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Title: Development of a TaqMan Array Card to Target 21 Purulent Meningitis-related pathogens

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Dear editors and reviewers,

Thank you very much for the comments from you and reviewers about our manuscript. The manuscript entitled “Development of a TaqMan Array Card to Target 21 Purulent Meningitis-related pathogens” (Manuscript Number: INFD-D-18-01958R1) has been revised in details according to the comments. We appreciate your valuable comments very much, which are helpful to improve the quality of our present study. Addition was in red in the revised manuscript. All the comments have been incorporated into the revised manuscript. The point-by-point responses to the comments are stated below.

Editor Comments:

Please better acknowledge the limitations in your study as suggested by reviewer 1.
Response: Yes, we have better acknowledged the limitations in our study as suggested by reviewer 1 (page 14, line 308-324).

Reviewer #1:

The manuscript is improved and they have provided a slightly more balanced view but there are still significant limitations due to the small sample size. This has to be acknowledged as limitation, as does the cost.

Response: Yes, we have better acknowledged the limitations in our study (page 14, line 308-324).

Thanks to reviewers for their thoughtful and thorough reviews. Hope these will make it more acceptable for publication.

Sincerely yours.