

## *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 reviewer2 for the encouraging but also the critical words. We have revised our text and hope that the relationship between productivity in isolated eddies and oxygen consumption is now better accessible, including our hypothesis on the potential mechanisms behind it. We decided to combine the results and discussion into one paragraph that now connects the different pieces much better. Please find our specific reply to your comments in the attached PDF

Please also note the supplement to this comment: http://www.biogeosciences-discuss.net/11/C8935/2015/bgd-11-C8935-2015supplement.pdf

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