

Dear Bastien Queste

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Three reviewers posted comments on your revised manuscript “Drivers of summer oxygen depletion in the central North Sea”. Reviewer 3 is disappointed about your revision and raises some concerns, which needs to be addressed properly before the manuscript can be accepted for publication. Please provide a revised version of your manuscript taking care of the comments of reviewer 3, which will help to improve your manuscript. In case some modifications are not possible, please provide a detailed description why it is not possible.

During the revision please take care also of the minor comments from the two other reviewers.

Best regards

Lothar Stramma