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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

1. The English need improvement since there are few grammatical and syntax errors in the manuscript (For example, the words “pathogenic” may be as “the pathogenic”; “final” as “a final”; “of top” as “of the top”; “necrosis” as “the necrosis”; “infections any” as “infections of any”; “culture-independent” as “a culture-independent”; “of they” as “they”; “that use” as “that the use”; “has potential” as “has the potential”). The grammar mistakes which are not mentioned here also to be checked and corrected properly. 2. There are some typing mistakes as well, and authors are advised to carefully proof-read the text (For example, the words “genomic sequence” may be as “genomic sequences”; “times, or” as “times or”; “years-old” as “years old”; “hallmarks” as “hallmark”; “condition,” as “condition”; “bone forming” as “bone-forming”; “false negative” as “false-negative”; “osteonecrosis,” as “osteonecrosis”). The typos not mentioned here also to be checked and corrected properly. 3. The genus name should be given completely when first time appear (“M. tuberculosis; Pseudomonas aeruginosa”) in the abstract, results part and followed by only the first letter (“M. tuberculosis; P. aeruginosa”). 4. Reference should be given for the standard protocol in the materials and methods section. If the authors are used the modified procedure may also be given in the materials and methods section. The references should also be included in the back-references. 5. In the statistical analysis the authors should also included USA along with “NY”. 6. In the results, the authors may include the percentage also with the numbers of individuals with different diagnosis. 7. Results needs to be revised with a clear presentation of the findings in a more scientific way. 8. The authors may improve the discussion of their work by focusing on the present findings and



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Can't seem to have access to the figures and tables! I'd really like to check the raw data from metagenomic analysis.