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Title: Farmers' agronomic and social evaluation of the productivity, yield and cooking quality of four cassava varieties

Comments to the Editor in Chief/ Authors

I read both the final version of the manuscript and the original paper submitted and I noted a substantial improvement.

The paper in its present form is suitable for publication in the American Journal of Experimental Agriculture, since the manuscript concerns an important research topic and presents some novelty which can contribute to increase the level of knowledge of scientists.

However, it needs the following improvements:

- Statistical approach. The Authors should add more details about the statistical determination, i.e. test of mean comparison; level of probability; random and/or fixed effects adopted; interactions; etc.;
- in the reference list only few papers are international. Furthermore, the cited references are not an up-to-date list of publication on the research topic. Considering that “American Journal of Experimental Agriculture” is an international journal, I suggest that the Authors try to find some other international papers to improve the international level of the manuscript.

Finally, if it is possible the English language should be improved and possibly checked by an English-speaking colleague, avoiding long sentences.

Recommendation: ACCEPTED with editorial changes.

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