

# Review of: "Row Configuration and Soil Amendment Affect Performance of Popcorn (*Zea mays* L. var. Everta) in Semi-Arid South Africa"

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Could you provide more details about the methodology used to measure the concentration of P? For example, please specify the procedures followed and the equipment used. Additionally, the text does not clearly specify how many rows of plants were included in each subplot. For example, you could clarify this by stating: 'Each subplot consisted of 6 rows.' In the Materials and Methods section, it would be beneficial to provide a detailed description of the statistical models used. This addition would help readers better understand the statistical methodology employed in the study. Lastly, in the last paragraph of the section 'Effects of inter-row configuration and soil amendment rates on the growth of popcorn,' please correct '15 x 5' to '15 x 15' in the text.