

## Review Form 1.6

Journal Name:	<a href="#">Asian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Research</a>
Manuscript Number:	Ms_AJFAR_86747
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Fish gills as morphological indicators of exposure to four environmentally relevant pharmaceuticals.</b>
Type of the Article	<b>Original Research Article</b>

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### PART 1: Review Comments

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<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<p><b>Introduction:</b> Lines 4, 7, 14, 16: Authors should provide reference if the statement in first paragraph is not theirs. Line 23: The verb in the expression "this study intends...." Should be recast in the past tense.</p> <p><b>Materials and Methods:</b> If table1. Refers to data generated from this present research, it should be taken to the results section and a short description, a sentence or two, regarding how visual score/grading/weighting of lesion category/type to lesion importance were assigned made in <b>LINE 15 in the Materials and Methods Section.</b></p> <p><b>Results:</b> Fig1. Authors should make clear spaces in between each feature for a better view.</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> Lines 8&amp;9: Since the 3 references are about an idea, put them together in one bracket in chronological order. E.g., (Deo 2014; Olarinmoye et al., 2016; Patel et al., 2019).</p> <p><b>References:</b> Authors should maintain uniformity in order of reference following the journal's guidelines. E.g., Bernet D, Schmidt H, Meier W, Burkhardt-Holm P, Wahli T. Histopathology in fish: Proposal for a protocol to assess aquatic pollution. Journal of fish diseases, 1999; 22, 25-34.</p>	
<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recast the words/texts highlighted in green.</li> <li>2. Delete the words/texts highlighted in red.</li> <li>3. Consider alterations where indicated.</li> </ol>	
<b>Optional/General</b> comments	<p>Research is vital as it suggests the fact that most human and veterinary pharmaceuticals find their way to water bodies in the form of residues with impact on tissues and organs of fish and the need for their disposal to be checked to avert subsequent negative effects on consumers.</p>	

### PART 2:

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