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Interactive comment on "A multi-scale soil water structure model based on the pedostructure concept" by E. Braudeau et al.

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Dear Dr. Braudeau,

With great pleasure, I read your manuscript "A multi-scale "soil water structure" model based on the pedostructure concept" that you submitted to Hydrology and Earth Systems. I attach my hand-written mainly editorial comments in a pdf file and would like to suggest the following for improving your fine manuscript:

The objective underlying your study should clearly be mentioned at the beginning of the abstract section after a brief introductory statement.

Page 1117, lines 3-5: I did not understand what you wanted to say in this sentence, and the meaning of the 100cm3 soil sample is not clear.

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The appropriate term for soil water potential would be soil water pressure head or matric potential, but not suction pressure.

On page 1130, I. 14, I do not understand what you mean by referring the W1500 (apparently the soil water content at -1500 kPa) which is known as the permanent wilting point to the air entry point. Please clarify.

I appreciated the chance to review your manuscript very much.

Sincerely yours,

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Please also note the Supplement to this comment.

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