

## Review of: "Probabilistic Assessment of the Heavy Metal Pollution in Debrecen's Topsoil"

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Dear authors, I have gone through your manuscript and I must commend you for doing great research. I think this work is publishable in Qeios. Now, my comments:

- 1. Improve the discussion by comparing your results with current related literature. The discussion part looks superficial.
- 2. The materials and methods section needs to be detailed, especially the part for analyzing heavy metals. This will aid the repeatability of your work using the same analytical procedures.
- 3. The duration of the study was not stated in the Abstract and methods.
- 4. The title needs to be modified. The word "Probabilistic" is not supposed to be used here. If this is the first kind of research in Debrecen soil, I think "Preliminary" should be used, but if not, why not have a title like "Investigation of heavy metal pollution and ecological risk implications of heavy metals in Debrecen's topsoil"? (Added missing punctuation and corrected capitalization.)
- 5. Was the sampling based on season?

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