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Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Research in Infectious Diseases
Manuscript Number:	Ms_AJRID_126859
Title of the Manuscript:	Clonal Diversity and Spatial Dissemination of Drug-Resistant Mycobacterium tuberculosis Complex among HIV Seropositive Patients in Southwest Nigeria
Type of the Article	Based on the nature of the content and the references provided the article appears to be a scientific research article focused on drug resistant tuberculosis (TB) among HIV positive patients.

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PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback (Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The study addresses an essential topic by examining the clonal diversity and spread of drug-resistant Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex (MTBC) in HIV-positive patients in Southwest Nigeria. This research is particularly relevant given the global health challenge of co-infection of tuberculosis (TB) and HIV, and the increasing prevalence of drug-resistant TB strains.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	The Title of the article is appropriate and suitable	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	The abstract of the article is adequate and comprehensive	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	The subsections of the manuscripts are quite appropriate. However, author(s) should reflect on the suggestions given	
Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The scientific correctness of the manuscript appears good in terms of the general methodology and foundational research principles observed. The study employs appropriate methods relevant to its objectives, adhering to standard practices in data collection, analysis, and reporting. The findings are grounded in sound statistical analysis, and the interpretations align with the data presented. However, certain improvements could enhance its scientific rigor as suggested.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form. :	The references in the article are generally comprehensive, encompassing key studies relevant to the topic and supporting the scientific claims. However, some references are slightly outdated, with only a few recent sources from the last three years. Adding more current literature, especially those published in the last one to two years, could enhance the article's relevance and situate it within the latest advancements in the field. This would be particularly useful in fields like tuberculosis (TB) research is rapidly evolving.	
Minor REVISION comments Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	The language quality of the article is generally adequate for scholarly communication, with clear presentation of scientific concepts and terminology relevant to the field.	
Optional/General comments	The article addresses an important and timely topic with potential implications for advancing knowledge in the field of tuberculosis research.	

PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<u>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</u>	

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