

Review of: "Assessment of Quality of drinking waterbased on the water quality index method in Hawassa Zuria Woreda, Sidama Regional State, Ethiopia"

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The concept is good. However, there are many drawbacks of the work. There are many grammatical errors in the sentence constructions.

Specific comments:

I am not sure about the format of the **abstract**, however this section is large and can be concise with required information.

Keywords should include the region of the study.

Introduction:

I feel that this section is big and can be summarized (e.g., first two paragraphs are not required as they are very general and known).

Justification is needed why only Mn, Pb, Zn, Co, Cu and Ni were analysed.

Literature Review

Most of the references are old, mainly those related to water quality assessment. Here, the authors are strongly advised to update the literature review by considering studies that are related to similar contexts (arid regions).

Analysis and discussion

Please check for English grammar and typos

Sample size is too small to represent that large area.

Seasonal variation should have been taken into considerations.

Unfortunately, no figure and table of descriptive and analyzed results were accessed.

Correlation Matrix of the Physico-Chemical Parameters was required. Overall, statistical part should be rewritten with more statistical correlation.

It will be good to provide a spatial analysis of these results.