Interactive comment on “Mid-Pliocene shifts in ocean overturning circulation and the onset of Quaternary-style climates” by M. Sarnthein et al.

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The paper received two referee comments and one short comment. All three authors of these comments raise a number of points where they either do not agree or which they regard as not clearly enough shown and expressed.

In their reply the authors carefully address all concerns raised in the three comments and thoroughly answer them to my fulfilment. If these comments get fully incorporated into the manuscript, the paper should be accepted for Climate of the Past (CP).

Depending on the outcome of the Bartoli et al. paper in EPSL (in review) the work should be fully cited, or referred to as personal communication. Another option could be to incorporate Bartoli to the list of authors.
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