Dear Betty Schiefelbein,

Thank you for pointing out the issues noted in a personal email communication. I placed some sections in the manuscript as placeholders a long time ago and must have forgotten to change them.

The large sections that were flagged have now been re-written and I am confident that no plagiarism (or at least very little) will be detected. I can confirm that all of the work presented is my own. I understand that some pieces of the text may be flagged (a few words here and there) due to the mention of data products etc. In most cases these sentences have an accompanying citation...I assume that these pieces of text are acceptable? If not please let me know and I can alter these too.

The reference list has also been modified, it is now single spaced with a clear line between each individual citation for easier reading.

Kind regards,

Craig Mahoney.