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Interactive comment on "Jena Reference Air Set (JRAS): a multi-point scale anchor for isotope measurements of CO₂ in air" by M. Wendeberg et al.

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This is an excellent description of the state of affairs in establishing an internationally accepted scale for stable isotopes of CO2 in atmospheric CO2. The authors lay out very well the background and approach taken to provide a standard. My only suggestion is that on page 6630, lines 12 and 13, they should make clear to the non-expert that the storage of carbonates can be done for long periods of time without isotopic change, whereas the storage of gases for isotopes is far more problematic, necessitating the approach taken with JRAS.

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