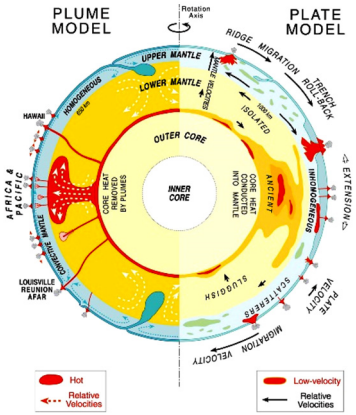
## INVITATION

The controversy concerning plume or non-plume origins for continental and oceanic basalts, and implications for mantle dynamics, is still ongoing a decade after resurgence of the debate. This workshop will bring together scientists to address questions that include: (1) What is the definition of a plume? (2) How can the plume- and plate hypotheses be tested and falsified? (3) Do our research approaches hamper progress? (4) Are current models for "hot spots" consistent with cross-disciplinary results?




Join us in the spring at the beautiful river city of Wuhan, Central China, to share your opinions and ideas about the most significant debate currently ongoing in Earth science.

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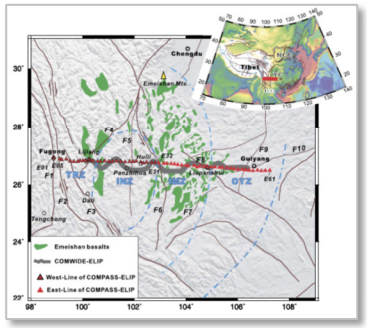
## Site visit to Emeishan LIP

**The Emeishan flood basalt** in SW China has been recognized as one of the major mafic LIPs. It was emplaced over a short time with a termination age of 259.1±0.5Ma, which is very close to the Guadalupian–Lopingian Boundary. Thus, it is possibly synchronous with a number of major global events during the late Paleozoic, such as the double mass extinctions, ocean superanoxia, or sea-level drop.

Over the past decade, multidisciplinary investigations have been conducted in ELIP on its origin. A mantle plume model has been used to explain the physical and chemical features of this LIP, including the eruption of high magnesian lavas and evidence for pre-volcanic crustal domal uplift.

However, most of the seismic evidence for mantle plumes is confined to the modern, active hotspots, whereas the ELIP is related to an ancient thermal activity. Thus, to understand the origin of an ancient LIP, great care must be taken when a real-time geophysical obser-vation on the deep-seated and hence volatile structures is used as a discriminator.

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