

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

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- 1. Fe(II) in FeO is not soluble in water. Please clarify the line mentioning foliar application of FeONP solution on page 5.
- 2. Correct the subscripts of the chemical formulas (like H2O2). Check also all superscripts such as 80°C written in the conclusion part.
- 3. All figures are not clear. Need high-resolution images.
- 4. Fractional parts of the wavenumber in FTIR spectra can be reduced.
- 5. The UV-vis spectra in Figure 2 show a large shift for FeO NPs. What may be the exact cause, as it lies between 270 to 300 nm.
- 6. The scale in Figure 3(b) is not clear. How sizes for the TEM images are found out.
- 7. The average particle size from XRD differs from the highest particle size obtained from TEM. Clarify.

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