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1 **Volcanologists - Who are we and where are we going?**

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12 **Abstract**

13 Equality, diversity and inclusivity (EDI) are principles all scientific groups and organisations should  
14 strive to achieve as they secure working conditions, policies and practices that not only promote  
15 high-quality scientific output but also well-being in their communities. In this article, we reflect on  
16 the progress of EDI in volcanology by presenting data related to memberships of international  
17 volcanology organisations, positions on volcanology committees, volcanology awards and lead-  
18 authorship on volcanology papers. The sparse demographic data available means our analysis  
19 focuses mainly on gender identity discrimination, but we also show that discrimination related to  
20 ethnicity, sexual orientation, religion, physical ability and socio-economic background is also  
21 occurring, with the intersection of these discriminations further exacerbating marginalisation within  
22 the volcanology community. We share suggestions and recommendations from other disciplines on  
23 how individuals, research groups and organisations can promote, develop, and implement new  
24 initiatives to call out and tackle discrimination and advance EDI in the volcanological community.

## 25 1. Introduction

26 There is a well-documented diversity crisis in geoscience (Bernard and Cooperdock, 2018; Dowe et  
27 al., 2021; Dutt, 2020; Marin-Spiotta et al., 2020). To date, no international study has focused on  
28 equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI) in volcanology. Therefore, our perspective must present new  
29 data, raise awareness about the experiences of members of our community, and recommend how  
30 individuals and organisations should move EDI forwards in volcanology.

31 We analyse memberships of international organisations, positions on prestigious committees,  
32 award winners, and lead-authors of publications. We have collated over 100 anonymous stories  
33 from volcanologists, which collectively describe a culture in volcanology that requires immediate  
34 change. Some accounts of witnessed and experienced discrimination are harrowing and some  
35 comments readers may find distressing or offensive (see full transcripts of stories in the  
36 Supplementary Materials).

## 37 2. Who is the volcanology community?

38 The only data available to explore who the volcanology community is today come from membership  
39 data collected by international organisations with a focus on volcanology (for data and methods,  
40 see Supplementary Materials). We are limited by the categories these organisations use to collect  
41 data on gender, and by the lack of data on other demographics and protected characteristics<sup>1</sup>.

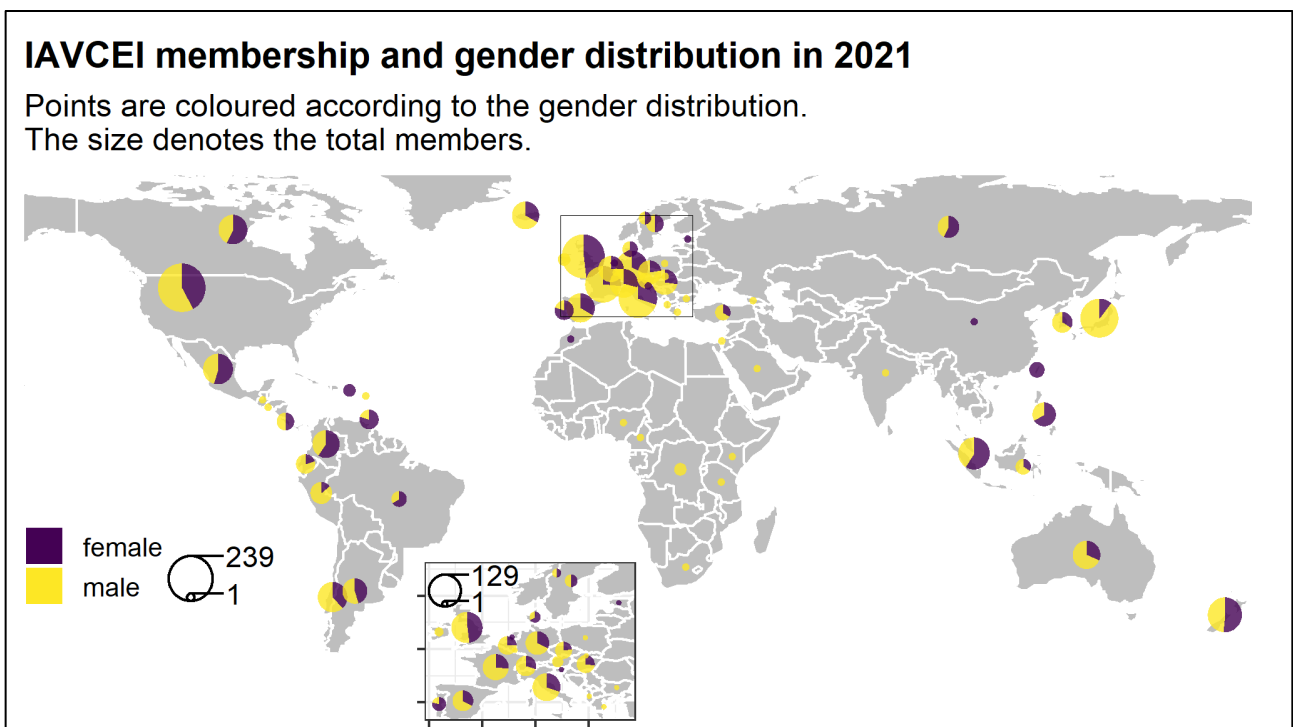
42 The International Association of Volcanology and Chemistry of the Earth's Interior (IAVCEI) is part  
43 of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG). Its organisational structures,  
44 volcanology focus and international affiliation makes for an interesting comparison to volcanology

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<sup>1</sup> Whilst these vary by country, the international human rights legal framework contains international instruments to combat specific forms of discrimination, including [discrimination against indigenous peoples](#), [migrants](#), [minorities](#), [people with disabilities](#), [discrimination against women](#), [racial](#) and [religious discrimination](#), or [discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity](#).

45 groups that are regional (e.g. Engwell et al., 2020) or only include some aspects of volcanology, such  
46 as the American Geophysical Union (AGU) Volcanology, Geochemistry & Petrology (VGP) Section or  
47 the European Geosciences Union (EGU) Geochemistry-Mineralogy-Petrology-Volcanology (GMPV)  
48 Division.

49 The IAVCEI 2021 membership data reports only the geographical location of the membership and  
50 the gender identity (either male or female must be selected during registration, **Figure 1**). In 2021  
51 IAVCEI had 937 members (39% female, 61% male) across 62 countries (See **Table 1**). The  
52 overwhelming majority of countries around the world have more male than female IAVCEI  
53 members, and only three countries with >4 members have close to 50% female members (the UK,  
54 New Zealand, Mexico) . A few countries have more females (e.g. Portugal, Denmark, the Philippines,  
55 Taiwan, Singapore, Brazil, Russia, Canada), and some countries have notably high male percentages  
56 (e.g. Japan, South Korea, France, Ecuador, Peru). Across Africa, the Middle East and India IAVCEI  
57 members are few and all male.



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59 **Figure 1:** The number of IAVCEI members per country and percentage of female IAVCEI members in  
60 2021. The inset map shows European countries in detail for clarity.

	Membership	Female %	Male %	Nonbinary	Prefer self-describe	Unknown	Other	Prefer not to say
IAVCEI 2021	937	39.2%	60.8%	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)
AGU VGP 2020	2919	30.7%	66.7%	3 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	42 (1.4%)	(-)	29 (1.0%)
AGU VGP 2020 ECR and Student	1235 (42%)	45.8%	52.2%	2 (0.2%)	0 (0.0%)	7 (0.6%)	(-)	15 (1.2%)
AGU VGP 2020 Non-ECR and Non-Student	1684 (58%)	19.7%	77.4%	1 (0.06%)	0 (0.0%)	35 (2.1%)	(-)	14 (0.8%)
EGU GMPV 2021	1365	38.6%	58.4%	(-)	(-)	14 (1.0%)	0 (0%)	27 (2.0%)
EGU GMPV 2021 ECS	808 (59%)	43.7%**	54.7%**	(-)	(-)	6 (0.7%)	0 (0%)	27 (2.0%)
EGU GMPV 2021 Non ECS	557 (41%)	31.2%	63.7%	(-)	(-)	8 (1.0%)	0 (0%)	27 (2.0%)

62 **Table 1:** Gender identity of members of volcanological groups in 2020/2021. Data for Early career researchers (ECR, including students) is also provided  
63 in brackets where indicated: \*AGU definition of Students plus Early Career Researchers, \*\*EGU definition of Early Career Scientists, (-) indicates data  
64 is not available. In all groups, there are a higher proportion of females in earlier career stages.

65 The EGU GMPV report the gender, career stage and geographic location of members from 2016-  
66 2021. There were 1365 EGU GMPV members in 2021 across 69 countries (39% female, 59% male  
67 and 0% Other gender, see **Table 1, Figure S1a**). Since 2019 EGU offers the option for members to  
68 select their gender as 'male', 'female', 'other' or 'prefer not to say'. In 2021, the top five member  
69 countries were Germany, the UK, Italy, France and the USA (**Figure S2**), and so the bulk statistics are  
70 strongly influenced by them. The global distribution and proportion of the EGU GMPV Early Career  
71 Scientists (ECS) members has broadly increased from 2016-2021 (**Figure S3**). Members joining from  
72 new countries, such as Pakistan, Nigeria, Bulgaria, or Georgia, tended to be ECS (**Figure S2**). During  
73 this time, there have been notable increases in the number of ECS members in e.g. Japan, the  
74 Netherlands, Ireland, Hungary, Canada, Spain, Portugal, and Italy, but decreases in Belgium and  
75 Sweden (**Figure S3**).

76 The AGU VGP reports the gender identity and geographical region of its members from 2013-2021  
77 and their career stage up to 2020. Since 2013, these data have remained relatively stable, despite  
78 absolute numbers falling over this period (**Figure S4**). With 2919 members in 2020 (31% female,  
79 67% male and 0.1% non-binary), the AGU VGP includes more individuals than the IAVCEI 2021 or  
80 EGU GMPV 2021 datasets (**Table 1**). AGU offers the option for members to select their gender as  
81 'male', 'female', 'non-binary', 'prefer to self-describe' or 'prefer not to say'.

82 The AGU VGP section has a lower percentage of students and Early Career Researchers (ECR) than  
83 the EGU GMPV ECS (42% compared to 59%, **Table 1**), but these groups have a similar gender balance  
84 across the organisations. Both the AGU VGP and EGU GMPV data show that students and ECRs have  
85 a higher proportion of females (45.8% and 44%, respectively) compared to the overall membership,  
86 and the AGU data suggests that this has been the case for several years (**Table 1, Figure S5**). The  
87 non-student, non-ECR, non-ECS groups have a lower female (19.7%, 31.2%) and higher male (77.4%,

88 63.7%) proportion than the AGU VGP and EGU GMPV bulk statistics, suggest a loss of women with  
89 advancing career stage.

90 There are limitations to these data. Whilst IAVCEI, AGU and EGU are the largest international groups  
91 that volcanology members can engage with, not all volcanologists are members. National  
92 volcanology-specific organisations or subject-specific sub-groups of IAVCEI, such as IAVCEI  
93 Commissions, also have their own members but generally do not collect demographic data.

94 The gender identity data currently available from IAVCEI is limited and is in urgent need of updating.  
95 Currently, IAVCEI members can only select 'female' or 'male' during registration, erasing non-binary  
96 and genderqueer scientists (e.g. Cameron and Stinson, 2019). It also does not allow for transgender  
97 scientists to identify as such if they wish. Individuals should always have the option to self-identify  
98 their gender in any demographics data collection (Strauss et al., 2021).

99 *"no such data have ever [been] collected, practically as it was never really relevant to*  
100 *anything we've done."* – an IAVCEI Commission Lead in response to our request for data

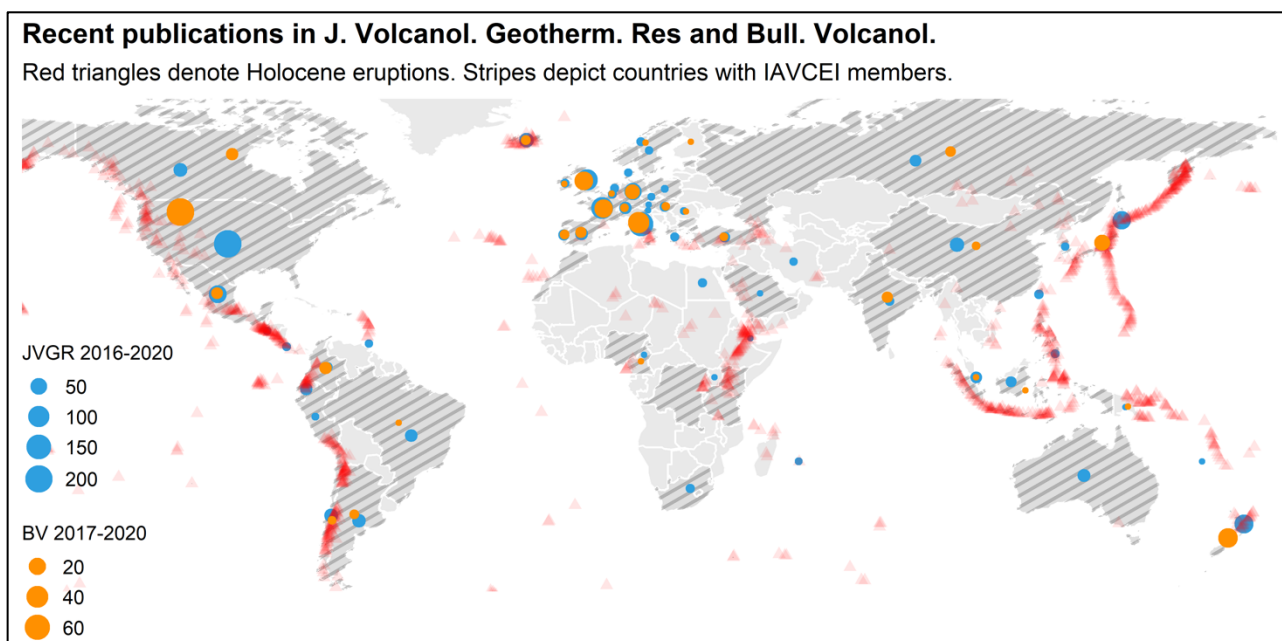
101 The lack of data means that the effectiveness of any actions put in place to improve EDI cannot be  
102 assessed. Recently some volcanology organisations and groups have started to collect membership  
103 data during registration to online events to learn about their members (e.g. an IAVCEI Commission  
104 on Volcanic and Igneous Plumbing Systems (VIPS) online seminar, and an IAVCEI Commission on the  
105 Chemistry on Volcanic Gases (CCVG) workshop). Other groups we contacted expressed a desire to  
106 understand better why such data collection is needed, how this should be done responsibly and  
107 how data should be stored.

### 108 3. Who publishes in volcanology journals?

109 The advancement of knowledge in volcanology is communicated primarily through scientific  
110 publications. Decisions about grant funding, postdoctoral appointments, and ultimately the ability

111 to pursue an academic career is in part decided on an individual's publication record. To understand  
112 who is allowed to create and disseminate knowledge we analysed data from two of the most  
113 important volcanology journals (Stevenson, 2014) - the Journal of Volcanology and Geothermal  
114 Research (JVGR, Elsevier) and the Bulletin of Volcanology (Bull Volc, Springer). The other  
115 volcanology-themed journals we approached either did not respond or were unable to provide data.  
116 We are not aware of any volcanology-specific journals that are not published in English.

117 The Bull Volc and JVGR data show a lack of diversity in lead-author affiliation country. The lead-  
118 authors of volcanology articles are most often from Europe, North America, New Zealand and Japan  
119 (**Figure 2**). Regions of the world with the most Holocene volcanic eruptions tend to have fewer or  
120 no lead-authors published in JVGR or Bull Volc (**Figure 2**). Regions with under-represented lead-  
121 author country affiliation and a higher rate of rejection (**Figures S6 and S7**), despite high volcanic  
122 activity, include South America, Central America, East Africa and South-East Asia. This echoes similar  
123 trends observed in broad geoscience publications (North et al., 2020) and may reflect a well-  
124 established bias in academic publishing favouring the English-language (e.g. Ramírez-Castañeda,  
125 2020) or a tendency for researchers from these countries to not lead volcanology articles.





127 **Figure 2:** The total number and country of affiliation of lead-authors of articles accepted for  
128 publication in volcanology journals in recent years. The location of IAVCEI members and volcanic  
129 eruptions in the Holocene are shown for reference.

130 Our collated narratives reveal discrimination against some potential authors.

131 *“Not being given the chance to co-author a paper despite having spent significant time helping*  
132 *out... I see others (both junior and senior folks) who contribute much less, sometimes hardly*  
133 *anything, repeatedly being put on papers, which only results in reinforcing their status as a well-*  
134 *known and/or promising researcher. This practice tends to happen in the inner circle of the big*  
135 *volcano groups”*

136 Publication authorship should be based on contribution, but in some research groups there is a  
137 perception that some contributions are ‘valued’ more than others:

138 *“Women in volcanology are often 'forgotten' or their scientific contribution is devalued relative*  
139 *to a male of similar career stage”*

140 A survey response suggests discrimination in publication authorship related to maternity leave:

141 *“I have been erased by list of authors of papers I have written and I have worked for because I*  
142 *went on maternity leave”*

143 Journals do not ask for information on protected characteristics of their authors or reviewers (and  
144 often not their editors) and so there is no data available to assess the contribution of different  
145 genders to volcanology articles. However, explicit or unconscious bias biases against the authors,  
146 the reviewers, or the editor may play a part in these decisions (e.g. Fox and Paine, 2019; Hagan et  
147 al., 2020; Helmer et al., 2017; Poulson-Ellestad et al., 2020). One editor wrote:

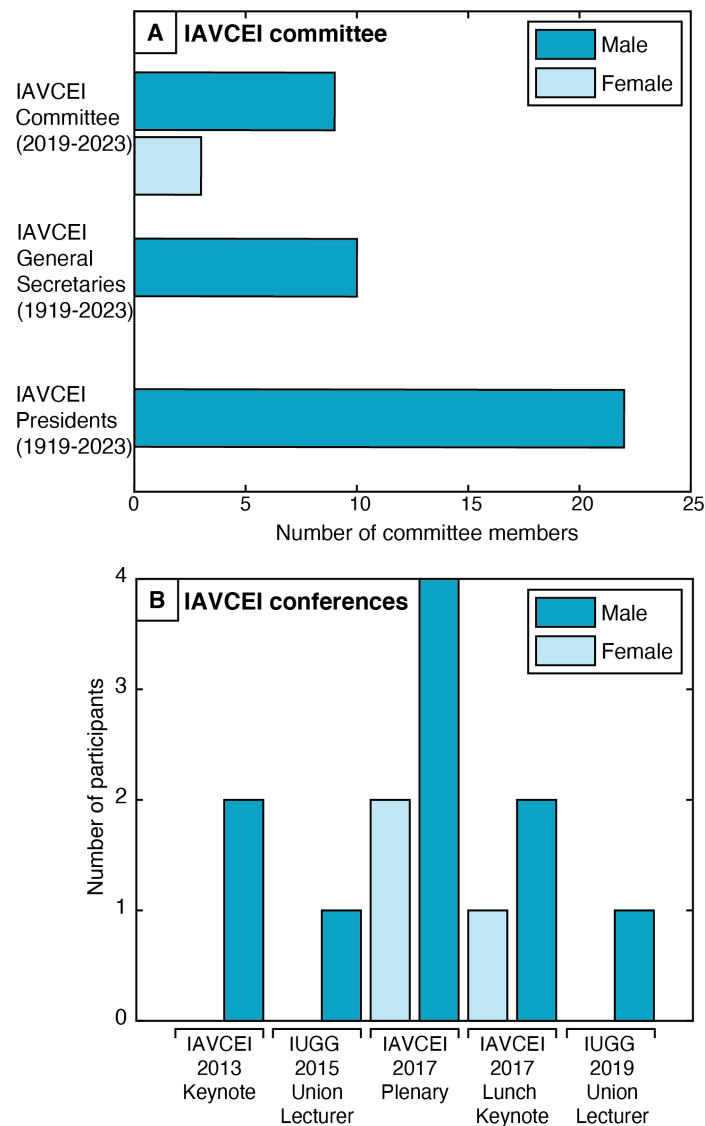
148 *“It seems clear that some authors and reviewers find it harder to respect my decision (or me?)*  
149 *than they would if I were a man.”*

150 Publishers have a responsibility to act and address these issues (e.g. Mehta et al., 2020), but  
151 pressure also needs to come from those who have a voice in the system to push for change (and  
152 educate as to why it is needed).

#### 153 4. Who leads our community?

154 *"I feel that in volcanology there is a male-dominated culture, and this is reflected in many of the*  
155 *'leaders' such as award-winners of leads of committees like IAVCEI are male. It's really hard to*  
156 *find diverse role models."*

157 The gender identity of IAVCEI Committee membership since its inception in 1919 supports this  
158 assertion. Women are under-represented in the IAVCEI Committee relative to their proportion in  
159 the IAVCEI, AGU VGP and EGU GMPV membership. The current IAVCEI Committee comprises nine  
160 (75%) male and three (25%) female members (see **Figure 3A**). Over more than 100 years, up to  
161 today, 100% of the IAVCEI General Secretaries and 100% of IAVCEI Presidents have been men  
162 (**Figure 3A**). IAVCEI is unique amongst the eight scientific Associations within IUGG in never having  
163 had a woman or non-binary President.



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165 **Figure 3:** Gender identity of **A)** IAVCEI Committee leadership and members since 1919, and **B)**  
 166 keynote speakers at IAVCEI General Assemblies, since 2013.

167 IAVCEI Commissions and Network board officers are slightly more diverse in gender than the IAVCEI  
 168 Committee, comprising overall 63% male and 37% female. This gender balance is not evenly  
 169 distributed: Nine out of seventeen IAVCEI Commissions (mostly inter-associations ones) have a  
 170 100% male board, five IAVCEI Commissions or Networks (including the ECR Network) have 50% male  
 171 and 50% female board members, and one IAVCEI Commission has a 100% female board. Women  
 172 lead seven out of seventeen (40%) of IAVCEI Commissions, two out of seven (29%) inter-Association  
 173 Commissions and two out of two (100%) of IAVCEI Networks. The newer or ECR-focused IAVCEI  
 174 Commissions or Networks, or those that have regular changes in their leadership, tend to have more

175 gender equity or to be led by females, and this suggests gradual progress towards gender equity in  
176 the IAVCEI Commissions.

177 In the IAVCEI 2013 General Assembly, and the IUGG 2015 and 2019 conferences, Union Lecturers  
178 were 100% male. At IAVCEI 2017 there were 33% female Plenary and Lunch keynote speakers  
179 (**Figure 3B**). The only instance of a woman giving a Plenary/Keynote was when there were a series  
180 of speakers. The issue of women and under-represented minorities giving fewer talks is recognised  
181 broadly across Earth Science conferences (Ford et al., 2019).

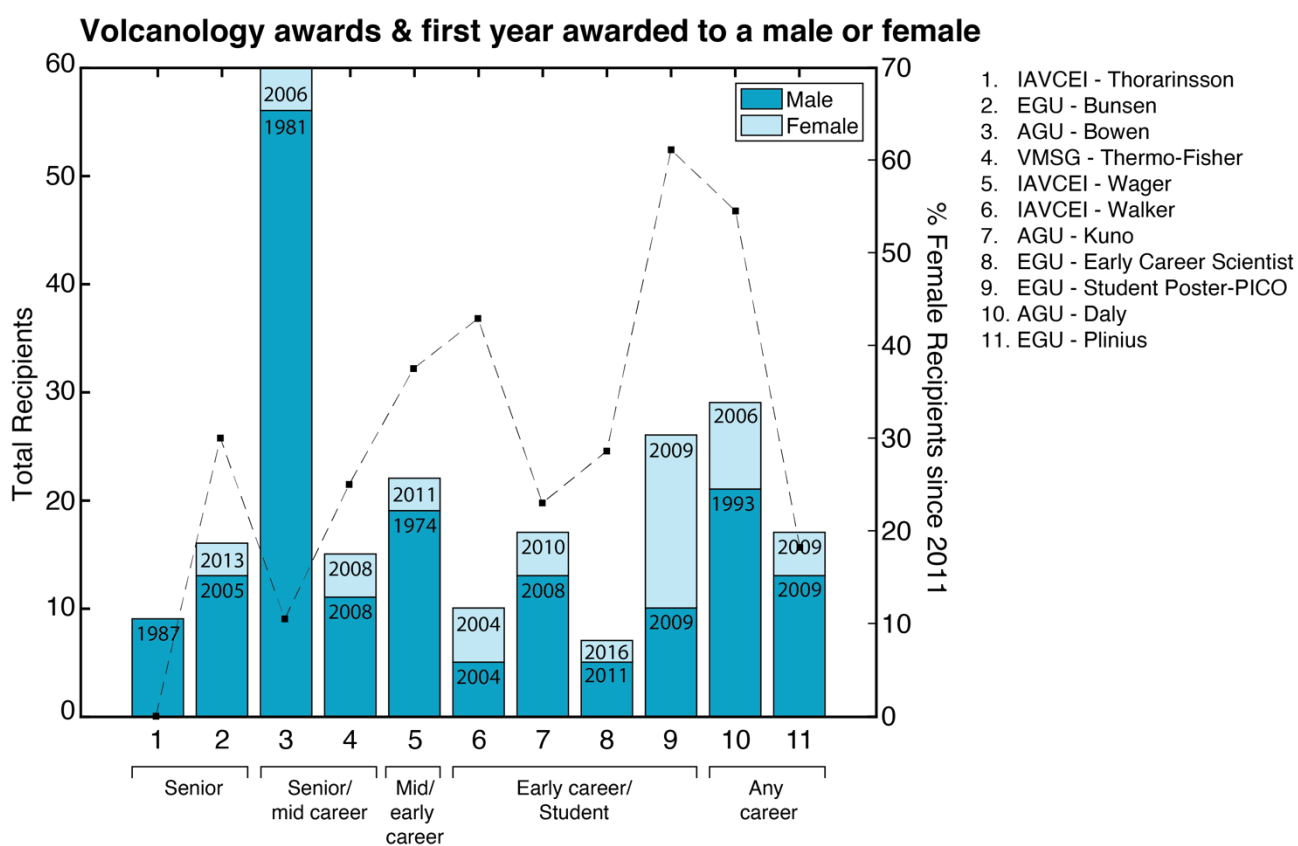
## 182 5. Who do we reward?

183 One way in which excellence in volcanology is recognised and celebrated is through awards and  
184 medals. Award winners are role models and are implicitly perceived as reflecting the values that  
185 volcanologists wish to promote.

186 The proportion of female award recipients decreases the more senior the medal in volcanology is  
187 (**Figure 4**). There are fewer women at the senior level in volcanology who would be eligible for these  
188 awards (e.g. **Table 1**), but the fact that we do not see women receiving senior awards sends a  
189 message to the younger generation that there is a narrow vision of what success looks like, and that  
190 the contributions of women and other underrepresented people are not valued. The IAVCEI  
191 Thorarinson medal for senior volcanologists has never had a female recipient. The awards that all  
192 career stages are eligible for have relatively low female recipients (e.g. 5% female recipients of the  
193 AGU Bowen Award since 1981) whereas the early career stage awards are much more balanced in  
194 gender (e.g. 50% female recipients of the IAVCEI George Walker Award since 2004). The EGU award  
195 for students is unique in having a higher proportion of female recipients.

196 Recent trends show little improvement. Over the past ten years, the percentage of female awardees  
197 ranges from 0-61% depending on the award category, and the more senior awards are associated

198 with lower percentages of female awardees i.e. 0% for the IAVCEI Thorarinsson Medal, 30% for the  
 199 EGU Bunsen Medal and 10.5% for the AGU Bowen Award (**Figure 4, Table S1**). These percentages  
 200 are low relative to the likely proportion of non-ECR females in the volcanology community (**Table**  
 201 **1**), suggesting that senior women in academia win senior awards less frequently than their male  
 202 counterparts. Over the past five years (2016 to 2021), in all cases there has been a small increase in  
 203 female award winners (**Table S1**). Overall, this demonstrates that the Matilda effect is present  
 204 within the volcanology community (Lincoln et al., 2012).



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 206 **Figure 4:** Gender identity of volcanology award winners for different career stages since the first  
 207 year of data availability (bars), and the proportion of female recipients since 2011 (dashed line). The  
 208 lower label on the bars indicates the first year of data availability and the upper label the first year  
 209 there was a woman recipient.

210 A recent analysis conducted by the UK's Volcanic and Magmatic Studies Group (VMSG) showed that  
 211 males were nominated far more frequently than females for their most-senior award, the Thermo-  
 212 Fisher Award, but when females were nominated they tended to be more successful (VMSG Website  
 213 newsletter #50 <https://vmsg.org.uk/>). Since 2010, there have been 79% male and 21% female VMSG

214 Thermo-Fisher Award winners, for which VMSG received 83% male and 17% female nominations. It  
215 appears that only outstanding females tend to be nominated for this award. Despite comparable  
216 quality of work, women are under-recognised by our awards, and men over-represented.

217 A common challenge for awards committees is ensuring nominations come in at all, and the  
218 selection committees can only choose from those who are nominated (McFadden, 2018). In a bold  
219 move which has helped to raise awareness, the AGU Cryosphere Section declined to recommend  
220 any nominees to the AGU Union Fellows committee in 2021 due to lack of diversity in the pool  
221 (Cryosphere Fellows Selection Committee, 2021). Perhaps other organisations also need to follow  
222 suit, or adopt an action plan (e.g. Ali et al., 2021), for what to do if/when a dramatically unbalanced  
223 nomination pool arises. The ambition must be that outstanding researchers will be nominated for  
224 awards, irrespective of their gender identity, status, socio-economic background, sexuality,  
225 ethnicity, etc., and yet the data we have accessed suggests that volcanology is far from realising  
226 this.

## 227 6. Experiences of discrimination in volcanology

228 The lack of diversity in volcanology highlighted by our analysis reflects ingrained discriminations that  
229 affect the whole of society. The first step toward an inclusive, fair, more diverse, and therefore more  
230 creative volcanology community is the awareness and acknowledgement of the issues. We received  
231 over 100 responses to our survey, with some individuals providing free-text comments to describe  
232 instances of discrimination witnessed or experienced during their volcanology studies or work (see  
233 Supplementary Materials). We have categorised these into 38 experiences and 17 witnessed  
234 accounts of discrimination, with the most common reported forms of discrimination relating to  
235 sexism (reported 30 times), activities during fieldwork (14 times), a toxic culture (9 times) and racism  
236 (8 times) (see **Figure 5**).



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238 **Figure 5:** Word cloud of categories of volcanologists’ experiences and witnessed accounts of  
 239 discrimination in their work or study.

240 In an EDI debate at vEGU2021, it was stressed that responsibility for change should not be taken  
 241 only by members of under-represented groups or those who have experienced discrimination; not  
 242 only because these members are often not in a position of power, but mostly because the load of  
 243 taking action should be fairly distributed. The impact of discriminatory experiences against, or  
 244 witnessed by, individuals can be profound, leading to mental health problems and victims  
 245 potentially leaving the field of volcanology. A fairer volcanology community is the responsibility of  
 246 all its members.

## 247 7. Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion in volcanology: Looking forwards

248 Our view of the future of volcanology is of a community that makes all its members feel welcomed  
 249 and respected, and where all scientists can thrive. The rather sobering current state of EDI within  
 250 the volcanology community presented in this contribution should be a call to action for  
 251 organisations, scientific journals, and individuals. A number of works have recently constructed  
 252 evidenced action lists to address the lack of diversity in geoscience (e.g. Ali et al., 2021; Dowe et  
 253 al., 2021; Kaaden et al., 2021; Núñez et al., 2020). We conclude with recommendations to overcome  
 254 future EDI challenges.

- 255 1. Awareness: Any change must be preceded by acknowledging the problem. Inequities in  
256 STEM research are well established in the literature. The data presented in this contribution  
257 proves these issues are also endemic in volcanology, however, our analysis has been  
258 hampered by a lack of quality data. We encourage organisations and journals to map out  
259 their specific state of EDI to become aware of their specific situation. This includes e.g. the  
260 collection of quantitative data on members, conference/event participants, authors, editors,  
261 and reviewers (using best practice for inclusive data collection), but also opening up for  
262 anonymous feedback from these people regarding EDI issues, or providing opportunities to  
263 discuss EDI. Several of the committees we contacted expressed a strong desire to be  
264 proactive in EDI, but felt uncomfortable collecting protected data from their members. We  
265 suggest that EDI-dedicated roles be created on the IAVCEI Committee who can oversee and  
266 advise on data collection so that the effectiveness of actions can be measured.
- 267 2. Commitment: Organisations and scientific journals should openly commit to EDI as core  
268 values and develop action plans, codes of conducts, and guidelines. Field experience can be  
269 uncomfortable for females and for other under-represented groups due to a pervasive  
270 macho culture and to a lack of access to toilets, and unsafe for people of colour (J. Anadu  
271 and Jackson, 2020) or the LGBTQ+ community (Olcott and Downen, 2020). A series of  
272 measures can be implemented by field leaders to make fieldwork and field trips enjoyable  
273 and productive for all. Many scientific associations have code of conducts and guidelines for  
274 events, including workshops and conferences. We call for all associations and commissions  
275 to have one, and for all volcanologists to follow them. We need a zero-tolerance community  
276 regarding discrimination, disparaging comments, and all forms of micro-aggressions  
277 occurring during volcanology events (e.g. fieldtrips, conferences, workshops).
- 278 3. Action: Organisations, journals, and conference organisers should aim for representation of  
279 all groups represented among their members in their decision making. Training regarding



280 unconscious bias and how to improve EDI should be a requirement for all members of  
281 organizational leaderships, grant review panels, prize juries, and conference organizing  
282 panels, but the effectiveness of these actions also needs to be monitored, and specific  
283 additional training should be available e.g. Bystander Training, Anti-racism training.  
284 Nomination procedures for distinctions and prizes should be made more inclusive by  
285 allowing anonymised nominations and pro-actively seeking diverse nominations; the  
286 community needs to reflect on the purpose of awards and how they are used. Organisations  
287 and conference organisers should provide visibility to diverse role models.

288 4. Reflection: Critical self-reflection and a willingness to address shortcomings should be part  
289 of everyone's development. There is clearly a lot of room for improvement if we all see our  
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## Supplementary Materials

### 1. Supplementary Tables

<b>Award</b>	<b>Career stage</b>	<b>Reporting period</b>	<b>Frequency of award</b>	<b>#Male Recipients</b>	<b>#Female Recipients</b>	<b>First year Female recipient</b>	<b>% female since 2011</b>	<b>% female since 2016</b>
IAVCEI - Thorarinsson Medal	Senior	1987-2017	Every 4 years	9	0	N/A	0	0
EGU (GMPV) - Robert Wilhelm Bunsen Medal	Senior	2005-2021	Every year	13	3	2013	30%	33.3%
AGU - The Norman L. Bowen Award	Mid- or senior career	1981-2021	Every year	56	4	2006	10.5%	18.2%
VMSG - Thermo-Fisher Award	Mid- or senior career	2008-2021	Every year	11	4	2008	25%	33.3%
IAVCEI - Wager Medal	Early and mid-career, up to 15 years post PhD	1974-2019	Every 2 years	19	3	2011	37.5%	-
IAVCEI - George Walker Award	Early career, up to 7 years post PhD	2004-2019	Every 2 years	5	5	2004	42.9%	-

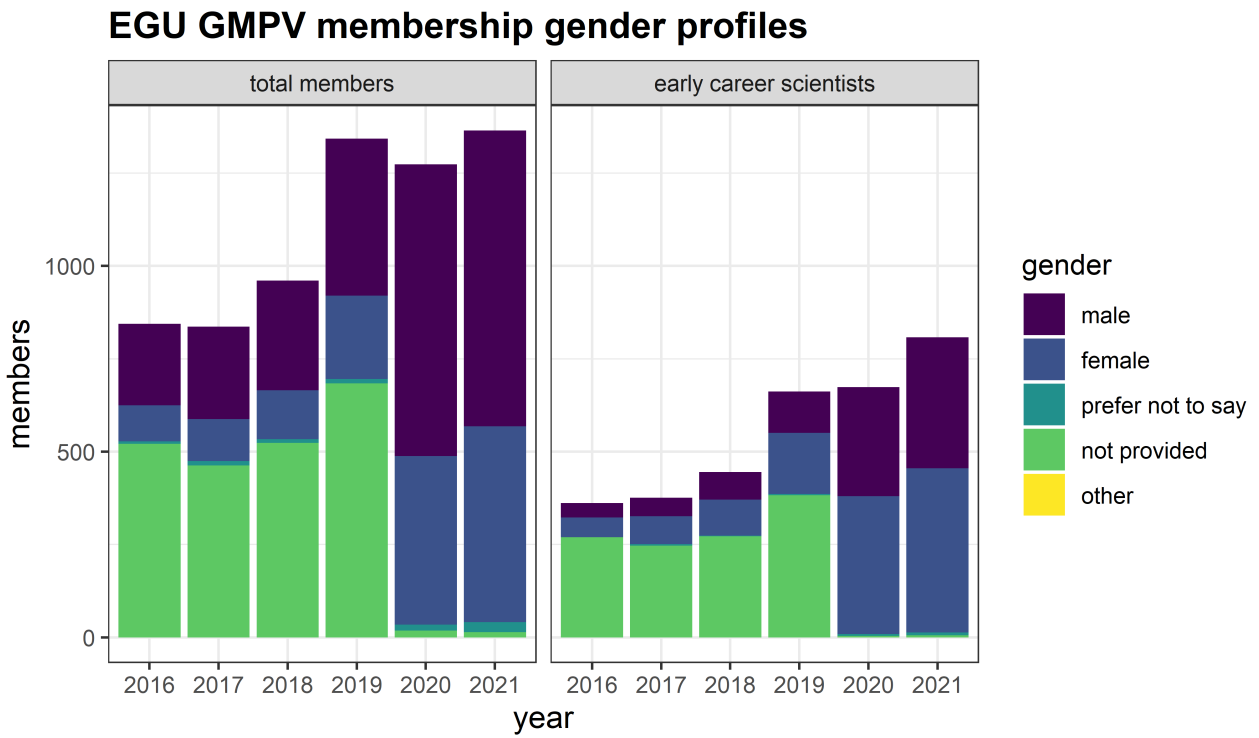
AGU - The Hisashi Kuno Award	Early career	2008-2021	Every year	13	4	2010	23%	25%
EGU (GMPV) - Division Outstanding Early Career Scientist Award	Early career	2011*-2021	Every year	5	2	2016	28.6%	40%
EGU (GMPV) - Outstanding Student Poster and PICO (OSPP) Award	Early career	2009-2019	Every year	10	16	2009	61.1%	-
AGU - The Reginald Daly Lecture	All career stages	1993-2021	Every year	21	8	2006	54.5%	66.7%
EGU (Natural Hazards Division) - Plinius Medal	All career stages (2004–2011 early career scientists only)	2004-2021	Every year	13	4	2009	18.2%	33.3%

**Supplementary Table S1:** Volcanology awards for different career stages, and the first year that it was awarded to a female recipient. The percentage of female recipients since 2011 is provided, and since 2016 for awards given yearly up to 2021. \*Award not given from 2012-2014.



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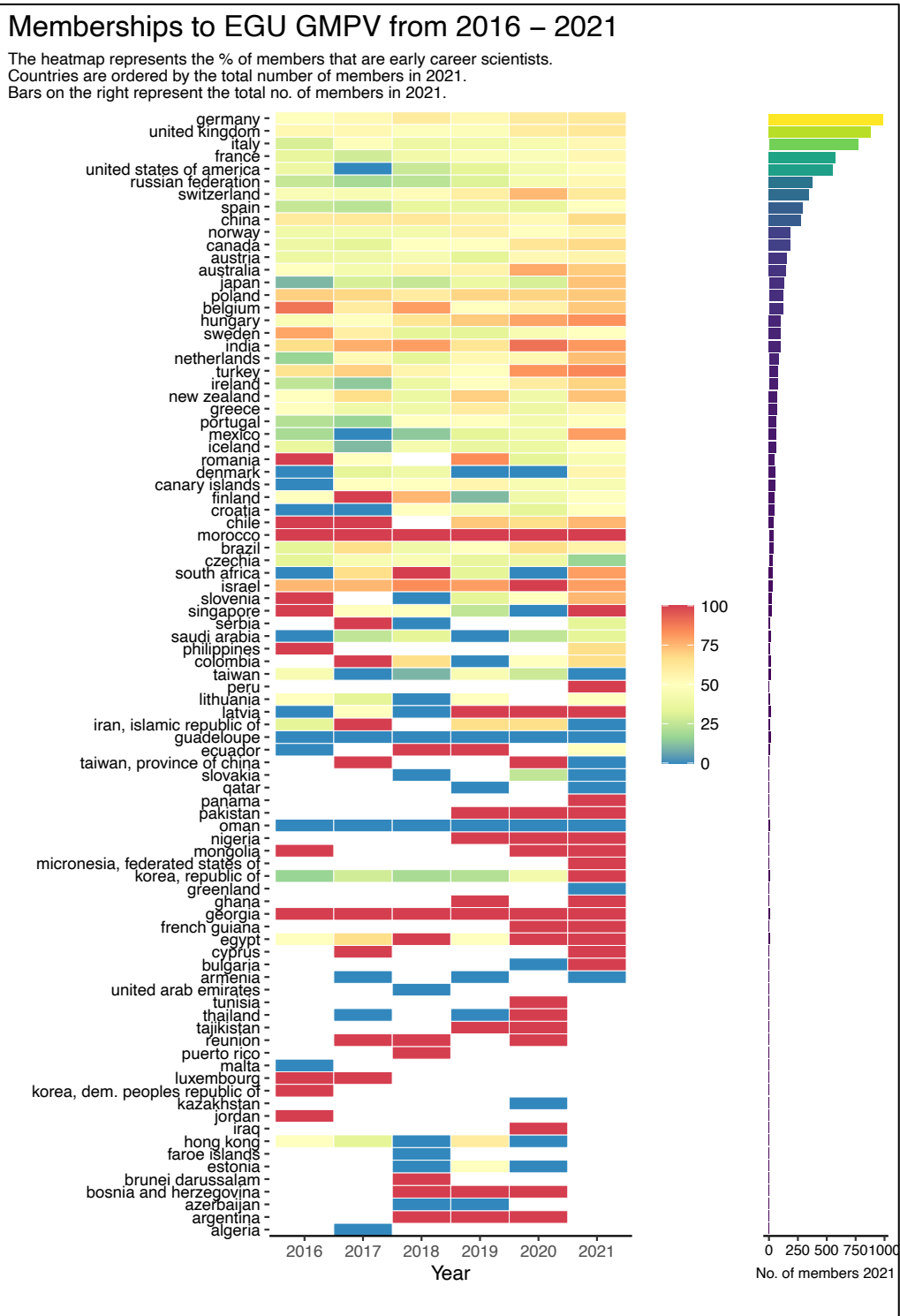
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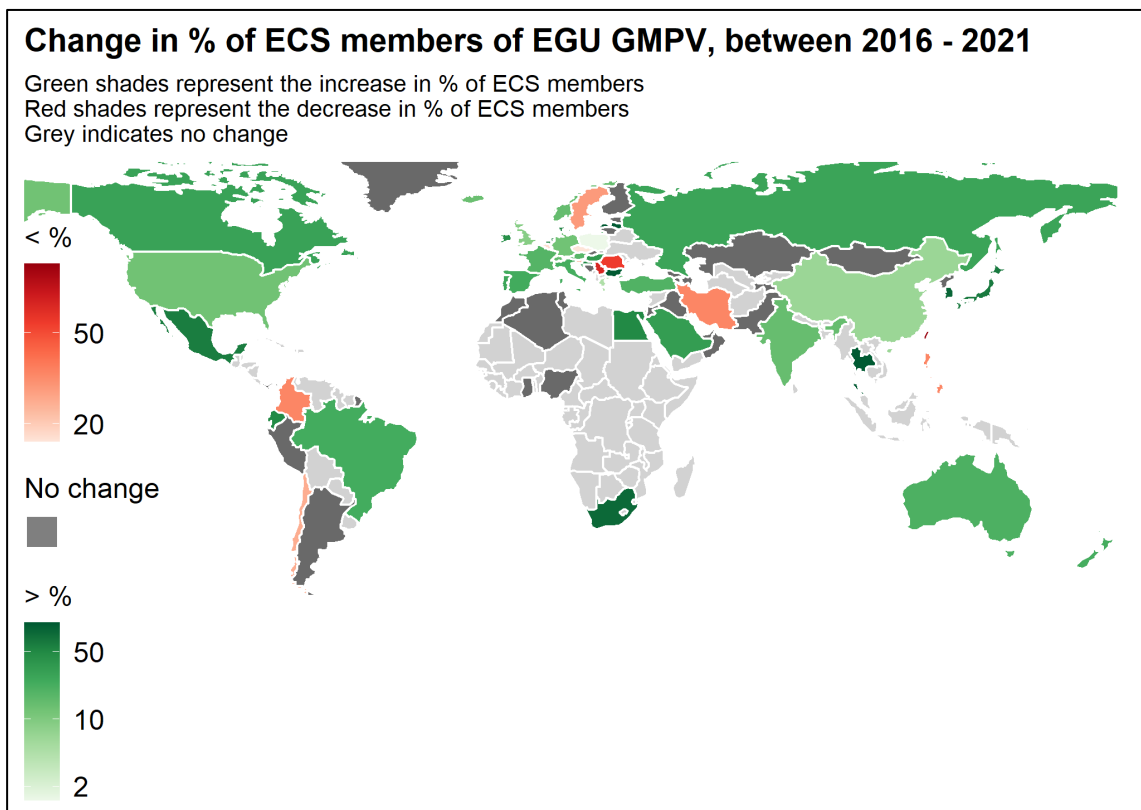
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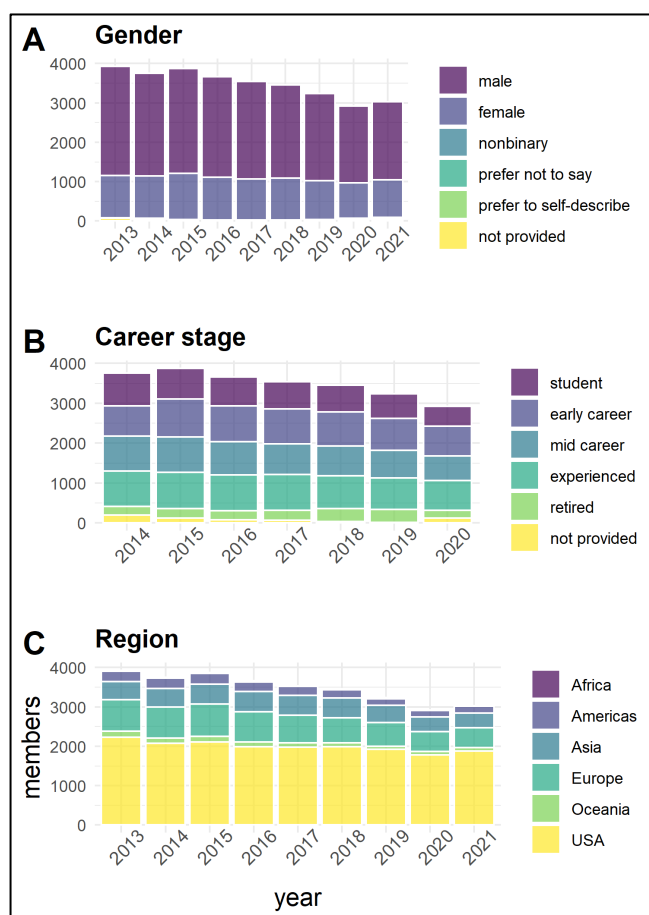
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**Figure S2:** Total number and proportion of Early Career Scientists per country of EGU GMPV members from 2016 to 2021.



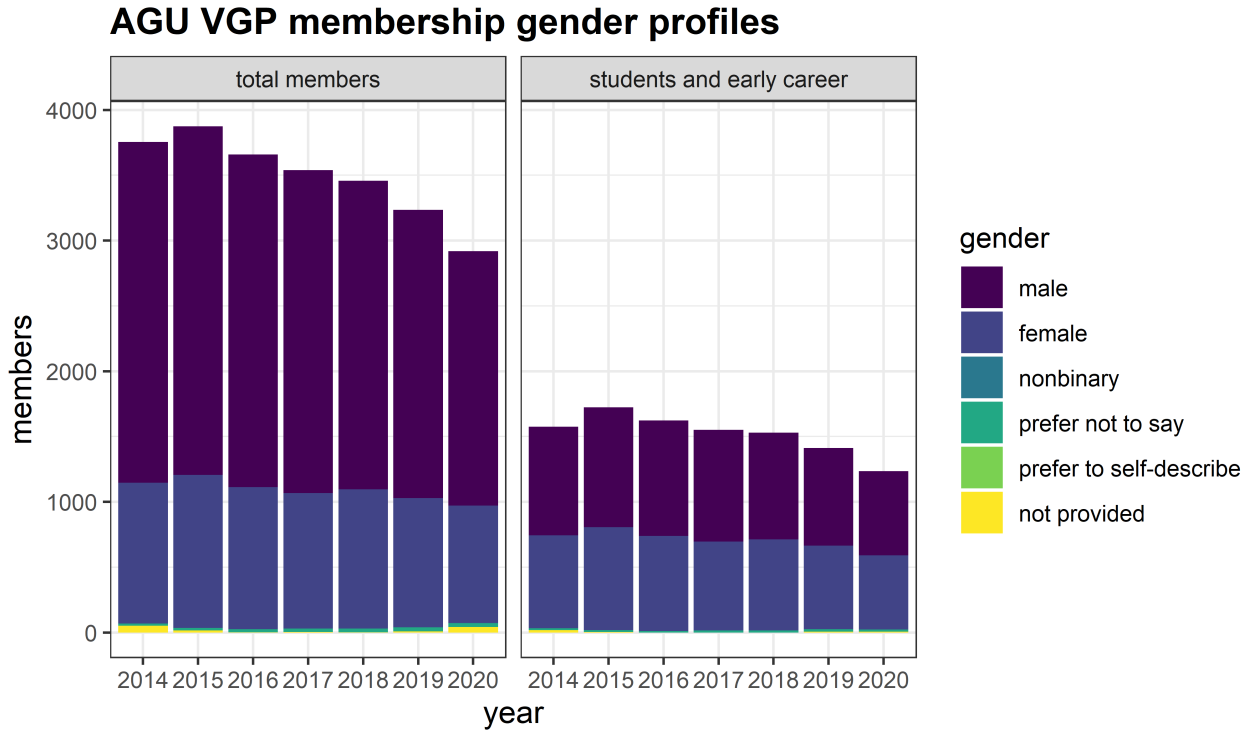
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**Figure S3:** Change in % of Early Career Scientists of EGU GMPV from 2016 to 2021.



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18 **Figure S4:** AGU VGP membership from 2013 to 2021: A) gender identity, B) Career Stage and C)  
 19 Geographic Region.

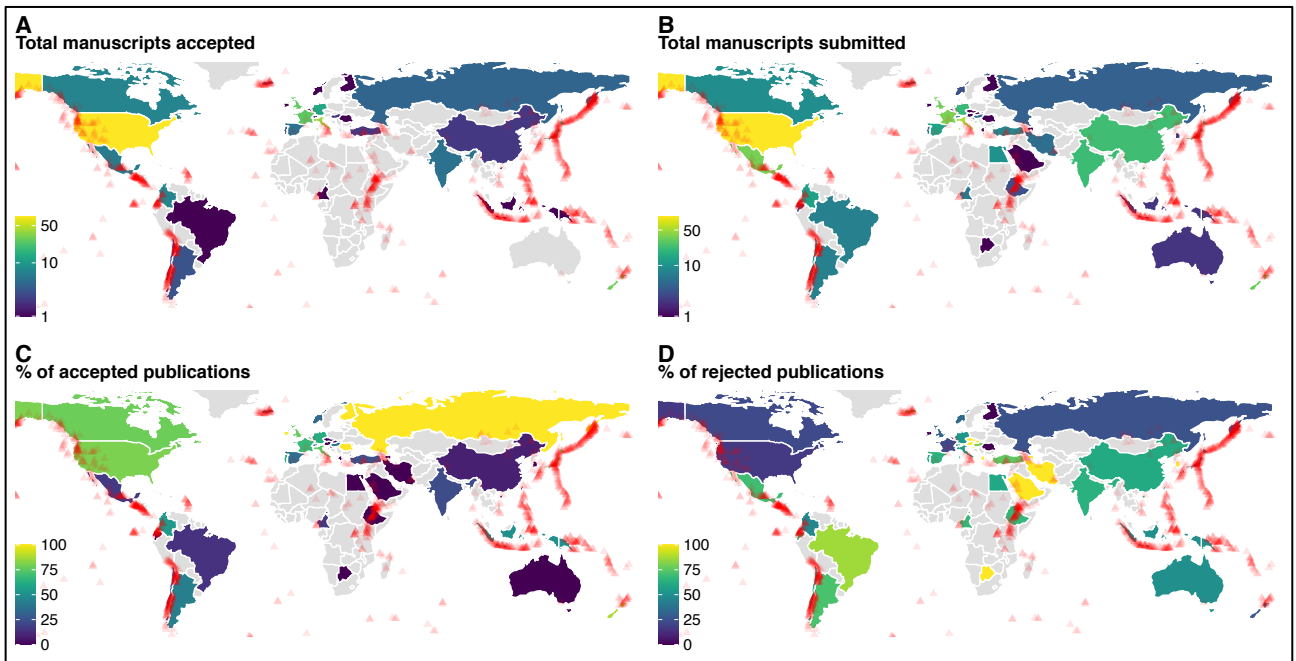


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24 Researchers from 2014 to 2020.

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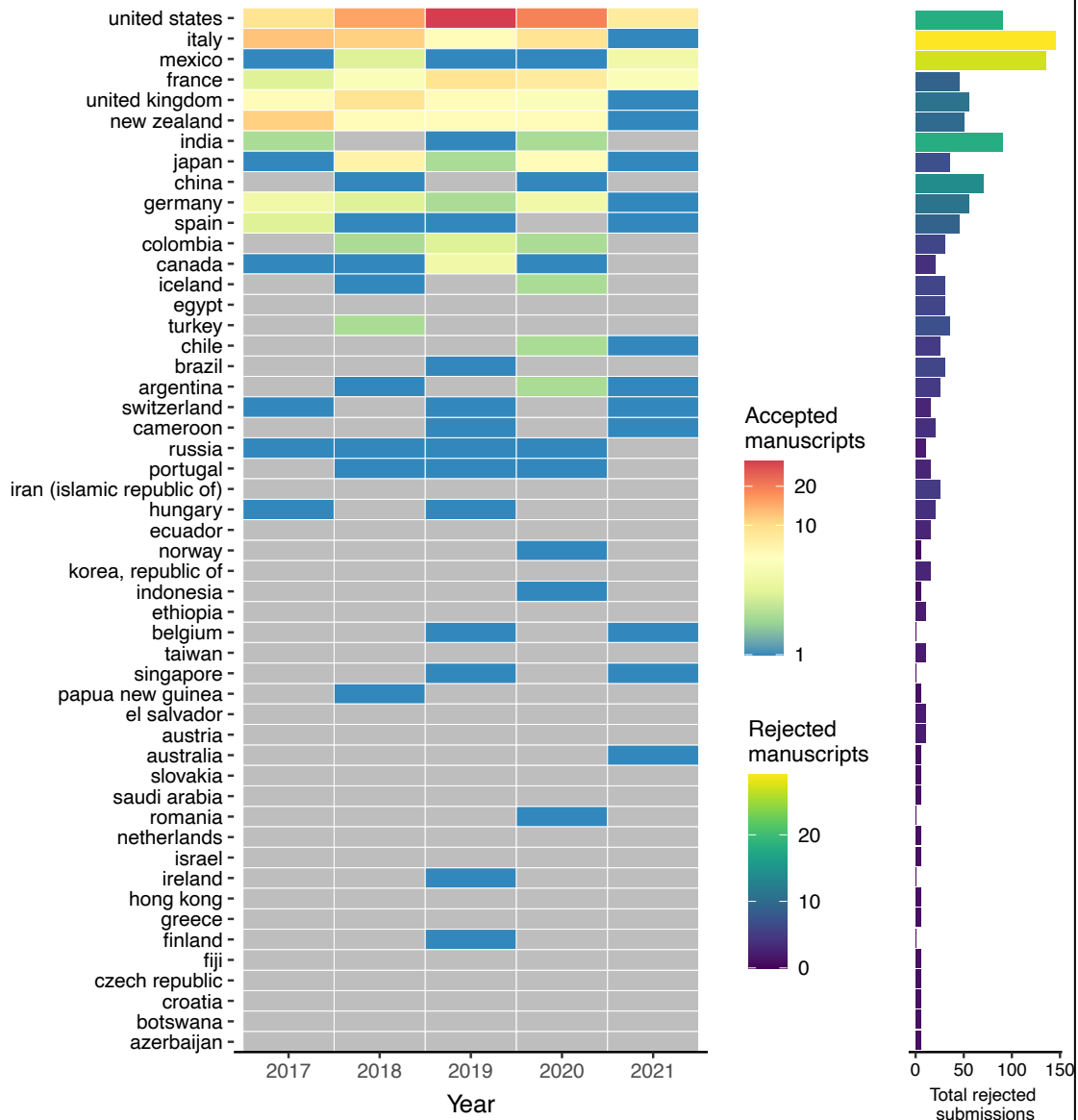
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27 **Figure S6:** Bulletin of Volcanology publication statistics from 2017-2020: A) total manuscripts  
28 accepted, B) total manuscripts submitted, C) percent of accepted publications, and D) percent of  
29 rejected publications.

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# Publications in the Bulletin of. Volcanol. from 2017 – 2021

The heatmap represents the number of papers accepted by BV.  
 Countries are ordered by the total number of papers submitted from 2017 – 2021.  
 Bars on the right represent the total no. submissions that have been rejected.



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32 **Figure S7:** Heat map of the number of publications accepted and rejected by the Bulletin of  
 33 Volcanology per country, from 2017 to 2020.

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### 35 3. Description of Datasets

36 Self-identifying, intersectional data collection is a powerful tool to understand demographic trends  
37 (Ali et al., 2021; Strauss et al., 2021). This section describes the datasets used in this paper.

#### 38 a. Volcanology Publications Data

39 Bulletin of Volcanology – Data Source: Springer

- 40 • Number of submitted, accepted and rejected papers from 2017-2020
- 41 • Lead-author country of affiliation

42 Journal of Volcanology and Geothermal Research – Data Source: Elsevier

- 43 • Lead-author country of affiliation

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#### 45 b. Gender identity datasets

46 IAVCEI - Data Source: IAVCEI Secretariat/Guarant International

- 47 • Active members with dues paid by mid-2021
- 48 • Registration form includes: Gender (male/female), title, professional address
- 49 • Regular 1-year membership 50 EUR (lower for lower income)
- 50 • Young Researcher 1-year membership 15 EUR

51 EGU GMPV - Data Source: EGU Executive Secretary

- 52 • EGU membership GMPV division (2016-2021) as of 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021
- 53 • Option to select up to 3 Divisions as main affiliations
- 54 • Registration form includes: Gender (male/female/Other/Prefer not to say), Career Stage,  
55 country of affiliation
- 56 • Gender identity data are less reliable back through time (<50% gender reported before 2020)

57 AGU VGP - Data Source: Business Data and Intelligence, Diversity Equity and Inclusion

- 58 • AGU membership VGP section (2013-2021) as of 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021
- 59 • Registration data includes: Gender (Female, Male, Nonbinary, Prefer not to answer,  
60 Unknown, Prefer to self-describe), Career Stage (Student, Early Career, Mid-Career,  
61 Experienced, Retired, Unknown), Region of affiliation (Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe,  
62 Oceania, US, Unknown)

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#### 64 c. Awards and Keynotes/Plenaries

65 Aware of the caution expressed by Strauss et al. (2021) who demonstrated the harm that is done by  
66 inferring gender, we conducted internet searches to infer gender identity of the recipients of prizes  
67 administered by IAVCEI, AGU VGP, EGU GMPV and Natural Hazards Division, and VMSG (part of the  
68 Geological Society of London), based on publicly available lists of successful past recipients, to  
69 explore awards across a range of membership sizes and international/national groups. Where public  
70 information wasn't available we wrote to individuals to ask them how they would like their gender  
71 identity to be included in our analysis. Our approach was possible only because of the relatively  
72 small number of individuals who have received volcanology awards over the reporting period. Some  
73 awards have the option to award more than one recipient per year, and some awards do not make  
74 a reward every time if the nominations are not deemed appropriate (see **Table S1** for details).

75 The names of IAVCEI Thorarinson, Wager and George Walker Award winners were obtained from  
76 the VMSG website. The names of AGU Volcanology, Geochemistry, and Petrology (VGP) Normal L.  
77 Bowen awardees, Hisashi Kuno awardees, and Reginald Daly Lecturers were obtained from the AGU

78 website. The names of EGU GMPV Robert Wilhelm Bunsen Medal, EGU GMPV Division Outstanding  
79 Early Career Scientist Award, EGU GMPV Outstanding Student Poster and PICO (OSPP) Award and  
80 EGU Natural Hazards Division Plinius Medal were found on the EGU website. The names of the  
81 VMSG Thermo-Fisher Award winners were found on the VMSG website. The names of IAVCEI  
82 General Assembly and IUGG Union Lecturers since 2013 were obtained from the IAVCEI website.

83 The nomination process for most of these honours (excluding the EGU OSPP Award) relies on an  
84 external nomination letter and several additional letters of support. Because the language in  
85 support letters is rooted in an external assumption of gender and therefore the award is given within  
86 the context of those assumptions, we used the public perception of individuals to determine gender  
87 presentation. This included the public websites of individuals, press releases about the awardee  
88 receiving the award, pronouns in email and social media signatures, and other outward facing  
89 information.

90 We recognize that the outward perception of gender is not the same as an individual's self identified  
91 gender; for example, some non-binary individuals may choose to use only "safe" pronouns in  
92 professional settings or are comfortable using a variety of pronouns, some of which align with  
93 perception of a binary gender presentation.

#### 94 **d. Committees and Networks and keynotes**

95 IAVCEI Committee structure - Data Source: IAVCEI Secretariat

96 IAVCEI Commissions and Networks - Data Source: IAVCEI Secretariat

## 97 **4. Survey on discrimination in volcanology**

98 Anonymous full transcripts from 116 responses, in random order, of free-text comments provided  
99 in response to the statement *"Please share with us an occasion when you either witnessed or*  
100 *experienced discrimination in your work/study within volcanology. We will use these accounts to*  
101 *help raise awareness of the challenges certain individuals and groups face in volcanology - please be*  
102 *assured that all details will be anonymised."* The survey was released 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and the  
103 data are reported as of 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

104 Any potentially identifying information has been removed in square brackets to maintain  
105 anonymity. Other than this, we have not edited these transcripts and have kept original typographic  
106 errors. The statements are numbered randomly and all respondents who wrote statements are  
107 included. Some of the statements contain phrases or words that are unacceptable. They reflect the  
108 view of the respondents only.

109 We have categorised these accounts as follows:

- 110 • Witnessed
- 111 • Experienced
- 112 • Toxic culture
- 113 • Bullying
- 114 • Narcissism
- 115 • Sexism
- 116 • Sexual harassment/Sexual assault
- 117 • Racism
- 118 • Homophobia

119	• Physical health
120	• Mental health
121	• Maternity leave
122	• Language
123	• Funding
124	• Fieldwork
125	• Socio-economic status
126	• Public humiliation
127	• Microaggression
128	• Complaint
129	• Other
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#	Response
1	<p><i>In my previous research group (where was one of the senior people), the PI regularly commented on other colleagues' nationality in a negative way. For example: "As is typical for [person from specific country] people, she's crude." "Professor X is a refugee from [specific country]. Therefore he wants to build a new minority government here." Or "... Therefore he doesn't like women."</i></p> <p><i>The PI also frequently discussed and actively tried to manipulate his PhD students private life. For example "PhD student Y's boyfriend is not good for her. He has far too much influence on her and distracts her from work."</i></p> <p><i>Another example: The PI was seriously questioning another PhD student's commitment to her PhD when she started to date a new guy. The PI was inferring that the only thing she had on her mind was getting pregnant.</i></p> <p><i>None of these things were openly mentioned to the people in question. Everything was discussed in the PI's inner circle of senior researchers. However, these discussions led to a lot of conflict in the research group and the department. The research group finally collapsed and the professor is now banned from supervising PhD students.</i></p>
2	<p><i>If I were to share my stories, I would have to write a book. Mabe I will eventually.</i></p>
5	<p><i>Derision from my advisor at the mention of wanting to start a family. Overt racism to a [specific country of origin] colleague for "having bad English" - she's a US citizen and speaks English at a native level.</i></p>
6	<p><i>1) When I was a MSc student, I was publicly humiliated for wanting to do a PhD with a well-known researcher in volcanology by a member of my own research group. This person had a history of being narcissistic and demeaning bully, and at the time was not progressing in his project. I was also one of a few students in the department who comes from an ethnic minority and was successful in my project, and the bully was Caucasian male student. It took years to disclose this incident to my ex-supervisor, and impacted my PhD experience extremely negatively. When I did disclose it to said ex-supervisor, instead of supporting me, he blamed me for not speaking up and never even bothered to name the perpetrator in his assessment. The ex-supervisor continued to show support for the bully. Members of the public who were at the incident also did not intervene, and one of them claimed they "didn't know" how to respond.</i></p> <p><i>2) I also strongly believe I was discriminated against based on my race in a well-established funding competition, where the same bully in (1) won [a certain number of times] without having shown progress nor fulfilled 2/3 of the stipulations listed in the eligibility section. One of the stipulation stated that the applicants should present their research at an in-house symposium, but he did not [do this]. The panel was [not diverse], and the winners heavily reflected favouritism for their students.</i></p> <p><i>3) in the first few months of my PhD I encountered quite a few instances of hostile gatekeeping behaviour from two well-known "popular" postdoctoral researchers.</i></p>

*They bluntly said that "there were too many PhD students" during my first few months as a PhD student, and heavily implied that I won't get a faculty job before I had a chance to prove myself. They had issues landing jobs, and likely saw me as an opportunity to vent their frustrations.*

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*I was propositioned by a male student in front of a dozen other male students and two male profs, on a field trip. No one did or said anything.*

*On a field trip, in the desert, it was hot and we had all been drinking a lot of water, so everyone really needed to urinate. On a pause, every other participant (all male) simply turned their backs on the vans and peed. Since there was no cover, I could not pee in privacy so had to wait. I asked the trip leader to stop at a gas station so I could use the toilet, but he refused because he said he was in a hurry. I had to wait several hours, badly needing to urinate, before I was finally allowed access to a toilet.*

*In university, I witnessed a prof make disparaging remarks about a [person from a specific country] classmate. The same prof was also sometimes both misogynistic and racist at the same time: on a field mapping exercise in a small town, he said "There will be no all-girl mapping teams, because you need men to protect you from the drunken Indians".*

*At my current job, on a field project, a supervisor told two male summer students that my mineral identifications were wrong and suggested I was incompetent (he never spoke with me about any supposed errors in my work). He also gave me instructions, which I followed, then publicly chastised me for following the instructions. This same supervisor ignored several female summer students who did not meet societal standards of prettiness, providing no assistance with their projects and barely even speaking to them, while lavishing aid and attention on several conventionally pretty students. His attentiveness did not correlate with the actual academic skills, work effort, and overall performance of any of the students.*

*At my current job: when I returned from maternity leave, a senior manager (male), asked me if I was going to get pregnant again, and asked if he should have a talk with my husband to ensure I did not. This same manager has harassed and belittled me for over a decade - this is not obviously "sexual harassment", but he treats most if not all female colleagues this way and has a string of formal complaints against him that does not appear to have affected his career in any way.*

*I note that although none of these examples of harassment appears particularly horrific (I was never physically threatened or touched), many of them either don't fit a formal definition of harassment and/or are impossible to prove, and several are not obviously linked to sex, they all fit into a longstanding pattern of low-level harassment: questioning the competence of women, treating women like sex objects, denying the needs of females while giving male students/workers whatever they need. If someone threatens you at work, you can make a harassment complaint. However, when you are just treated a little differently, a little worse, over and over again, you have no recourse and just have to endure it.*

*Dealing with a single episode like those I have experienced would not be a big deal. However, dealing with a career-long string of incidents like these, involving multiple male colleagues in different organizations, has severely impacted my self-confidence, and made it really tough to assert myself in work situations.*

*I add that the instances of racism and homophobia I have witnessed, although not directed at me because I am white and hetero, were really disturbing, and I am sure they are just the tip of an iceberg. I can only imagine how hurtful and anger-inducing such events (no doubt also part of a prolonged pattern) are for the victims.*

9 *Witnessing gender/Physical discrim: have witnessed a male senior volcanology professor say openly and scathingly that someone was no good for a PhD project because "she was too fat to get up the hills"*

*Subject to inappropriate behaviour by senior male volcanologist on trip: I was on fieldwork as a junior PhD student with senior male academics where one male professor told me that another male senior volcanology lecturer (married) quote "likes me" and I should "watch out for him, he's bad news". As an early career PhD, I felt incredibly uncomfortable during the whole trip because of the senior lecturer's inappropriate flirting, and felt ashamed that others on the trip may think I was encouraging it.*

*Subject to gender discrimination by another woman: I have been at a conference social as a PhD student where I played pool with a volcanology professor- nothing untoward, platonic. Afterwards, a female volcanologist told me "x likes blondes" suggestively, and insinuated I was trying to flirt with him to get ahead. For a long time this has stayed with me, as it was from a fellow woman. It made me feel I would never be taken seriously.*

*These incidents, unfortunately all during my PhD, made me see volcanology as a very toxic place for a woman.*

11 *I was assaulted on a field trip ran by [specific Geoscience organisation], by another person attending the field trip. They tried to pull to their room to sleep with them and wouldn't listen when I told them no.*

*I got told to smile more and be more attractive on feedback from [specific student presentation assessment] at [specific international conference].*

*A well known volcanologist took an interest in my work and asked me to come on field work with him from very early on. As soon as other people left us alone on the trip, he asked me to come to his room and started undressing in front of me. He also got drunk and drove us back to the hotel whilst drunk. I had no other way to get back otherwise I wouldn't have gone with him. He constantly told me that my supervisor didn't get me and that I should only talk to him. He also told me to stop acting like a victim when I answered a question he asked me about previous negative experiences I had.*

	<p><i>A lot of jokes about how I speak, saying how 'common' it is. Telling me I would have to sleep with my supervisor to get my PhD.</i></p>
14	<p><i>I have experienced and observed discrimination against individuals with autistic spectrum disorder (ASD). I believe, in my own experience, that this form of discrimination and a general lack of understanding surrounding this complex condition is more common than many would believe, and it is sadly regarding as being of less interest when compared with discrimination based on other characteristics such as gender or ethnicity.</i></p> <p><i>My own experiences of this style of discrimination range from a benign disregard or slightly cruel amusement at efforts made by someone such as myself to appear 'normal' and blend in, through to a quite intense and targeted campaign of workplace bullying, which prompted severe depression and self harm. On one occasion, facing regular verbal intimidation from a more senior staff member, I was so distressed by the prospect of going to work and unable to function adequately that I took a shard of broken glass to my own neck. The individual in question was the departmental equality and diversity officer, and knew that she could treat me as she wished without fear of punishment based on the fact that I was, due to my ASD, not socially capable of handling her regular verbal attacks or managing the intimidating and confrontational situations she forced upon me. This included e-mail barrages, regular insinuation of inadequacy in my job and general failure to provide required support, face-to-face bullying, and threats of false accusations of sexist behaviour.</i></p> <p><i>No action was ever taken against the individual, and she is still working in the same institution, having been promoted to a more senior role as recognition for her contributions to equality and inclusivity in the workplace.</i></p>
15	<p><i>I have been erased by list of authors of papers I have written and I have worked for because I went on maternity leave</i></p>
16	<p><i>I feel that in volcanology there is a male-dominated culture, and this is reflected in many of the 'leaders' such as award-winners of leads of committees like IAVCEI are male. It's really hard to find diverse role models.</i></p> <p><i>When I was a PhD student (10 years ago now) there were a few male volcanologists who seemed to use social activities as an opportunity to try and seduce female PhD students. I really hate that so many of the social activities in volcanology seem to revolve around alcohol. I hope things are changing, but I'm really not sure they are.</i></p> <p><i>I think that women in volcanology are often 'forgotten' or their scientific contribution is devalued relative to a male of similar career stage. For example, in my previous institution there was an example of a male and female PhD student working together on a project - the male was automatically put by the supervisor as a co-author on the female's paper, but the female in the end was not a co-author on the male's paper yet their scientific contribution were the same.</i></p> <p><i>It is so infuriating to see editorial boards of books, or IAVCEI Commissions for example being all male. The impression is that there are no female leaders in these fields, but</i></p>

	<p><i>when you see contributions at conferences this clearly is not the case. Are women not being invited? Or are they not accepting the invitations?</i></p> <p><i>At my current work place I see every day evidence that I am treated differently by support staff, and sometimes my colleagues, because I am a woman. I feel I am expected to do more 'low skill' and time consuming tasks compared to my male equivalents. I am asked also to do more administrative tasks than my male colleagues, and I'm supposed to feel it is a compliment to be asked as they know I will do a good job. Yet these tasks take time away from my scientific research, which is ultimately on what my career progression is based. I really wish I had a mentor to guide me in my career and more positive role models.</i></p> <p><i>I feel like organisations such as IAVCEI really need to step up, recognise there are real issues in volcanology that need to be addressed related to gender, ethnicity and other important factors, and show real leadership in bringing forth positive change in our subject.</i></p>
18	<p><i>I was repeatedly asked to leave talks at [specific international] conference[s] for standing at the back (I have to stand because of my chronic illness). I had asked in advance if this was okay and had been told it would be fine, but every single talk I attended security questioned me, in some cases let me stay but it was still very disruptive, in others told me I had to leave, no exceptions to no standing rule.</i></p>
21	<p><i>joking' casual homophobic remarks were common at this [specific country] University in lecturer offices in the 2010s, and it was hard to listen to if you weren't out then like me. It makes it worse in the present day that some people who did this now have very senior positions in the scientific community and virtue signal all the time on social media about equality and social justice. Literally the definition of not having integrity. I'm not sure they even realise they did this in the past.</i></p>
22	<p><i>Assumptions about sleeping arrangements on field work without checking re sexual orientation</i></p>
23	<p><i>was fondled by female boss</i></p>
24	<p><i>Passed over for student fieldwork opportunities (even though I am very qualified) because I am not regarded as "outdoorsy" due to gender, race and other social factors.</i></p>
26	<p><i>During a field experience, the field leader was very strict about not allowing women to fall behind the group while we were walking to the next location to go to the bathroom. There were no trees in the area so the best option for going to the bathroom and avoid being discovered was to go when the group was moving together in one direction when we passed a large-enough rock. Once the women re-joined the group, we (all members together) were loudly reprimanded, including degrading our work ability and cursing at us.</i></p> <p><i>"Early career" fellowships, grants, and positions have age cutoffs. This runs counter to the Braided Stream model of career progression. I have "aged out" of many such fellowships and positions.</i></p>

28	<p><i>I have personally received comments about my appearance as a woman at conferences - mainly things like how it is "so much easier" to pay attention to a "woman in a dress" giving a scientific presentation. I have also gotten negative comments about my age or disability. I am fortunate that my experiences have stopped at just comments (that I know of).</i></p> <p><i>I don't know if it counts for your survey, but I have heard (not witnessed) first hand instances of sexual harassment and manipulation (abuse of power) of students, undergrad to PhD, and post-docs, and even senior faculty. Everything from professors sleeping with students and postdocs, to withholding funding from students if they didn't dress a certain way when asking for the money for a chemical or equipment they need for their research, to taking photos up female undergraduate/Honours/MSc's skirts and ranking students based on their attractiveness on field trips. In my experience, all of these complaints were against 2-3 professors only, but their actions and comments affect the morale and well-being of the entire department substantially.</i></p>
31	<p><i>Not being given the chance to co-author a paper despite having spent significant time helping out. At the same time, I see others (both junior and senior folks) who contribute much less, sometimes hardly anything, repeatedly being put on papers, which only results in reinforcing their status as a well-known and/or promising researcher. This practice tends to happen in the inner circle of the big volcano groups at the "renowned" [specific country] universities (who tend to belong to the same academic dynasty); though it might of course be more widespread. If you enter the space as an outsider (foreigner, with a degree from elsewhere) you just have this feeling you will never really belong, no matter how friendly people are to you in your face.</i></p>
33	<p><i>Crying white female coworkers are bullying entire divisions, males, females, handicapped, colored people alike, and draw all attention by superior onto them.</i></p>
35	<p><i>Colleague got pregnant during her PhD, didn't get her contract renewed, had to move department to finish her thesis. Male colleagues with children get renewed contracts all the time, even get permanent positions offered.</i></p> <p><i>In the field I'm always careful to express discomfort, cause otherwise I get the pity look and the frown of "women, weak" from my almost all male group of collaborators. If I'm talking about packing for field and considerations on garments and what to pack I'm often reminded that I'm not going for a catwalk. Of course it's just a joke, never addressed to male colleagues tho...</i></p>
37	<p><i>My previous boss, didn't hear my suggestions or ideas, he only agreed if one of my male counterparts mention the same thing. / I know of female colleagues that were paid less than the male counterparts for the same job, and same boss./ Due to my accent while doing my grad students some people dismiss me because they didn't understand me, instead of letting me explain. / During a field campaign I notice how a fellow PhD student was treated as a "personal assistant" to her PhD advisor. On the field, she carried everything, marked everything and in the camp site, she was in charge of food and everything else as well.</i></p>
38	<p><i>I experience gender based discrimination regularly during fieldwork season. Usually related to 4x4 driving, being in remote terrain without men etc. I am a qualified wilderness EMT and have 8+ years of 4x4 winter and summer experience in difficult terrain. I am purposefully seeking out extra qualifications (medical, mountaineering or</i></p>

	<i>driving based) just so I can be given the same opportunities as men in my field with less experience.</i>
39	<i>Staff members in my department have made very negative comments about LGBT people, presumably under the assumption that no one listening is part of that group (I am, but closeted).</i>
45	<i>- repeatedly being asked if I got my job because I was a woman in post-doc position - commonly asked to perform extra admin duties, while equivalent males given extra time to do research - male colleagues present my ideas, research, results, work as their own</i>
48	<i>Jobs and funding going to females that are less qualified than male counterparts. Jobs going to known people in own network</i>
51	<i>I was the only female and only westerner in my research group ([list of students from particular countries]). I was called fat and weak repeatedly and basically abandoned for the last two years of my PhD. When I asked if students from the [other specific continents] were just not applying to my advisor he said, no they do, I just find that they aren't as good as [person from a particular country] at math so I don't accept them. I did enjoy the perk of having my own office with a window because it was inappropriate for me to be in the same workplace as men, but it left me very isolated scientifically and socially.</i>
52	<i>A senior male volcanologist, without consulting me, made decision that because I am a woman (his words) I should not be deployed for field work that involved sleeping in dusty and primitive conditions. I would have LOVED this opportunity, and had no concerns about the dusty and primitive conditions.</i>  <i>Less than half an hour after it was announced at the end of a major conference where the following would be held, at a place near where I live, I congratulated one of the co-organizers, a white senior male I didn't know that well but had interacted with in the past. His immediate response was, do you want to be on the organizing committee, we need a woman. There was no mention of why me (I provide access to x community, I am knowledgeable in y discipline, etc.), only my gender was of interest.</i>  <i>The [specific conference] cultural performance celebrating the end of the conference sexualized and objectified teenage women. That was very upsetting, and put a damper on the conference for me.</i>  <i>The [specific conference] plenary speakers were all male the first four days of the five day conference.</i>
54	<i>Verbal sexual discrimination from elder male volcanologist to younger female volcanologists is rather prolific. I've witnessed this both verbally and physically numerous times. From professors inappropriately stroking their students backs, hair, arms, etc. to being smacked on the ass or told, "I wish I was more than your professor." These instances are honestly too numerous to remember.</i>

55	<i>At my previous position, research scientists (particularly male) treated lower payscale support staff (GIS, web, technicians) like crap. They ignored them, excluded them, teased them, and discredited them. It was awful.</i>
56	<i>Several times me and my female colleagues were declined to go to field trips based solely on our gender (female)</i>
60	<i>I'm a white male, so subject to very little discrimination. But when I was being considered for promotion at one time, I had multiple colleagues tell me that I was young, and still had plenty of time to advance, and that it was a bit "early" for me to be promoted. My age (below 40 at the time) should not have mattered -- just my record. Obviously a very minor episode compared to what others have experienced.</i>
62	<i>Discrimination may be too strong but it is perceived to be there owing to widespread 'casual sexism'. Comments and instruction on how to dress, limited physical capabilities, inappropriate behaviour from senior male collaborators. Pay gap in expenses handling.</i>
63	<p><i>Many years ago, I applied for graduate school and was accepted to work with a prominent, male volcanologist. Unfortunately my sir name is a male first name, and the advisor assumed I was male.</i></p> <p><i>On arriving to begin working under his guidance he insisted I was unable/incapable of carrying out remote, petrologic fieldwork as a female student, as 'what would we do with you in the field; it would be so difficult'. After months of discussion with other/male graduate students as well as the professor, I realized he had assumed an incorrect gender for me based on my application, and there was no way I could continue as his student and be funded. He absolutely would not allow me to participate in the science I had been accepted to do.</i></p> <p><i>I left graduate school for 2+ years, and worked; then with eyes wide open applied for admission to PhD programs, and completed one in a different subject with my own funding.</i></p>
69	<i>I was on a trip in a foreign country and I asked if I could engage in field excursion which involved carrying equipment up a volcano, which two young male-identifying students my age were invited to engage in. I was told that, yes, I could participate and help them carry the equipment up the mountain. Last minute I was called and told there was no need for me to come and participate. There was no explanation, and the two young men grad students were still able to participate in the field work. I work out and I am in good shape physically, and I am trained as an outdoor leader and led outdoor excursions before, but I am a female. I believe it was due a perception about my strength/fitness as a female. I would have had to complain or push my way in to be able to keep that opportunity, and I did not feel it was worth it.</i>
71	<i>1- I regularly publish my researchs. Basing on 30 years of experience, when I have a [specific country] reviewer, I am sure that the paper is rejected. That's why I ask to editor to avoid any [specific country] in editorial process.</i>
77	<i>The list is so long. I think I'll contact you directly.</i>



79	<i>I have witnessed that a white middle aged successful professor has been bullied by several female junior researchers. Even the professional external help that was involved to solve the conflict has been bias and acted not according to the facts but according to the current believe system.</i>
80	<i>Witnessed several female PhD students being sexually harassed by their male PhD supervisor who retaliated if rebuffed (bad-mouthing to industry contacts, refusal to provide academic supervision/support, etc). By contrast he treated his male PhD students very well.</i>
81	<i>Administration of research: my voice was ingnored, but when a mal said the same think it raised attention. A a woman, I experience that pleople never think of women for responsibilities</i>
82	<i>I'm not ready to share this story yet. The person that has actively discriminated against me throughout my career is a highly active member of the volcanology community, and as an ECR still finding my way onto the academic pyramid, I can't deal with this yet. I hope you get lots of stories though, they need to be told. I also hope you're able to capture some of the discrimination that has been felt my people outside volcanology but at the hands of scientific teams in-country to the local populations.</i>
84	<i>I was a postgraduate acting as a demonstrator on an undergraduate field trip abroad. H&amp;S rules dictate that a back up car be driven with the coach in case of accidents in the field. Two male lecturers (including the volcanologist this story relates to) and myself were added as drivers to the car. On the first day of the trip the volcanologist said he was too ill to go so I ended up driving the back up car. On the second day I was preparing to drive when I walked up and said that he didn't want me to drive, grabbed the keys out of my hand and forced me out of the drivers seat. We would eat out every evening and the better restaurants needed to be driven to. When I pointed out that the volcanologist didn't want me to drive during the day he said that he had already started drinking alcohol so wasn't able to drive everyone. On the first evening, when we arriving back to the accommodation, he would make disparaging comments about my driving skills. This tension went on all week with no other members of staff dealing with it. There was a tradition on the last night of setting up BBQs for the undergraduates and having a party. I was tired, didn't want to drink and agreed to be the designated emergency driver. Unfortunately there was a medical emergency with a female undergrad. As there were no female members of staff I was not only required to drive but also accompany them to the hospital. We got back at 1.30 am and had to be up at 6 am to travel to the airport. I knew I was tired after dealing with the hospital, the other back up driver was also the field trip leader and had been at the hospital so we wanted the volcanologist to drive. He had drunk so much the night before that he was still over the limit. There were two female undergrads not feeling well so the decision was made that I would drive, with the two other female postgrads and two female undergrads. On the way to the airport we were involved in a hit-and-run. We had to deal with the police before leaving the car and continuing to the airport on the bus. When I got on the bus the volcanologist made a comment about 'female drivers'. Upon our return to the department I was not asked about what had happened, no follow up checks and I was blacklisted from demonstrating on any other field trips. Meanwhile, the volcanologist faced no repercussions, has continued to be promoted within the department, wins medals for his research [and seems unaware his behaviour is problematic].</i>

86	<p><i>I told my male PhD supervisor that I was not intending to stay in academia after my PhD. Later that day, in a meeting with my other (male) supervisor, he asked what my plans were for after my PhD. Before I could respond, the supervisor I had spoken to in the morning answered: "she's leaving academia, she'll get married and have children." Never, in our conversation that morning, had marriage or children been mentioned. That had nothing to do with why I left academia. His comments made me feel that, as a female who was choosing to leave academia, I was part of the problem with the female drop-out rate in academia. I bet he would not have made that comment if a male PhD student said they were leaving academia. And, if I do choose to get married and have children in the future, is that not my choice and my business?</i></p>
87	<p><i>Volcanology is not a very diverse field. When asking for support or even advice on entering the field is met by discrimination - i.e people who thought I should not even be considering this field option due to my ethnicity. At conferences I are not taken seriously either people just tend to not bother with you and make you feel as though you don't belong their. For someone who was obsessed with getting into this field I was let down by people who could have supported me.</i></p>
91	<p><i>The design and execution of field work is almost always oblivious to the physical and emotional needs of anyone not cis het Male. So bathroom stops or pauses for more private wild bathroom stops have been neglected on trips led by Male leaders, and sometimes women. Seating in vehicles is very very limited which exacerbates my inflammatory disease and prevents movement needed to reduce limb swelling resulting in a lack of mobility. This leads to being left behind on later segments of trip, when I could have participated if accommodations were not dismissed. There are generic but pervasive.</i></p>
94	<p><i>While in graduate school, in several courses with the same professor, I answered a question first and correctly, but was told I did not answer the question correctly because the professor didn't listen to my answer and/or assumed I wouldn't know the answer. When the next person (male) answered with the exact same answer, he was told, 'Exactly. That is the answer I was looking for.' As this was a math answer, it was not subject to interpretation.</i></p>
96	<p><i>The [specific-country] volcanology community can be quite cliquey and there seems to be a bit of a culture of funding each other's proposals and those with the right academic "parentage" while displaying a real hostility to outsiders. This includes aggressive critique of conference presentations (including students), overly harsh or personal reviews of proposals and a general lack of respect when talking about other academics between themselves. It also leads to the same people repeatedly being awarded funding. I personally have been accused of knowing nothing about things I have written proposals on and advised to give my proposal to somebody more senior and concentrate on more junior level tasks. There is also very little recognition of the impact of sexual harassment on victims and a general culture of looking the other way. Perpetrators continue to be welcomed in academic settings, including giving oral presentations at conferences, ignoring the impact this has on those they harassed and their ability to participate in those same events.</i></p>
97	<p><i>Sexism about the way I dressed and how that wasn't how scientists dressed</i></p>

98	<p><i>Arranging to go on a field trip with a supervision who needed to write a letter to facilitate the transportation who refused to do so without any explanation.</i></p> <p><i>Not being allowed to stay at designated observatory lodgings because it wasn't "fit" for females.</i></p> <p><i>Not being allowed on a field team because I wasn't "sting" enough or "male" to carry equipment.</i></p>
100	<p><i>During important meetings, it occurred several times that the options discussed previously with my boss (and on which we both agreed) were rejected publicly by the same boss when i presented them during the meetings</i></p>
103	<p><i>In most of the international conferences or events in which I took part, native English-speaking people (or those who are comfortable with English) generally don't make any effort for local languages, which from my point of view a major discrimination (especially for students), sometimes underestimated.</i></p> <p><i>Anyway, good luck for your paper !</i></p>
104	<p><i>I witnessed a research geologist refer to Indigenous peoples as squaws. Where I'm from this is a very derogatory term for Indigenous peoples. They may not have known this. An intern and myself were referred to as incompetent for doing exactly what we were told to do. I'm clinically diagnosed with ADHD and take medication for it. Being called incompetent did nothing but make the imposter syndrome worse.</i></p>
106	<p><i>Female graduate adviser openly and often limited male student opportunities, including me personally. She claimed she was "leveling the field," even in public forums. Complaints were met with threats of career destruction. All of this was in plain sight of administrators. She, of course, was promoted to [a much higher position] while her male students were lucky to survive graduate school. She also openly discriminated against those she thought were from a lower class.</i></p>
110	<p><i>I heard 2 teachers speaking about not carrying a woman partner to a fieldwork because she was "annoying" because she was feminist and vegan.</i></p>
111	<p><i>In private and in public, I was subjected to work place bullying while studying for my master by a well respected volcanologist. This centred around my mental health and constant belittlement. This only added to my a severe period of depression, which led me to take a year off to recover.</i></p>
113	<p><i>This probably not want you want to hear, but the strongest forms of discrimination I have seen are in the form of preferences for women over men in academic jobs and for research funding (which is hard to document, but anecdotally appears to be true).</i></p> <p><i>My institution has institutionalized favoritism for women in administration and promotion and even stipulates that a woman's salary has to be higher than any man's salary of similar academic rank in each university department.</i></p>
115	<p><i>I would say I've experienced (and witnessed) subtle forms of discrimination, and it's not always clear the reason. I'm a female in a male-dominated subfield, but some of the</i></p>

colleagues I've had trouble with seem fine working with other females. It could be having a non-standard background or not graduating from a well-known program. It could be personality, "culture", or other related characteristics outside the majority culture which I've noticed in others who are treated similarly. By "subtle forms", I mean things that aren't explicit and might not even be intended, such as dismissiveness, patronizing comments/actions, lack of interest, and seemingly endless hurdles to "prove" yourself. I've occasionally tried to address these concerns directly with colleagues or with a supervisor/manager and have usually been brushed off (e.g., 'they didn't mean it', 'they're nice and wouldn't do something like that') or given sympathy with no action or course for change (e.g., 'I'm sorry to hear that. I hope things get better.', 'I'm sorry and will do better next time' (then repeats the same action), 'It's me, not you. There's nothing you can do better.'). For my specific sub-discipline, at least in my country, it feels like it's a club where you have to know the 'right' people, act the "right" way, work on the 'right' topics, etc. to be included in it. Sometimes I think it's simply due an unconscious preference for "people like me". I can't think of any big or explicit incidences, but over years, the small things add up and can eat away at you. I'm pretty much at a point where I feel done with research careers, or at least my field/subfield, because I feel like what I do isn't really valued, that I don't "belong", and that I will always have to fight or do twice as much to get any acknowledgment or be taken seriously.

116 During fieldwork near the [a volcanic] eruption site, my less experienced colleague was harassed by police because he didn't wear helmet (not really needed [at the time]) although we had permits to be at the site. We were forced to leave while other people who were in the same positions as us, but maybe more senior-looking etc were allowed to stay.

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