Editor's Comment:

The manuscript could be considered for publication after the necessary revisions. Comments:

In the revised manuscript, the authors have addressed the suggestions made by the reviewers and made modifications accordingly. However, after reviewing the updated version, I believe that some issues from the previous round of review were overlooked. For instance, the authors have not provided a justification for the necessity of this review article. Several existing reviews already cover the role of plant hormones in seed germination

(https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envexpbot.2013.11.005; https://doi.org/10.3390/plants9060703; https://doi.org/10.3390/plants10010037; https://doi.org/10.3390/plants12142700; https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1469-8137.2006.01787.x).

Therefore, the authors should clearly articulate what gaps were present in the previous reviews that led them to undertake this current review. Since the changes are extensive, I have marked them directly in the annotated manuscript.

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