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| Journal Name: | Asian Journal of Biochemistry, Genetics and Molecular Biology |
| Manuscript Number: | Ms_AJBGMB_116357 |
| Title of the Manuscript: | Isolation and Characterization of a Paclobutrazol-Degrading Bacterium: <i>Deinococcus arenae</i> |
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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) |
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