

Instruction:

Letters highlighted in red colour to be deleted and in blue colour to be added.

Abstract:

1. Spacing between two sentences is missing and also at the starting point after full stop (.). Kindly avoid such mistakes. Example – ~~analysis of, determine the,~~ ~~protocol.~~ ~~Alleles/loci~~. Like wise many are in the whole manuscript.
2. Avoid sentences related to materials and methods in the abstract and discuss more results and discussion.
3. ~~Polymorphic information content~~ is wrong. It should be ~~polymorphism~~ ~~information content~~. Like wise corrected throughout the manuscript.

Introduction:

1. The sentence ‘Hybrid seed production of maize involves crossing highly homogeneous inbred lines produced by several generation of selfing to produce heterogeneous hybrids’ may be corrected. For hybrid seed production normally diverse inbred lines will be used.

Materials and methods:

1. No need to explain the DNA extraction protocol and is well known. Just citing the reference is enough and if any modifications to the protocol to be mentioned.
2. The sentence ‘~~each individual band was considered as a single locus/allele~~’ may be rewritten as ‘~~each individual band was considered as a single allele~~’. Like wise it should be corrected throughout the manuscript. Bands can be considered as alleles not as loci.

Results and discussion:

1. Whether authors have taken the SSR markers randomly or any reports that the SSR markers used by authors were linked to genetic purity of maize germplasm.
2. Did authors got any SSR marker which could differentiate the maize genotypes into highly pure and less pure genotypes?
3. Discussion is not explained well and it may be more elaborated.

References:

1. Baniseti K., Babu, P. K., Agrawal, H. S., Gupta, A. K. and Jagadeesh C. B. It should be Baniseti K. Babu., P. K. Agrawal., H. S. Gupta., Anil Kumar and Jagadeesh C. B.
2. Single journal format should be followed. Authors have used short form and full form also. Like Ann. Technol. Agric., / Australian Journal of Crop Science.
3. References are not written uniformly. Uniformity should be followed.

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