

Review of: "Ethnobotanical Documentation of Yerba Mate in Syria"

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Dear Authors,

The article under review offers a significant contribution to the field of ethnobotany, providing valuable insights into the ethnobotanical use of Yerba mate in Syria. The number of informants involved in the study is sufficient, and all necessary permissions have been obtained. This research represents a significant scientific achievement, marking the first systematic investigation of its kind in the region.

The article is well-written and presents a comprehensive account of the subject matter. However, it does require minor corrections and improvements. Primarily, the number of sub-headings is excessive and impedes readability. Secondly, the final section of the results should be repositioned in the discussion section, as it currently reads as a discussion rather than a conclusion. It would be more appropriate to combine all sub-headings in the methodology section under the data collection and study design, with the exception of the statistics section. Alternatively, the sub-headings could be summarised in a table rather than including the figures in the text. The section entitled 'Recent Studies on the Medicinal Use of Yerba Mate' could be transferred to the discussion section.

Best regards