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Point by point response to the editor

Dear Editor:

Thank you very much for your positive and fruitful suggestions to our work. We have carried out revision based on your suggestions. Thank you again.

1. Only one author is present in the submission system (Abdurahaman Seid Yimam) however three authors are mentioned in the manuscript (Abdurahaman Seid Yimam, Zemenu Tamir and Wondemagegn Densis). Please ensure all authors are in the submission system.

Answer: I am very sorry for this mistake. All authors with their respective address are now included in the submission system. Furthermore, we would like to declare that authors of this manuscript are Abdurahaman Seid Yimam, Zemenu Tamir and Wondemagegn Densis, with Abdurahaman Seid Yimam being correspondence.

2. In the Authors’ contributions section, please specify the contributions of all authors individually and include full initials for all authors mentioned.

Answer: Thank you for your comment. We made corrections in the manuscripts as ASY: design of the study; acquisition of data, data management, analysis, interpretation of data and manuscript preparation. ZM: contributed to the design of the study, manuscript preparation and study supervision. WD: contributed to the design of the study, manuscript preparation and study supervision. All authors have read and approved the final manuscript.
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Answer: we have accepted your comment and included it in the declaration section accordingly.

4. Need of amendment of the statement “” and also requesting the person who can be contacted to request the raw data

Answer: thank you for your critical comment. According to your comment we made some amendments on the statement previously stated. With our perception “all data underlying the findings are fully available without restriction” is to mean all data are at our hand and we can elaborate or justify if any question arises regarding to the stated result. Thus, in the revised manuscript the statement is amended as “The authors confirm that all data underlying the findings are available at our hand. All relevant data are within the manuscript”. Sharing of the raw data to other external body needs additional ethical clearance and consent from study participants, according to our institutions research ethics committee. However, the corresponding author is responsible to justify any question regarding to questions about the full data of the research.

5. Changing of the word “Introduction” heading to ‘Background’.

Answer: Thank you. We have changed it