



Figure 1: Mean volume of *Amoeba proteus* contractile vacuole versus time for one complete cycle. Mean \pm standard errors (n=8-30) are presented.

Correct Plot type (scatterplots / straight lines)		1	/1
Graph done on millimetre paper		1	/1
Correct values plotted		1	/1
Borders and / or frame are NOT present		1	/1
Page layout – graph filling 2/3 of the page / use most of avail. space		1	/1
No title present above the graph		0	/1
Symbols visually prominent		1	/1
Error bars (+/-) are present and have the correct length		1	/1
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Axes			
		TOTAL	7 / 8
Axes scale (x- and y-axis intervals encompass data + error range)		1	/1
Number of tick marks is 3 to 5, all tick marks labelled		1	/1
Tick marks consistent and do not obscure data		1	/1
Axes labels (appropriate for variables plotted including SI units)		1	/1
		1	/1
Caption			
		TOTAL AXES	4 / 4
Begins with a figure number		0.5	/0.5
First sentence is a specific and complete title		1	/1
No data trends or description included		0.5	/0.5
Genus and species are indicated		1	/1
Genus and species are correctly written (italics or underlined)		1	/1
States that means are presented		1	/1
Explanation of error bars (standard error)		1	/1
Sample size or sample size range is indicated		1	/1
		TOTAL CAPTION	7 / 7
General presentation (no smudged lines, readable writing)		1	/1
Spelling (0 errors:+1; 1-2 errors:0.25; 3+:0)		1	/1
		GRAND TOTAL	121
No title page (-1)			
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