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GEOLOGÍA ISOTÓPICA

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Objetivo de la materia

El objetivo de la materia es que los estudiantes aprendan y se familiaricen con los fundamentos de la geoquímica isotópica y las aplicaciones de los isótopos estables e inestables en geología.

La materia está dividida en dos bloques, uno referido a isótopos ambientales y otra asociada a geocronología, isótopos radiactivos y radigénicos.

La idea es que al final de la materia hayan comprendido los principios básicos, puedan leer y entender críticamente cualquier trabajo sobre el tema, procesar información que puedan recibir de diferentes laboratorios y eventualmente, generar sus propios datos si les interesa.

Metodología

La metodología de enseñanza incluye:

a) Clases teóricas

Exponen la información básica y avanzada de los diferentes tópicos, resumen el conocimiento hasta la fecha desde muchas fuentes, provee estructuras para ayudar a los estudiantes a aprender más efectivamente

b) Clases de problemas - Discusiones

Da a los estudiantes oportunidad de aplicar principios, formular problemas y aprender a evaluar la evidencia desde su punto de vista y desde el de otros.

La participación en las discusiones ayuda a los estudiantes a establecer relaciones entre conceptos hablando y explicando, resumiendo y preguntándose acerca de las relaciones entre hechos y evidencias.

c) Aprendizaje experimental

Incluye el trabajo en laboratorio, campo y el desarrollo de trabajos en conjunto. Estas experiencias permiten a los estudiantes describir y entender problemas concretos y específicos, como asimismo enfrentar las complicaciones intrínsecas que implica el uso de equipamiento.

d) Casos tipo

Se utilizarán para representar un tipo particular de problema, con datos reales. Comprende la adquisición, reprocesamiento, uso de la información y aplicación de aspectos teóricos a la resolución de un problema.

Modalidad de la materia: Teóricas y Prácticas (Problemas).

Carga horaria: 96 horas

Evaluación virtual: Dos exámenes parciales y final. Para aprobar los prácticos, los estudiantes deberán realizar y presentar individualmente un trabajo monográfico, después de finalizado el dictado de cada bloque. Los mismos serán remitidos al profesor para su evaluación y expuestos en presencia de toda la clase. Allí serán sometidos a discusión por el profesor y el conjunto de participantes. De ser necesario, existe la posibilidad de dos exámenes recuperatorios eventuales correspondientes a cada bloque, que se tomarán al finalizar la cursada. .

El examen final virtual será presentado y acordado con el profesor, en fecha y aula virtual a determinar. Tendrá carácter público para todos los cursantes.

PROGRAMA

1. Geología Isotópica, definición y orígenes.
2. Estructura atómica de la materia. Origen de los elementos. Isótopos estables e inestables. Fraccionamiento isotópico. Constantes de equilibrio en las reacciones de intercambio isotópico. Mecanismos de decaimiento y transformaciones radiactivas.
3. Análisis instrumental. Técnicas de medición de abundancia relativa y absoluta de los isótopos. Espectrometría de masas.
4. Isótopos estables del oxígeno y el hidrógeno en la hidrosfera. Distribución y ciclo en la naturaleza. La notación delta. Interpretación de isótopos ambientales en combinación con hidroquímica en hidrología subterránea. Técnicas isotópicas aplicadas al desarrollo y manejo de los recursos hídricos.
5. Isótopos estables del azufre, carbono y nitrógeno en la hidrósfera y la litósfera. Distribución y ciclo en la naturaleza. Isótopos estables del oxígeno e hidrógeno en la litosfera. Utilización de isótopos ambientales como trazadores y monitores ambientales. Técnicas isotópicas aplicadas al estudio de cambios pasados y presentes en la hidrosfera y atmósfera (Global Change). Cronoestratigrafía isotópica
6. Geotermometría isotópica. Aplicación de los isótopos estables como geotermómetros. Geotermia. Utilización de los isótopos estables en el modelado de sistemas geotérmicos.
7. Geocronología. Principios básicos. Ecuaciones generales. Métodos radimétricos. de acumulación. Generalidades.
8. Método K-Ar: Principios y técnicas experimentales. Temperaturas de bloqueo. Isocronas K-Ar. Datación de rocas ígneas, metamórficas y sedimentarias. Limitaciones. Correlación con paleomagnetismo. Método $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$: Principios.

Técnicas experimentales. Difusión y “recoil”. Desgasificado por etapas. Espectro de edades. Isocronas. Historia térmica. Exceso de ^{40}Ar . Ventajas y limitaciones.

9. Método Rb /Sr. Principios y metodología. Geoquímica del Rb y Sr. Isocronas. Programas de cálculo. Geología isotópica del Sr en meteoritos . Evolución del Sr en la Tierra. Datación de rocas ígneas, metamórficas y sedimentarias. Sistemas abiertos y cerrados. Limitaciones. Evolución de los isótopos del Sr en el agua de mar.

10. Método Sm/Nd. Principios y metodología. Geoquímica del Sm y Nd. Isocronas. Evolución del Nd en el sistema solar y la tierra. Edades modelo CHUR y DM. Edades de proveniencia. Aplicaciones del método en rocas ígneas, metamórficas y sedimentarias.

11. Método Lu/Hf. Geoquímica del Lu y el Hf. Evolución del Hf en el manto y la corteza. Método Re-Os. Geoquímica del Re y el Os. Evolución del Os en el manto y la corteza. Aplicación en depósitos minerales. Otros métodos de acumulación: K-Ca, La-Ce y La-Ba. Principios y técnicas experimentales. Aplicaciones.

12. Métodos isotópicos. U-Th-Pb Principios y técnicas experimentales. Geoquímica del U, Th y Pb. Las series de decaimiento del U y Th. Diagrama de concordia. Datación de rocas ígneas, sedimentarias y metamórficas. Modelos. Datación de granos individuales de zircón. Método Pb - Pb. Isocronas. Método del plomo común. Modelo Holmes - Houtermans. Modelos de dos etapas, Modelos complejos. Aplicaciones a medio ambiente y prospección de yacimientos.

13. Isótopos de gases nobles: He, Ar, Ne y Xe. Principios y técnicas experimentales. Evolución de la atmósfera terrestre.

14. Utilización de los isótopos del Sr, Nd, Pb, He y Hf en petrología. Combinación con isótopos estables. Comportamiento en la evolución magmática (Modelos CF, ACF). Procesos de mezcla de componentes y modelado. Ejemplos sudamericanos y argentinos.

15. Geodinámica isotópica. Evolución temporal de la corteza y el manto terrestre. La acreción cortical. El manto primitivo. Isótopos en el estudio de la génesis y evolución del sistema solar.

16. Aplicación de isótopos radigénicos en metalogénesis de depósitos minerales.

17. Métodos radimétricos de decaimiento: nucleidos cosmogénicos. Métodos ^{14}C y Tritio. Principios y técnicas experimentales. ^{14}C : Variaciones seculares, efecto reservorio, datación de carbonatos y aguas subterráneas. Tritio en la atmósfera. Métodos ^{26}Al y ^{10}Be . Producción en la atmósfera. Tiempos de residencia. Datación de sedimentos. ^{10}Be en rocas volcánicas. Datación de hielo y aguas subterráneas con nucleidos cosmogénicos.

18. Desequilibrio radiactivo en series del U. Fundamentos, técnicas experimentales y principales métodos: ^{234}U , ^{230}Th , ^{210}Pb . Aplicaciones en procesos de corto término: evolución de cámaras magmáticas y dorsales oceánicas.

19. Daño por radiación: Trazas de Fisión. Principios y técnicas experimentales. Temperaturas de cierre y aplicaciones. Tasas de ascenso y subsidencia. Termoluminiscencia y ESR. Principios y técnicas experimentales. Aplicaciones. Otros métodos de datación (racemización de aminoácidos, métodos químicos).

20. El tiempo geológico. Edades. Escalas.

21. Técnicas isotópicas aplicada a estudios del medio ambiente. Isótopos de gases nobles aplicados como trazadores en estudios ambientales. Isótopos artificiales. Contaminación radiactiva del ambiente continental y marino. Conceptos básicos de seguridad radiológica. Impacto ambiental de la liberación de radionucleidos en el medio acuoso. Disposición de residuos radiactivos. Aplicaciones combinadas en atmósfera, hidrosfera y litosfera.

23. Trazadores isotópicos naturales y artificiales en geología del petróleo. Metodologías y conceptos fundamentales. Modelado en inyección de trazadores radiactivos naturales y artificiales. Determinación de permeabilidad y porosidad. Producción y recuperación secundaria. Localización de fracturas. Almacenamiento y transporte de fluidos. Pérdidas y filtraciones.

24. Disposición de residuos radiactivos. Técnicas isotópicas aplicadas al estudio de sitios de disposición final. Reactores naturales. Estado del arte y nuevas aplicaciones y metodologías en geología isotópica.

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