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PART 1:

Journal Name:	Ophthalmology Research: An international Journal
Manuscript Number:	2014_OR_10268
Title of the Manuscript:	The etiology and antibiogram of bacterial causes of conjunctivitis among patients attending the eye clinic at Rugarama Hospital in South Western Uganda

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
Page 1: abstract/ in the results it was written one hundred <u>and</u> ninety six???? It should be one hundred ninety six without <u>and</u> - Also in the result it was written(Of the culture positive samples 58 were from males and 29 were from females) it should be (58 of positive samples were males and 29 were females) - Conclusion: should be re-construct again Page2/ material and method Line 38: the statement(<i>After introducing the study and its aims to the participant with a purulent eye discharge and obtaining consent.</i>) can be replaced by (informed consents were taken from all participants with purulent ocular discharge Line 54: the statement (The data was input using Microsoft Excel and statistically analyzed using SPSS program) should be (statistical data analysis was done by using SPSS program) and should add the version ???? Line 55 : should be cancelled (not beneficial) In this study two figures with different data are numbered figure 1 Line 82 : Fig 1: Prevalence of bacterial conjunctivitis by age group Line 91: Figure 1: Susceptibility pattern of Staphylococcus aureus to the commonly used antibiotics so the figures should be re-numbered again in discussion/ page 5/ line 133 to line 136: the statement (The 6 to 11 year age group comprises of primary school going children mostly who had problems with adapting to the various weather conditions while travelling to and from school. Their eyes would become teary and itchy, as a result the patients in a bid to reduce the itchiness, scratch and end up contaminating the eyes).it is poorly written and should be reconstructed in general : the grammar of this article is poor and this article should be re written in more efficient English language	And removed Fifty eight of the positive samples were from males and 29 were from females. Conclusion has been changed to read “There is a high prevalence of bacterial conjunctivitis at the eye clinic of Rugarama Hospital with the commonest causes being <i>S. aureus</i> and <i>N.gonorrhoeae</i>. Ciprofloxacin, gentamicin, tetracycline can be used for empirical therapy of bacterial of conjunctivitis but not chloramphenicol and penicillin/oxacillin”. Statement changed to read “After obtaining informed consent from a participant with purulent ocular discharge a sample was collected” Statement changed to read “ Statistical data analysis was done by using SPSS program v20” The statement “ The results were presented in figures” has been deleted The mix up has been corrected and the figures are now numbered appropriately The statement now reads “The 6 to 11 year age group comprises of primary school going children who usually have problems adjusting to the various weather conditions while travelling to and from school. They end up with itchy and teary eyes and in a bid to reduce the itchiness, their mothers who may already be infected with <i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> scratch their eyes and end up contaminating the them with the disease” I have tried to correct the grammar