

***Interactive comment on “Permafrost distribution and conditions at the headwalls of two receding glaciers (Schladminger and Hallstadt glaciers) in the Dachstein Massif, Northern Calcareous Alps, Austria” by Matthias Rode et al.***

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Dear Mr Dobinski!

Your comment:

After significant changes suggested here, and by the reviewer, it would be suitable for publication. What's more, I suggest the authors more courage in formulating the conclusions.

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Author's response:

We clarified our scientific focus in all chapters and focused the aims of this study: Detection, delimitation and characterization of permafrost in the rockwalls surrounding the retreating Schladminger and Hallstatt glaciers in the Dachstein area and thus, to contribute to the question how widespread glacier retreat will affect permafrost degradation and/or aggradation.

Due to the reviewer's suggestions, the paper has been thoroughly revised. Many passages were completely rewritten and considerably shortened in this process.

Thank you very much!

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