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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
The editorial comprehensively discusses the complex interaction between diabetes and tuberculosis which has significant implications especially in the developing world. The adverse affect of one on the other and vice versa has clearly been highlighted with relevant recent references. However there are certain concerns which need to be revisited:- 1) A common reason for dysglycemia in TB is the use of steroids (more so in TB meningitis and pericardial TB). This should be discussed and also its impact on long term DM risk elaborated upon. 2) The figures are good but too much text in the boxes dilutes the take home message from them. Simplify it and remove the text which has already been elaborated upon in main document. 3) Impact of HbA1c levels on TB course should be discussed in the clinical presentation. 4) The editorial mainly gives an impression of a review discussing TB and DM. It barely analyses/ critically appraises the salient finding of the study on which it was written. I believe the editorial should give adequate emphasis on the crucial findings from the study, stimulate the readers to formulate their opinions and should give the editors perspective it and its future relevance. Hope these suggestions will help improve the quality of this excellent
manuscript further.