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Prof. Stephen Parman  
Editor, JGR Solid Earth

Dear Steve,

With this letter, my co-authors and I are submitting a multi-authored paper, “*Ongoing alteration of mantle peridotite in the weathering horizon: Initial results from the Oman Drilling Project Multi-Borehole Observatory*”. If this paper is accepted, we are requesting that it be included in the Special Issue on Ophiolites and Oceanic Lithosphere.

This paper cites five papers that are in revision or review at JGR. In the bibliography of this paper, all five references are highlighted in red font, and links are provided to preprints archived at ESSOAr. In view of the fact that this paper is an overview of collaborative research involving many scientists, and is submitted to a Special Issue where these papers will be collected, I hope that you will find this acceptable. There are several more papers submitted to the JGR Special Issue, or about to be submitted, that are not currently available at ESSOAr. In the hope of streamlining this submission process. I have deleted reference to those papers.

We are suggesting that you handle this paper since you – as a petrologist – have a broad knowledge of the potential reviewing community and scientific issues.

We would like to recommend the following potential reviewers:

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With so much current interest in serpentinization, it is easy to pick potential reviewers!

Based on some not-so-friendly, recent email correspondence, we request that the paper not be sent for review to Everett Shock. We will share a copy of this manuscript with him informally, seeking his input.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our paper.

On behalf of myself and seventeen co-authors, sincerely,



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