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Journal Name:	British Journal of Medicine and Medical Research
Manuscript Number:	Ms_BJMMR_24260
Title of the Manuscript:	Neuro-epidemiology of acute stroke syndrome in the adult emergency department of a tertiary hospital in a resource-limited environment of South-eastern Nigeria
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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# **PART 1:** Review Comments

<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION 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)
Minor REVISION comments	Please give us examples of high-, middle- and low-income countries mentioned in first paragraph, preferable w2ith numbers reflecting stroke incidence.  Too many "and" in the following sentence. Please explain or give example:  "Although the term stroke is not consistently defined in clinical and public health practice and research but an updated definition that incorporates clinical and tissue criteria aimed at harmonized definition has been adduced"  Please explain what you meant by these countries:  " and global populations such as United States of America [19], China[20], Singapore[21], South Africa[22] and Ghana [23].  What is the different risk factors for stroke in Southwest and Southeast Nigeria? Any data about the north?  You mentioned 3 cities from Southwest: Lagos, Sagamu and Ido-Ekiti and none from other areas. Your study was done in Southeastern city of Umuahia. Is this the only study from Southeast Nigeria on stroke. What about Ukpo in Southeast?	
Optional/General comments	Please place a map of Nigeria with mentioned cities on it. Can you indicate the stroke belt on it like the stroke belt in USA?	

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You said "Interventions to restore cerebral circulation should take place within the critical hours of need in order to safeguard normal brain tissues, and surrounding at risk brain tissues (penumbra) as soon as possible."

What is the availability of thrombolytic therapy in Nigerian hospitals?

The higher incidence of stroke in dry/harmattan season may indicate a relationship between hydration status of the organism and risk of stroke. Any literature on that?

"Furthermore, stroke victims who were brought in dead were excluded from the study." How many are they?

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