

**Review Form 3**

Journal Name:	<b>International Journal of Pathogen Research</b>
Manuscript Number:	<b>Ms_IJPR_122083</b>
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Microbial Load and Antibiotic Resistance Pattern of Microflora Isolated from Smoked Catfish and Mackerel Sold in Ghanaian Markets: A Potential Health Threat</b>
Type of the Article	<b>Research</b>

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**PART 1: Review Comments**

<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<b>Reviewer's comment</b>	<b>Author's Feedback</b> (Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The authors emphasise the potential health risks of consuming unhygienic fish and fish products. The valid research findings can be utilized to monitor the hygiene of the fish market.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	The title can be shortened and specific.	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	The abstract is structurally well-designed.	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	Sections are appropriate	
Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The scientific names should be <i>italicized</i> . There is no proof of samples collected. Identifying bacteria at the species level is not possible with routine microbiological tests. It is recommended to use 16S rRNA sequencing for accurate identification. The results in Table 2 are not authentic. Antibiotic susceptibility of the isolates cannot be shown in percentage.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form. -	Sufficient references are provided.	
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