Editor's Comments

- 1. The presented findings in the results section of the abstract conflict with the conclusive section especially with regards to tissue necrotic factor alpha. Authors should revise the sentences that grouped TNF alpha with WBC; lymphocytes et cetera to exclude it. It was said that it was raised in HIV patients with CD4 count < 200 in the conclusive section but was grouped with the low parameters in the results section.
- 2. The units of measurement of WBC or neutrophil should be appropriately stated in the presented Table (superscript should be used: 103 is different from 10 raised to the power of 3).
- 3. On page 17, the neutrophil value the authors quoted should be in percentage but they used unit for absolute value. They should correct this and use the term relative neutrophil count when referring to it in percentage. That should be used for lymphocyte
- 4. Lastly, they should indicate the p-values obtained in Table 3 to scientifically establish the significant differences stated and make findings interesting to readers.

Author's feedback

- 1. Sentence has been revised.
- 2. The proper unit for WBC has replaced the previous unit used, relative neutrophil count was expressed in percentage.
- 3. Corrections have been effected.
- 4. The p-values have been inserted.