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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(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)</i>
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	This paper reports on the biological characteristics of 63 Newcastle disease virus (NDV) isolates derived from chickens in Nsukka, Nigeria. All the isolates belonged to the lentogenic strain (53/63) or mesogenic strain (10/63) and none is of the velogenic strain according to their agglutination of mammalian erythrocytes test and erythrocyte elution time. The author claims that Nigerian lentogenic and mesogenic NDV strains produce clinical newcastle disease and lead to mortalities. However, the author fails to present enough convincing evidence to support their viewpoint.	1. That Lentogenic and Mesogenic NDV isolates found in Nigeria cause clinical signs and mortalities was reported by Nawathe(1975). We just made reference to that report as a support to observations made in this study. 2. "Avulavirus" will be changed to paramyxovirus on line 27.
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Line 27, "Newcastle 26 Disease Virus, an RNA virus in of the genus paramyxovirus", should be the genus <i>Avulavirus</i> in the family <i>Paramyxoviridae</i> .	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments		