

***Interactive comment on* “Trends in OMI NO<sub>2</sub> observations over the US: effects of emission control technology and the economic recession”  
by A. R. Russell et al.**

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"This hypothesis could be tested by e.g. comparing monthly mean total slant columns in 2005-2006 for the complete swath vs. the reduced swath used for the current analysis."

Sorry, I meant vertical columns of course, derived from the slant columns with a stratospheric AMF.

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