

## **EVALUATING GROUNDWATER RECHARGE\DISCHARGE**

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## • Part I: Evaluating Groundwater Recharge Using Multiple Approaches

### • Part II:

Arctic Region: Scale and Biogeochemical impact

### **Outline of Presentation**

# Arctic SGD: Submarine Groundwater Discharge in a Changing



### **Groundwater Recharge**

#### Introduction



Schematic depiction of processes associated with water cycle emphasizing types of recharge.

Arrows indicate water movement.





• To infer recharge rate based on water table fluctuation method

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- To evaluate chloride/sulfate mass balance in the unsaturated zone
- To identify isotopic compositions and geochemistry of aquifers in saturated zone.

## Study Area







### Field Work/Lab Work





### **Groundwater Geochemistry and Isotopes**

Plot of  $\delta^{18}O$  (‰) vs.  $\delta^{2}H$  (‰) for groundwater, surface water and rainwater.

The samples are categorized based on seasonality and aquifer system. GMWL and NKMWL, NKGWL, and NKSWL are presented.

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### **Groundwater Geochemistry and Isotopes**

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### Water Table Fluctuation Method



The model presented here is a procedure to calculate recharge from monthly water table fluctuation and rainfall in a time series framework with a specific yield that changes with sites and drainage rate is determined based on fallen water table in periods of no rainfall (Crosbie et al., 2005).

### **Mass Balance Method**





### Unique aspects of the study

- The time period of climate and groundwater examined
- The range of soil and aquifer characteristics studied
- The variety of methods in saturated and unsaturated zones have never been reported before and were applied for first time in the region.

### **Publications**

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## Arctic SGD: Submarine Groundwater Discharge in a Changing Arctic Region: Scale and Biogeochemical impact

Vision and Mission



#### Submarine groundwater discharge (SGD) schematic

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### General

**Source:** <u>Submarine Groundwater Discharge project site</u>

### **SGD sites**



#### Moosdorf&Oehler, 2017



#### Taniguchi et al. 2002

### **Objectives, Hypotheses, Work Packages**





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Svalbard fjords —— sediment coring (head to the mouth)

groundwater discharge is a function to the distance from the nearest land

SGD controls by (1) development of glaciers and (2) the location to permeable formation

- Precipitation of authigenic carbonate by Methane —— Low  $\delta$ 180 values

To assess the dynamics of trace element transport

Oceanic contributions through the SGD

SGD fluxes employ to estimate on DIN, DON, Ξ DIC, DOC and barium

SGD impacts on benthic faunal community are expected to contain a unique mixture of freshwater and reduced environment specialized species.

SGD derived authigenic precipitates in the sediments and seafloor

### **Objectives, Hypotheses, Work Packages**



Sediment coring and water column

pore fluid chloride, salinity and boron concentrations (Svalbard)

Boron fluid profiles (LV seep)

Radon (222Rn) and radium (226Ra and 228Ra) isotopes

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characterize the benthic macro-and meio-fauna in areas of both active and inactive SGD

the stable isotopic signatures of the biomass

assess the impacts of SGD on community matrices ( diversity and species richness and biomas)

the dissolved chemical species that are associated with SGD.

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Ekholm; GB: Ghalberget; RT: Rasstupet).

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(b) Along the Lofoten-Vesteralen (LV) margin. LV bathymetry is from Rise et al. (2013) with numbers 1-15 mark the canyons with different scales.





(a) Study areas around Svalbard. The Svalbard base map was modified from Dallmann (2015). The locations showing offshore meteoric groundwater coincide with both the karst formations and terrestrial springs from Svalbard (DF: Dicksonfjorden; BF: Billefjorden; IF: Isjforded; VM: Van Mijenfjorden; HS: Hornsund; KE: Kapp

### **Research Methods**

#### Cruises

#### 2 cruises to Spitsbergen 2021,2022 (RV Oceania) 1 cruise to Spitsbergen 2022 (RV G.O SARS) 1 cruise to the Lofoten-Vesterålen margin 2021 (RV G.Q. SARS)



### **Research Methods**

### Analyses

#### Salinity, Major and Minor Constituents

Salinity (Handheld salinity meter) Cl<sup>-</sup> and SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> (IC and titration for chloride) Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Sr<sup>2+</sup>, Li<sup>+</sup>, B, Ba<sup>2+</sup> (ICPOES, ICPMS)

#### **Carbon Characterization**

DIC and DOC (Total Organic Carbon Analyzer TOC-L, Shimadzu) Total Alkalinity (Titration)

#### **Nutrient Characterization**

DIN and DON (Nutrient Flow Analyzer and Total Organic Carbon Analyzer TOC-L (Shimadzu) for DON)

#### **Rn Isotope**

<sup>222</sup>Rn (Thoron and Radon detector; DURRIDGE Rad7)





Images from LV seep showing the influence on seafloor fauna at locations (a) with and (b) without SGD. (Source: Geological Survey of Norway, Photos were collected by the remote operated vehicle ROV ÆGIR 6000 during NGU 1710 cruise onboard RV G.O. Sars, 2017).



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