

Special Issue

Biogeochemical Cycling of Fe, Mn, and S and Their Impact on Contaminant Dynamics

Message from the Guest Editors

A complex interplay between hydrology, redox conditions, and iron (Fe), manganese (Mn), and sulfur (S) cycling leads to diverse reactions that determine geochemical behaviour of contaminants and nutrients in near-surface environments. Transformation of metastable Fe and Mn phases affects speciation, partitioning, and mobility of associated contaminants and nutrients. Under anaerobic conditions, such mineral transformations may be induced or catalysed by the presence of microbially produced Fe(II), Mn(II), or S(–II). Under aerated conditions, oxidation of Fe(II), Mn(II), or S(–II) results in the co-precipitation and incorporation of toxic and essential elements. Recent research has shown that co-occurring contaminants and nutrients can also have a severe impact on the nature, pathways, and kinetics of mineral (trans)formations. With this Special Issue, we invite you to submit current work that explores the coupling of contaminant (e.g., arsenic (As), antimony (Sb), organic pollutants) and nutrient (e.g., phosphate (PO_4^{3-}), sulfate (SO_4^{2-})) dynamics with Fe, Mn, and S mineral transformations in natural or engineered environments.

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