

***Interactive comment on “Technical Note:
Determining the size-normalised weight of
planktic foraminifera” by C. J. Beer et al.***

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I read through three reviewers comments. I agree on most of critical points that have been raised by the reviewers. I heartily applaud the reviewers opinion. Actually, the same sieved-size population show biased calcified shell weights reflecting by their background histories of individuals, such as gametogenic calcification and other ontogenetic variabilities. For deepening these discussions, I ask authors to revise the manuscript thoroughly according to reviewers comments and requests. If the authors would like to stay the paper at the category of "technical note", please describe much details about procedures and methods like a "cooking book". If the authors would like to transfer the category from "technical note" to "full scientific paper", please add new data and discuss about size-weight relations in details. Biological information, anyhow,

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should be required for sharpening the discussions.

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