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Title: Physicians' knowledge, attitudes and perceptions concerning antibiotic resistance: a survey in a Ghanaian tertiary care hospital

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Technical comments

- -Response: Corrections duly addressed.

Reviewer reports:

Kamala Thriemer (Reviewer 1): Abstract:

The authors state in the abstract that questionnaire is a 44 item survey, however in the attached questionnaire there are only 40 items (in the methods section it is stated it has 40 questions).

- -Response: Corrections duly addressed. (Line 29)

Methods

(line 112-115): "The third collected information was about perceptions of the causes of antibiotic resistance. On the basis of review of literature [15,17,28] we selected eight possible causes of antibiotic resistance including self-medication, uncompleted antibiotic therapy, use of antibiotics in humans, and poor quality antibiotics." I suggest to add a sentence of explanation, like: " and
participants were asked to rate the extent those factors are contributing to the development of antibiotic resistance."

(line 120).

- Response: Corrections duly addressed. (Line 115-116)

From the questionnaire it seems the Likert scale was a 3 point, not a 3-4 point scale.(line 115):

-- Response: Corrections duly addressed. (Line 122)

according to the questionnaire the last cluster of questions included knowledge and attitude question. Please reflect this in the text.

-- Response: Corrections duly addressed. (Line 117)

(line 123). Please explain abbreviation KBTH

- Response: Corrections duly addressed. (Line 84)

Results

(line 165). Please add a comma after house officers

- Response: Corrections duly addressed. (Line 29)

General: please check to make sure percentage results are presented with the same decimal place throughout the manuscript (sometimes one decimal place, sometimes none)

- Response: Corrections duly addressed.