

J. Danzer, M. Pieler, and G. Kirchengast: "Closing the gap in the tropics: the added value of radio-occultation data for wind field monitoring across the equator", submitted to Atmospheric Measurement Techniques. Revised manuscript after first round of comments from reviewers.

The revised manuscript is substantially improved compared to the original version. The authors have carefully addressed the issues raised by both reviewers. I'm particularly pleased to see that they removed the comparison between ERA5- and RO-derived wind fields below 800 hPa.

Minor: Section 4.3, line 326, states that Fig. 8 shows data down to 1000 hPa. This should be 800 hPa.

I recommend publishing the manuscript after correction of this minor typographical error.