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We thank the reviewers for their valuable comments, we hope in a comprehensive way we have responded to their questions.

Answer for reviewer's reports

**Nobuhisa Ishikawa**

Thanks again for your valuable comments and review of our manuscript.

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**Isaac K Sundar.**

1) Three graphs under Figure 2 a) miR-192 b) miR-221, c) miR-15b was added.

2) The graphs (a) miR-15b, b) miR-27b c) miR-192 d) miR- 221 e) miR- let7f and g) miR-130 under one Figure 3 was added.

3) The following miRNA expression data graphs comparisons Highest vs. lowest expression under one Figure 4 as mentioned in the results. miR-192, miR-130a, miR-222, miR-let7f, miR-27b, miR-221, miRNA-16 and miRNA-20a in results section "Relative expression levels of the studied miRNAs in sarcoidosis patients according to clinical and radiological classification in BALF cells" was added.

4) The following miRNA expression data graphs comparisons Highest vs. lowest expression under one Figure 5 as mentioned in the results. miR-15b, miR-20a, miR-221, miR-130a, miR-27b, miR-130a miRNA-16, and miR-15b, miRNA-let7f in results section "Relative expression levels of the studied miRNAs in sarcoidosis patients according to clinical and radiological classification in PB lymphocytes was added.

5) Figure 5 and Figure 6 were exchanged order

6). The all remaining graphs (grouped and with figure legends under separate figures) that are not presented in the main figures were added as supplemental data and cited appropriately in the main manuscript text.

7) The manuscript has been checked by native speaker.