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Journal Name:	Physical Science International Journal
Manuscript Number:	Ms_PSIJ_33447
Title of the Manuscript:	Variability of Microwave Radio Field Strength over Nigeria.
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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## PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<ol> <li>Title: I suggest a change of title because (a) I feel strongly that 7 Stations are NOT enough for generalization particularly when latitudes &gt; 10<sup>0</sup>N and a good portion of North-East were left out (See Fig.1) and (2) radio field strength was NOT the only item disussed.</li> </ol>	
	2. Abstract: Provide a reason(s) or scientific explanation(s) for the high FSV during the dry season months and low during the rainy season months	
	3. Climatic Characteristics of Nigeria: I suggest this should be "Vegetation Zones in Nigeria" since this was actually what the author discussed. Since the Rainforest was classified as Tropical maritime, monsoon, swampy by the author, it should follow that the Savannah should be similarly classified e.g. Sahel savannah (Jos), Guinea Savannah (Abuja & Markudi). There should be consistency.	
	4. Theory and methods should read Theory and Method. Third line after eqn.3 needs citation (i.e. 'Surface refractivity correlates)	
	<ol> <li>Results: The abbreviations used in the Figures e.g. NZK need a key.</li> </ol>	
	6. Discussion: Good but in the third line after 6.1, I think the author is referring to one or some of the Figs 4-7. Fig. 8 is about	



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seasonal variation and has no time axis.
<b>7. Fig 4-</b> 7: What informed your choice of dates (1 <sup>st</sup> Jan & 1 <sup>st</sup> June)?
8. References: Very Good but should be in alphabetical order.

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Minor REVISION comments	1. Grammar: So many grammatical errors.
	<ul><li>Page 1</li><li>line 2; measurement should read measurements</li></ul>
	line 6; put comma between Research and Anyigba
	line 8; value should read values
	line 18; put the letter 'a' before 'receiver'
	Page 2 line
	2; Something is missing before [5]
	3; lowercase 'e' in Electromagnetic
	9; Two years data should read Two-year data
	12; Field Strength should be lowercase letters
	• 16; delete – in discontin-uity
	<ul> <li>17; cross check the average temperatures. Sokoto and some other cities can get as high as 40°C quite a long period of time.</li> </ul>
	19; south-westerlies should read South-Westerlies
	• 23; Northern should be lowercase 'n'
	28, Forest should be lowercase
	<ol> <li>Page 3 Table 1: The sub-heading climate should be changed to vegetation.</li> </ol>

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Page 4	Instrumentation, line	
•	2; Solar panel is used for what? Close the space before	
	the last two lines	
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•	6&7; weather and station should start with uppercase	
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•	5; [15, 9] should read [9,15]	
•	6 where they obtain should be "obtained"	
•	8 &9; Is the Atlantic not affecting PH in 2011 and PH and	
	Lagos in 2012? Provide more reasonable explanation or	
	delete if none.	
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	<ul> <li>7; figure should be uppercase 'F' and every other place</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>10 port-Harcourt should be Port-Harcourt</li> </ul>	
	11; delete the comma in dust, plume	
	<b>Page 14 Conclusion:</b> Good. Line 5 (However,), please recast this statement.	
Optional/General comments	The article is generally a very good attempt at discussing the variability of radio wave propagation characteristics in some parts of Nigeria	

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