

Review of: "Glycemic Control and Its Determinants Among Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus Patients at the Limbe Regional Hospital, Limbe, Southwestern Cameroon"

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Thank you for your contribution. It is noteworthy that glycemic control has been extensively studied around the world. I trust that the following remarks will prove beneficial in enhancing the quality of the manuscript. In addition, it has been noted that the manuscript would benefit from a linguistic revision.

Replace "diabetic" throughout the manuscript with diabetes and revise the phrases for semantics accordingly.

Abstract

Determine the knowledge gap, keeping in mind that the study is only being conducted in one hospital.

Capitalize the first letter of all phrase names on their first appearance before the abbreviations, e.g., Glycemic Control (GC); this applies throughout.

Delete the sentence "Data were entered into an Excel sheet and exported to Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS) version 22 for analysis" and give a bit of detail about the lifestyle data.

Background

First paragraph: replace reference 3 with a primary one.

Second paragraph: The use of references 4-5 is not in the right context. Use primary references with all sentences with glycemic control values.

Fifth paragraph: the authors concentrated on diabetes in other countries and hardly discussed the situation in Cameroon. Provide background on what is known about diabetes in Cameroon and any findings related to any factors.

Methods

Methods require careful revision and transparency.

Provide the procedure for patient recruitment and the procedure for data collection.

Administration of the questionnaire: Outline the content of the questionnaire in terms of behavioral and clinical data.

Describe the nature of the questions.

Replace reference 20 with a primary one.

Statistical analysis: revise the section: frequencies do not mean percentages. Be specific with the information.

Results

Provide information on the response rate—the percent of those accepted to participate compared to the total number of patients that were invited to participate.

How were patients identified and recruited?

Table 1: Provide a footnote on the value of CFA in relation to US dollars.

Table 2: Remove the current smoker from the table.

Discussion

The discussion lacks insight.

Paragraph one: The section describes results. Avoid repetition of results in discussion.

Second paragraph: The rationalization of the differences is not aligned with the type of comparison presented. Revise and align.