

Editors decision:

The final decision for manuscript number Ms_JEAI_38610 entitled 'Germination Optimization of *Butia odorata* seeds' written by Jones Eloy, Cristina Rossetti, Marínes Batalha Moreno Kirinus, Paulo Celso de Mello-Farias, Marcelo Barbosa Malgarim, and Caroline Jácome Costa

Following evaluation of all documents related to the manuscript I agree with the Reviewers that the manuscript is acceptable for publishing in Journal of Experimental Agriculture International. Although, the manuscript is corrected with accordance of reviewers' suggestions and requirements, additional correction is still needed.

- The manuscript is rather short and describes single and simple experiment, so it can be accepted only as Short Research Article.
- I suggest changing title into: 'Optimization of *Butia odorata* seeds germination'.
- Two sections must be added, i.e. COMPETING INTERESTS and AUTHORS' CONTRIBUTIONS.
- REFERENCES must be prepared according to the Journal requirements.

My decision is: Accept after minor correction as Short Research Article not Original Research Article

Authors comment:

Thanks in advance for the fast reply. We corrected the manuscript text, accordingly to your suggestions.

- We see no problem in changing the manuscript type from original research article to short research article. It has been changed in the revised final version (before title);
- The title has been changed following your suggestion;
- We forgot to add those two sections before, thanks for the reminder. The two sections were added, after the conclusion (4th section) as requested, and named '5. COMPETING INTERESTS' and '6. AUTHORS' CONTRIBUTIONS';
- The 'REFERENCES' section suffered deep review and has been changed according to the General Guideline for Author, for Short Research Articles, in the Science Domain website;
- Note: All further changes made in the manuscript text were marked with highlight yellow colored letters (along with the changes made after reviewers suggestions). Following reviewer "Amo", which requested to add some photographs of the *Butia odorata* germination sequences, as an optional demand, we managed to find the photographs stored in a cloud data drive, and added a summary photo named Figure 1. Also made minor changes in the text to refer to Figure 1, this new Figure 1 is only referred in the 'MATERIAL AND METHODS' section, and does not change any result, discussion or conclusion. The previous Figure 1(kinetic of germination...) and all its text citations are now changed to Figure 2.

We are very happy to see that our manuscript has been accepted and we look forward to conclude this manuscript publishing procedures in Journal of Experimental Agriculture International.