

Editorial Comments:

After having read the manuscript and taken into account all reviewers' opinion I suggest the publication of the manuscript. A few minor points for the authors to check is the clear statement of the units of each variable measured in each table (see length and diameter where the units are **missing**), the punctuation in Table 5, in fruit diameter 2010, treatments COM+A where it is written 240 where it should be 2.40. Another thing is the clear statement on the number of leaves per shoot. Were these leaves measured on the new vegetation or from the base of each shoot (thus one and two year old wood?)? How many shoots were measured in order to get the mean number of leaves per shoot?

Author's Feedback:

Kindly, all the comments are taken into the consideration and corrected as recommended