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Compulsory REVISION comments	TITLE Correct the word STIVA, because it is incorrect RESULTS 3.2. Evolution of carbon and major nutrient content Table 4. To correct the space that separates the values of R2 because it is incorrect. It is marked in the manuscript REFERENCES Correct the pages of the references marked with red-yellow in the manuscript	
Minor REVISION comments	Material and methods 2.3. Data collected and analyzed 1. Are you referring to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd week that the batteries were turned, or to the repetitions of each treatment? 2. Were the samples dried and packaged at the end of the experiment or at each sampling stage? marked lines in the manuscript RESULTS 3.1. Evolution of pH-water, Ca and Mg levels during composting The difference of one pH unit in treatment T2 is significant, but not for treatment 1, which only changed from 8.25 to 8.14? and could be due to an experimental error. Table 3. Variation of pH, Ca and Mg during composting Why is there no difference here and in R3 with 0.01 if there is? DISCUSSION 1. I do not believe that the decrease of only 0.08 pH units is due to the production of acids, since these generally lower the pH to values close to 6. I believe that it could be due to a measurement error 2. They say it decreased not that there was an increase, so what does ammonia have to do with it? 3. Like which polymers? They must discuss better these results	
Optional/General comments	RESULTS 3.1. Evolution of pH-water, Ca and Mg levels during composting Why didn't they measure these parameters for each of the mixtures at the beginning of composting, in order to calculate the efficiency of each of the treatments? CONCLUSION It is important to carry out toxicity bioassays to know which of the composts was better, given that sometimes the soil of the fields is irrigated with synthetic fertilizers.	

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