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Response to the editor

All comments well taken and modified accordingly

We substituted the word “negatively” by “profoundly”. As this study showed, patient even with early glaucoma are affected by the disease. But the impact is worse in advanced disease.

We have removed the word “tending” in the result

Response to reviewer 2

Thanks for the comments

The suggested clinical findings of ONH are well known clues that help us in differentiating especially normal from early glaucomatous nerve damage. We routinely employ that in our daily clinical practices. But here, Glaucomatous Optic Neuropathy (GON) was defined based on the scheme developed by the International Society of Geographical and Epidemiological Ophthalmology (Foster PJ, Buhrmann RR, Quigley HA, et al. The definition and classification of glaucoma in prevalence surveys. Br J Ophthalmol. 2002; 86:238–242). This definition has been used by many literatures especially those from Africa where visual field cannot be determined for all patients as the service may not be available or most patient don’t know their birth dates.