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> Interactive Comment

Interactive comment on "Ideas and perspectives: truffles not radioactive" by U. Büntgen et al.

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As a truffle cultivator, I'm glad to read that truffles are free of radioactivity and that they are a high quality product. This publication provides an important fact concerning consumer safety. The significant difference in the amount of 137Cs in the two hypogeous mycorrhizal fungi T. aestivum and E. granulatus clearly points towards a unique way of soil nutrient uptake by T. aestivum. How does T.aestivum not take up 137 Cs despite the similar lifestyle with E. granulatus? Unravelling the special nutrient uptake of T. aestivum clearly must be the prime research goal regarding truffle ecology now following the results of this interesting paper. This will have considerable impact on truffle cultivation practices.





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