

Interactive comment on “Comment on: “Possible source of ancient carbon in phytolith concentrates from harvested grasses” by G. M. Santos et al. (2012)” by L. A. Sullivan and J. F. Parr

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Since submitting my report I spotted the following very recent paper which is highly relevant to this whole discussion: Zhaoliang Song et al. (2012) Plant impact on the coupled terrestrial biogeochemical cycles of silicon and carbon: Implications for biogeochemical carbon sequestration. *Earth-Science Reviews* 115, 319–331.

I would suggest that it might be worth including- section 4.1 concerns the formation of phytoliths (only lumen types though!)

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