

Interactive comment on "Effect of ocean acidification on the benthic foraminifera Ammonia sp. is caused by a decrease in carbonate ion concentration" by N. Keul et al.

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- In the abstract and text body, it is mentioned that foraminifera are "estimated to precipitate ca. 50% of biogenic calcium carbonate in the open oceans." I think that this is incorrect as Schiebel (2002) mentions different numbers and for calcite alone: "23–56% of the total global-marine "steady" calcite flux at 100 m depth".
- p1552l14: author name missing.
- I would suggest to avoid the use of acronyms, for example SNW, especially in section headings.

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- R is not a statistics software but a software environment (see web site). R can be cited as follows: R Core Team (2012). R: A language and environment for statistical computing. R Foundation for Statistical Computing, Vienna, Austria. ISBN 3-900051-07-0, URL http://www.R-project.org/.
- I suggest to reorder table 1 chronologically.
- You should consider avoiding the use of grey tones in the figures because it is hard to see. Why don't you use color, which does not entail extra cost?

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