

Reviewer's Comment on - Manuscript number: 2015-BJAST-16792

Title: Replace selected with Three - **Influence of time of Harvest and Variety on the Pasting Properties**

**of Starch from Three Cassava Varieties - a Response Surface
Analysis**

Abstract: Abstract should be one paragraph, no headings and no sub-titles. Line 31 should talk about the findings not the application.

Introduction: Line 48 - manihot esculenta – separate materials and methods

Line 90 - by Abera and Kumar (19)

Line 92 & 93 - The ratio of Cassava to water should be stated

Line 94 - 3h not 3 hours – please be consistent

Line 97 - State the room temperature

Line 114 - 1 move to the right hand corner Results and Discussion

Line 160 - was observed – separate

Line 161 - 3 or 13? Which one is correct or are you quoting the work of Ikegu et al?

Please reframe, also Sanni et al (24)

Table 3: Total or mean? ± 542.61 etc too long, please explain

Line 201 - Pathana et al (33) and Lii (34) suggested

Line 203 - 3 move to right hand corner

All ANOVA Tables should be removed from the text. I.e. 56, 6b, 7b etc

Line 318 - 43)

Line 320 - 44) be corrected

Line 344 - 5 moved to right hand corner

Line 359 - 23 be corrected

Reference: The referencing style should be uniform in line with journal guidelines. Indentations should be uniform. Spellings should be checked e.g. 31 is Mepba not Mepha. Words should be properly separated e.g. No 10, NO 3, etc.

General Comment

The topic and depth of technical works done is very good. However, the abstract was poorly written. It is my opinion that abstract should be one paragraph without headings and sub-titles.

Referencing within the text - Name of author, without the year of publication should be quoted e.g. line 90 - by Abere and Kumar (19) and line 160 - Sanni et al (24). This mistake is found throughout the work and should be corrected.

I would suggest that all the ANOVA tables should be removed from the work, such details may not be necessary. Finally, I recommend that the work be published after effecting all the corrections.