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Type of the Article	Short Communication

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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)
Compulsory REVISION comments		
Minor REVISION comments	For all patients, suggest to also list any concomitant infections that have been documented.	Besides HIV (which is included in our manuscript) we are not sure what other co-infection might be relevant for the results of this study. We have previously examined viral hepatitis in our ongoing cohort of HIV-infected [1] and examined our meningitis cohort for other pathogens including cryptococcus, common bacteria and toxoplasma [2, 3], but we are not sure how this would affect our results, as this was a comparative study for different TB diagnostics. Reference: 1. Wisaksana R, Indrati AK, Fibriani A, Rogayah E, Sudjana P, Djajakusumah TS, et al. Response to first-line antiretroviral treatment among human immunodeficiency virus-infected patients with and without a history of injecting drug use in Indonesia. <i>Addiction</i>. 2010;105(6):1055-61. 2. Ganiem AR, Parwati I, Wisaksana R, van der Zanden A, van de Beek D, Sturm P, et al. The effect of HIV



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