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Journal Name:	**International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health**
Manuscript Number:	**2014_IJTDH_12611**
Title of the Manuscript:	**USEFULNESS OF ASCITIC FLUID CHOLESTEROL AND PROTEIN IN THE DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF ASCITES IN NIGERIA: COMPARISM WITH CONVENTIONAL CYTOLOGY.**
Type of the Article	**ORIGINAL**

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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	**Author's comment** *(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)*
Compulsory REVISION comments	**1. The paper is novel because it intends to introduce a biomarker for the detection of malignant ascites. However, I fill the title should be modified to "Comparism of Ascitic fluid Total Cholesterol and Total protein with conventional cytology in the Differential diagnosis of ascites"** **2. Line 18 &19 has no mean value of cholesterol while line 20 has no mean value for protein.** **3. There is no inclusion and exclusion criteria** **4. The patients and methods should be rename Materials and Methods and divided into** **i. Study Area** **ii. Collection of Samples** **iii. Laboratory Analysis** **5. Line 73 should read protein kit while line 79 should cite a reference.** **6. Line 100 should give the principle of cholesterol and cite a reference** **7. Line 105 should contain a reference** **8. Line 110 should be modified as well as lie111** **9. Line 140 should be farmers and not formers** **10. Table 1 is incomplete** **11. Line 153 should be diagnostic value not diagnosis value** **12. Line 156 should be table 111 not table11** **13. Line 159 which tables** **14. Table iv is incomplete**	

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	15. Fig 1should be deleted because not necessary to this work. **16. The discussion should be articulate and robust to drive home the point.** **17. Reference should be cited in line 198,202,204(Example Prieto *et al* [1])** **18. There is not conclusion highlighten the major findings of this work.** **19. The references should be checked. et al is not accepted. All names of authors should be written.** **20. Journal names should either be in full or abbreviated not both.**	
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