

AUTHOR'S RESPONSE on the manuscript titled 'Retinal astrocytoma: a supportive finding in Tuberous sclerosis - an experience from Nepal'.

1) The manuscript adds nothing to the current body of literature since the ophthalmologic findings in TSC are well documented and an evaluation of the retina is already recommended as part of the diagnostic criteria and work-up of a patient with TSC.

Author's response- Reporting of similar literatures have already been done from various parts of world. But this report from young ophthalmologist like us is the first of its kind from a developing country like Nepal. So we consider it to be worthwhile to spread the knowledge of routine examination of eye as the part of complete evaluation of Tuberous Sclerosis patients especially in country like ours where sophisticated tests are unavailable.

2) Both cases already had 2 major systemic criteria satisfying the diagnosis of tuberous sclerosis complex and retinal finding supported the diagnosis.

Author's response- Yes, we agree. So we have entitled the manuscript as "**Retinal astrocytoma: a supportive finding in Tuberous sclerosis - an experience from Nepal**".

3) Reference to line 34 needs to be added.

Author's response- Referencing done.

4) Fig 1a. Case 1 (line 140) right eye fundus shows a fourth retinal astrocytic lesion nasally as well which has not been pointed out.

Author's response- Pointing with an arrow done.

5) Line 32 Change `non-retinal findings' to `non-retinal ophthalmic findings' as non-retinal findings may mean all systemic findings as well.

Author's response- Changed

6) Line 58 word `respectively' has been used two times. The first one should be omitted.

Author's response- Omitted

7) Line 72 `in both eyes' should be added if the visual acuity was same in both eyes.

Author's response- Added

8) In case 1 echocardiography has been undertaken but no mention of the same in case 2.

Author's response- Added in line 78.