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Interactive comment on "OzoNet: Atmospheric Ozone Interpolation with Deep Convolutional Neural Networks" *by* Mohamed Akram Zaytar and Chaker El Amrani

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Dear authors,

All efforts to get additional reviewers for your manuscript failed and I am deeply sorry for the extremely long waiting time, filled with endless trials to get the formal review process first started and then to a conclusive end. I had several e-mail discussions with colleagues working in this field, among them also the former chief editor of our journal. The responses were similar to what the only volunteering reviewer #1wrote: Though the topic is interesting and fits into the subject area of our journal, the manuscript should not be published in its current form as a reviewed paper. By the official end

of the discussion phase on July 30 there were no additional comments from the community which could have given an opinion deviating from the reviewer #1's evaluation. Therefore I am inclined to follow the suggestions and reject the manuscript in its current form. The main problem is the missing discussion of other used methods to put your approach into context and give the reader an idea of its possible usefulness for similar own applications. Also the level of detail used in your application is not such that it would allow the development of a similar approach elsewhere. These two aspects were the main reasons why this specific journal was originally started.

As I wrote in my original short evaluation both topic and approach are very interesting and could benefit a wide reader community. If you see a possibility to implement the most important suggestions of the reviewer's comments and make the manuscript more applicable to possible readers I would be happy to have a look at a new submission as possible handling associate editor.

Best regards, Walter Schmidt, associate editor