

Interactive comment on “Biochar carrying hydrocarbon decomposers promotes degradation during the early stage of bioremediation” by P. Galitskaya et al.

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Dear prof. Romantschuk, thank you for your comment! Indeed, the issues concerning bioaugmentation and biostimulation of the oil polluted sites are widely discussed in the literature. We are familiar with your publications where you demonstrated that bioaugmentation is not efficient as compared with biostimulation. In this study, we did not contrapose these two methods. We used bioaugmentation as an additional tool, together with biostimulation - and in this case we observed an additional effect as expressed in phytotoxicity.

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