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PART 1:

Journal Name:	British Microbiology Research Journal
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PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
If the authors say that the lentogenic strains are responsible for virulent disease, they will have to take those lentogenic viruses, inoculate into healthy birds, and show that these viruses have become virulent. It is not unusual to isolate lentogenic viruses from birds anywhere in the world where live vaccines are used. These vaccine viruses are circulating and their isolation from very sick birds does not necessarily mean that the lentogens are causing the disease seen.	1. Test of pathogenicity of NDV isolates from the outbreaks was not part of this work. We only called to mind report of Nawathe <i>et al</i> (1979) that some Lentogenic and Mesogenic NDV strains isolated in Nigeria were pathogenic. When we have opportunity we shall conduct more research to verify that earlier report.