

## Review of: "Reef Fish in the Vitória-Trindade Seamount Chain of the Southwestern Atlantic: Biogeographical Corridors and Impact of Fishing"

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This is an interesting topic, and the authors have done their best in terms of the subject matter. However, I would like the authors to consider the following suggestions:

- 1. The manuscript should be improved to make it reader-friendly. I will suggest that a good English speaker goes through it for improvement.
- 2. In this research, I see the authors used data collection from 1996 and 1998. If results are based on this, which is about 26 years ago, the flora, fauna, and diversity in the current location might be different. I will suggest the authors look into research in the same area to reflect the current situation and to know the interannual variation over the years.
- 3. With regards to the impacts of fishing, I expect the authors to consider the effects of fishing effort in this case since CPUE has already been determined.
- 4. I will suggest the authors write conclusions and future recommendations since this is a review paper.

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