



Metallic Elements in Sediments

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Dear Colleagues,

This Special Issue addresses all research that deals with metallic elements in sediments. Fluvial systems are among the most sensitive compartments of the surface environment, namely the “critical zone”, regarding contamination. Contaminations can take various forms and inorganic contamination can be of natural origin or may directly reflect human activities. [...]. When sediment quality is questioned, numerous outlines emerged such as the sustainable management of the impacted river, the use of water resources, potential transfer to living organisms, etc., and how to understand these outlines. Thus, environmental studies must deal with the complexity of numerous processes at various interfaces. Some ways to better understand contaminations lie in the use of a wide range of tools at various scales. Among them, the determination of the speciation, mineralogy, toxicity of the contaminants helps to better estimate the degree of impact and sometimes the way to better constrain it.

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