

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

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The work is good and the article is comprehensive. Although the following improvements should be incorporated:

- 1. The last line of the abstract should be rephrased.
- 2. Introduction is comprehensive.
- 3. In the last line of the introduction, put "being" before "assessed."
- 4. Mention the models of all instruments used.
- 5. Abbreviations should be explained properly, at least when initially used.
- 6. Figure 5 shows XRD of Fe nanoparticles, whereas other results are for FeO nanoparticles.
- 7. Resolution of images is very poor; it should be improved.
- 8. FTIR analysis of plant leaves should also be taken for comparison.
- 9. The article should be accepted after these corrections.