## **CZECH UNIVERSITY OF LIFE SCIENCES PRAGUE**

Faculty of Tropical AgriSciences

## Evaluation of the Bachelor Thesis by supervisor

Thesis Title	Genetic diversity of cacao (Theobroma cacao)		
Name of the student Thesis supervisor Department	Jakub Samek Ing. Marie Kalousová Department of Crop Sciences and Agroforestry		
Cooperation and communication with the supervisor		8 4	
Engagement of the student		8 4	
Schedule and timing of the research process		8 4	
Choice of suitable methods		8 4	
Fulfilment of the aims		8 4	
Scientific contribution of the thesis		8 4	
Theoretical backgroun	nd of the author	4	
Handling with data an	nd information	4	
Handling with scientific literature (citations)		8 4	
Argumentation and critical thinking		4	
Abstract and keywords		4	
Structure of the chapters and paragraphs		8 4	
Comprehensibility of the text		8 4	
Accuracy of the terminology		8 4	
Quality of scientific language		8 4	
Formatting, layout and general impression		8 4	
Evaluation of the work by grade (1, 2, 3, 4)4			

Evaluation: 1 = the best

Date 02/06/2020

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## Other comments or suggestions:

This thesis is a literature review of recent knowledge about genetic diversity of cacao. Formally, the work fulfilled all requirements and I only found a few minor formal errors (in formatting, spelling, etc.). The writing style is concise and mostly correct and easy to understand (save for some sections, e.g. in Discussion), so I appreciate the very good level of English used by Jakub. The general theoretical part about the species is well elaborated as well. However, I feel that the part of the thesis that is concerning the actual topic – genetic diversity of Theobroma cacao – is seriously lacking in depth. Many aspects of the elaborated topic are missing, which means that I do not consider the aims of the thesis fulfilled. The aims were to evaluate the effectivity of cacao germplasm conservation and to review the potential of existing cacao genetic resources to overcome the major threats in production. They are well-chosen and important, but both of these specific aims were addressed only very superficially in the literature review and even the discussion part does not bring any real insight into them. The work also lacks any personal contribution from the author. I feel that these shortcomings are not caused by Jakub's lack of potential to produce good quality work but rather by the fact that he wrote the thesis very last minute. For the aforementioned reasons, I propose that this bachelor thesis be evaluated by the mark 4.



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