Reviewer Report

Title: High quality assembly of the reference genome for scarlet sage, Salvia splendens, an economically important ornamental plant

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Reviewer Comments to Author:

The authors of "High quality assembly of the reference genome for scarlet sage, Salvia splendens, an economically important ornamental plant" describe their efforts in generating a reference sequence for the plant Salvia splendens that is spread out in multiple gardens. Overall the authors relied mainly on Pacbio to obtain a high quality reference genome sequence using state of the art methods. Furthermore, they annotated the genome using RNA-Seq reads and state of the art methods such as maker, Augustus etc. Thus, I don't have any comments or concerns.

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