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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). The stated gap of knowledge (...has not been fully substantiated by the actual bioactive compounds....., line 84 to 85) is not addressed in the study. In fact, there are no bioactive compounds isolated in this study. (2). This study is a dose-response trial. As such the chosen values are not absolute. It is, thus, expected that the authors should have used some regression equations (e.g. quadratic equations) to determine the levels for optimal responses where there were significant differences.	1. Correction acknowledged and acted on appropriately. 2. The suggestion is noted and will be considered
Minor REVISION comments	There is need to attend to details (e.g. number of replicates is not stated, chemical analysis should indicate the nutrients/chemicals to be analysed, English grammar, etc.) Discussion section, in particular, requires a lot of improvements.	Good observation lines 112, 149 and 150 have addressed these oversights. Okay
Optional/General comments	Check for typing errors, English errors, etc. Ethical issues -:Not really. But I expected an indication in the manuscript that the chickens were humanely treated in accordance with the ethical regulations (if there are any).	The chickens were humanely treated in accordance with the ethical regulations of the Nigeria Institute of Animal Science