



Advances of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles in Hydrology

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Over the past few decades, the development of drones has revolutionized the field of hydrology. Hydrology no longer always relies on a combination of in situ ground-based measurements and remote sensing satellite data or airborne data from manned aircraft. This Special Issue aims to gather UAV applications of different technologies and methods in order to provide cost-effective hydrologic monitoring, assessment, and modeling.

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- Coastal and deltas surveying;
- Flood monitoring and analysis;
- Image-based velocimetry;
- Multispectral sensors and water indices;
- River stage and water depth;
- Thermal cameras and algal blooms;
- UAVs on hydrologic engineering;
- UAV-based sensors for water pollution.





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