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## ***Interactive comment on “The trophic biology of the holothurian *Molpadia musculus* at 3500 m in the Nazaré Canyon (NE Atlantic)” by T. Amaro et al.***

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Apologies to the authors, I forgot to include examples of other articles discussing the deep-sea as an ultimate sink for OM and its importance in biogeochemical cycling (Line 25 Page 3062). Here they are: Walsh (1991) Nature 350: 53–55 Berner (1982) Am. J. Sci. 282: 451–473 Archer and Maier-Reimer (1994) Nature 367: 260–263 Wenzhofer et al. (2001) Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta 65: 2677–2690

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