

## **AGU Journals highly ranked in latest Journal Citation Reports**

The 2008 Science Edition of Journal Citation Reports by Thomson Reuters places journals published by the American Geophysical Union (AGU) among the best in Earth and space sciences.

The top 10 journals ranked by Impact Factor under the Geosciences, Multidisciplinary category include two AGU publications: *Global Biogeochemical Cycles* (4.090 Impact Factor) and *Paleoceanography* (3.626 Impact Factor). Also in the same category, four AGU journals figure in the newly introduced top 10 Eigenfactor score ranking: *Journal of Geophysical Research* (#1), *Geophysical Research Letters* (#2), *Global Biogeochemical Cycles* (#6), and *Paleoceanography* (#9).

AGU journals performed well in several other categories as well: *Global Biogeochemical Cycles* ranks second in Meteorology and Atmospheric Sciences and fifth in Environmental Sciences; *Paleoceanography* is first in Paleontology and third in Oceanography; *Water Resource Research* places second in Water Resources and in Limnology.

Overall, all AGU journals saw their Impact Factor grow from 2007, some by as much as 27% (*Geochemistry Geophysics Geosystems*). Finally, for the 11th consecutive year, *Reviews of Geophysics* is the most cited journal in Geochemistry and Geophysics, with an impressive Impact Factor of 7.114.

Impact Factors determine how often work published in peer-reviewed journals is cited by other researchers. Eigenfactor scores also use citations data to measure the importance of a journal to the scientific community. Eigenfactor scores exclude self-citation, include 5 years of citations data, and weight cited references. Both scores are viewed as an important measurement of the quality of the material published in a peer-reviewed journal and by extension of the prominence of the journal itself.

To view all AGU impact factors, please visit:

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