

Editor's Comment:

Dear Ruma hello,

I have read all three reviewers' remarks and the revised manuscript and hereafter I submit my remarks

1. the english language needs editing in several parts of the manuscript
2. the authros should better describe the experimental set-up. They gathered soil from 0-20 cm depth and use it for the trial, but how did they use it? they used pots? they say containers, but of what volume?
3. in the table 1 they should clearly state all the abbreviations used (i.e. what is GL?)
4. in the same table there is a significant interaction between factors for some of the measured variables. How is this depicted in the mauscript?
5. where is the effect of the application method? i.e. incorporation or cover? there are significant differences in many of the variables tested here (see Table 1) between these two methods of mixture application, but this is not shown anywhere in the text.

As you may understand, the manuscript can not be accepted for publication in the present form, if these remarks are not properly answered (please answer point by point and not in general)

Best regards

Peter.

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