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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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Optional/General comments	This MS deal with the bacteria species in the spoilage zobo drink, a Nigerian non-alcoholic beverage, fortified with scent leaf and ginger. First, the authors isolated six bacteria species such as <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , <i>Escherichia coli</i> , <i>Micrococcus luteus</i> , <i>Proteus vulgaris</i> , <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> , <i>Streptococcus</i> species from the zobo during storage. Among them, they found that <i>B. subtilis</i> , <i>P. Vulgaris</i> , and <i>S. aureus</i> persisted in the zobo during the storage period. On the contrary, they also found that scent leaf and ginger used in the preparation of zobo did not prevent the growth of three organisms. That is, it suggests that the addition of scent leaf and ginger in zobo may be unusable as one of preservatives for the extension of shelf-life of the zobo. This MS may be some degree of positive significance to a limited extent.	The conclusion that ginger and scent leaf may not be suitable for the preservation of zobo drinks stem from the fact that the organisms found in the control zobo drink were also found in those fortified with them.