

## ***Interactive comment on “Atmospheric methane control mechanisms during the early Holocene” by Ji-Woong Yang et al.***

**EW Wolff (Editor)**

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Your paper has received two reviews. They both consider your paper could have scientific significance but they both have significant concerns particularly about the calculation of the inter-polar difference (IPD), as well as other issues that could be addressed. They make some serious technical challenges that question whether you can derive a reliable IPD from your Siple Dome data. One reviewer goes as far as to recommend rejection, while the other asks for major revision. You are now invited to post author responses to all the review comments and I urge you to do that. However I suggest you do NOT prepare a new version of the paper until after that. Once the author comments are all there I will be asked as editor to make a formal editorial decision and recommendation. While I certainly hope that parts of the paper can be improved and published, I do not want to encourage you to revise the paper itself until I have seen

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your responses. This will allow me to decide how to recommend that you proceed.

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