NOTEs for the guidance of authors

Papers on major topics of international interest in any of the Earth sciences are welcomed. Papers longer than 12 pages require special editorial approval. There are c. 1000 words on a printed page.

Specials of up to 4 printed pages on topical issues will be given priority for publication and be speeded through the reviewing and editing stages (see editorial, vol. 144, p. 367).

Review papers. The Journal is also interested in publishing occasional review style papers, presenting a summary of the state-of-play in topical aspects of the Earth sciences. These may be longer than standard papers, subject to the agreement of the Chief Editor, but otherwise follow the same format. Authors considering submitting reviews should discuss the subject matter and proposed content of the paper with the Chief Editor prior to submission.

All papers are accepted on the understanding that they have not been submitted or published elsewhere and become copyright of the Geological Society. Papers are also accepted on the understanding that all authors consent to the submission. Please ensure that all authors of each paper are notified of the submitted version.

Instructions for authors: full instructions on preparing your paper can be found at www.geolsoc.org.uk/jgs.

Submissions: all submissions to the Journal should be made online via: http://jgs.allenpress.net. Full instructions can be found within the site. There are additional help buttons throughout. You will need to register before you can submit. This is very easy. If you have previously submitted a paper you will already be in the system.

Before submitting a manuscript, it is recommended that you follow the guidelines to:

- all authors’ first, middle names/initials and last names
- all authors’ full postal and e-mail addresses
- title and running title (you may copy and paste these from your manuscript)
- abstract (you may copy and paste this from your manuscript – 200 word limit/100 for Specials)
- manuscript files in Word, WordPerfect, RTF or Text format
- figures/Images in TIF, EPS or JPG formats
- tables in XLS, CSV or DOC formats
- abstracts of any related papers that you have in press
- supplementary data files
- covering letter (which the referees will see).

(If it is a good idea to put all your files in one folder.)

The submission package will guide you through the processes for submitting your files and confirmation/ approval.

- You can check the status of your manuscript at any time.
- Recommended utilities
  - PC users: Internet Explorer 5.0 and above
  - Mac users: Netscape 4.7 and above
  - Adobe Reader 4.0 and above

- You need to have Cookies enabled.

Colour: It is possible to include colour versions of black and white printed figures in the online version at no cost if the same files can be used. There is a charge for including colour in the print version. Estimates of likely costs can be obtained from the Staff Editor. There is a limited budget to assist authors who do not have funds for essential colour printing. Please ensure that colour files to be printed are saved as CMYK, not RGB.

Foldouts: These will be accepted only after consultation with the Editor, and you will be expected to cover the additional costs.

Offprints may be ordered on the form provided at proof stage. You will also be sent instructions on how to obtain a PDF file.

Discussion of papers: 1000-word discussions on papers that have already appeared in the Journal or appropriate Society books are acceptable. These should be submitted online.

Supplementary Publications: Limited space in the Journal means that detailed material, such as locality lists and detailed stratigraphic sections that are not presented as as supplementary papers. These files are hosted on the Society’s website. Acceptable formats for the online repository are .rtf, .csv and .pdf. Maximum size is 5 MB per paper (can be zipped if necessary)

Editorial Enquiries: More information can be found at www.geolsoc.org.uk/jgs or contact the production editor.


Subscriptions: All correspondence relating to trade subscriptions should be addressed to the Journal Subscriptions Department, Geological Society Publishing House, Unit 7, Brassmill Enterprise Centre, Brassmill Lane, Bath, BA1 3JN (tel 01225 45406; fax 01225 442836; email: sales@geolsoc.org.uk). The online + print subscription prices for 2010 to institutions and non-Fellows is: £494.97 (UK), £1507.84 (EU), £2086.1817 (RoW). Prices include tax. More information about subscription options can be found at http://www.geolsoc.org.uk/LVettCollection.

Outside Europe, the Journal is dispatched by various forms of airspeeded delivery; Periodicals Postage paid at Rahway, NJ.

POSTMASTER: send address corrections to: The Journal of the Geological Society, c/o Mercury International, 365 Blair Road, Avenel, NJ 07001. Back numbers are normally dispatched by surface mail.

Editorial correspondence and material submitted for publication: see inside back cover.

The Geological Society of London was founded in 1807. It is the oldest national geological society in the world and the largest in Europe. It was incorporated under Royal Charter in 1825 and is Registered Charity 210161. To find out about the Society and how you can join, please visit our website at www.geolsoc.org.uk or e-mail enquiries@geolsoc.org.uk.

The submission package will guide you through the processes for submitting your files and confirmation/ approval.

- You can check the status of your manuscript at any time.
- Recommended utilities
  - PC users: Internet Explorer 5.0 and above
  - Mac users: Netscape 4.7 and above
  - Adobe Reader 4.0 and above

- You need to have Cookies enabled.

Colour: It is possible to include colour versions of black and white printed figures in the online version at no cost if the same files can be used. There is a charge for including colour in the print version. Estimates of likely costs can be obtained from the Staff Editor. There is a limited budget to assist authors who do not have funds for essential colour printing. Please ensure that colour files to be printed are saved as CMYK, not RGB.

Foldouts: These will be accepted only after consultation with the Editor, and you will be expected to cover the additional costs.

Offprints may be ordered on the form provided at proof stage. You will also be sent instructions on how to obtain a PDF file.

Discussion of papers: 1000-word discussions on papers that have already appeared in the Journal or appropriate Society books are acceptable. These should be submitted online.

Supplementary Publications: Limited space in the Journal means that detailed material, such as locality lists and detailed stratigraphic sections that are not presented as supplementary papers. These files are hosted on the Society’s website. Acceptable formats for the online repository are .rtf, .csv and .pdf. Maximum size is 5 MB per paper (can be zipped if necessary)

Editorial Enquiries: More information can be found at www.geolsoc.org.uk/jgs or contact the production editor.


Subscriptions: All correspondence relating to trade subscriptions should be addressed to the Journal Subscriptions Department, Geological Society Publishing House, Unit 7, Brassmill Enterprise Centre, Brassmill Lane, Bath, BA1 3JN (tel 01225 45406; fax 01225 442836; email: sales@geolsoc.org.uk). The online + print subscription prices for 2010 to institutions and non-Fellows is: £494.97 (UK), £1507.84 (EU), £2086.1817 (RoW). Prices include tax. More information about subscription options can be found at http://www.geolsoc.org.uk/LVettCollection.

Outside Europe, the Journal is dispatched by various forms of airspeeded delivery; Periodicals Postage paid at Rahway, NJ.

POSTMASTER: send address corrections to: The Journal of the Geological Society, c/o Mercury International, 365 Blair Road, Avenel, NJ 07001. Back numbers are normally dispatched by surface mail.

Editorial correspondence and material submitted for publication: see inside back cover.

The Geological Society of London was founded in 1807. It is the oldest national geological society in the world and the largest in Europe. It was incorporated under Royal Charter 210161. To find out about the Society and how you can join, please visit our website at www.geolsoc.org.uk or e-mail enquiries@geolsoc.org.uk.

The submission package will guide you through the processes for submitting your files and confirmation/ approval.

- You can check the status of your manuscript at any time.
- Recommended utilities
  - PC users: Internet Explorer 5.0 and above
  - Mac users: Netscape 4.7 and above
  - Adobe Reader 4.0 and above

- You need to have Cookies enabled.

Colour: It is possible to include colour versions of black and white printed figures in the online version at no cost if the same files can be used. There is a charge for including colour in the print version. Estimates of likely costs can be obtained from the Staff Editor. There is a limited budget to assist authors who do not have funds for essential colour printing. Please ensure that colour files to be printed are saved as CMYK, not RGB.

Foldouts: These will be accepted only after consultation with the Editor, and you will be expected to cover the additional costs.

Offprints may be ordered on the form provided at proof stage. You will also be sent instructions on how to obtain a PDF file.

Discussion of papers: 1000-word discussions on papers that have already appeared in the Journal or appropriate Society books are acceptable. These should be submitted online.

Supplementary Publications: Limited space in the Journal means that detailed material, such as locality lists and detailed stratigraphic sections that are not presented as supplementary papers. These files are hosted on the Society’s website. Acceptable formats for the online repository are .rtf, .csv and .pdf. Maximum size is 5 MB per paper (can be zipped if necessary)

Editorial Enquiries: More information can be found at www.geolsoc.org.uk/jgs or contact the production editor.


Subscriptions: All correspondence relating to trade subscriptions should be addressed to the Journal Subscriptions Department, Geological Society Publishing House, Unit 7, Brassmill Enterprise Centre, Brassmill Lane, Bath, BA1 3JN (tel 01225 45406; fax 01225 442836; email: sales@geolsoc.org.uk). The online + print subscription prices for 2010 to institutions and non-Fellows is: £494.97 (UK), £1507.84 (EU), £2086.1817 (RoW). Prices include tax. More information about subscription options can be found at http://www.geolsoc.org.uk/LVettCollection.

Outside Europe, the Journal is dispatched by various forms of airspeeded delivery; Periodicals Postage paid at Rahway, NJ.

POSTMASTER: send address corrections to: The Journal of the Geological Society, c/o Mercury International, 365 Blair Road, Avenel, NJ 07001. Back numbers are normally dispatched by surface mail.

Editorial correspondence and material submitted for publication: see inside back cover.

The Geological Society of London was founded in 1807. It is the oldest national geological society in the world and the largest in Europe. It was incorporated under Royal Charter 210161. To find out about the Society and how you can join, please visit our website at www.geolsoc.org.uk or e-mail enquiries@geolsoc.org.uk.

The submission package will guide you through the processes for submitting your files and confirmation/ approval.

- You can check the status of your manuscript at any time.
- Recommended utilities
  - PC users: Internet Explorer 5.0 and above
  - Mac users: Netscape 4.7 and above
  - Adobe Reader 4.0 and above

- You need to have Cookies enabled.