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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

this paper presents an unusual case of TB; the literature review was probably done well although the method of searching the literature was not described; I do not see evidence that the subject whose disease was described consented with publication. The is however important to live up with GCP standards. one sentence in the introduction should be rephrased -I don't think this is a correct statement, there is no evidence about any increase of extra-pulmonary TB. in Asia, EPTB has been slightly more reported than in Africa and elsewhere; most authors believe that some 30% if TB is extra-pulmonary but again, there is no evidence that this percentage is increasing over time. Importantly, as the authors correctly state, quite some EPTB has concomitant PTB.

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General comments: Tago et al. presented a patient with perianal tuberculosis (TB) and coexisting pulmonary TB. The authors described results from clinical, radiological and microbiological analyses and discussed their findings together with those of 59 cases described in the literature. The main finding was that persistent perianal lesions have a longer course in patients without coexisting pulmonary TB. Perianal tuberculosis is an extremely rare form of tuberculosis and diagnosis often is not straightforward. Therefore, the description of clinical and microbiological characteristics of such a case might be of interest to clinicians and microbiologists working in the field of gastroenterology, infectious diseases/TB. The description of the patient's clinical findings (anamnesis, X-ray, CT, PCR, culture, anti-TB-treatment) is complete but lacks novel or extraordinary results regarding characteristics or course of the disease. The presentation and readability of the manuscript is passable for many parts but needs some improvement regarding redundancy, structure or precision of terminology (see specific comments). The written English is rough in some parts of the manuscript. Specific comments: Title page: - Title: Better: "... review of the literature" - Authors: The author "Takahiro Fujita" is not mentioned in authors contributions. On the other side,

"Takaomri M" (mentioned in authors contribution) is not in the list of authors. Are both persons author? Abstract: - The first paragraph of the Abstract is nearly identical to wording in the first paragraph of Case report. Redundancy should be avoided. - Abstract is not well-structured. In particular, research background and objective is completely missing. Introduction: - The sentence "Tuberculosis is ... more prevalent in Asia, especially Japan, than in Europe .." implies that TB prevalence in Japan is as high as in Asia. That is not the case. - The statement ".prevalence of extrapulmonary TB has recently increased ..". contains a reference from the year 2006. A more recent reference should be used or "recently" should be replaced by "between years xxxx and xxxx". - Same is true for reference (3) - It would be useful to know how rare is perianal TB, (xx% percentage of extrapulmonary TB) Case report - Some information in this section not necessary, i.e. data on blood pressure, pulse rate, oxygen saturation (page 4/5); the unremarkable past history of the patient (p. 4); information that operation was performed at the Department of Surgery (p. 5). Removal may tighten the case report and improve readability. - Data on diagnosis of pulmonary TB (CT, PCR and culture from sputum) and diagnosis of perianal TB (description of abscess, PCR and culture from abscess material) should be described in two different blocks: - Page 4, line 4: better "acid-fast bacilli" instead of "bacillus". - Page 5, line 2: Redness and swelling has already noted before (page 4, first line of case report). Sentence should be removed or rephrased. - Page 5, line 3: the cavity has already revealed before by chest X-ray. Another wording should be used. - Page 5, line 5: what kind of PCR assay has been used for detection of MTB? Could the authors specify the target gene (if an in-house PCR protocol was used) or refer the test name (if a commercial assay has been used)? - Page 5, line 7: was the abscess material investigated for the presence of AFB? If yes results should be given. - Page 5, line 15: "No apparent underlying disease was detected...": do the authors speak of the pulmonary TB (cavities, cough)? What about the perianal lesions? Discussion - Page 6, line 7: better "whereas" instead of "although" - Page 6, line 11: the authors should avoid the expression "our study population" since the 59 cases were not part of this study. - Page 6, line 11: what kind of underlying diseases? Please list or exemplify. - Page 6, line 16: what do the authors mean with "durat

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The paper is well written and I have a few suggested changes to further improve it.