

Review of: "Peat Mass Change and Water Level Influence on Regenerated Melaleuca Forest After a Fire in U Minh Thuong National Park, Vietnam"

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Although the ms contains many interesting data, a linguistic improvement is necessary as many text parts are not easily understandable. In the attached file a few corrections were made only and some annotations are added. Beyond these, the authors have to clarify what type of peatland (fen, bog etc.) they have studied as for the reader the text is very confusing at certain points.

The chapter MATERIAL AND METHODS has to be written in a different and clear way, since in the current form it is not understandable.

The chemical formulas throughout the text should be corrected.

Many figures and tables should be combined, e.g. Fig. 2 with Fig. 5, Table 4 and Table 5 etc. Moreover, I strongly recommend to combine Tables 9-15; in case of leaving all the separate tables, the second column of all the tables should be removed as being included in the caption.

The conclusion does not conclude! Here the authors have to state the most important findings, i.e. in the first sentence the question is HOW the thickness and the flooding influenced... How all the factors mentioned there and studied carefully affect forest growth etc.

The most necessary improvement, however, is the linguistic one!