

## *Interactive comment on* "Biochar increases plant available water in a sandy soil under an aerobic rice cropping system" *by* M. T. de Melo Carvalho et al.

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Abstract, material and methods and some other parts of the text where the soil is referred as "sandy": Please, notice that with 76 % sand and 17 % clay the soil is a sandy loam.

It would also be nice to see the geographic coordinates of the farm.

Page 904, line 13: Please update the references here. Notice that a more recent study was carried out using a larger number of articles (Liu et al., 2013).

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