Title: Clinico-epidemiological profile and diagnostic procedures of pediatric tuberculosis in a tertiary care hospital of western Nepal- A case-series analysis

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To The editor

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Dear Editor,

We apologise for having overlooked grammatical and typographical errors at so many places in the revised manuscript. Now we have edited the language with the assistance of native English speaker and incorporated other suggested changes by Inge Axelsson and Robert R.P. Gie. We have done our best to address all the issues raised. To highlight the revisions and language editing we used ‘track changes’ option in the ‘Microsoft word processor’. After the final decision about publication we will remove track changes. We sincerely, hope this resubmission of the manuscript will be acceptable for publication.

Please see the point-by-point reply to the comments made by the reviewers.

**Reviewer:** Robert R.P. Gie

We have removed the two statements in conclusion of abstract and the main manuscript.

We have also corrected typos pointed out by the reviewed.

**Reviewer:** Inge Axelson

We have renumbered the addresses to avoid the confusion.

All the suggested grammatical errors have been amended.

Methods: the rate of HIV seropositivity was for all age groups which has been mentioned in the revised manuscript. There was typographic error leading to confusion that publication was from 2000/2001. We have verified the figures and also corrected the reference in the revised manuscript.

Results:
We have shortened the text wherever possible to deleting number and percentages wherever a reference to table or figure was made.

We have provided the definition/criteria for positive Mantoux test and also accelerated BCG response.

We have included ultrasound Lumbar puncture for CSF analysis into Table 3.