

**Editor's Comment:**

You can accept the manuscript. However, let the author be more elaborate on the justification of this study.

For example:

**Line 60 in the introduction reads: "However, in Eswatini, maize spacing recommendation of 44,444 plants ha<sup>-1</sup> (90 cm × 25 cm) has been used since long time [14]"**

**The conclusion reads in line 326 reads: "Thus, it can be concluded that medium maturing variety PAN 53 and plant density of 44444 plants/ha are best treatments to maximize the productivity of maize in the study area."**

In justifying the study the author should point out key differences between the varieties which were developed long ago as the author stated, and the ones currently grown. Why he/ she re-evaluated plant density, should clearly be explained since it was already known as 44,444 plants ha<sup>-1</sup>.

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