

## ***Interactive comment on* “Changes in the Adriatic oceanographic properties induced by the Eastern Mediterranean Transient” by I. Vilibić et al.**

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Unfortunately, Vilibic posted his last reply just on the last day available for the open discussion..., so I do not have enough time to reply from my side. Anyhow, I would like to comment only the second sentence: Civitarese et al. (Biogeosciences, 2010) provided extended experimental evidences that explain the decadal variability of the nutrient content in the Southern Adriatic. Therefore, there are clear experimental evidences, and no "hardly acceptable" statements, on the connection between the circulation in the Ionian and the vertical displacement of the interfaces at the border of the gyre (i.e. the nutricline and the maximum nutrient layer).

Obviously, Science needs new hypotheses, but needs also to consider what has been already scientifically demonstrated and not yet refuted!

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