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Journal Name:	<a href="#">International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE &amp; Health</a>
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**PART 1: Comments**

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Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The topic of research is of interest to academia in medical education. The article attempts to explain the situation analysis of COVID pandemic and its effect on dentistry education in Nigeria. The study reflects the views of the participants in the form of questionnaire by the dental students.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	The title is suitable.	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	The abstract is OK, however it is suggested to mention the response rate, sampling procedure, statistical analysis methods in the methodology section of the abstract. The keywords shall appear alphabetically.	
Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.	The introduction section is OK. The methodology needs further elaboration on sample size calculation if it is justified and representative of the total dental students of the country studying final year. The bivariate analysis and test of association, correlation (Fisher's exact value) mentioned in the abstract is totally missing in the manuscript and is not discussed, this is a major flaw of the article. On results section, only descriptive results are shown, no results are found regarding the bivariate analysis. The result section needs to be complete.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	The references are adequate however referencing style is not consistent. Needs to follow strictly one standard referencing style, eg. Vancouver.	
Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	The English language is good, however the manuscript also needs minor revision in language structure. Eg. The starting sentence in the abstract 'The COVID-19 Pandemic which took the world by a storm in the year 2020' was not really affected by storm, it is better to avoid such imaginary expressions in scientific writing, not to use short form like wasn't, correct it as 'was not', it should be 'lockdown' not 'lockdowns', spellings need to be corrected for 'sanitisers'. The use of the verb 'x-raying' is illusive for a scientific writing.	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	The article needs to be corrected as outlined in above sections, mainly in methodology, result and reference sections, with minor corrections of English language.	

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