Editorial

Nigerian Journal of Ophthalmology Editorial Comments

It is with great delight and enthusiasm that the Editorial board presents this issue of the Nigerian Journal of Ophthalmology. This issue marks the transition of the Journal from a biannual publication to a triannual (four-monthly) one. In addition, this transition coincides with the 30th anniversary of the journal. The issue delivers a variety of general ophthalmology as well as subspecialty articles.

The article by Murthy *et al.* describes the refractive error profile of patients with Duane retraction syndrome. They report that hyperopia was the most common refractive error among the entire study population as well as within each of the subgroups, that is, the esotropic, exotropic, and orthotropic types of Duane syndrome. The article highlights the need for comprehensive evaluation of patients with Duane syndrome including cycloplegic refraction for those with esotropia, as previously advocated by Kekunnaya *et al.*^[1]

Feyijimi *et al.* present the findings of their study on the relationship between some anthropometric parameters including neck circumference and intraocular pressure in healthy adults. They observed positive correlations between anthropometric parameters (weight, body mass index, and neck circumference) and intraocular pressure. Their findings suggest the need for further research on the role of weight reduction and similar lifestyle modifications in the management of ocular hypertension and primary open-angle glaucoma.^[2]

In another original research article, Amita *et al.* compared the Sanders–Retzlaff–Kraff (SRK) II formula with the Barrett Universal (BU) II formula for calculating intraocular lens power for cataract surgery in eyes with normal axial length. They found no statistically significant difference between the refractive prediction errors of both formulas. Their results imply that the older generation SRK II formula is still accurate and relevant for biometry in high volume centers or low resource settings where the facilities such as internet access required for the use of the newer generation BU II formula may not be readily available.

Besides, Inaku *et al.* describe the pattern, prevalence, and types of ophthalmic tumors seen over eight years at the University of Calabar teaching hospital, Cross River state. They noted that malignant tumors were as common as benign ones and that majority of cases were characterized by late presentation and diagnosis. This article buttresses the need for better awareness among the general public about the importance of early presentation as well as the need for wider coverage of health insurance schemes and programs in Nigeria. [3]

There are two case reports in this issue that describe patients with secondary strabismus due to uncommon causes. The first case report describes a case of acquired Brown syndrome following head trauma that was successfully treated with oral steroids. The second report details the occurrence of acute acquired comitant esotropia following amniotic membrane

transplantation for the treatment of a shield ulcer in a patient with vernal keratoconjunctivitis. In another case report, Babalola *et al.* describe a patient who presented with a rare combination of Vogt–Koyanagi-Harada syndrome and HIV/AIDS infection. This report demonstrates the role of a high index of suspicion and thorough investigation of patients presenting with features of bilateral uveitis.

On behalf of the editor-in-chief and the entire editorial board, I welcome our subscribers to read the articles featured in this issue of the Nigerian Journal of Ophthalmology.

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