



SDI FINAL EVALUATION FORM 1.1

PART 1:

Journal Name:	American Journal of Experimental Agriculture
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Title of the Manuscript:	The effect of pollinators and pollination on fruit set and fruit yield of okra (<i>Abelmoschus esculentus</i> (L.) Moench) in the forest region of Ghana

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
The way as the statistical procedures are described in the revised version and the authors's comments, I still maintain the same observations. The total number of plots and the DF (degrees of freedom) of Error were low. The arrangement was not a split-plot, because the experiment did not have secondary treatments (subplots) or subsamples. As each subplot measured 4 x 6 m (more than 2 m between plots and blocks) and total area was 308 m ² for the entire experiment, it was enough to just 9 subplots. Thus, it is concluded that they were not subplots, in fact were plots (3 treatments x 3 replications or blocks = 9 plots).	You are right. The study was conducted in a randomized complete block design (RCBD) with three treatments and three replications (92 and 93). But talking about the total number of plots and the degree of difference demands doing the experiment again which is not possible now.