

## Remontée des sujets CSC 2019-2020

Ecole Doctorale / Doctoral School	Sciences de la Terre et de l'Environnement et Physique de l'Université Paris Diderot
Titre du sujet / Subject title	Impact of surface chemical alteration on geomorphological evolution of tropical volcanic islands
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Pôle / Research axis	

### Description of the subject

The study of erosion processes, erosion rates and their links with climate is an important scientific question and matter of long-standing and continuing debate. Chemical weathering and physical erosion (and associated sediment transport) that allows the denudation of the continental surfaces are among the most important processes that drive earth's surface morphology. The physical erosion that controls topography and slopes produces fresh surfaces for chemical weathering that in turn consumes atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>, making these erosion processes important players in the feedbacks between climate and tectonics.

Water is the primary agent of denudation processes (mechanical erosion + chemical weathering), and rivers are visibly prominent watercourses. Consequently, the solute transport and channel-incision rates of rivers have been extensively studied. It has long been assumed (in the traditional framework of the stream power law) that only the stream water in contact with the river bed directly contributes to the channel incision. However, (i) the subsurface rocks become chemically altered and weakened by the passage of infiltrated water (depending on the water-rock contact time, or water residence time) and (ii) water can show complex behaviors such as groundwater discharge into stream water.

This project aims to unveil the behavior of water in the subsurface using hydrological models, calibrated by innovative geochemical tracers, in order to test the hypothesis that infiltrated water causes subsurface weathering which promotes the channel incision and catastrophic erosion processes.

Tropical volcanic islands are excellent natural laboratories to study erosion processes since 1) the

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Funding type

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