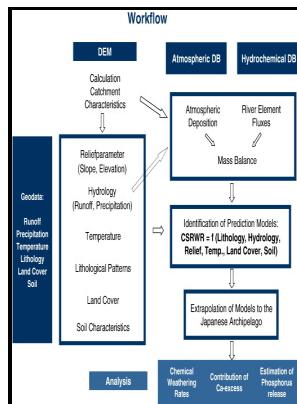


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## 8.2 Chemical Weathering

On the recently broken unweathered surface Figure 8.

## 5.2 Chemical Weathering

Top: Carbon dioxide reacts with water to make acid.

### Natural Weathering Rates of Silicate Minerals — University of Bristol

Biological processes in soils can significantly increase weathering rates. The calcium carbonate CaCO<sub>3</sub> contained in shells and skeletons sinks after the marine organism dies and is deposited on the ocean floor.

#### silicate mineral

The of silicate minerals on the of Earth produces the in which we grow our foods and the sand on our beaches.

#### Chemical weathering rates of silicate minerals in soils

The ice crystal growth weakens the rocks which, in time, break up. The wide range of secondary minerals present in such coatings and cements mostly complex sulphates is indicative of an unstable and immature chemical system that is constantly evolving. Oxidation Oxidation happens when free oxygen i.

#### Weathering

They also demonstrated conclusively the contribution of strong acid anion leaching of exchangeable Ca to long-term soil depletion.

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