A rather interesting manuscript is presented. Heavy metals in groundwater and soil around two different factories were analysed. The manuscript has been generally well written and structured. I just have some suggestions for revision of the manuscript before publication in the Journal of Processes given below:

- There is some missing information related to both factories (A and B) that can be affected the results such as

1. Time of operation of B and even for A so far.
2. The amount of loading per year for both factories.
3. The main electroplating metals, the procedure for electroplating and the process of management of their waste which authors must briefly add in the manuscript.

- The marks of A, B, C, and D are missing in the Figure1