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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Clinical profile of diabetes at diagnosis among children and adolescents at a paediatric endocrine clinic in Ghana; in this study, authors determined the clinical features of diabetes in children and adolescents at a tertiary referral center in Ghana. For this purpose they conducted a non-comparative descriptive study. Comments There is a divergence regarding dates of follow-up: Materials and Methods (24/02/2012), Results section (June 2011), and Figure 2 (Dec 2011) related with the increased trend in the number patients with diabetes. Although Community and professional awareness surely are required to improve diabetes care, the focus and nature of study do not allows to take a conclusion in such matter. Please add the definition of the acronyms at Tables feet. Age at diagnosis in one patient was lower than 1 year; it is necessary to add a paragraph to discuss this finding. It will be desirable to add a column with the p value in Table 1.

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This study offers a valuable insight in the clinical profile of diabetes in population of children and adolescents in Ghana. The subject is interesting and worth investigating, since the data regarding diabetes burden in Africa are still scarce and the study population is particularly vulnerable. There are, however, some issues within the manuscript that need to be clarified in order to assure consistency of the results and conclusions: 1. Subjects: Diabetes classification should be better described, considering similarity of the clinical presentation regarding common diabetes symptoms (polyuria, polyphagia, DKA) and lack of biochemical markers (autoantibodies, c-peptide), correctly indicated as the limitation of the study. If acanthosis nigricans was used as the classification parameter, it should be contextualized to obesity-related indices. If a response to therapy/insulin requirement was used as a post-hoc classification parameter, this should be indicated in the text. 2. Table 1: Lower and upper BMI ranges should be checked and corrected, if necessary. 3. Biochemical methods: Type of sample (plasma,



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serum, whole-blood), preanalytical handling and the method/instrument for blood glucose measurement should be described. 4. Figure 2: Please correct the X-axis point descriptions. 5. Discussion, section on patient education: are the telephones for biweekly education reminders available to all patients? 6. Conclusion: considering high DKA incidence and high mortality, an improvement in the availability of diagnostic technology at the primary care level seems also warranted in order to improve patient outcomes.

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The study needs following changes. 1.title should be precisely written as 'clinical profile of diabetic children and adolescents at diagnosis in endocrine clinic of ghana. 2.T1D is not a standard term and it should be mentioned as Type 1 diabetes and same for T2D accordingly.. 3. Correction of Grammer and spelling mistakes in heading of core tips, material and methods and discussion is needed. 4.email address of all authors in mandatory