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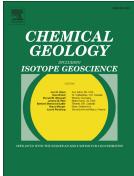
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#### Highlights

• Grain size controlled Nd and Sr isotope variability is observed in Indus delta over the last 15

k.y.

• Mineralogy and grain size abundance variably control Nd and Sr isotopic compositions over time

• Parallel evolution and fractionation of  ${}^{87}$ Sr/ ${}^{86}$ Sr values can be observed between <63 µm and 63–125 µm sediment

• Mineralogy, grain size, and analytical error cause no more than  $\pm 1.04 \epsilon_{Nd}$  and  $\pm 0.0099 {}^{87}\text{Sr}/{}^{86}$ Sr change in the bulk siliciclastic sediments

• An excess shift of 0.69–1.91  $\epsilon_{Nd}$  units over last 15 k.y. indicates provenance change must have occurred in upstream Indus drainage

#### Abstract

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