

PART 1:

Journal Name:	<u>International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health</u>
Manuscript Number:	2014_IJTDH_8985
Title of the Manuscript:	Serum Iron Status and Haematological Profiles in Adult Nigerian Sickle Cell Anaemia Patients

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
1. ABSTRACT 1a. Conclusions/Recommendations ambiguous. Conclusions should bring out the actual findings from the work and not extrapolations. As such this section should be rewarded accordingly. 2. The old references are just too many. References 12, 13, 14 and 25 at least should be substituted with more recent literature as previously pointed out in the last comments.	The conclusion has been reframed to reflect the actual findings of the study. Ref 13 & 14 appear to be the best fit for the methodology employed in the analysis of the samples. Ref 14 has been replaced. Ref 25 is a very relevant local reference which I cited to compare with part of the outcomes of this study. .

The attached are the revised paper and the completed final evaluation form. I need to state that as much as I do appreciate the effort of the Reviewer in making the manuscript better; I may not be able to change certain references that he insisted I should change. These references do have direct relevance with this study either in terms of methodology or relation to comparison of results in my discussion. These explanations are included in the evaluation form.