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Dear reviewers,

Thank you for your comments regarding our manuscript entitled ‘Abdominal Tuberculosis: Approach to a diagnostic challenge.’

Your review points are all addressed below:

1) I recommend the authors show the typical endoscopic findings of TB and Crohn’s disease - We have included a new image summarising this
2) I suggest that the authors summarize the effective microbiological tests for the diagnosis of TB in a Table – We have included a table summarising this
3) What is AFB staining – This has been clarified in the text

We hope the new manuscript is deemed acceptable by yourselves for publication.

Yours sincerely,

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