



SDI FINAL EVALUATION FORM 1.1

PART 1:

Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJTDH_32636
Title of the Manuscript:	Spectrum of childhood tuberculosis: Ensuring and Making a Differential Diagnosis by Tuberculin Skin Test and Clinical Signs in Kisangani, DR Congo
Type of Article:	Original Research Article

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
The revised paper is improved from the 1st version. But there are some unclear points and some minor typos. - Unclear, need to rewrite or elaborate more: - Page 4, line 134-135 "Only 13.4% had size 5-9 (Latent TB) against 86.6% with size >10mm=86.6%.(active TB)." - Page 7, line 176-177 "In our case, given that Kisangan is a highly endemic area, there is a high probability of detecting both latent and active TB patients and there was overtreatment." In this study, treatment were given to all PPD+ and also PPD- that had other indication of TB disease. So, why did the authors say ".....there was overtreatment"? (I may miss your point or misunderstand what the authors try to explain) - Typo: - Page 2, line 51 "if" -> "it" ? - Page 5, line 150 "contract" -> "contact" ? - Page 7, line 186 "non tuberculosis mycobacteria" -> "non-tuberculous mycobacteria" (normally people use this) - Page 8, line 205-206 "PTI" -> "TPI" (still did not correct)	

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