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PART 1:

Journal Name:	<u>British Journal of Applied Science & Technology</u>
Manuscript Number:	2013_BJAST_4137
Title of the Manuscript:	MEASUREMENT OF PIG PRODUCTION PROFITABILITY IN ZANGON KATAF AND JEMA'A LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS OF KADUNA STATE, NIGERIA
Type of the Article	Research paper

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PART 2: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Are socio-economic characteristics significant when also management variables are taken into account? Is it not obvious from literature that the hypotheses can be rejected? There are recent articles about socio-economics and management in Nigerian pig-farming. Why are those articles not discussed? Could age and experience be linked. What happens when age is in the model and not experience. Is experience always a advantage or might it delay innovation and development. In recent articles constraints of pig farming are mentioned: why are they not discussed here. In discussion elaborate more in explaining why the results differ from other recent research.	Except for herd size, other management variables were not considered and hence, the socio-economic characteristics proved significant. Recent articles are discussed. Age and experience can be linked because a farmer cannot have years of experience more than his/her age. Experience is always an advantage just as the saying 'Experience is the best teacher', it helps in better and appropriate management practices. Constraints of pig farming are mentioned and discussed (see table 5). All comments were noted and corrections effected.
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	How is "youth" defined (pag4). In other studies man formed the majority of pig-farmers: why is that different in this study? In table 1 percentages as integers, skip totals per variable (n=120, in all variables and 100%).	Swine production in the area is small scale carried out by many women since it is backyard rearing.
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Why is the period between research (2008) and publishing os long?	Research was conducted in 2008 for the purpose of obtaining an academic degree.