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**Title: Genome of the small hive beetle (*Aethina tumida*, Coleoptera: Nitidulidae), a worldwide parasite of social bee colonies, provides insights into detoxification and herbivory**

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I think they authors did an acceptable job addressing my comments. I only have further minor editorial comments.

Comments:

I do not see where overall gene compliment completeness is mentioned in the abstract.

Minor Comments:

Abstract - Introduction of abbreviation before Latin name sees odd.

"... size of the ATUMI genome assembly [is] larger ..."

Orthologous group numbers need commas to be consistent with rest of paper.

Reference 17 - The potato beetle genome is now published.

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