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| Journal Name:            | <a href="#">Journal of Cancer and Tumor International</a>   |
| Manuscript Number:       | Ms_JCTI_48129   |
| Title of the Manuscript: | Low Total White Blood Cell Count and High HDL- cholesterol in breast cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy at Cape Coast Teaching Hospital; A longitudinal single center study. |
| Type of the Article      | Original article: observational study   |

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**PART 1: Review Comments**

|                                     | Reviewer's comment   | Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here) |
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| <b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments | <p><b>Abstract</b><br/>Should include the drugs/regimen used<br/>The abstract method section has details not represented in the main method of the article<br/>In the conclusion of the abstract, it is better to state the effect rather than say adverse effect</p> <p><b>Introduction</b><br/>The bulk of the introduction seems generic for breast cancer and not related to the topic<br/>The topic was not introduced nor discussed until the last and final paragraph. The introduction needs to be reviewed to reflect the literature in the area of the topic and show where this research article extends the discussion about the topic</p> <p><b>Method</b><br/>The method section is too fragmented<br/>The patients studied and the circumstance was not adequately typified.<br/>Should include information on the chemotherapy regimen used by the patients and information on when the blood was collected<br/>What was the instance of the chemotherapy-indication eg neoadjuvant ?<br/>What was the stage of the diseases studied?<br/>State specifically when were the parameters studied?<br/>The statistical method proposed in the method section is confusing, reconcile the continuous and bivariate variable statement</p> <p><b>Results</b><br/>The social variables are overly represented here and their importance in this research topic is doubtful<br/>The tables are excessive and difficult , the changes in the parameters studies should be presented in trend graphs for easy understanding<br/>In the histologic type, NST and NOS are the same histologic type of cancer of the breast, the authors need to go with one<br/>It is perhaps better to describe changes in lipid profile in relation to weight rather than in relation to histologic type of tumor<br/>The authors confuse advanced tumor, NST and NOS as different classes or pathologic types of breast cancer. This needs to be reviewed.</p> <p><b>Discussion</b><br/>It is not clear what the authors imply by the fluctuation in the blood pressure and the blood cells with the cycles of chemotherapy<br/>There is sweeping generalization and stretching of the result beyond what can be gotten from the design of this study<br/>The studies brought into the discussion were mostly different in context from this study</p> <p><b>Conclusion</b><br/>The conclusion goes beyond what can be derived directly from the study</p> <p><b>References : atypical citing method present</b><br/><b>Generally:</b> grammar and presentation of information issues need to be improved</p> | <p>The manuscript has been modified thoroughly</p>  |



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| <b>Minor</b> REVISION comments   | The relevance and the previous literature not clear hence one cannot place this research. The relevance will help consumers to understand the information and perhaps consider its utility and to extend the discussion   |  |
| <b>Optional/General</b> comments | Information about chemotherapy is important in developing countries because the majority of patient require chemotherapy as neoadjuvant, adjuvant and even salvage therapy. Notwithstanding, it is important for the information gathered to be useful in terms of detailed description of who has what, what drugs are related to what effects and how the manuscript may impacts decision making for clinicians |  |

**PART 2:**

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|   | <b>Reviewer's comment</b>  | <b>Author's comment</b> <i>(if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i> |
| <b>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</b> | <i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i> |   |

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