FINAL EVALUATION FORM 1.1

PART 1:

Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	2013 IJTDH 4183
Title of the Manuscript:	IS THERE ANY ASSOCIATION BETWEEN SERUM LIPIDS AND DIABETIC RETINOPATHY IN TYPE 2 DIABETIC PATIENTS IN GHANA?

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
- As the authors have responded saying "Tonometry result was used as a criterion for exclusion. Patients who had high IOPs and could not tell the medications they were using were suspected to be on beta blockers and were excluded from the study", suggest that the authors include this under point 2.2 Criteria for Exclusion. - In the response, the authors have mentioned "The study recommended that further studies should include patients with diabetic maculopathy" has been included in Discussion section; Line 211. However it has not been included in the revised version. - Kindly provide appropriate references for diagnosis of diabetes (ADA/WHO) , obesity and hypertension (Joint National Committee (JNC) 7 Criteria) and please do not provide back references.	As stated it ("Tonometry result was used as a criterion for exclusion. Patients who had high IOPs and could not tell the medications they were using were suspected to be on beta blockers and were excluded from the study"), has been included under "Criteria for Exclusion" "The study recommended that further studies should include patients with diabetic maculopathy" has been included in the "Discussion" section of the final revised version of the manuscript Recent references for diagnosis of diabetes (ADA/WHO) and hypertension (JNC) have been included as suggested To the Evaluators May I use this opportunity to acknowledge with thanks your valuable comments on the manuscript. I thank you very much for your invaluable contribution towards improving the quality of this article.