

Dear Editor-in-chief

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Kimitho *et al.* Transcription factors involved in abiotic stress responses in maize (*Zea mays* L.) and their roles in enhanced productivity in the post genomics era

The authors reviewed a number of published articles about the main families of transcription factors involved in abiotic stresses in maize. They analyzed the members of different families and surveyed how many studies have been done to study the function of them in abiotic stresses. And, finally they concluded that the role of each family in these stresses.

1. The English is needed to improve. This manuscript requires major English language editing.
2. The survey method section should be extended, and all sites that used must be mentioned.
3. Conclusion is general; it should be a conclusion of their work, and the authors do not provide a discussion about how their findings connect with the study aims and how their work fits into the larger framework of the related literature.
4. The references related to one person must be ordered based on published year. For example, Li's publications have been mentioned 2012, 2015, 2013, 2018, 2018, 2017.
5. The published year of reference "Zhou et al." was mentioned 2015; but the correct one is 2016.

Sincerely yours

The reviewer

