

## Review Form 1.6

Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Applied Chemistry Research
Manuscript Number:	Ms_AJACR_92706
Title of the Manuscript:	Heavy metal accumulation in vegetables grown in rock soils of Kilembe copper mine, Kasese, Western Uganda
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)
<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "Heavy metals" are more appropriately named "Toxic Metals" in line with recent parlance, to accommodate the fact that some of such metals are not exactly "heavy". Consider renaming throughout manuscript.</li> <li>2. Words in the abstract are too many. Reduce to 300 words (maximum).</li> <li>3. Specify method of collecting samples or, were all vegetables planted used for analysis? See paragraph one in section 2.3.</li> <li>4. Drying temperatures were way TOO HIGH for some of the metals. Optimum extraction of metals like Ni, Cd or Zn for analysis is achieved with digesting raw samples, air-drying of samples or minimal heating.</li> </ol>	
<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments	Review the names in the "Reference" section (list all names without <i>et al.</i> and do not join initials). Correctly write page numbers of all references.	
<b>Optional/General</b> comments	Much work had been previously done on "heavy metals around the Kilembe copper mine". However, the researcher(s) attempted to introduce some novelty in this research which is commendable.	

### PART 2:

	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)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)	

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