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Title of the Manuscript:	Effects of Biochar and Poultry Manure on the Composition of Phosphorus Solubilizing Fungi and Soil Available Phosphorus Concentration in an Oxisol
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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	1. Background of the experiment should be described at the beginning of abstract (1-2 sentences) 2. The word "then again" should be replaced with more formal word such as In addition, moreover, etc.	1. Correction effected at the beginning of the biochar 'The use of biochar to restore soil fertility is still in the exploratory stages in Ghana and there is paucity of information regarding the effect of biochar on soil biochemical properties' 2. Correction effected Then again have been replaced as suggested on pages 1, 2, 3, 15 and 19
Minor REVISION comments	1. Most of literatures cited are more than 5 years old. It is suggested to increase more recent references.	Some of the literatures cited have been modified, for instance; 4. Chintala R, Schumacher TE. McDonald LM. Clay DE, Malo DD., Papiernik SK., ... & Julson JL. Phosphorus sorption and availability from biochars and soil/biochar mixtures. Clean–Soil, Air, Water, 2014; 42(5), 626-634. 11. Schmalenberger A. Fox A. Chapter Three-Bacterial Mobilization of Nutrients from Biochar-Amended Soils. Advances in applied microbiology, 2016; 94, 109-159.
Optional/General comments	1. however, very minor correction is necessary.	All minor corrections have been effected Keywords have been arranged in alphabetical order Keywords: Available Phosphorus, Biochar, Oxisol, Phosphorus Solubilizing Fungi, Poultry Manure