

Dear Climate of the Past team,

thank you for accepting our manuscript and thank you for all your work along the process. We have provided all the necessary files via the uploader. We are happy to see the manuscript published in the Climate of the Past soon.

Following up on your email from April 1st, 2022, we have also created a short video abstract for the paper: <https://youtu.be/IJmdWrzhc9U>. We also have a few recommendations and suggestions for the video abstract, please find them below this email.

All the best,

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For the video abstract, we have a few comments and suggestions:

- as this seems to be a rather new feature, which we really appreciate, we would have also liked to have some specifications. Should the video be a short summary, around 2 min, with someone speaking and naming the final results, or more like a trailer where the paper is briefly introduced but results are not really named, or just like a teaser, where the attention should be drawn to the paper but no details mentioned. The latter is what we aimed for, as we assume that the scientific audience will read the abstract anyways, the video should thus only have some nice and catchy images.
- it would be great if you could provide some examples (links to videos), as these were very hard to find
- who is the target audience?
- should the video be made in such a manner that it can be shown, e.g. on screens during a conference, i.e. conveys all the information without sound, or is it intended for “home use”?
- must the video be uploaded to the TIB Hanover, or is this just a suggestion? We did not upload it there, as the video resolution is limited to 720x576px, which lies well below the normal screen resolution. Also, it stated that the DOI would take three days to be created. We have therefore uploaded it to YouTube.
- you could also state that a video abstract is possible/recommended at an earlier stage of the process. I read your email on Monday and the deadline for resubmitting the manuscript and making a video abstract was Saturday, which is rather short notice.
- finally, we think the video abstract is a great idea! Just two to three lines of explanation of what is expected would be great. Otherwise, we think it is a great way to extend the impact of scientific papers. Please promote the video abstract further and feel free to forward this letter to the people responsible for video abstracts.