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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Results. They are difficult to understand, there are lack of information's: How much are the concentrations of all the metal studied in the contaminated water? How much of this metals were added to the soil? How long did the experiment last? Transform the eight figures into two with a clearer caption. Ex. The title could come: in sterilized soil with one or daily applications (? Days) of water contaminated with metals. The figures shown may come side by side. Then Figure 2 to the plant. Change PPM of the Figures to ppm.	This/hel reeuback here)
	Discussion There are conceptual errors. Heavy metals do not degrade, they undergo transformation, dissipate, etc. If heavy metals were absorbed by the microorganisms, analysis of residues analyses by spectroscopy would show their presence.	
Minor REVISION comments	Pag 1.abstract –line 11 change for degrading heavy metal for transforming heavy metals Pag 1 line 27 – say :Keywords and instead Biodegradation say Phytoremediation Pag to line 57: Instead, degradation use transformation. Pag 2. Material and methods: Lines 77 and 82 say Petri dishes instead petri dishes Line 84- the word "plate" is repeated. Line 88 - add how sterilization was performed Pag3 – results are difficult to be visualized.	
Optional/General comments		

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