

The Tea Bag Index A worldwide comparison of standardized decomposition rates



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Why?

Within INTERFACE we will measure decomposition rates using litter bags.

- grazed vs. ungrazed
- \rightarrow well drained vs. badly drained.
- But: How do these compare to other marshes?
- Problem: How to standardize decomposition rates, if possible worldwide?
- Solution: Tea Bags = standardized litter bags

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