

Interactive comment on “Quality control procedures and methods of the CARINA database” by T. Tanhua et al.

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We thank the reviewer for the encouraging words regarding the CARINA project. We recognize that the process of adjusting data to a common reference is a subjective process. It is likely that if someone else should do this exercise in 10 years time (i.e. with more information from more cruises), the results will probably be slightly different. This is also the case for many of the adjustments we have suggested to the GLODAP cruises that were included in the CARINA process, likely since we have substantially more information for several areas of the Atlantic Ocean. We therefore value an open attitude to what we have done to the data, and how we did it.

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