

Interactive comment on “Pesticide fate at catchment scale: conceptual modelling of stream CSIA data” by Stefanie R. Lutz et al.

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The reviewer raised the question whether the material taken from a previously published PhD thesis should be reformulated (rather than copied literally).

To date, the HESS publication policy does not explicitly address this question. While self-plagiarism is not acceptable in general, the re-use of text pieces from the published PhD thesis is usually considered as the single acceptable exception.

As written in the author's response, the executive editor, E. Zehe, explicitly stated in his e-mail to the authors (17.7.2017) that the author "may literally use the text from [her] Phd thesis without rephrasing."

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