

## SDI Review Form 1.6

| Journal Name:            | European Journal of Nutrition & Food Safety  |
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| Manuscript Number:       | Ms_EJNFS_50475   |
| Title of the Manuscript: | Determination of Arsenic Content in Different Brands of Rice Sold in Port Harcourt, Nigeria. |
| Type of the Article      | Short Research Article   |

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### PART 1: Review Comments

|                              | Reviewer's comment  | Author's comment (if agreed<br>highlight that part in the manu<br>his/her feedback here) |
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| Compulsory REVISION comments | Methodology section is poorly written. The sample preparation stages is incomplete<br>such as grade of the acids and other materials used was not mentioned. The<br>reference is missing. Spectroscopic parameters were not mentioned.  |  |
| Minor REVISION comments      | Heating of sample was done in open vessel. As is a volatile inorganic compound so the tendency of losing analyte is high. Could justify not using close vessel method.  |  |
| Optional/General comments    | As cold vapour is establish method for "As" determination comparison could be highlighted<br>for selected sample. It was mentioned that use of fertiliser and pesticides caused the<br>presence of As in the soil and later transmitted to the plant and grains but no reference was<br>mentioned and the claim was not justified with evidential data.<br>Should take care of the grammatical error and spelling error |  |

# PART 2:

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

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