

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

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I do not really understand what the author means saying that zoogeography and ecology are different topics.

Zoogeography deals with the distribution in space of certain organisms. Ecology deals with why they are distributed in that way.

Nowaday it is impossible to separate the two otherwise a zoogeographic study will result in a simple list (and long list) of names without any significance.

I completely disagree when she says that the suggested article of Jorissen are not relevant with her contribution.

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I would rather say they are essential to give some value also to her monograph. They would help to explain why some forms are present, and support her conclusions that by the way are not new.

In conclusion: Zoogeography CANNOT BE CONSIDERED as separate by ecology.

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