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## Interactive comment on "After trees die: quantities and determinants of necromass across Amazonia" by K.-J. Chao et al.

## **Anonymous Referee #2**

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I want to stress that this is an interesting paper but needs to address some issues. These are the low r-square values in the regressions and the problems with non-randomly selected sites and sites in literature. Are these sites representative of the areas? Does site selection create a bias in your results.

Another item that might be interesting to look at is in table 1 A, to analyze the differences between NE and NW Amazonia sites in regard to decay classes. Since wood density has been suggested to be different between regions this might be reflective in the decay classes.

I also include here references that I mentioned in my previous comments that I did not include. Sorry about that.

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