Reviewer’s report

Title: Self-Reported Hypoglycemia in Adult Diabetic Patients in East Gojjam, Northwest Ethiopia: Institution Based Cross-Sectional Study

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1) In table 2 I suggest to describe by separate the treatment of patients with type 1 and type 2 diabetes. It seems that "OHA" in patients with type 2 diabetes refers to glibenclamide and metformin, is that correct?

2) The authors state that the diabetes related complications were obtained from patient's medical records. Due to the study was performed on a single medical institution; I encourage them to describe how these complications are usually evaluated in their hospital.

3) I suggest adding how the p-value was obtained in tables 3-5.

4) The authors must explain if data presented in the figure 1 are statistically different among patients with type 1 and type 2 diabetes.

5) In the discussion section, the authors must add to the limitations of the study that the majority of the patients didn't confirmed the hypoglycemia with capillary glucometer so they could also be reporting symptoms without being a real hypoglycemia (relative hypoglycemia).

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