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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	<ul> <li>The manuscript deals with the problem of heat treatment of sheep milk in some areas of the Third World Countries and is interesting for similar conditions, but I believe that it's necessary for the authors to clarify some methodological aspects and to add integrations</li> <li>Material and Methods <ol> <li>What was the volume of the sample of heattreated milk?</li> <li>How many replies have been made for each treatment?</li> <li>The manuscript does not indicate how much time it took for the milk to reach 99 °C with the three methods used</li> <li>From the manuscript I understand that when the milk reached the 99 °C temperature it was kept at this temperature / 12 min; I suggest telling how the milk was kept at a temperature of 99 °C / 12 min during the heat treatment</li> </ol> </li> <li>Results <ol> <li>I suggest indicating how the milk was cooled to +4 °C and how much time</li> <li>I think it is likely that at the end of each heat treatment the sample of milk had a change in its volume by evaporation of water; I suggest clarifying this point because any volume reduction affects the concentration of solutes 3) Authors evaluated pH and concentration of</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
	solutes in heat-treated milk ,but not any heat	

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	modifications of the nutrients, for this reason at pag. 3, 3.2 I suggest to edit in: Effect of storage period on the characteristics of milk heated	
	with charcoal, gas and microwave. 4) I do not understand what sheep milk refers to the data in Table 2 (raw? heat-treated ?) 5)Tab. 4, shape : change sphere with cocci.	
	<b>Conclusions</b> The authors do not express any evaluation about three heat treatment methods; I suggest	
	to integrate the conclusions with considerations on the benefits of heat treatment of sheep's milk with gas and microwave compared with charcoal; I think it's useful to clarify whether the results of	
	the study are for home heat treatment model or other; for microwave treatment and for refrigeration it is necessary to have electricity!	
Minor REVISION comments		
Optional/General comments		

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