

## ***Interactive comment on “Open ocean dead-zone in the tropical North Atlantic Ocean” by J. Karstensen et al.***

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We thank the reviewer for encouraging but also critical words. We have revised the text and hope that the new version is not only better synthesizing our results but further addresses adequately the points where improvements have been suggested by this reviewer – namely a better (as far as it is possible based on the data at hand) discussion on possible differences between anticyclonic- mode water/intrathermocline eddies and cyclonic eddies. Note, we also extensively re-wrote the conclusion section. Please find the detailed response in the attached supplement file

Please also note the supplement to this comment:

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<http://www.biogeosciences-discuss.net/11/C8933/2015/bgd-11-C8933-2015-supplement.pdf>

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