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19 **Highlights**

- 20 • Cumulative distribution function plots are a powerful exploration data analysis tool.  
21 • Despite different origins of waters, median values and ranges are for many elements  
22 comparable.  
23 • High concentration of B, Be, Br, Cs, F, Ge, Li, Rb, Te and Zr characterise deeper-  
24 seated, mature groundwaters.  
25 • Correlation heatmaps with dendrograms unveils unexpected elemental correlations  
26 from plumbing materials.

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28 **Keywords**

29 Cumulative distribution function

30 Boxplot

31 Heatmap

32 Compositional data

33 European surface water

34 Groundwater

35 European bottled water

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