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Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	2014_IJTDH_12194
Title of the Manuscript:	Cases of dog bite in Aba , Abia state Nigeria and its public health significance
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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PART 1: 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	1. The comment in the abstract that apparently healthy dogs excrete rabies virus in saliva (5%) have been referred to but I failed to download the paper, please provide me the full paper to validate the comment. 2. In the line 51 of the full paper it has been commented that more than 50,000 to 1,00,000 die of rabies appears to be outdated but I could not download the paper, please provide the full link to paper.	1. Mshelbwala PP, Ogunkoya AB, Maikai BV. Detection of rabies antigen in the saliva and brains of apparently healthy dogs slaughtered for human consumption and its public health implications in Abia State, Nigeria. ISRN Veterinary Science, volume 2013 (2013), article id 468043, 5 pages; http://dx.doi.org/10.1155/2013/468043. 2. Lyles DS, Rupprecht CE. Rhabdoviridae. Knipe DM, Howley PM. editors. Fields Virology, 5th ed. Lippincott Williams and Wilkins; 2007.
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	It could have been nice if the writers could have referred the age of vaccination of pups in the veterinary clinic as this has a major impact on the heard immunity of the dogs. It could also add to tghe knowledge if we could	Yes is important. But this information was not part of the study.



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	know when the Exotic breed and cross breed dogs were first vaccinated.	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Good paper, just minor revisions are required.	