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	The effect of solid (granular) and liquid (foliar) fertilizers application on the growth and yield of maize ( <i>Zea mays L</i> ) in soils of Obubra campus of the Cross River University of Technology teaching and research farm, Cross River State, Nigeria	
	Abstract	
	Line 12 : collected at the depth of 0-20 cm from the soil for the analysis of physicochemical properties before application of the fertilizers.  Line 14: Write Design (RCBD) with three treatments and five replications	
	The results must include some numbers. Some values need to be added in the presentation of the results.	
	Key words: Treatment, Experimental Plot replaces these words	
	Introduction	
	Line 38: write maize	
	Ok	
	MATERIALS AND METHODS Study area Ok	
	Plant material	
	Experimental site, Procedures, Treatments and Experimental design	
	Line 108: treatment one (T1) - Zero application, treatment two (T2) - Solid fertilizer (NPK 20:20:20/ha) and treatment three (T3) – liquid fertilizer (NPK 20:20:20/ha).  Line 112: , fertilizer rate, fertilizer type Table 1 Fertilizer rate in hectare, fertilizer type Table 1: 0 kg/ha; nothingness	
	Seed collection, Sampling and data collection	
	The maize seeds for planting were obtained from local market of Ikom, Cross River State, Nigeria. (plant material)	
	Laboratory analyses Ok	

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	Data analysis	
	Indicate the software use for analysis	
	RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS	
	Table 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7: class the means in homogeneous group	
	In your explication, you can give the different effect between foliar and granular fertilizer.	
	CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION	
	Ok	
	References:	
	Line 237: Don't abridge, <i>J. Soil Sci. Environ. Manage</i> . Line 240: idem, <i>Inter. J. of Agric. and For</i> Line 242: add the page Line 247: idem Agric. Sci Line 252: idem <i>Pak. J. of Nutr.</i>	
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