

***Interactive comment on “Water mass characteristics and their temporal changes in a biological hotspot in the southern Chukchi Sea” by S. Nishino et al.***

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Dear Prof. L. W. Cooper (Referee #1),

We deeply appreciate the referee’s valuable comments, which improved our paper significantly. Especially, the comments on the end-member value in the water mass analysis led us an appropriate result. We have revised the manuscript in line with the referee’s suggestions. Our respective responses are shown in the supplementary material.

Sincerely yours, Shigeto Nishino (Corresponding author)

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<http://www.biogeosciences-discuss.net/12/C9700/2016/bgd-12-C9700-2016-supplement.pdf>

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