

Editor's Comment:

I have made a decision regarding revised manuscript number Ms_JEAI_30258.

The authors have now satisfactorily addressed the comments of the four peer reviewers, particularly with regard to the references format. Additionally, the standard of written English is now, for the most part, satisfactory. However, I did note clumsy grammar in the revised abstract. I can suggest the following text for the first line of the abstract

To achieve high productivity in soybeans, a balanced fertilization and careful management is necessary during the period in which the plant requires larger amounts of nitrogen is essential.

Additionally, in sentence four of the abstract there is a typographical error and it should read:

Nitrogen was applied at doses of, 3, 6, 9, 12, and 15 kg ha.....

The manuscript is now satisfactorily put together and represents a worthwhile contribution to crop plant pathology and I have made the decision that if the above additional minor corrections can be incorporated into the manuscript that it will be suitable for publication in the Journal of Experimental Agriculture International.

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