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Title of the Manuscript:	Identification of Virulence Factors Produced by Candida isolates from HIV seropositive and HIV seronegative pregnant women
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Yeast infections in the vagina during pregnancy are more common than at any other time in a woman's life, especially during the second trimester of pregnancy. Besides, Candidiasis laryngitis is a very rare Candida spp infection of mucosa, appearing typically in immunosuppressed patients, mainly in patients with neoplasia, and, recently, in patients with Human Immunodeficiency Virus (VIH) infection. So the work is done me important because of the magnitude of these infections and as a public health problem Please clarify the ethical issue if any	The present study have shown that yeast infections especially vaginal colonization with Candida is common among pregnant women irrespective of their HIV serostatus. Oropharyngeal candidiasis is prominent in HIV seropositive pregnant women compared to controls. Elaboration of exoenzymes reveal the pathogenesis of these Candida isolates which is epidemiological important. Ethical clearance was obtained from the research and ethics committee of the Ondo State ministry of health as stated in the materials and methods.
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Authors should correct some grammatical errors and drafting (typos) To enrich the work would be desirable that showed statistically significant associations between virulence factors of Candida species and the presence and / or absence of HIV infection because the work only shows descriptive statistics.	Statistical significant association have been included.
<u>Optional/General</u> comments		