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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)
<p><b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments</p>	<p><b>Comment to the editor:</b> The numbering of the lines in the manuscript facilitates the work of the referee. I have therefore done this myself.</p> <p>The level of style of the English used in this manuscript does not seem to me to be sufficient, as illustrated by some remarks below. A revision is necessary.</p> <p>According to lexico.com, the correct spelling is grass cutter, while according to encyclopedia.thefreedictionary.com, the correct one is grasscutter. Choose a spelling and check that the spelling is the same everywhere.</p> <p><b>As only 24 samples were examined, this work should be considered as preliminary, and could be the subject of a short communication. The authors could agree to shorten their manuscript, avoiding repetitions, and condensing the Materials and Methods section.</b></p>	
<p><b>Minor</b> REVISION comments</p>	<p>Latin name of bacterial species should be in italics.                      Replace Ready-to-eat by ready-to-eat (RTE)., and use RTE in the rest of the paper.                      There should be a space between a number and the unit. For example, 10 CFU, 0.15 log, 10 ml, 5 h, etc.</p> <p>1, please indicate that Rumuokoro is located in Nigeria.                      29, replace "refers to as bush, so the wild" by "referred to as bush. The wild".                      30-31, do these common names of animals have to start with a capital letter?                      31, I suggest you add after "cutter": "or greater cane rat".                      40, delete "within".                      41, replace than by as.                      42, delete "they are".                      41-44, please rephrase. As written, you read that the slaughtering is the first step of drying, and so on.                      44, replaced "more also" by "Furthermore".                      46, replace intensive by intense.                      49, replace "not to" by "should not".</p> <p>I will stop making suggestions about style here. The manuscript should be revised to check this.</p> <p>54: is "race" appropriate, are there races within the human species? Would not "ethnicity" be better?                      57, I understand illness as what the patient feels, and disease as what the doctor diagnoses. Choose, are you concerned about illness or disease?                      59-62, useless repetition.                      63, quality is defined, in this context, as what satisfies consumer expectations. Here you are talking about the defects of the meat. Please rewrite the sentence.</p> <p><u>Materials and methods</u>, please do not describe in detail the archi-classical techniques of traditional microbiology, for example, dilutions, Gram staining.                      71, please indicate how the aluminium was sterilized.                      77, please delete "ten mil", use only the abbreviation of the International System of Units (SI).                      79 and elsewhere, the exponents are misplaced.</p>	

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	<p>86, 370C should be written 37°C. Check everywhere in the manuscript.              87, the correct abbreviation of hour is h.              92, Sabouraud, not Saboraud.              96, replace into by on.              102, replace gram by Gram.              123-125, here, you don't give enough details. What exactly did you do?</p> <p><u>Results</u>, details of the results should be given either in the text or in the tables and figures. For example, Section 3.1 unnecessarily repeats the figures that the reader will find in the table.              Due to the small number of results, and the high variability of the colony counts, percentages should only have two significant figures, e.g. 27 %, not 26.9 %. Do the same thing in the Abstract              139, add count after fungal.</p> <p><u>Discussion</u>, line 2 and 3, delete this second sentence (repetition). Several sentences in this discussion say the same thing in different words. Try to condense!</p> <p><u>Recommendations</u>, These recommendations are a reminder of basic hygiene measures. But the recommendation to place the meat in salt water seems to me to have no connection with hygiene. In addition, if salt denatures the meat's proteins to allow the cells to retain more moisture, is there not a contradiction with the recommendation not to place the meat in a wet environment?              If there is no cold chain for this type of food, would it be absurd to recommend that only well cooked products be placed on the market?</p>	
<p><b>Optional/General</b> comments</p>		

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	<p><b>Reviewer's comment</b></p>	<p><b>Author's comment</b> (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)</p>
<p><b>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</b></p>	<p><i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i></p>	

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