**Cover letter**

“**Floral resources for *Xylocopa* bees in agricultural areas of the São Paulo State”**

The bee species of the genus *Xylocopa* have an important role in pollination of *Passiflora* flowers and consequently in the production of passion fruit. However these bees visit *Passiflora* flowers only to collect nectar and depend on the other plants for pollen and nectar since *Passiflora* flowering in a limited period. This study provides information about the 134 plant species visited by the effective pollinators of the passion fruit of the state of São Paulo. So, the predictability in the provision of resources for these bees is possible on farms in the São Paulo State and the benefits to farmers would be less spending on manual pollination and improved production and fruit quality, approximating to the model of sustainable agriculture. The results may contribute to the development of a management and conservation plan in the surrounding areas of agriculture and fit the scope of this journal, which aims at the development of scientific Agricultural Sciences Biological and Environmental.

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