

Review of: "Acacia pycnantha gum exudates recognised as a traditional food in two countries may have economic potential"

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This article appears to be very coarse and a cursory reporting of the use of Acacia Gum as food. Since it is only based on observations, and there was no specific plan to generate data first hand (looking at the materials and methods), the author may wish to include a synthesis based on the previous data on a) the actual traditional utility of Acacia gum and a map of its current utility, b) the current expanse of natural populations and the frequency/quantity of collection of the gum in the study area or country, c) market potential. I also observed that the scientific name of the tree is not consistently spelled throughout the text. There is scope to improve the manuscript to suit the title.

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