

Editorial Comments:

The paper entitled “A cross-sectional study of adherence to lifestyle modifications among ambulatory type 2 diabetic Nigerians in a resource-poor setting of a primary care clinic in Eastern Nigeria” cannot be accepted for publication as currently written.

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Author's Feedback:

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(1) The authors need to realize that data should be followed with plural verb.

RESPONSE: Thanks. The authors didn't use the word data instead we use 'Data analysis' 'Data collection' which should be followed by a singular verb. However, the manuscript should be subjected to copy and technical editing before publication.

(2) The authors did not inform our readers what they did with their pilot data they collected and finally

RESPONSE: The authors didn't do pilot study. The authors did pretesting of the questionnaire using five non-diabetic patients thus

The questionnaire was pretested at the primary care clinic using five non diabetic patients. The pre-testing of the questionnaire lasted for two days. The respondents for the pre-testing of the questionnaire were selected haphazardly from the clinic. The pretesting was done to find out how the questionnaire would interact with the respondents and ensured that there were no ambiguities. However, no change was necessary after the pre-test as the questions were interpreted with the same meaning as intended.

Attention Editor:

a. Technically pretesting of questionnaire is not the same with pilot testing of questionnaire

b. There is no relationship between the subjects for the pretest study who were 5 non-diabetic patients.

c. The authors are worried on how the 5 pretest non-diabetic patients would interest the readers of the Journal.

3) Owing to the paucity of data they collected, they had cells with only 2 as their frequency. With such cells, the application of Chi-square statistically analysis becomes invalid.

RESPONSE: The analysis of data was done with SPSS. The soft is designed to analyze data with such distribution. The editor should be aware of Yates continuity correction and fisher-exact test which are in-built in SPSS to handle frequencies less than five etc.

4. The authors can collect more authentic and dependable data and resubmit their manuscript.

RESPONSE: The research study is authentic and data collected dependable and highly commendable.

Thanks for reconsidering your decision.

Expecting an expedite response.