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Interactive comment on "Recent mass balance of Purogangri ice cap, central Tibetan Plateau, by means of differential X-band SAR interferometry" by N. Neckel et al.

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The manuscript "Recent mass balance of Purogangri ice cap, central Tibetan Plateau, by means of differential X-band SAR interferometry" by Neckel et al. provides a mass balance estimate for the named ice cap using a combination of very interesting approaches (DInSAR and DEM differencing) based on the new TanDEM-X data. I generally support publication in "The Cryosphere", but the article needs a significant overhaul. Especially the methodological section left me with many unanswered questions.

Please see me detailed sticky notes directy in the attached manuscript.

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