

Interactive comment on “Sediment history mirrors Pleistocene aridification in the Gobi Desert (Ejina Basin, NW China)” by Georg Schwamborn et al.

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Dear editors and authors,

This manuscript presents the results a very interesting project performed in the current desert region of China. A multi-proxy approach has been applied to reconstruct environments of the past 2.5 Myr. Besides the currently presented proxy records, I am aware that also pollen analysis was initially planned and supposedly also performed. However, no pollen results are shown in the submitted version of the paper.

I am wondering why the authors did not include the pollen analysis results, if they are available? These results could be extremely valuable and interesting and may provide a link for correlation with other long-term records, such as those from Lake Baikal or

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Best regards

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