Reviewer's report

Title: Obesity-associated gene FTO rs9939609 polymorphism in relation to the risk of tuberculosis

Version: 2 Date: 9 September 2014

Reviewer: Thorsten Thye

Reviewer's report:

The authors did not explain sufficiently why SNP rs9939609 deviates substantially from Hardy Weinberg in the control group. The genotypes of this SNP should be analysed with a different platform to validate the previous results. In addition, association analysis should be performed with people with no alcohol consumption to verify whether alcohol intake have an effect on the statistical results.

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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.