

Special Issue

Stable Isotopes as Groundwater Discharge Tracers: Recent Developments

Message from the Guest Editors

Stable isotopes are powerful tools for characterizing both the behavior and processes in groundwater systems. They are also useful for quantifying water and solute exchanges between surface and groundwater compartments, driven by various hydrological processes, from precipitation to groundwater discharge. The information obtained helps understand the dynamics of aquifers, including their recharge, flow patterns, age and vulnerability to contamination. This knowledge is essential for effective groundwater management and sustainable use of water resources. In this Special Issue of *Water*, we encourage submissions describing the application of stable isotopes to explore the role of different hydrological and hydrogeochemical processes driving aquifer behavior in terms of the isotopic content in groundwater.

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