## 29 Aug 2024

Dear Wolfgang,

Thank you for your patience and persistence with this one. I'm guessing you are as happy to have this over as we are. It didn't go as I'd hoped, but maybe someday I will find the energy to try again.

We have updated all our figures to (hopefully) make them more readable. We also added a new first figure that illustrates model topography at three times and the network change between these times. The only changes to the text were the figure captions, text to incorporate the new figure, and a very few small changes to sentences to make them more readable. (I couldn't help myself!)

Thank you for your volunteer work as an AE. It is so valuable to our community.

Sincerely, Nicole Gasparini Tulane University