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Interactive comment on "Assessment of a physical-biogeochemical coupled model system for operational service in the Baltic Sea" by Z. Wan et al.

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- 1. The simulation period was set 2007-2008 due to the inter-comparison experiments by all participants in the MyOcean project in the Baltic Sea. There is no comprehensive real-time observations to validate model.
- 2. Satellite Chlorophyll images were not used, because they are not better than the model results. We may consider to add on. See the Supplement for a model-satellite-observation comparison in the Baltic Sea.
- 3. The modeled bottom oxygen was quite off partailly due to the incorrect DIN initial fields. See Figure 13 C versus I. We would consider to rerun the model. It might be C109

improved with the updated ERGOM model including the particulate iron-phosphate-complexes (Neumann and Schernewski, 2008).

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