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Environmental geochemistry group is composed of researchers at the Institute of Geochemistry, Mineralogy and Mineral Resources and at the Laboratories of the Geological Institutes of the Faculty of Science. Their joint research is focused on processes related to biogeochemical cycles of elements near the Earth surface, such as metals and metalloids from anthropogenic sources. In addition, it involves interactions among hydrosphere, atmosphere, pedosphere and waste matter, as well as development of new analytical methods in environmental geology. The research activities are realised in the Czech Republic, in Europe, as well as on other continents, such as Africa and America.

## Selected outputs

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