

Comment on “Effects of fresh and aged biochars from pyrolysis and hydrothermal carbonization on nutrient sorption in agricultural soils” by M. Gronwald et al.

**Reply to Editor:**

Dear Cornelia Rumpel,

First of all, many thanks for your fast and efficient handling of our manuscript. We followed your suggestions and changed the abstract accordingly.

**Editor comment #1 received: 28 May 2015.**

1. P.1, l.16 remove 'to the soil'

**Reply:** done

2. P.1, l.24 if these observations are valid for all soil types it should be stated, otherwise the reader might think that you just investigated sorption behaviour of chars without soil

**Reply:** Now we write: *“Moreover, we investigated the influence of char degradation on its nutrient retention capacity using a seven-month in-situ field incubation of pyrochar and hydrochar mixed into soils at three different field sites.”*