



*Globigerina bulloides* average shell mass record of sediment core GeoB 8502-2 from the northeastern tropical Atlantic Ocean showing stability in planktonic foraminifera calcification during the last two climate cycles. Grey line denotes the record's mean shell mass and its gradient the 1σ confidence interval. The 1σ confidence interval of the shell mass plot is shown as polygon. Numbers refer to Marine Isotopic Stages or substages and grey shaded areas interglacial periods.