

Interactive comment on “Origin and transport of Mediterranean moisture and air” by I. Schicker et al.

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I would like to thank the Anonymous Referee 1 for the detailed comments on our paper. It will take more time to answer all them. Here I would like to invite any colleagues—if feeling so inclined—to present additional comments.

Specifically, we would appreciate more comments on the “Major issue no. 6”, dealing with our Fig. 15, a schematic view of the main inflow and outflow patterns for the Mediterranean region. It is quite common to present simplified patterns of circulations and air flows, even if they are valid only on a climatological mean base and not necessarily on single days. In our opinion, it helps to easily and quickly get an important conclusion which otherwise might even be overlooked by a superficial reader. Though a research paper is of course not a text book, for instance text books live on such

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simple schemes.

As it seems to be in a way a matter of principle, are there opinions on the appropriateness of such condensed graphic representations? Thank you for taking a bit of time to contribute!

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