Reviewer's report

**Title:** Association between Tumor necrosis factor alpha-238G/A polymorphism and tuberculosis susceptibility: a meta-analysis study

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**Reviewer:** Vladyslav Nikolayevskyy

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Nearly all the reviewer’s comments and concerns have been adequately addressed by the authors; manuscript improved significantly.

Minor/discretionary revisions:
- Table 1, Study by Lin - extrapulmonary TB cannot be confirmed by smear microscopy
- Table 1, Title - Typo error in "included"

Otherwise I believe the manuscript is now suitable for publication

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests