

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

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The topic addressed in the article is interesting and relevant to the community, especially due to its ethnobotanical value. However, there are some parts of the text that need to be reviewed.

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Write the species name, indicating the author who identified it and its family: *Acacia pycnantha* Benth. (Fabaceae) in the first line of the abstract and the first line of the introduction.

Standardize the use of the acronym "AP" throughout the text.

When referring to the genus *Acacia*, always capitalize the first letter and use italics.

In "Approximately ( $\approx$ ) 40% of trees had gum...", there may not be a need to explain the meaning of this symbol. It is generally understood and can be omitted.

Reference "Figure 1." in the text. In Figure B, zoom in to show the gum or indicate its location with an arrow. In the current photo, it is not visible and may confuse the reader.