

Review Form 1.6

Journal Name:	Biotechnology Journal International
Manuscript Number:	Ms_BJI_83796
Title of the Manuscript:	Molecular identification of <i>Bacillus</i> species during spontaneous fermentation of Lima bean flour (<i>Phaseolus lunatus</i>)
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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PART 1: 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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The English language requires improvement. It would be preferable if the manuscript was corrected by someone who is fluent in English. In some sentences, there is a mix-up between single and plural.	The English language was checked
Minor REVISION comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The influence of pH value on fermentation was not demonstrated.Why was tap water used instead of distilled water, considering that sterilization may not be sufficient?The findings are interesting but need to be backed up by comparisons to fermented food safety guidelines.There is a need to improve references and includes references for the last five years of publication.	Comment : The influence of pH value on fermentation was not demonstrated Response: The objective of this study is to identify <i>Bacillus</i> species isolated during fermentation of lima bean Comment: Why was tap water used instead of distilled water, considering that sterilization may not be sufficient? Response: tap water used was in order to maintain the natural conditions
Optional/General comments		

PART 2:

	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)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)	