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Dear Colleagues. Aquatic ecosystems are being stronaly modified by the intensification of uses of drainage basins, which generates an increase in discharges of contaminants to aquatic environments, impacting ecosystem services and transferring contaminants to the ocean, threatening life under water. This complex situation is worsened in a scenario of climate change and the unsustainable utilization of natural resources. The complexity of the entangled relation among drivers of environmental impacts requires a multidisciplinary approach to understand the complete potential of threats to the renewable resources of aquatic systems, especially a full understanding of the biogeochemical processes that control the mobility, partitioning, bioavailability, and toxicity of trace elements and nutrients, in order to promote consistent environmental assessments.

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