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Manuscript Number:	Ms_JAMB_46825
Title of the Manuscript:	Vaginal bacterial flora in the bitch-a review
Type of the Article	Review Paper

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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<p>The manuscript consists of a mini-review of vaginal bacterial flora in dogs.</p> <p>The topic of the manuscript could be appropriate for the Journal and the literature review is quite thorough. Interesting comments include the significance of bacterial isolates from the reproductive tract of healthy or diseased dogs.</p> <p>Nevertheless, some major flaws should be assessed to increase manuscript readability and effectiveness before considering it for publication.</p> <p>Currently the synthesis of the results found in the literature is presented in an unorganized way. I would suggest to the authors to reorganize the text by examining one topic at a time. For example, the authors might consider following this pattern: controversial topics on which the review would like to shed light (i.e. brief introduction), overall presence / absence of microorganisms, correlation between bacterial isolates and age / puberty / pregnancy / spayed or intact, type of microorganisms isolated in monoculture or in associations, possible association with genital or urinary disorders (e.g. UTI), possible association with the practice and the results of artificial insemination.</p> <p>Finally, there should be direct correspondence between the abstract and the conclusions of the mini-review. For example, the actual abstract does not include mention to opportunity of prophylactic antibiotic treatment before insemination that on the other hand is presented as the main conclusion of the paper. Is this the actual focus of the review? If so, address the text accordingly.</p> <p>I would also suggest to add some references on the differences found during different stages of the reproductive cycle (Maksimovic et al 2012), on vaginal Mycoplasmas (Maksimovic et al 2018) and on UTI-associated bacteria (Hutchins et al 2014). Amongst yeasts infections, no mention is made on Candida species, but I think it would be interesting to add a short note on this topic (see for example Brito et al 2009).</p>	
Minor REVISION comments	Please check the References format in the Authors' Guidelines of the Journal. Some corrections should be made, such as consistent use of commas or semi-colons, style of abbreviation for Journal names and citation of available DOIs.	
Optional/General comments	Authors would benefit from having their manuscript checked for English language before resubmission.	

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PART 2:

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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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