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PART 1: Review Comments

9 1 9 5 (1919)	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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	Finding E. coli isolates in toilets cannot be considered as a major issue of scientific importance until the large percentage of ESBL-producing strains is not isolated. This finding is of major importance in spite of the fact that the number of samples is relatively small to establish percentages. It should be more correct to put the exact number of the referred findings and estimate the percentage in brackets (it was done only in few instances). The articles cited in the paper (Erb et al, 20), included 639 toilets in their study and described the sanitation level of those toilets as of being only 4,5% equipped with hand washing facilities, which was not done in the manuscript, and it might rise the suspicion that actually very few toilets were included in the study.	
Minor REVISION comments	Describe the condition and the number of toilets included in the study. The findings should be clearly mentioned in actual numbers and percentages as well.	
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