

***Interactive comment on “How much should we believe correlations between Arctic cyclones and sea ice extent?” by Jamie G. L. Rae et al.***

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Dear Authors,

Clearly, the feedback of the two reviewers are quite contrasted. There is however a common feeling that the data seriously lack originality, which is a major criteria for acceptance in The Cryosphere.

I would therefore suggest that you provide me with:

- a) clear and strong rebuttal letter showing that there is "originality" in the data and that they provide the scientific community with a clear step forward
- b) a new version of the manuscript taking the reviewers comments into account, with

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both marked changes in a "track change" version of it, and a "clean" version

As clearly stated in "The Cryosphere Discussion" rules, this does not however at all guarantee that it will grant access to final publication in "The Cryosphere".

For your information, I will be in the field from November 14th to January, 3.

Best regards,

Jean-Louis Tison

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