

Interactive comment on "Marginal cost curves for water footprint reduction in irrigated agriculture: guiding a cost-effective reduction of crop water consumption to a benchmark or permit level" by Abebe D. Chukalla et al.

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Thanks to the Authors for the reply. I feel they answered to all points. However, I still have a question. I can understand this is an example of the methodology adopted and that the focus is not specifically on the single crops of the single countries, but maize cannot be cultivated in UK due to local weather and temperatures. Saying that maize is cultivated there is a conceptual mistake and I cannot understand how you could find data to calculate its Water Footprint.

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