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1	Evidence for oxygenic photosynthesis half a billion years before the Great Oxidation Event. <i>Nature Geoscience</i> , 2014, 7, 283-286.	5.4	444
2	Rare Earth Element and yttrium compositions of Archean and Paleoproterozoic Fe formations revisited: New perspectives on the significance and mechanisms of deposition. <i>Geochimica Et Cosmochimica Acta</i> , 2010, 74, 6387-6405.	1.6	373
3	Geodynamo, Solar Wind, and Magnetopause 3.4 to 3.45 Billion Years Ago. <i>Science</i> , 2010, 327, 1238-1240.	6.0	256
4	The geochemistry of sedimentary rocks from the Fig Tree Group, Barberton greenstone belt: Implications for tectonic, hydrothermal and surface processes during mid-Archaean times. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2005, 143, 23-49.	1.2	187
5	Sulfur record of rising and falling marine oxygen and sulfate levels during the Lomagundi event. <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America</i> , 2012, 109, 18300-18305.	3.3	174
6	Titanium isotopic evidence for felsic crust and plate tectonics 3.5 billion years ago. <i>Science</i> , 2017, 357, 1271-1274.	6.0	166
7	Silica alteration zones in the Barberton greenstone belt: A window into subseafloor processes 3.5-3.3 Ga ago. <i>Chemical Geology</i> , 2008, 257, 221-239.	1.4	157
8	Towards a complete magmatic barcode for the Zimbabwe craton: Baddeleyite U-Pb dating of regional dolerite dyke swarms and sill complexes. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2010, 183, 388-398.	1.2	148
9	Iron isotope composition of some Archean and Proterozoic iron formations. <i>Geochimica Et Cosmochimica Acta</i> , 2012, 80, 158-169.	1.6	147
10	Multiple sulphur and iron isotope composition of detrital pyrite in Archaean sedimentary rocks: A new tool for provenance analysis. <i>Earth and Planetary Science Letters</i> , 2009, 286, 436-445.	1.8	113
11	Carbonaceous Cherts in the Barberton Greenstone Belt and Their Significance for the Study of Early Life in the Archean Record. <i>Astrobiology</i> , 2007, 7, 355-388.	1.5	99
12	Coupled Fe and S isotope variations in pyrite nodules from Archean shale. <i>Earth and Planetary Science Letters</i> , 2014, 392, 67-79.	1.8	86
13	Isotopic evidence for oxygenated Mesoarchaeon shallow oceans. <i>Nature Geoscience</i> , 2018, 11, 133-138.	5.4	86
14	Generation of early Archaean grey gneisses through melting of older crust in the eastern Kaapvaal craton, southern Africa. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2014, 255, 823-846.	1.2	84
15	Microbial remains in some earliest Earth rocks: Comparison with a potential modern analogue. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2008, 164, 187-200.	1.2	82
16	Implications of in situ calcification for photosynthesis in a ~3.3Ga-old microbial biofilm from the Barberton greenstone belt, South Africa. <i>Earth and Planetary Science Letters</i> , 2011, 310, 468-479.	1.8	75
17	A trace element and Pb isotopic investigation into the provenance and deposition of stromatolitic carbonates, ironstones and associated shales of the ~3.0 Ga Pongola Supergroup, Kaapvaal Craton. <i>Geochimica Et Cosmochimica Acta</i> , 2015, 158, 57-78.	1.6	70
18	Cyclicity of Triassic to Lower Jurassic continental red beds of the Argana Valley, Morocco: implications for palaeoclimate and basin evolution. <i>Palaeogeography, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeoecology</i> , 2000, 161, 229-266.	1.0	65

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19	The geochemistry of Archaean shales derived from a Mafic volcanic sequence, Belingwe greenstone belt, Zimbabwe: provenance, source area unroofing and submarine versus subaerial weathering. <i>Geochimica Et Cosmochimica Acta</i> , 2003, 67, 421-440.	1.6	64
20	Dykes of the 1.11Ga Umkondo LIP, Southern Africa: Clues to a complex plumbing system. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2014, 249, 129-143.	1.2	60
21	Source composition, fractional crystallization and magma mixing processes in the 3.48â€“3.43Ga Tsawela tonalite suite (Ancient Gneiss Complex, Swaziland) â€“ Implications for Palaeoarchaean geodynamics. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2016, 276, 43-66.	1.2	58
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25	Pb- and Nd-isotope systematics of stromatolitic limestones from the 2.7 Ga Ngezi Group of the Belingwe Greenstone Belt: constraints on timing of deposition and provenance. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2002, 114, 277-294.	1.2	55
26	Aerobic iron and manganese cycling in a redox-stratified Mesoarchean epicontinental sea. <i>Earth and Planetary Science Letters</i> , 2018, 500, 28-40.	1.8	54
27	A Mesoarchean shift in uranium isotope systematics. <i>Geochimica Et Cosmochimica Acta</i> , 2018, 238, 438-452.	1.6	52
28	Diagenetic xenotime age constraints on the Sanjiaotang Formation, Luoyu Group, southern margin of the North China Craton: Implications for regional stratigraphic correlation and early evolution of eukaryotes. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2014, 251, 21-32.	1.2	51
29	A review of Palaeoarchaean felsic volcanism in the eastern Kaapvaal craton: Linking plutonic and volcanic records. <i>Geoscience Frontiers</i> , 2018, 9, 667-688.	4.3	47
30	Early continental crust generated by reworking of basalts variably silicified by seawater. <i>Nature Geoscience</i> , 2019, 12, 769-773.	5.4	45
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32	Limited oxygen production in the Mesoarchean ocean. <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America</i> , 2019, 116, 6647-6652.	3.3	42
33	Evidence for a 3.45â€billionâ€yearâ€old magnetic remanence: Hints of an ancient geodynamo from conglomerates of South Africa. <i>Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems</i> , 2009, 10, .	1.0	40
34	Precise U-Pb baddeleyite age dating of the Usushwana Complex, southern Africa â€“ Implications for the Mesoarchaeon magmatic and sedimentological evolution of the Pongola Supergroup, Kaapvaal Craton. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2015, 267, 174-185.	1.2	39
35	An atmospheric source of S in Mesoarchaeon structurally-controlled gold mineralisation of the Barberton Greenstone Belt. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2016, 285, 10-20.	1.2	38
36	Juvenile crust formation in the Zimbabwe Craton deduced from the O-Hf isotopic record of 3.8â€“3.1 Ga detrital zircons. <i>Geochimica Et Cosmochimica Acta</i> , 2017, 215, 432-446.	1.6	37

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38	Trace element zoning of sulfides and quartz at Sheba and Fairview gold mines: Clues to Mesoproterozoic mineralisation in the Barberton Greenstone Belt, South Africa. <i>Ore Geology Reviews</i> , 2014, 56, 94-114.	1.1	36
39	Unusual manganese enrichment in the Mesoproterozoic Mozaan Group, Pongola Supergroup, South Africa. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2016, 281, 414-433.	1.2	35
40	Analytical requirements for quantitative X-ray fluorescence nano-imaging of metal traces in solid samples. <i>TrAC - Trends in Analytical Chemistry</i> , 2017, 91, 104-111.	5.8	35
41	Cellular remains in a ~3.42-billion-year-old seafloor hydrothermal environment. <i>Science Advances</i> , 2021, 7, .	4.7	34
42	Exceptional preservation of expandable clay minerals in the ca. 2.1Ga black shales of the Francevillian basin, Gabon and its implication for atmospheric oxygen accumulation. <i>Chemical Geology</i> , 2013, 362, 181-192.	1.4	31
43	Thrust-related accretion of an Archaean greenstone belt in the Midlands of Zimbabwe. <i>Journal of Structural Geology</i> , 2002, 24, 1707-1727.	1.0	29
44	Zircon SHRIMP dating confirms a Palaeoproterozoic supracrustal terrain in the southeastern Kaapvaal Craton, southern Africa. <i>Gondwana Research</i> , 2012, 21, 818-828.	3.0	29
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49	Desilication in Archean weathering processes traced by silicon isotopes and Ge/Si ratios. <i>Chemical Geology</i> , 2016, 420, 139-147.	1.4	25
50	Ice margin fluctuation sequences and grounding zone wedges: The record of the Late Proterozoic Ice Age in the eastern Karoo Basin (Dwyka Group, South Africa). <i>Depositional Record</i> , 2019, 5, 247-271.	0.8	24
51	Chromium isotope systematics and the diagenesis of marine carbonates. <i>Earth and Planetary Science Letters</i> , 2021, 562, 116824.	1.8	24
52	3.51 Ga old felsic volcanic rocks and carbonaceous cherts from the Gorumahisani Greenstone Belt – Insights into the Palaeoproterozoic record of the Singhbhum Craton, India. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2021, 357, 106109.	1.2	22
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54	Crystallisation of magmatic topaz and implications for Nb-Ta-W mineralisation in F-rich silicic melts – The Ary-Bulak ongonite massif. <i>Lithos</i> , 2014, 202-203, 317-330.	0.6	21

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63	Fluid inclusion analysis of silicified Palaeoproterozoic oceanic crust â€“ A record of Archean seawater?. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2015, 266, 150-164.	1.2	15
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68	A revised classification scheme of pyrite in the Witwatersrand Basin and application to placer gold deposits. <i>Earth-Science Reviews</i> , 2020, 201, 103064.	4.0	14
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70	The origin of early continental crust: New clues from coupling Ge/Si ratios with silicon isotopes. <i>Earth and Planetary Science Letters</i> , 2022, 582, 117415.	1.8	14
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80	Hydrothermal clay mineral formation in the uraniferous Paleoproterozoic FA Formation, Francevillian basin, Gabon. <i>Precambrian Research</i> , 2014, 246, 134-149.	1.2	8
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87	Mesoarchaeoan acidic volcanic lakes: A critical ecological niche in early land colonisation. <i>Earth and Planetary Science Letters</i> , 2021, 556, 116725.	1.8	6
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