

## ***Interactive comment on “On the role of the south Pacific subtropical high at the onset of El Niño events” by Youjia Zou and Xiangying Xi***

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This manuscript offers a brand new insight in the field, different from previous descriptions. The evolution of the ECC position, however, still remain unclear. The coincidence of an absence of the ECC in previous latitudes (5N–13N) and an emergence of a new eastward current along the equator can not fully corroborate that the eastward current is the southward shifted ECC. More details are needed.

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