
Anonymous Referee #1

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General comments The manuscript describes very clearly the methods used to measure chemical variables in the Rockall Trough. The analytics are very well checked against external standards. The manuscript is very well written and it is easy to follow. It resembles a project or cruise report and it mainly follows the analytic techniques described in several manuals published along the last decade. In terms of science the contribution of the manuscript is quite small and the number of CO2 data is not very large. I do not certainly know if the manuscript is in the scope of ESSD. It could be improved if a crossover analysis against other cruises in the area is developed.

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