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Title of the Manuscript:	Morphological and molecular identification of Erythricium salmonicolor (Berk & Broome), pathogen associated of pink disease of cocoa (Theobroma cacao L.) in the Nawa region of Côte d'Ivoire
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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)
<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments  1. Is the manuscript important for scientific community? (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)  2. Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)  3. Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?  4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?  5. Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?  6. Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.  (Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)	<p>Yes</p> <p>The title may be changed as 'Morphological and molecular identification of <i>Erythricium salmonicolor</i> (Berk &amp; Broome), pathogen associated with pink disease of cocoa (<i>Theobroma cacao</i> L.) in the Nawa region of Côte d'Ivoire'</p> <p>Appropriate</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Yes. However, the reference White et al. (1990) cited in the text are not reported in bibliographic/reference section of the manuscript. Whereas, the references Moraes et al. (2006) and Schneider-Christian et al. (1983) listed in reference section are not cited in the text.</p> <p>The word 'organ' mentioned in describing the survey and sample collection may be replaced with 'tissue/infected plant part'</p> <p>Need to provide the composition of culture media Petit Pois agar, Carrot agar and V8 culture medium in the description.</p> <p>In-vitro pathogenicity test/Koch's postulates would have been conducted for the isolates obtained in the study.</p> <p>In many places, the scientific names are not italicised. Rectify it</p> <p>Figure 5 and 8 are not required. They may be omitted in the final copy</p> <p>The reference listing/citation style has to be rechecked while submitting the final copy of the manuscript. Many of the references were not cited as per the journal guidelines/style.</p>	
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