

***Interactive comment on “Biogeochemistry of
sediments from restricted exchange environments
of Kandalaksha Bay, White Sea, Russian Arctic”
by S. Koukina et al.***

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The present manuscript (ms) presents distributions of organic carbon (TOC), some hydrocarbons and metals in surface sediments of some restricted environments in the White Sea area. The ms is generally well-written linguistically.

The problem of the present ms is that it is a report rather than a potential scientific paper. It is very descriptive and as such becomes boring. There is no interpretation (or even speculation) of what the results mean in a greater environmental context. The discussion of results is poor. The results are only of very local interest and thus have limited impact.

Again, the present ms is a report. It needs much more work to be acceptable for

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publication in Biogeosciences. I cannot recommend publication.

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