

# Review of: "Coconut flower - market potential and future forecast in the Coconut Land (Bến Tre), Vietnam"

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## Comments

The authors focused on the market potential and future forecast of the coconut flower. The authors have repeatedly used the word honey, but it should be corrected to coconut nectar. I didn't know whether the journal does not require reference to be added to the body. Please check this. The scientific nature of the manuscript should be enhanced.

1. Flower nectar concentrations should be mentioned under health benefits, as too much nectar can affect the nervous system.
2. More details should be given. E.g. how long the flowers have to be tapped to obtain sugar etc. For different products, it may be different.
3. What time of the day should the flowers be tapped? The timing is essential to maximize the yield.
4. The authors should highlight products made from sap other than sugar. There is vinegar etc.
5. What would be cost-effectiveness?
6. Proper guidelines should be given to the tappers. These should come under the recommendations.
7. The authors should be graphs of yearly production and earnings.
8. Can give bar charts on different products that can be made.
9. Add some photos.
10. The authors could include socioeconomic data of the community to increase scientific validity,