### **Reviewer Report**

**Title:** "Draft genome of the honey bee ectoparasitic mite, Tropilaelaps mercedesae, is shaped by the parasitic life history"

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**Reviewer name:** Sujai Kumar, Ph.D.

**Reviewer Comments to Author:** 

**Dear Authors** 

Thanks for addressing my queries and those of the other reviewers. I agree that the manuscript is much stronger now with detailed methods (at the request of Reviewer 2).

Best wishes,

Sujai

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