

Interactive comment on “Palaeo plant diversity in subtropical Africa – ecological assessment of a conceptual model of climate–vegetation interaction” by V. P. Groner et al.

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Dear authors

As we have seen, we have received comments from two reviewers. Their conclusions are that the paper is interesting but need major revision before it can be considered for Climate of the Past. You have now to reply to the comments and submit a revised paper taking into account most of these valuable comments. Please explain in a cover letter what you have changed in the ms (a track change version should be highly appreciated).

I draw your attention to a few points (among others) (1) the interest of your approach
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according to DVM approach and other approaches taking into account more processes; (2) a clearer use of the niche concept; (3) a better care about terminology of vegetation types; (4) extension of discussion towards previous work by Claussen and implications for further studies (DVM, GCM). Abstract should also presents the main results of the paper.

Best regards

Joel Guiot

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