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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<p>ABSTRACT The mention of oxygen-saturated waters as if the oxygen saturation levels were measured is not acceptable</p> <p>INTRODUCTION</p> <p>MATERIALS AND METHODS</p> <p>RESULTS The results section is a bit confusing and there is the need for clarification. For instance in one instance, one parameter is compared between seasons and in other instances, parameters are been compared between <i>Podostemaceae</i>-rich and poor waters. The author needs to between consistence about his independent variables and be consistent in their use to explain the variations in the dependent variables.</p> <p>I suggest Tables 1 and 2 be broken down to 4 tables where Table 1 will capture physical parameters for August – October; Table 2 will capture nutrient parameters from August – October and Table 3 and 4 will do same for physical and nutrient parameters for the period from January – March.</p> <p>The author should be not start giving explanations for observations or results at this section. This is restricted to the discussions section so all explanations and interpretations should be confined to the discussions section not the results section.</p> <p>DISCUSSIONS The mention of oxygen-saturated waters as if the oxygen saturation levels were measured is not acceptable</p>	
Minor REVISION comments	<p>TITLE I suggest the title should be modified to “Using Diatom Assemblages and Physicochemical Parameters to Characterize Waterfalls in Western Highlands of Cameroun, West Africa”</p>	
Optional/General comments	<p>Several sentences in many parts of the manuscript require rephrasing to make them more understandable. If the author has a problem with expressions in the English Language, she or he should seek professional help.</p> <p>The problems identified are noted in RED INK in the manuscript. The author should attend to them.</p>	



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