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### **PART 1:**

Journal Name:	<a href="#">European Journal of Medicinal Plants</a>
Manuscript Number:	<b>MS: 2012/EJMP/2220</b>
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Comparative Assessment of Antibacterial and Antifungal Activity of Dried Leaves of <i>Acalyphawilkesiana</i>.</b>

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<b><u>Minor</u></b> REVISION comments	Exclude vertical lines in all Tables. Limit horizontal lines to the first row of column titles and the last line of the last row.	
<b><u>Optional/General</u></b> comments	Well written paper but lacks novelty. Authors may like to consult the following papers:	



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	<p>By Adesina, S. Kola; Oguntimein, B. Jide; Akinwusi, D. Doye <a href="#">Phytochemical and biological examination of the leaves of Acalypha wilkesiana (red acalypha, Euphorbiaceae)</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• From Quarterly Journal of Crude Drug Research (1980), 18(1), 45-8.   Language: English, Database: CAPLUS</li> <li>• Exts. when tested for antimicrobial activity using the agar diffusion method showed antimicrobial properties against 7 test organisms, viz., Bacillus cereus, B. subtilis, Escherichia coli, Klebsiella pneumoniae, Proteus vulgaris, Serratia marcescens, and Staphylococcus aureus NCIB 8588.</li> <li>• By Adesina, S. K.; Idowu, O.; Ogundaini, A. O.; Oladimeji, H.; Olugbade, T. A.; Onawunmi, G. O.; Pais, M. <a href="#">Antimicrobial constituents of the leaves of Acalypha wilkesiana and Acalypha hispida</a></li> <li>• From Phytotherapy Research (2000), 14(5), 371-374.   Language: English, Database: CAPLUS</li> <li>• An activity directed fractionation of a 50% aq. ethanol ext. of A. wilkesiana and A.</li> </ul>	
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	<p>hispida leaves resulted in the isolation of gallic acid, corilagin and geraniin as the compds. responsible for the obsd. antimicrobial activity. Quercetin 3-O-rutinoside and kaempferol 3-O-rutinoside were also isolated from the inactive fraction of A. hispida. The structures were established by permethylation, 2D-NMR (1H and 13C) and MS data</p>	
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