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# Tracers and Isotopes Hydrology Innovative Techniques and Significant Challenges

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Water protection plans, environmental problems, groundwater vulnerability, and engineering geology studies are some of the challenging issues emerging in recent years, to which Tracer and Isotope Hydrology can offer a considerable contribution. The purpose of the Special Issue is to present new techniques employed in hydrology and hydrogeology studies to improve traditional method solutions. In this context, a particular focus will be therefore given to:

- Natural/artificial tracers in recharge studies on different kinds of aquifers/hydro-structures
- Application of new methods of isotope data processing to hydrologica/hydrogeological problems;
- Use of tracing techniques to applied hydrogeological/engineering geology investigations
- Use of artificial tracers to investigate actual groundwater flowpaths/aquifer contacts for stratigraphic or tectonic features in complex environmental contexts
- Studies on surface leaking from lakes, rivers, or reservoirs into groundwater bodies
- Isotopic fractionation processes due to the infiltration through the soil, snowmelt, complex orography



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