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Anonymous Referee #2 - Received and published: 7 July 2013

*This multi-proxy study of an ombrotrophic peat bog in Belgium presents highly interesting data on atmospheric dust influx and its sources during the last 5000 years. To interpret the climatic implications, the peat was also analyzed for changes in moisture levels by testate amoebae and humification analyses. Apart from spelling mistakes (among them: Swiss, not Suisse, Gruyere, not Gruere) my only comment refers to the ice core comparison of their data.*

*We thanks the reviewer #2. And we correct the text for misspelling etc.. Etang de la Gruère is really Etang de la Gruère. And not Gruyère.*

● *Why not use Greenland ice cores instead of the Baffin Island (Canadian) core? In climatic terms, this would have made perhaps more sense.*

*We preferred to use the Island (Canadian) core in this stage, because the resolutions of the dust deposition measured in Greenland ice cores do not allow to establish a significant correlation with our data.*

● *Fig. 3 caption states a water content curve (absent) instead does not state the Epsilon Nd curve (plotted). The reviewer is right. The caption was corrected.*

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