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Interactive comment on "Leaf isoprene emission in a subarctic wetland sedge community" *by* A. Ekberg et al.

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The ms bgd-2008-0172 has been assessed by three reviewers and these reviews correspond insofar as all reviewers recommend that major revisions will be required before the ms becomes acceptable in Biogeosciences.

All reviewers comment on the relatively small number of measurements, which impedes generalisation of the results - on the other hand, in my view, having few data is better than none, but this shortcoming has to be discussed appropriately (as also the reviewers suggest). The reviewers also comment on methodological issues which need clarification, as well as on the discussion, which should be improved.

With regard to the model comparison I think additional statistical criteria, which take

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into account the differing number of adjustable parameters, should be used.

For readers, such as me, who do not use a colour printer, it would be helpful if symbols were used in addition to coloured lines in the figures, as otherwise the different lines are hard to identify in b&w prints.

In summary I believe that the reviewers provide a lot of useful comments and the authors should consider them all when revising the ms and supply a detailed point-bypoint reply to the reviewers (and my) comments accompanying any revision of the ms.

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