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Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJTDH_20450
Title of the Manuscript:	Lesion aspirate isolation, culture, diagnosis and Molecular identification of Cutaneous leishmaniasis in district Kohat, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan
Type of the Article	

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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	This manuscript aimed at identification of the causative agent of Cutaneous Leishmania species in district Kohat, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan. The authors evaluated the potential of PCR in the identification and characterization of Cutaneous Leishmanias in comparison to direct microscopy and culture-based methods. The manuscript followed the classical different methodology for diagnosis and identification of cutaneous leishmaniasis. My only Major concern about this manuscript is the figures provided for the amastigotes (Fig 3&4), they did not show the typical morphology of leishmania amastigotes seen under oil immersion. Moreover, fig 3 is full of artefacts (Giemsa stain ppt) .The authors should consider their replacement by another clear ones showing the typical morphology of intra and extra-cellular leishmania amastigotes) (this is a must to accept the manuscript for publication) As regards Fig 5: it showed 4 photos for leishmania promastigotes which are good , typical and clear enough but why 4 photos are	



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	provided!!! only one or two can be sufficient.	
Minor REVISION comments		
Optional/General comments		

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