

Interactive comment on “Glacial-interglacial vegetation dynamics in south eastern Africa depend on sea surface temperature variations in the west Indian Ocean” by L. M. Dupont et al.

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The discussion is still open on this paper and so these comments are preliminary guidelines following receipt of two reviewer postings.

Both reviewers are positive about the paper and the data presented in it. However, both have important issues with the discussion section.

Reviewer #1 would like to see 'more discussion of vegetation dynamics, and the range of climatic scenarios that evidently have developed in the region'. While reviewer #2 finds 'problems with interpretations', which they list in their review. There is therefore some agreement between the reviewers that the discussion needs to be improved.

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Because these reviews concern changes to the discussion and therefore conclusions of the paper these are 'major changes'. All major and minor comments must be dealt with in full to justify publication in *Climates of the Past*.

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