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(c) Examples

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[English-language journal article (when a DOI is available)]

Chou, S. et al. (2020) Estimation of leaf photosynthetic capacity from the photochemical reflectance index and leaf pigments. *Ecol. Indic.*, **110**, 105867. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ecolind.2019.105867.

[Japanese-language journal article]

Harada, Y. (1992) Recycling of livestock waste. *Shisutemu nogaku* (*J. Jpn. Agric. Syst. Soc.*), **8**, 44–58 [In Japanese].

[Japanese-language journal article with an English summary]

Harada, H. et al. (1998) Variety difference of nitrate nitrogen concentration of sorghum under a large amount of nitrogen fertilizer application. *Nihon sochi gakkaishi* (*Grassl. Sci.*), **43**, 449–451 [In Japanese with English summary].

ii. Reports

[Entire English-language report (30 pages in total)]

Davidson, D. F. (1986) *Phosphate resources of Mozambique based on available data*. *Final Report to UN/DTCD, INT/80-R45*. United Nations, New York. 30 pp.

[English-language report published on a website]

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development-FAO (2022) *OECD-FAO Agricultural Outlook 2022–2031*. https://www.fao.org/publications/oecd-fao-agricultural-outlook/2022-2031/en/. Accessed on 18 July 2022.

[[Japanese-language report]

Ito, Y. et al. (1982) Effects of continuous heavy application of farmyard manure on the fertility of a humus-rich volcanic ash soil. *Kyushu nogyoshikenjo hokoku* (*Bull. Kyushu Natl. Agric. Exp. Stn*.), **22**, 259–320 [In Japanese].

[Japanese-language report accessible via a website]

Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries in Okinawa Prefecture (2014) *Satoukibi saibai shishin* (*Sugarcane cultivation guidelines*). Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries in Okinawa Prefecture. https://www.pref.okinawa.jp/_res/projects/default_project/*page*/001/010/377/02kanri1.pdf. Accessed on 5 April 2022 [In Japanese].

iii. Proceedings

[English-language proceedings]

Tollens, E. (2006) Market information systems in sub-Saharan Africa: Challenges and opportunities. In *2006 Annual Meeting of the International Association of Agricultural Economists*, August 12–18, 2006, Queensland, Australia. https://doi.org/10.22004/ag.econ.25590.

[Japanese-language proceedings]

Fukami, S. et al. (2001) The effects of different soy sauce malts on the quality and composition of fish sauce in Tokyo Bay. In *Nihon shokuhinkagaku kogakkai dai 48-kai taikai koen yoshishu* (*Abstr. 48th Annu. Mtg. Jpn. Soc. Food Sci. Technol.*), September 11–13, 2001, Takamatsu, Japan, p. 47 [In Japanese].

iv. Books

[One chapter in an English-language book; relevant pages 129–150]

Bixby, D. W. (1980) Sulfur requirements of the phosphate fertilizer industry. In Khasawneh, F. E. et al. (eds.), *The role of phosphorus in agriculture*. American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America, and Soil Science Society of America, Wisconsin, USA, pp. 129–150.

[One chapter in a Japanese-language book; relevant pages 93–124]

Omori, M. et al. (1995) Ezo awabi syubyou seisan gijyutsu no jissai (Practice of seed producing of *Haliotis discus hannai*). In Uki, N. et al. (eds.), *Awabirui no syubyou seisan gijyutsu* (*Seed producing technique of abalone species*).

Nihon Saibai Gyogyou Kyoukai, Tokyo, Japan, pp. 93–124 [In Japanese].

[One chapter in a Japanese-language book; relevant pages 93–124]

Okada, N. (2016) *Kazoku rakunoukeiei to shiryousaku gaibuka: Group farming tenkaino ronri* (*Family dairy farming operations and externalization of forage production*). Nihon Keizai Hyouronsha, Tokyo, Japan, 352 pp. [In Japanese].

v. Dissertation (Doctoral Thesis)

[English-language doctoral dissertation]

Kabir, J. M. (2016) Factors influencing customer satisfaction at a fast-food hamburger chain: The relationship between customer satisfaction and customer loyalty (Publication No. 10169573) [Doctoral dissertation, Wilmington University]. ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global.

[Japanese-language doctoral dissertation]

Progano, R. N. (2019) Visitor diversification in pilgrimage destinations: A national segmentation study through means-end theory [Doctoral dissertation, Wakayama University]. Wakayama University Academic Repository. http://repository.center.wakayama-u.ac.jp/3525 [In Japanese].

vi. Statistical Publications

[Japanese-language statistical publication]

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) (2022) *Reiwa 3-nen san suito chokuha saibai no menseki* (*Area of direct-seeded rice cultivation in 2021*). https://www.maff.go.jp/j/syouan/keikaku/soukatu/chokuha.html. Accessed on 10 March 2024 [In Japanese].

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5. Food	Food chemistry Food technology
6. Social Science	Agricultural economics Environmental economics Farm management Rural sociology
7.Horticulture	Floriculture Horticulture
8.Sericulture	Sericulture
9.Animal Science	Animal health Animal industry Animal pest Grassland
10.Forestry	Forest products Forestry
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Discipline for Contents	Discipline for Papers
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13.Farming System	Participatory research Systems research Watershed and regional resource management
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Introduction

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Materials and methods

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1. Materials

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Table 1. Current consumption … in the village

centering

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Fishes		↑single line		
1	Pa duk en	Walking catfish	*Clarias batrachus*	++
2	Pa duk oui	Bighead catfish	*Clarias macrocephalus*	-
3	Pa tong	Bronze featherback	*Notopterus notopterus*	++
Snails and Clams				
4	Hoy pakkouang	Apple snail	*Pomacea spp.*	+
5	↓single line	Apple snail	*Pila sp.*	++

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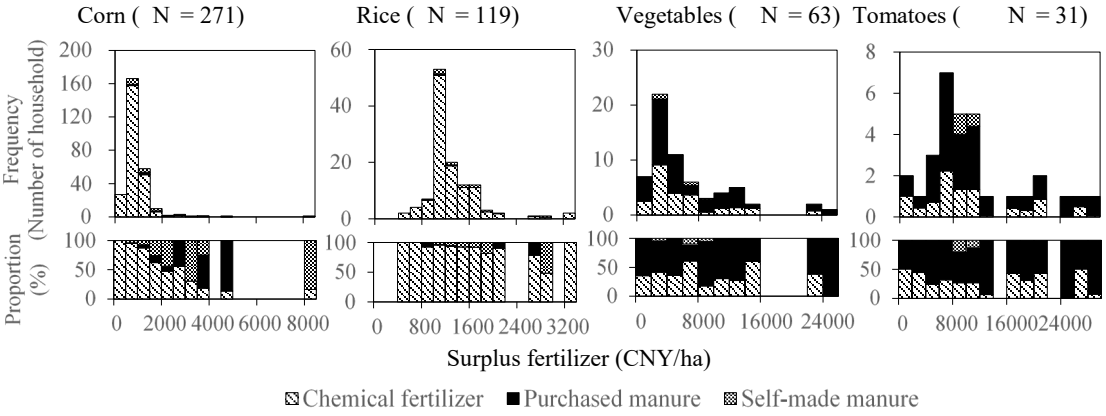


Fig. 1. Histograms of surplus fertilizer and share of its components Left aligned

The range of X array in each histogram is 500 CNY/ha (corn) ……