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PART 1:

Journal Name:	<u>British Microbiology Research Journal</u>
Manuscript Number:	2013 BMRJ 4359
Title of the Manuscript:	Evaluation of phospholipase activity in biofilm forming Candida species isolated from intensive care unit patients
Type of the Article	Research paper

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PART 2: 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	The manuscript is clearly and concisely written. I have only minor comments that the authors may consider: 1) Some explanations are needed to determine phospholipase activity for readers not familiar with the Samaranayake's method. It is not clear how phospholipase activity was quantified. In particular what is the threshold between active and inactive phospholipase activity ? Experimental errors and sample to sample variations should be indicated. 2) To determine the correlation between phospholipase activity and virulence, the authors may indicate the level of phospholipase activity for each type of <i>candida</i> spp. Especially we don't know whether phospholipase activity was low or high. 3) One may wonder what type of phospholipase activity is involved. Perhaps, the use of specific inhibitors or other experimental approach may be useful to further substantiate the origin of phospholipase activity	
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments		
<u>Optional/General</u> comments		

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