

***Interactive comment on “Assymmetric eddy populations in adjacent basins – a high resolution numerical study of the Tyrrhenian and Ligurian Seas” by R. M. A. Caldeira et al.***

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Dear Dr. Caldeira and Co-Authors,

thank you for your initial response to the Referees. It appears that you accept most of their points. I want to reiterate that both find merit in the topic you've taken on, and to also emphasize that it will be a lot of work to meet the target at which you're aiming. In the end, there will need to be some clear and relevant understanding that emerges from a successful paper, beyond provocative discussion.

It will be a matter of personal judgement, whether to invest more work in this paper, or whether to start anew based on the feedback you've received and eventually produce  
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a different but related paper (you've already proposed a new title), or whether you have other things that demand more of your attention.

Yours Sincerely, –Matthew Hecht

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