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<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments		
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<u>Optional/General</u> comments	This manuscript presents a work describing the missing elemental problem of stomatopod raptorial appendages in an intermetamorphic larval stage of a mantis shrimp. This study looks very preliminary and the authors didn't investigate details to know why the element is missing. However, this paper could accept in present form, but I would suggest to the authors for details molecular studies in understanding the exact reason of missing elements.	

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