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Key Point:

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Thank You to Our 2021 Peer Reviewers

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Plain Language Summary On behalf of the authors and readers of Reviews of Geophysics (RoG), the American Geophysical Union, and the broader scientific community, the editors wish to wholeheartedly thank those who reviewed manuscripts for RoG in 2021.

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This is particularly the case in the years of the COVID-19 pandemic where health and medical issues have significantly disrupted the usual rhythm of our days and the whole world has needed to come to grips with a new way of working.

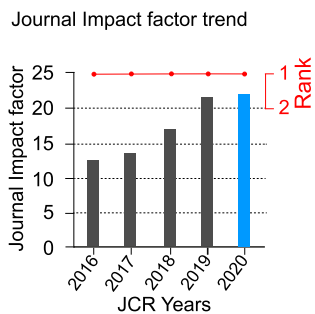
In the recent past, we instituted a formalized proposal format to allow the editorial board to make a more informed decision and to decrease the number of questions sent back to the authors.

All proposals submitted first go through an editorial consultation. We are committed to respecting reviewers' time and only send papers for review that the consulting editors agree meet the criteria of RoG.

RoG published 19 comprehensive review papers and an editorial in 2021, covering most of the American Geophysical Union section topics, and for this, we were able to rely on the efforts of 68 dedicated reviewers from 16 countries, who freely donated their expertise to the journal. Many reviewers answered the call multiple times, as RoG received 94 reviews in 2021. Thank you all again for your awesome efforts, your insights, and your service on behalf of the Earth and space science community.

As we publish a relatively small number of papers, we do not want to identify the reviewers by name. Nonetheless, you know who you are. Please accept our sincere thanks for being such an important part of the scientific process, for generously sharing your expertise, and working to improve our journal.

The editorial board welcomes your ideas for high-impact review papers at any time. Prospective author teams should prepare and submit a proposal to RoG guided by instructions found at <https://agupubs.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/hub/journal/19449208/journal-menu/submit-an-article>.



We look forward to a 2022 of exciting advances in the field and communicating those advances to our community and the broader public. If you have comments regarding the RoG or its peer review process, we invite you to contact the journal at reviewsgeophysics@agu.org.

Figure 1. Journal Impact Factor and rank in Geochemistry and Geophysics category during the past 5 years (data from Journal Citation Reports).