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Abstract	Brief overview of the research/purpose of the experiment/ importance	Brief description of methods/findings	Significance of results- related to human health
Introduction	Background research on topic explained/ referenced/Significance of the research	Statement of testable research question/ rationale	Statement of hypothesis
Materials and Methods	Provides a general description of procedure	Describes how outcomes were measured	Description of statistical methods/data gathering
Results	Describes the experimental design	Correctly identifies independent and dependent variables, controls and their relationship	Connects the results to the aims of the experiment
Data Presentation	Appropriate data presented (data matches research question)	Well labeled graphs, tables /charts displaying the raw data	Graphs and charts explained
Data Analysis	Correct descriptive statistical test used	Correctly explained why statistical test was used	Correctly explained statistical significance of results
Discussion	Significant results are highlighted, explains relationship between data and hypothesis (data supports or fails to support hypothesis), trends in data	Discusses limitations of project/errors	Links work with larger body of knowledge presented in Introduction/relevance
Overall Presentation	References cited correctly and are appropriate	Limited spelling/grammar errors	 Well organized, visually attractive Effective balance between text and graphics

Comments:

References:

- Health Sciences and Technology Academy (HSTA). Research Rubric. West Virginia University.
- Hesselbach, R., Petering, D., Berg, C.A., Tomasiewicz, H., & Weber, D. (2012). A Guide to Writing a Scientific Paper: A Focus on High School through Graduate Level Student Research, *Zebrafish*, 9(4), 246-249.