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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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	1- The study doesn't tell us what is exactly the prevalence of DR-TB. 2- Line 47 and 48, the authors, don't explain if the patients were new cases or previously treated. 3- Line 80-82: The authors don't explain why they used cross sectional study design? 4- In data collection there is not clear: the total number of sample; what is the sample smear or patient? 5- Is the total number of sample collected representative?	1. Data on prevalence now included (Line 16) 2. These include both new and previously treated cases (Line 58) 3. Reason for using cross-sectional study design explained (Line 82-86) 4. Sampling unit is a practitioner. Unit of analysis is also practitioner. Data of individual patients was not collected. (Line 149-150) 5. There was participation bias. Representativeness for family physician group was also an issue. Due to these, the authors admit that findings have limited generalisability (Line 399-403)
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments		
<u>Optional/General</u> comments		