

**Editor's Comment:**

Please, find the Final decision and my comments on the revised manuscript 2019/JEAI/46755 entitled "General and specific combining ability of flower characters in *Capsicum annuum* L. attached herewith this message.

The manuscript cannot yet be advised for publication and will go another round of final evaluation.

**FINAL DECISION ON MANUSCRIPT Ms\_JEAI\_46755**

The manuscript entitled " General and specific combining ability of flower characters in *Capsicum annuum* L." has succeeded selection three out of seven accessions of ornamental pepper via a test of diallel progenies. Tools used included general combining ability for most of the flower characters and the specific combining ability. The maternal effect was also assessed

contributed to improving the quality of the manuscript.

The Journal of Experimental Agriculture International cannot yet be encouraged to publish the manuscript for the following reasons and not limited to:

1. The manuscript did not using English as a prime language. It is a mixture of Portuguese and English
2. The section 'Introduction' was not sufficiently informative for a genetic selection work i.e. Nothing was said about the origin of the species, the ploidy of the plant, its number of chromosomes, its mating system, its life span,
3. The economic importance of the plant for the country (export, contribution to country GDP, other big producing countries, the market demand and prices), climatic requirements.
4. The manuscript should be typed double-spaced throughout the whole text.

Authors are advised to take into consideration all the above listed comments and others on the revised manuscript made by the Editorial Board, attached herewith this e-mail.

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