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**COVER LETTER FOR SUBMISSION OF A PAPER TO JOURNAL OF BIOENERGY AND FOOD SCIENCE**

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*Dear Victor Hugo G. Sales  
Editor the Journal of Bioenergy and Food Science,*

*I/We wish to submit a new manuscript entitled **"ENDOPHYTIC FUNGI IN ECONOMICALLY IMPORTANT PLANTS: ECOLOGICAL ASPECTS, DIVERSITY AND POTENTIAL BIOTECHNOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS"** for consideration by the **JOURNAL OF BIOENERGY AND FOOD SCIENCE**.*

*I/We confirm that this work is original and has not been published elsewhere nor is it currently under consideration for publication elsewhere.*

*In this paper, I/we report on "Review about endophytic fungi in economically important plants, such as the common bean (*Phaseolus vulgaris*), cocoa (*Theobroma cacao*) and soybean (*Glycine max*)". This is significant because "relevant aspects about endophytic fungi in crops are presented in a review of the literature (ecology, biotechnology, biological control; secondary metabolites; plant growth promotion, among others)".*

*The paper should be of interest to readers in the areas of **Microbiology, Ecology and Biotechnology**.*

A high diversity of endophytic fungi has been reported in association with the leaves, stems and other organs of economically important plants. Studies on this subject are of considerable importance and directly contribute to the knowledge and conservation of fungal biodiversity, especially in Neotropical areas. In this study, we performed a review of the literature to provide a brief overview of the ecological aspects, diversity and potential biotechnological applications of endophytic fungi associated with economically important plants.

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*Thank you for your consideration of this manuscript.*

*Sincerely,*



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