

PRIZE PROMOTION TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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Please read these terms and conditions carefully. By entering into this Nature Geoscience Anniversary Prize Competition (“**Promotion**”), you agree that you have read these terms and that you agree to them. Failure to comply with these terms and conditions may result in your disqualification from the Promotion.

1. This Promotion is run by Nature Research, a division of Macmillan Publishers Limited a company registered in England with registered number 00785998 and registered office at The Campus, 4 Crinan Street, London N1 9XW (“**Promoter**”).
2. To enter this Promotion you must: (a) be resident in a country where it is lawful for you to enter; (b) be aged 18 years old or over (or the applicable age of majority in your country if higher) at the time of entry; and (c) be a post graduate student or no more than five years post PhD. This Promotion is void in Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Sudan, and Syria and where prohibited or restricted by law.
3. This Promotion is not open to directors or employees (or members of their immediate families) of Promoter or any subsidiary of Promoter. Promoter reserves the right to verify the eligibility of entrants.
4. The Promotion is open for entries between **00:01 GMT on 4 December 2017** and **23:59 GMT on 05 January 2018**.
5. No purchase is necessary to enter this prize Promotion and will not increase your chances of winning.
6. You can enter this Promotion in the following way: **Submit a pitch of no more than 150 words in English telling us about a paper from any geoscience related journal published in the last 10 years that has most influenced your own work (you must include a *Nature Geoscience*-style reference to the paper). You should highlight the key message from your chosen paper and explain how it has influenced your own thinking and work. You should also include a suggestion for a potential image (this could be your own photograph or a rough illustration that you will later develop, or a link to an image from a stock photo library – any third party images submitted will not be accepted). Your full name, affiliation, and student status or date of PhD must be listed in your entry. Your full name, affiliation, and student status or date of PhD must be listed in your entry. Entries must be emailed to the following address: geoscience@nature.com, as a single attachment, with “NGeo Anniversary Promotion” in the subject line of the email submission.**
7. Although there are multiple routes of entry via Facebook, Twitter, etc., only one entry per eligible person. Multiple entries from one eligible person will be deemed to be invalid and may lead to disqualification.
8. Promoter accepts no responsibility for any entries that are incomplete, illegible, corrupted or fail to reach Promoter by the closing date for any reason. Proof of posting or sending is not proof of receipt. Entries via agents or third parties are invalid. No other form of entry is permitted. Please keep a copy of your entry as we will be unable to return entries or provide copies.

9. The prize for the Promotion consists of the following: **You will be invited to write a 500-word picture story about the paper you pitch and your own research. If accepted by us, the piece will be published in Nature Geoscience (subject to our standard terms and conditions). You will also win a one year digital only subscription to the Nature Geoscience journal.**

10. The prizes shall be awarded as follows: **Certain members from the Nature Geoscience editorial team will review all valid entries to the Promotion according to the quality and creativity of the pitch and the composition and originality of the image suggestion. The entries will be shortlisted with a balance across Geoscience subject areas so far as is possible and reasonable to do so. The winners will be invited to write a 500-word picture story that will be edited and published and will win a one year digital only subscription to the Nature Geoscience journal. The winner(s) will be informed via email by 31 January 2018.**

Winning authors will be contacted with a deadline and instructions for writing the final piece. You will receive edits and advice from a Nature Geoscience editor prior to acceptance.

Full names of the judging panel will be available on request. Any decision will be final and binding and no further communication will be entered into in relation to it.

11. Ownership of entries: You confirm that your entry is your own original work, is not defamatory and does not infringe any laws, including privacy laws, whether of the UK or elsewhere, or any rights of any third party, that no other person was involved in the creation of your entry, that you have the right to give Promoter and its respective licensees permission to use it for the purposes specified herein, that you have the consent of anyone who is identifiable in your contribution or the consent of their parent, guardian or carer if they are under 18 (or the applicable age of majority), it is lawful for you to enter and that you agree not to transfer files which contain viruses or any other harmful programs. The ownership of any winning entry to be published in Nature Geoscience will be subject to our standard terms and conditions.

12. The winner(s) of the Promotion shall be notified as follows: **via the email address submitted as part of the entry.**

13. The winner(s) will be required to confirm acceptance of the prize within **10** working days and may be required to complete and return an eligibility form stating their age and residency details, among other details. Promoter will endeavour to ensure that winner(s) receive their prizes within **30** days of the date they confirm acceptance of the prize. If a winner does not accept the prize within **10** days of being notified, they will forfeit their prize and Promoter reserves the right to choose another winner(s). Promoter's decision is final and Promoter reserves the right not to correspond on any matter.

14. The name, region of residence and likeness of the winners may be used by Promoter for reasonable post-event publicity in any form including on Promoters website and social media pages at no cost.

15. You can find out who has won a prize by sending an e-mail to geoscience@nature.com or checking the Nature Geoscience website.

16. Promoter reserves the right to cancel or amend these Terms and Conditions or change the Prize (to one of equal or greater value) as required by the circumstances. No cash equivalent to the Prize is available. The one year digital subscription of Nature Geoscience journal may be transferred

to a family member or friend however the opportunity to be published in the Nature Geoscience Journal is non-transferable.

17. All personal data submitted by entrants is subject to and will be treated in a manner consistent with Promoter's Privacy Policy accessible at <https://www.nature.com/info/privacy.html>. By participating in this Promotion, entrants hereby agree that Promoter may collect and use their personal information and acknowledge that they have read and accepted the Promoter Privacy Policy.

18. Promoter may at its sole discretion disqualify any entrant found to be tampering or interfering with the entry process or operation of the website, or to be acting in any manner deemed to be disruptive of or prejudicial to the operation or administration of the Promotion.

19. Other than for death or personal injury arising from negligence of the Promoter, so far as is permitted by law, the Promoter hereby excludes all liability for any loss, damage, cost and expense, whether direct or indirect, howsoever caused in connection with the Promotion or any aspect of the Prize. All activities are undertaken at the entrants own risk. Your legal rights as a consumer are not affected.

20. These terms and conditions shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English law. Disputes arising in connection with this Agreement shall be subject to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.