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The Geological Society Publishing House



New Chief Editor for Journal of the Geological Society

Journal of the Geological Society (JGS) is delighted to welcome its new Chief Editor, Professor Graham Shields of University College London. A JGS Editorial Board member for the past three years, Graham has over twenty years of research publication experience as an editor, author and reviewer. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing Chief Editor, Professor Andy Carter. His guidance and dedication to the Journal and the Society as a whole has been invaluable over the last three years.

Graham's editorial in the September issue of JGS is free to [read here](#).

Meet Professor Graham Shields at GSA



Graham will be attending the GSA annual meeting and will take part in a 'meet the editor' session at the Geological Society of London booth (#427). Please do stop by and say hello. We will have free copies of the printed journal, competitions and a few sweet treats at the booth.

Monday 23 September, Lunchtime, booth 427 GSA meeting, Phoenix.

GeoScienceWorld (GSW) Acquires Lithosphere to Launch as First Open Access Community Journal for the Geosciences

GeoScienceWorld (GSW), a nonprofit collaborative and comprehensive resource for research and communications in the Earth Sciences, announced yesterday the acquisition of the journal *Lithosphere*, formerly published by the Geological Society of America (GSA), a GSW partner society.

Lithosphere will provide a unique publishing choice for authors in the geoscience community, achieved through an alliance between GSW and leading nonprofit societies, including the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), Geological Society of America (GSA), Geological Society of London (GSL), Mineralogical Society of America (MSA), SEPM Society for Sedimentary Geology, Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG), and Society of Economic Geologists (SEG).

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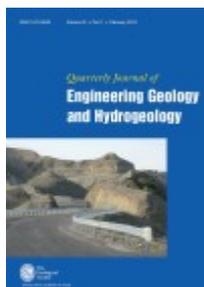


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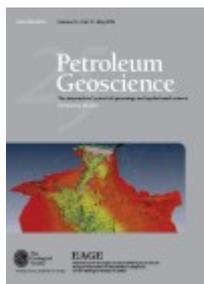


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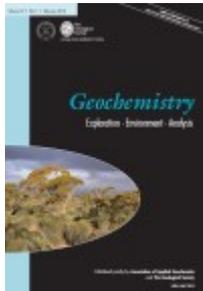


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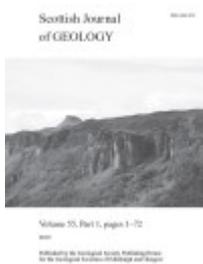


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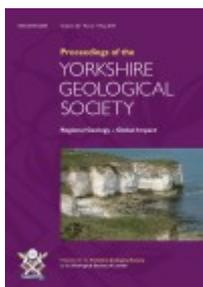


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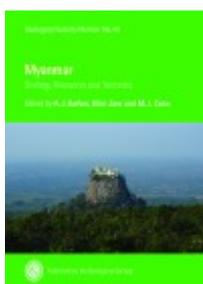


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29-31 October 2019 [Salt Tectonics: Understanding Rocks that Flow](#), Burlington House, London, UK

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