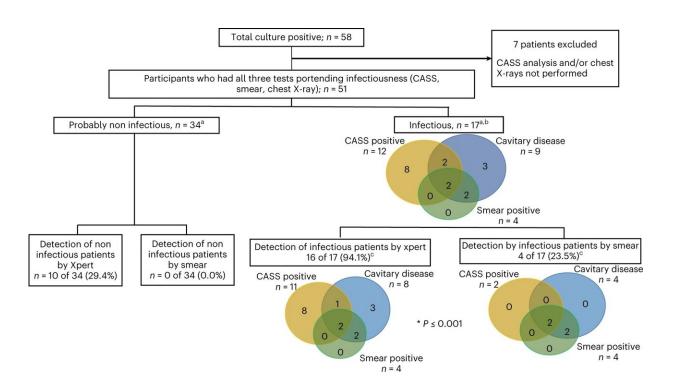


A feasible and effective new communitybased diagnostic technique for tuberculosis

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Proportion of probably infectious TB patients identified by Xpert and smear microscopy (only patients with a valid smear, chest X-ray and CASS results were included, that is n = 51). ^aProportion of patients on treatment at 60 d was significantly greater in the infectious group compared with the probably noninfectious group (13 of 17 (76.5%) versus 13 of 34 (38.2%); P = 0.007). ^b Given the limitation of current tools, a minority of these patients (

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