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#### Abstract

The North Patagonian Massif is an Argentinean plateau that has an average height of  $1200\ m$  and stands from  $500\ to\ 700\ m$  above the neighboring areas. During Paleogene, it suffered a sudden uplift of more than  $1200\ m$  without noticeable internal deformation; thus, it could be related to isostatic disequilibrium. To shed light on the geodynamic development of the area it is necessary to characterize the present-day configuration of the crust. In this study, a lithospheric-scale 3D density model was developed by integrating all the available data of the area with the objective of assessing the depth of the crust-mantle discontinuity (Moho). During the construction of the initial density model, we tested different mantle density scenarios obtained using P- and S-wave veloc-

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