

Interactive comment on “Natural Disasters in Southeastern Brazil Associated with the South Atlantic Convergence Zone” by Jonas Teixeira Nery and Leônidas Malvestio

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The manuscript reports on heavy rainfall in southeastern Brazil which can be linked to the South Atlantic Convergence Zone. It is done by comparing respective events in local station records and fields of outgoing long-wave radiation, and relating them to a database of recorded disasters (economic losses, deaths).

The study is purely descriptive, with its main messages summarized in 3x2 Tables of death and homeless counts in the area for three different episodes. There is no research question, nor is there any novel methodological approach that might improve our understanding, be it in terms of disaster generation or in terms of disaster preparedness.

Therefore I cannot recommend the study for publication in NHESS.

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