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<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<p><b>Topic. Microbiological Quality of Smoked <i>Clarias gariepinus</i> sold in Yenagoa Metropolis, Nigeria</b></p> <p><b>Introduction.</b> Ok</p> <p><b>Materials and methods:</b> see manuscript for suggestions.</p> <p><b>Results:</b> Table 1. Conventionally, microbiological quality evaluation of foods should consist total coliform count or Faecal coliform count that is an indicator of food contamination, or hygiene practice.</p> <p><b>Tables.</b> Table 2 did not provide sufficient information on the occurrence and distribution of the microbial contaminants on the smoked fish in the study area. Please, represent the results following the template suggested in the manuscript to capture number of isolates (% occurrence) for each microbial species.</p> <p><b>Result Presentation</b> The result presentation is too excessive, and repetitions of values in Tables not necessary. You are expected to present key findings of the study only.</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> see suggestions in the manuscript <b>Conclusion; kindly redirect the conclusion to hinge objectives of this study</b></p>	
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