

## ***Interactive comment on “Zoogeography of the bottom Foraminifera of the West-African coast” by V. Mikhalevich***

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Concerning the mentioned article of Mikhalevich, I certainly agree with Robert Spejler that it is an extended abstract. When I received the article, I wrote as Editor the comments below. The author did not take into account the main comment to extend and explain in more details why the work has been done. The reason was that a large monography was going to be printed and there was not reason to convince her to modify the text. Then I decide to leave to the scientific community to judge and convince her that the article was not suited for publication.

My original Comments:

This article needs to be reworked. As first the method of perforate cards was mentioned

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in the abstract but not described in the paragraph "methods".

The text mainly consist of a list of fossils, this list should be place in table. In this way there would be more space for the text and the explanation why this work has been done, how, and what are the conclusions and the possible applications.

It is not clear the message of this research, a "conclusion" chapter should be added explaining what is the meaning of the results. Listing that there different assemblages in different belts is already known. There are several articles dealing with the topic. I would suggest the author to look at the bibliography of Jorissen and his group and their work done in the Biscay Gulf in the Atlantic. I am ready to send the author (upon request) some of these articles if needed.

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