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Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Research in Infectious Diseases
Manuscript Number:	Ms_AJRID_53991
Title of the Manuscript:	Predictors of the occurrence of tuberculosis in HIV-infected adults during the first six months of antiretroviral therapy in Kisangani, DR Congo
Type of the Article	

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PART 1: Review Comments

	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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<p>Thanks for your study. The topic is interesting. But I have some queries.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I'd like to know whether the study population of 1161 is a total of PLWHA on ART treated in all your study sites within 1st January 2017 to 31st December 2018. Is this case-control study matched or not? If yes, you should mention how controls were selected to match with cases. I think that the ratio of cases and controls is 1:3. You should mention the sampling and sample size more clearly. Please revise "Results" part. You describe only AIDS Staging in Table 2, but you refer Table 2 for univariate and multivariate analysis results of other variables in the text. I confuse findings in Table 1 and 2 for lacking of reference group. You should do or get assistance for English checking. Some wrong sentence construction is seen. Please check cited information for ref (1). Ref (1) is the assessment on the performance of the GeneXpert MTB RIF in the diagnosis of pleural tuberculosis. It's not related with HIV/TB co-infection. <p>In your analysis, some important factors for development of TB disease such as CD4 count, timing of ART initiation and close contact for TB could not be included. Thus, you should not conclude as predictors. They are just associated factors.</p>	
Minor REVISION comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Full words should be written at first for all abbreviations. Eg. HIV/AIDS in 4th line of "Introduction" and similarly in "Abstracts". Please modify format setting of "Main text" and "reference" properly. 	
Optional/General comments		

PART 2:

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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	



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