

Interactive comment on “Mapping ice formation to mineral-surface topography using a micro mixing chamber with video and atomic-force microscopy” by Raymond W. Friddle and Konrad Thürmer

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As the handling editor, I post this comment to explain what happened to this manuscript during the access review. The original manuscript was assessed by three referees during the access review stage. One referee stated that the work had one fundamental flaw, and therefore I initially decided to reject this manuscript. The authors contacted me via email, stating that lack of clarity in the original manuscript led to misunderstanding by the referee, and they also sent me the revised manuscript. What the authors stated appears to be sensible. At that point I could insist on my initial decision and asked the authors to resubmit their work as a “new” manuscript. Nevertheless, I de-

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cided to accept the revised manuscript for open discussion due to reasons given below: 1) it may not be necessary for the authors and referees to start from the very beginning again; 2) the work itself seems to be novel, though major revision may be needed; 3) after the manuscript is online for open discussion, it will be rigorously reviewed. I would like to thank the three referees involved in the access review, and hope that they will provide full reviews after the manuscript is online for open discussion. In addition, colleagues interested in this work can also post their comments.

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