Review of: "Synthesis, Characterization and Ameliorative Effect of Iron Oxide Nanoparticles on Saline-Stressed Zea Mays"

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The manuscript discussing the plant-based synthesis of iron oxide nanoparticles and its impact on plant salt tolerance in *Zea mays* has certain significance. Although the work is good, the structure of the manuscript can be improved, which will make the work more understandable. There are some issues worth noting:

- Authors need to make the abstract stronger and more fluent and indicate by discussing simply the methods used for synthesis and characterization of FeO NPs. Also, mention the concs. of NPs and salts used in the experiment.
- Please write the keywords in alphabetical order with semicolon separations.
- Please arrange the introduction chapter by first discussing nanotechnology, then the salinity impact of different crops, especially on maize; onward, describe the role of plant-based nanoparticles in mitigating stresses. In the last paragraph of the introduction, provide your objectives by mentioning the novelty of your research.
- Use references in the whole research paper that are mostly after 2020.
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- In the Method and Materials chapter, provide the citations of each protocol; no need for so much discussion.
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- Please improve the conclusion section.