**Table 3:** Frequency of the criteria used to name fungal species

Legend: (-): Criterion not cited.

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| Criteria | Number of citations of naming criteria | | | | | | |
| Gur or Voltaic | | | | | | |
| Oti-Volta-Eastern | | | | | | Central |
| biali | ditammari | waama | ləkpa | yom | sɔla | baatɔnum |
| Texture | 11 | 14 | 3 | 35 | 22 | 5 | 5 |
| Taste | 2 | 6 | 1 |  |  | - | 11 |
| Size | 7 | 14 | 4 | 7 | 9 | 1 | 7 |
| Kingdom (Fungi) | 6 | 9 | 2 | 15 | 6 | 2 | 1 |
| Form | 5 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 16 | 1 | 12 |
| Collecting site or substrate | 29 | 58 | 28 | 78 | 36 | 18 | 28 |
| Color | 3 | 7 | 2 | - | 2 |  | 3 |
| Spirituality aspect | - | - | - | - | 1 |  | - |
| Tufted growth | - | - | - | 1 | 2 |  | 9 |
| Prestige | - | - | - | - | 2 |  | 1 |
| Water content of the species | 5 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 |  | - |
| Ability to cover oneself | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |  | - |
| Consumption by animals | - | 1 | - | - |  |  | - |
| Fat content | 1 | - | - | - |  |  | - |
| Milk present or not | - | - | - | - |  |  | 13 |
| Natural mushroom regrowth | - | - | - | - |  |  | - |
| Scarcity | - | - | - | - |  |  | 4 |
| Teeth whitening/cleaning function | - | - | - | - |  |  | - |
| Sticky appearance | - | - | - | - |  |  | - |
| Cooking time | - | - | - | - |  |  | 1 |