EDITOR'S MESSAGE





Editor's Message: The 2020 Editors' Choice articles

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The 2020 Editors' Choice articles have been selected. Usually, five articles published in *Hydrogeology Journal* (HJ) are selected as highlights of each publishing year by our editorial team: Martin Appold, Jean-Christophe Comte, Jean-Michel Lemieux, Rui Ma, Maria-Theresia Schafmeister and Clifford Voss. However, this year we are highlighting six articles as it was difficult to not include all of these as winners. These Editors' Choice articles are ones that we especially like for a variety of reasons. We selected these from among the ~200 articles that appeared in the 2020 issues of HJ.

The six 2020 articles that we consider to be exceptional (listed in Table 1) are distinguished by a variety of positive attributes including: outstanding science, innovative approach, potentially important conclusions, important methodology, interesting field area or phenomenon, unusual topic,

political/social/governance/historical/philosophical interest, challenging arguments, and so on. The HJ editors believe that readers will find these articles to be especially interesting and valuable. Read them and see if you agree with us that these are particularly interesting.

Editors' Choice articles are highlighted on the International Association of Hydrogeologists' (IAH) website (https://iah.org/hydrogeology-journal/hj-editors-choice-articles) and via the IAH social media and *News and Information* magazine. Springer-Nature will grant the ones that are not already freely available online (open access) with free online access for a period of time in 2021 after this announcement.

Congratulations to all of these distinguished authors for their excellent articles!

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 Table 1
 Hydrogeology Journal's 2020 Editors' Choice articles

Authors	Title	Volume(issue):pages DOI/link
Sarah K. Marshall Peter G. Cook Leonard F. Konikow Craig T. Simmons Shawan Dogramaci	Conjoint use of hydraulic head and groundwater age data to detect hydrogeologic barriers	28(3):1003–1019 https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10040-019-02095-9
Jude Cobbing	Groundwater and the discourse of shortage in Sub-Saharan Africa	28(4):1143–1154 https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10040-020-02147-5
David Milo Ferris Greg Potter Grant Ferguson	Characterization of the hydraulic conductivity of glacial till aquitards	28(5):1827–1839 https://doi.org/10.1007/s10040-020-02161-7
Giovanna De Filippis Stefania Stevenazzi Corrado Camera Daniele Pedretti Marco Masetti	An agile and parsimonious approach to data management in groundwater science using open-source resources	28(6):1993–2008 https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10040-020-02176-0
Lamine Boumaiza Romain Chesnaux Julien Walter Christine Stumpp	Assessing groundwater recharge and transpiration in a humid northern region dominated by snowmelt using vadose-zone depth profiles	28(7):2315–2329 https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10040-020-02204-z
Fernando M. D'Affonseca Michael Finkel Olaf A. Cirpka	Combining implicit geological modeling, field surveys, and hydrogeological modeling to describe groundwater flow in a karst aquifer	28(8):2779–2802 https://doi.org/10.1007/s10040-020-02220-z

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