Comments	Responses
L147 - are you sure that veneered is the right	We agree that the suggested 'covered' would be
word? It's beautiful! But it feels not quite right.	more straightforward and clear to the readers.
Maybe 'covered' is better?	We will revise as suggested.
L160 - I'd like to read more about the location of	The pit was dug on the middle of a field plot,
the pit inside the B. site. It may be important for	which is located on the outer border of a larger
your interpretation whether the site is right in the	area covered with plaggic anthrosols, as shown in
middle, on the edge, close to the river, etc.	Figure 2. The field plot is adjacent to a stream
Thiddle, on the edge, close to the fiver, etc.	valley, including a tributary of the Dinkel. We
	shall include this information as commented.
L163 - Be clear about which soil classification	We will provide more detailed description on the
	suffixes for the readers. We do agree that
system you're using also in the text. You're using	
Dutch classifiers for your horizons (Aap for	adopting the FAO system would be most
instance). The FAO system, which I think you	convenient for the readers, but it would be
should adopt, has different meaning for the	difficult to make direct transition from the Dutch
lowercase a than the dutch system (see page 72	system to the FAO system at this stage.
https://www.fao.org/3/a0541e/a0541e.pdf).	
Since most readers will know the FAO system but	
not the dutch system, please either switch to FAO	
(recommended) or spend some space on	
explaining what Aap and other codes mean to	
non-Dutch speakers.	
L181 I'd appreciate a picture of the tubes inside	We agree that adding the figure would be useful.
the pit, with a scale-ribbon. Reference your figure	We will present the picture along with Table 1,
5 here, or duplicate its right half as your new	making it Figure 3.
figure 3. That's less abstract than reading the	
depths from Table 1.	
L210 You mentioned using the Wageningen lab	All of the luminescence sample preparations and
for pre work. Were the readers also there, or in	measurements (incl gamma spectrometry) were
Koeln?	performed in Wageningen. We will make it more
	clear during revision.
L313 It seems the test results are well	Thank you.
documented here in the results. Well done, and	
appropriate given your first objective. They are	
results here (otherwise, they might have fitted in	
your methods).	
Figure 5: please extend also the top dashed line	We will revise the figure as commented.
to the left of the figure	
L327 can you argue with numbers that there is no	We will apply linear regression to the results and
clear trend? I see a weak trend that is the	see whether there is indeed a trend. We will also
opposite of your expectation, which would be	add a brief discussion about it in Section 5.1.
interesting/require explanation/speculation if it	
were significant	
In Figure 8 and Table 2, can you add a column	We will add a column with years in CE as
with years in CE? There may be a standard that	recommended.
calls for years before 2017, but it feels easier to	
read for a wider audience with years CE as a	
secondary x-axis or extra column.	
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