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## **Comment on os-2021-67**

Anonymous Referee #2

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Referee comment on "Nutrient ratios driven by vertical stratification regulate phytoplankton community structure in the oligotrophic western Pacific Ocean" by Zhuo Chen et al., Ocean Sci. Discuss., <https://doi.org/10.5194/os-2021-67-RC2>, 2021

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The manuscript was clearly written by a colleague with insufficient command of English. As well as making many parts of the manuscript impossible to understand precisely, it seems that the poor command of English has led the author to make statements that are unnecessary and/or incorrect.

On the other hand, the aim of the investigation seems original and important.

I know that amongst the co-authors, there is talent to do much better than this! I suggest they collectively re-write the manuscript with care, and have the English professionally polished before resubmitting.