

Special Issue

Water Quality in Drinking Water Distribution Systems

Message from the Guest Editors

Safe drinking water is paramount for the health and wellbeing of all populations. Water is extracted from surface and groundwater sources and treated to comply with drinking water standards. The water is then circulated through the drinking water distribution system (DWDS). During travel within the DWDS, water quality can deteriorate due to microbiological growth, chemical reactions, interactions with ageing and deteriorating infrastructure, and through maintenance and repair activities. Some DWDS actions may serve to improve water quality, however, these can also adversely impact the drinking water system and cause instances of poor water quality or disease outbreaks. We invite papers to examine DWDS design and operational practices and their impact on water quality. A wide range of water quality aspects are of interest, such as discoloration, water age, chlorination, biofilm, (fecal) contamination, etc. We welcome papers based on practical research in real DWDS and lab test facilities. We also welcome papers on novel modeling approaches.

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