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Hi Hu and Fred，

We have another round of internal revisions (minor revisions) due on January 23.
We can plan to work on revisions after the new year. Let me know your thoughts.

Thanks，
Cassandra

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Dear Dr. Tai,

We very much appreciate your work in revising the manuscript and responding to all comments. After reviewing the revised version, we would like to ask you to address a few additional relatively minor points, which we believe would strengthen the contribution and its usefulness to researchers interested in learning about workflows for managing large-scale data processing. When making the necessary revisions, feel free to ignore the PS word limit.

(1) The main content revision we suggest relates to "Appendix B: R packages for data wrangling." As noted in this appendix, the authors used an automated search procedure to identify the top twenty packages in four key categories related to data harmonization. The list of packages is interesting but very long and heterogeneous. For example, do the authors really recommend that readers consider using the "Microbial Community Ecology Data Analysis" package? If yes, the appendix should ideally provide more guidance as to why and for what purpose. In the revised appendix, we would ideally like to (also) learn about a more limited set of packages that the experienced authors of the paper found most useful in their actual data wrangling work. For example, a very useful addition for the Symposium readership would be an annotated discussion of the top five "must-use" most useful packages (or some other number that seems useful) that the authors expect will remain actively maintained
packages in the years to come.

(2) Additional more technical revision comments:
- Revisions are needed to match the Online Supplementary Material section numbers noted in the paper with the actual OSM. Specifically, on p. 4 what is referred to as OSM 2.2 appears as OSM B.2. And on p.5, what is referred to as OSM5 appears as OSM B.
- We appreciate the excellent language revision conducted to correct errors in the original submission. We invite the authors to revise the full manuscript further for clarity in this final submission. For example, in Figure 2, it would be useful to revise the "Source" description of "Self generated" to "Authors' original figure."
- In the Appendix B, the authors reference a replication file for conducting the packages search. We welcome the authors to submit their replication file together with the resubmitted manuscript for review.

After you make these changes, we will conduct an internal review, and the revision will not be sent out for an additional round of reviews.

Your revision is due by Jan 23, 2026.

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Thank you for your submission to the symposium.

Yours sincerely,

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