Author’s response to reviews

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The Editor,
BMC Cardiovascular diseases

Dear Dr. Dr Michel Noutsias,

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Thank you for your comments and those of reviewers regarding the above manuscript.

We have responded to all their comments in a detailed point-to-point rebuttal, and are now re-submitting the revision according to the instructions to authors of BMC Cardiovascular Disorders.

Thank you for considering our work.

Sincerely,

Fred Nuwaha
Associate Professor
Reviewer's report  
**Title:** Pre-hypertension in Uganda: a cross-sectional study  
**Version:** 3  
**Date:** 23 October 2013  
**Reviewer:** Pei-Shan Tsai  
**Reviewer's report:**  
The revised version of the manuscript is much improved. It is now deemed acceptable for publication. Thank you for your time. Appreciated.  
**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field  
**Quality of written English:** Acceptable  
**Statistical review:** Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Reviewer's report  
**Title:** Pre-hypertension in Uganda: a cross-sectional study  
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**Date:** 1 November 2013  
**Reviewer:** Martin Paul  
**Reviewer's report:**  
This is a revised manuscript describing pre-hypertension in Uganda. The authors have incorporated changes according to suggestions made by the reviewers. Minor essential revisions (page numbers are missing which make it difficult to point out the exact position of these in the manuscript):  
- **Correction done.**  
  - Introduction and background, second paragraph: non communicable diseases: do not use capital letters. Small letters now used. (page 3)  
  - Strength and limitations: "generalisability" is bad English, suggest to use: There is a possible selection bias in the study due to the fact that most men... correction done page 7  
  - Table 1: inconsistent use of capital lettering in the column "Variable": please correct. Correction done (table 1 page 12)  
**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field  
**Quality of written English:** Acceptable  
**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.  
**Declaration of competing interests:**  
No conflicts of interest to declare.