

***Interactive comment on “A new insight on tropospheric methane in the Tropics – first year from IASI hyperspectral infrared observations” by C. Crevoisier et al.***

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- 1) The reference Xiong et al. (2009) has been added.
- 2) The question of the southern tropical seasonality is addressed in Section 4.2, third paragraph. The cycle plotted in Fig. 4 can be compared to the one observed at the surface, at SMO (Fig. 5), with a particularly good similarity for the year 2006. We don't see any direct link between this flat cycle and the “unknown large emission source” found by SCIAMACHY.

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