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| Journal Name:            | <a href="#">British Microbiology Research Journal</a>                                                                       |
| Manuscript Number:       | 2013_BMRJ_7851                                                                                                              |
| Title of the Manuscript: | <b>Molecular Characterization of hepatitis B virus circulating in asymptomatic and symptomatic carrier in Côte d'Ivoire</b> |
| Type of the Article      | <b>Research article</b>                                                                                                     |

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**PART 1: Review Comments**

|                                            | <b>Reviewer's comment</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Author's comment</b> <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> |
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| <b><u>Compulsory</u></b> REVISION comments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The entire manuscript should be revised by an English mother tongue.</li> <li>- I strongly suggest to the authors to indicate the principal clinical features of their cohorts (e.g. percentage of acute infections and/or stage of disease progression).</li> <li>- A summary table depicting the correlations observed between the different cohorts and the different genotypes should be added as well.</li> <li>- The authors should add proper references (see also minor revisions) in the "RESULT" section line 139.</li> </ul> | Different observations have been corrected in the manuscript                                                                                                                                |
| <b><u>Minor</u></b> REVISION comments      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In the abstract section, the authors do not mention that, in addition to genotypes G and H, also genotype J was not determined in their analysis.</li> <li>- Line 206 "CONCLUSIONS" paragraph: authors should add references which state their sentence.</li> <li>- The authors should adopt an appropriate scientific language.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                             | It has been corrected in the text.                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b><u>Optional/General</u></b> comments    | In my opinion the addition of tables explaining and summarising both results and procedures will certainly improve the manuscript quality and will give to the readers an immediate overview on the most relevant topics discussed in the paper.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | ok                                                                                                                                                                                          |