**template for Peer Review comments**

**Technical series on synthetic biology**

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| **Comments on the Technical Series on Synthetic Biology** | | | |
| **Page #** | **Line #** | **Comment** | |
| 8 | 6 | Source should be mentioned for the argument of synthetic biology being a potential risk. | |
| 8 | 8 | Studies shows that synthetic biology is rather helpful in preventing extension of endangered species. | |
| 8 | 16 | Examples can be provided for the traits and organisms. | |
| 8 | 47 | The statement need more source and conclusive evidence. | |
| 9 | 8 | The section can be explained further on how awareness will be generated among communities. | |
| 10 | 23 | The technology need not to be limited to the leading countries in future. | |
| 11 | 2 | More dataset will be need to make a conclusive argument. | |
| 11 | 6 | More dataset will be need to make a conclusive argument. | |
| 11 | 12 | Examples should be mentioned of the experiences. | |
| 11 | 23 | The non-native species will interact in the same way, so its not specific to synthetic biology | |
| 11 | 26 | To make the argument more conclusive there should be a section of case study pn the topic. | |
| 12 | 23 | Errored sentence | |
| 12 | 41 | The term keep-up can be modified. | |
| 12 | 49 | The reasons for the term single discipline should be elaborated | |
| 14 | Table | Source and references should be mentioned | |
| 16 | 23 | It should be noted that the use of synthetic biology can also be for non-profit. | |
| 19 | 38 | There are also other factors responsible for gene frequency which should be mention. | |
| 22 | Fig 1 | The resolution of the image can be improved | |
| 25 | 33 | The sentence needs reframing to be clearer. | |
| 28 | 25 | The case studies or examples of any live research/project can be provided to concretely backup the argument. | |
| 34 | 29 | ‘an’ should be replaced by ‘a’ before synthetic | |
| 25 | 27 | Formatting error between line 26 and 27 | |
| 43 | 37 | The case studies or examples of any live research/project can be provided to concretely backup the argument. | |
| 47 | 33 | More dataset will be need to make a conclusive argument. | |
| 48 | 8 | More dataset will be need to make a conclusive argument. | |
| 48 | 24 | The local communities should also be in loop. | |
| 53 | 48 | The sentence need be re-written to be clearer | |
| 55 | 41 | More dataset will be need to make a conclusive argument. | |
| 59 | 12 | The sentence needs to elaborate more on the concern on criticisms | |
| 60 | 11 | Mention source and reference, as most studies deflect this sentence. | |
| 71 | 13 | Mention the source and references. | |
| 73 | 17 | There is no such statement that ensure that they are ready or going to be ready for market release. | |
| 90 | 3 | The sentence needs to be re-written to make clearer sense of the information | |
| 121 | 32 | The sentence needs to be re-written to make clearer sense of the information | |
| 125 | 38 | The letter I should be omitted. | |
| 128 | 8 | WHO policies are described in their guidance document, do consider that in the report | |
| 133 | 3-4 | Mention the source and references | |

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