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Dear Editors,

I am pleased to submit the manuscript entitled “Molecular typing and drug sensitivity testing of Mycobacterium tuberculosis isolated by a community-based survey in Ethiopia” to be considered for publication in BioMed Central. The aim of this study was to identify of M. tuberculosis strains circulating in selected communities in Ethiopia as well as to evaluate the drug sensitivity pattern of these strains. Since the study was conducted on isolates collected for the prevalence study thus this article will give information on drug resistant pattern and strain type circulating in selected communities in Ethiopia. I would like to thank for the reviewers for their valuable comments. The stains mapped in figures 1 and 2 are our data. The stain typing is generated in the present study, name the sample collection sites was obtained from the prevalence survey, the geographical location (longitude and latitude) of the survey areas, area estimated from the GADM (public source spatial database of the location of the world's administrative areas: http://www.gadm.org/) and the GeoNames (geographical database that covers all countries: http://www.geonames.org/).

Thank you for your consideration of our work.
Sincerely,
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