

ing publication, *Meteoritics and Planetary Science*, had asked Wood to submit a manuscript, but the two of them could not agree on its format" ("A meteoriticist speaks out, his rocks remain mute," 31 Aug., p. 1581). The manuscript referred to was based on the Harold Masursky Lecture that Wood delivered at the 2000 Lunar and Planetary Science Conference.

Wood's paper was sent to three reviewers, and the consensus was that the paper was not acceptable for publication in *Meteoritics and Planetary Science*. However, I was hopeful that with revision it might be publishable in the journal's supplement, which contains papers of value to the community but not necessarily appropriate for the journal. I requested changes accordingly, which were of substance, not format. The paper did not seem to me to be an assertion that chondrule research over the last four decades had been futile. Rather, it suggested that the avenues of interpretation pursued by this particular researcher had been fruitless. It was a valuable record of a frustrating career over a unique time in planetary science history, and I regret that it has not yet been made publishable.

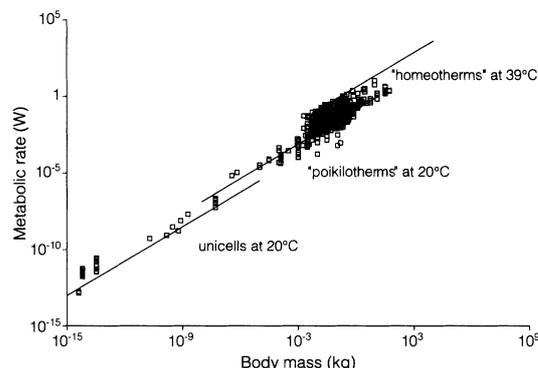
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CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

**REPORTS:** "Effects of size and temperature on metabolic rate" by J. F. Gillooly, J. H. Brown, G. B. West, V. M. Savage, E. L. Charnov (21 Sept., p. 2248). In Figs. 1, 3, and 4, a systematic error was made in the units of metabolic rate: Instead of watts (joules per second), as was shown, the units should have been joules per minute. Thus,



the value of metabolic rate shown on the published figures is a factor of 60 too large; to obtain the correct value in watts, the number shown in each Fig. must be divided by 60. Con-

sequently, in figure 4, where the authors compared their temperature-normalized plot with that of A. M. Hemmingsen, his data are correctly expressed in watts, whereas the authors' are in joules per minute and should therefore be reduced by a factor of 60. The corrected version of Fig. 4, in which both sets of data are expressed in the same units (watts), is shown here. In addition, there was a mislabeling in Fig. 2: The ordinate should have read  $\ln [LS/(M^{1/4})]$  rather than  $\ln [LS (M^{1/4})]$ , so that the unit of the quantity in square brackets is days per gram<sup>1/4</sup> and not simply days. These corrections do not affect the conclusions or the nature of the results of the paper.

**NEWS OF THE WEEK:** "Peer review and quality: a dubious connection?" by M. Enserink (21 Sept., p. 2187). A quotation from Tom Jefferson's presentation at the Fourth International Congress in Biomedical Publication held in Barcelona, Spain, 14 to 16 September 2001, was incorrectly stated. The quotation, cited in the first paragraph on p. 2188, should have been, "If I manufact-

ured a drug called peer review and applied to the Food and Drug Administration for its registration on the basis of currently available evidence, they would collapse laughing."

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