Supplemental Digital Content 2. Clinical characteristics of patients by final clinical classification

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| **Characteristics** | **Total: N (%)** | **Patients in different TB categories: N (%)** | **p-value$**  |
|   |   | **Confirmed TB****N=92** | **Unconfirmed TB****N=345** | **Unlikely TB****N=73** |   |
| Fever (> 38oC) | 404 (79.4) | 79 (82.6) | 276 (80.0) | 49 (68.1) | 0.017 |
| Prolong fever > 2wks | 229 (56.7) | 60 (76.0) | 209 (75.7) | 30 (61.2) | 0.132 |
| Cough | 420 (82.4) | 76 (82.6) | 285 (82.6) | 59 (80.8) | 0.934 |
| Persistent cough > 2wks | 362 (86.2) | 57 (75.0) | 253 (88.8) | 52 (88.1) | 0.117 |
| Weight loss | 211 (44.2) | 50 (58.1) | 140 (43.6) | 21 (30.0) | 0.002 |
| Failure Thrive | 261 (54.9) | 49 (57.6) | 168 (52.3) | 44 (63.8) | 0.192 |
| Chest radiograph consistent to TB | 309 (61.7) | 77 (86.5) | 229 (66.8) | 3 (4.3) | < 0.001 |
| Lymphadenopathy | 54 (11.5) | 16 (19.5) | 26 (8.2) | 12 (17.4) | 0.004 |
| Positive tuberculin skin test\* | 127 (33.1) | 48 (63.2) | 79 (33.6) | 0 (0) | < 0.001 |

*\* ) % positive tuberculin skin test (TST) was calculated from 384 among 510 patients who had Mantoux tests done. $ )p-value for comparison of all 3 groups. Total of 510 patients were classified into three TB categories: confirmed TB (92 patients); unconfirmed TB (345 patients), unlikely TB (73 patients).*