

Interactive comment on “A short history of ocean acidification science in the 20th century: a chemist’s view” by P. G. Brewer

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I wish to thank the reviewer for a very careful and professional reading of the manuscript. And you may be assured that these details will be taken care of in the final published version. It is rewarding to see such attention to detail. In the matter of comments on the stated precision of the early potentiometric measurements of pH the reviewer is correct that the measured precision was almost always better than 0.1 pH units. But many of the early papers simply reduced the data sets into images contoured at 0.1pH intervals and the primary data has been lost - the highly cited Gorshkov Atlas data is a prime example. I will see if these is a careful way to express this and I appreciate the comment.

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