



SDI EDITORIAL COMMENTS FORM

EDITORIAL COMMENT'S on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to editor's comments
<p>1. The case series discuss about the COVID vaccine-induced immune thrombotic thrombocytopenia. As we are going through the pandemic time and focussing on vaccination for all, publishing an article on the side effects of COVID vaccine requires a strict ethics clearance. From the authors perspective, the ethical clearance has been taken for the larger stroke study, and not specific to this case series. The two reviewers also had asked for the ethical clearance details but has not produced by the reviewers.</p>	<p>With regards to the editorial comments requesting for an ethical approval because 2 cases of CVST were post-covid-19 vaccination,we would like to state that the aim of our research was to study the clinical profile and the associated risk factors of stroke in Bisha Saudi Arabia.CVST being a rare form of stroke was studied along that line and Covid-19 vaccination was found to be an incidental risk factor. Our study did not study the spectrum of neurological complications post covid-19 vaccination which will definitely require a separate ethical review.The Ethical approval for the stroke study predates the advent of Covid-19 vaccination. Kindly find attached the document obtained on behalf of the study group by our lead investigator: Prof. Lukman Owolabi. I sincerely hope the editor's concerns have been addressed with this response.</p>