## **Editor's notes**

The Journal of Nigerian Optometric Association (JNOA) is an official journal of the Nigerian Optometric Association (NOA). It is an editorially independent, peer-reviewed journal that aims to promote the vision and the mission of the association through research and publication. It also provides a platform for the advancement of the optometry practice in Nigeria and beyond. This issue is the 2021 conference edition of the journal. I am happy we can publish just in time for the 44th National conference of the Nigerian Optometric Association. At this conference we hope to harvest many of the scientific presentations for the coming second edition of the journal.

In the editorial for this 23rd edition of the journal, Dr. Uchechukwu Levi Osuagwu and his colleagues draw attention to the Misinformation, Misconceptions and Myths around COVID-19 pandemic in Sub-Saharan Africa.

In this edition, Akujobi et al, underscores the need for eye-care practitioners to routinise Photostress Recovery Time (PSRT) tests during the ocular assessment of patients. Shuaibu et al assessed the prevalence of Dry Eye Syndrome among Computer Programmers in Computer Training Institutes and found a link between increased computer usage and dry eye disease.

Iyamu and Ekhaise conducted a quasi-experimental study to investigate the adhesion of bacteria to worn silicone hydrogel and conventional soft contact lenses, while Atuanya et al evaluated the effect of retinal defocusing or retinal blur on lateral heterophoria at far and near. 'Subspecialty training in Ophthalmology; How far?' by Monsudi and Ayodapo encouraged young Nigeria ophthalmologists to undergo subspecialty training as this would help to reduce ocular morbidity and mortality in Nigeria.

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