

## ***Interactive comment on “Local $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^2\text{H}$ variability in UK rainfall” by M. D. Jones et al.***

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The manuscript received comments by two reviewers. Both reviewers, and myself, agree that the paper presents some interesting data but the amount of data is very limited, and I think it is too limited for substantiating the conclusions drawn by the authors. The variability of isotope data in precipitation is usually very high, thus much longer records would be needed to support the discussion and conclusions made by the authors.

The paper is short (&#8216;technical note&#8217;) and I will make a decision about acceptance/rejection for HESS after I received a detailed response by the authors that address all issues raised by the reviewers. In any case, it will need as significant revision of the manuscript before acceptance. I might consult the reviewers again to

re-review a revised manuscript and I will review it myself in further detail.

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