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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	<p><b>Abstract</b> <b>Methodology</b> I prefer that you the name of microorganism group than media culture Example: mesophilic aerobic germs was enumerated by using PCA media.</p> <p><b>Introduction</b> Authors said "Research conducted by reference [8] confirms that the Ghanaian currency notes are 100% contaminated", in this case where is the originality of your work. What your study gives as new informations?</p> <p><b>2. Material and methods</b> <b>2.1 Study Area</b>  Please give the coordinates (latitude and longitude) of area study.</p> <p><b>2.3 Sample Size and Sampling</b> <b>2.3.1 Sample Collection Procedures</b>  Why the authors have not exanimated Ghanaian currency notes GH¢ 100 and GH¢ 200, I am not agree because these Ghanaian currency notes could be contaminated too. How match times the experiences have been repeated?</p> <p><b>2.4.4 Identification of Isolates</b>  the authors must to add the word "presumptive" because this method used is not reliable and authors are not used molecular identification method. <b>antibiotic susceptibility testing (AST)</b> What the criterion of resistance or sensitive? What the reference?</p> <p><b>3. Results and discussion</b>  The tables and figures must be improved, also the authors must to do the choice between table and figure. Table 1 and Figure expressed the same result. All figures must be improved the axis are not named  The authors must give the picture Petri dish of antibiotic test as illustration</p>	<p>Changes made to the methodology. MCA is a selective media and generally used to isolate and differentiate Gram-negative bacteria especially, non-fastidious Gram-negative rods</p> <p>Sentence re-paraphrased</p> <p>We effected the change. Kindly check to confirm</p> <p>Unfortunately, those denominations were released into the country soon after we were done with the laboratory works. In future we hope to include all denominations in the system at the moment and perhaps do a genotypic study of isolates. In future we wish to use semiautomatic disk dispensers or McFarland standard.</p> <p>Changes made</p> <p>We mentioned that the resistance or susceptibility was determined by the zones of bacterial inhibition around the antibiotic disks and comparing the diameter with the disk diffusion interpretive criteria updated annually by CLSI</p> <p>Unfortunately we lost some of the pictures taken during the studies.</p>
<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments		
<b>Optional/General</b> comments	<p>The study is interesting but there a lot of inadequacies, I recommend a serious revision of paper.</p>	<p>For sure, we have made lot more changes to the work based on the comments of the reviewers</p>

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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	