The Croatian GEOTRACES activities were related to: 1) improvement of electrochemical methods, which in combination with ICPMS, are used for trace metals speciation (including interaction with organic matter and sulfur species), determination and quantification (mostly Zn, Cd, Pb, Cu, Fe, Ni, Co); 2) development of an automated system for determination of trace metals in natural waters (Voltammetric AutoAnalyser - Volt-AA) and solid (gold wire) micro sensors for on-site and in-situ metal analysis in seawater, 3) assessment of metal bioavailability in aquatic environment using passive samplers for metals (DGT) and cytosolic metal levels in tissues of aquatic organisms, 4) development of electroanalytical methods (amperometry) for chalcogenide nanoparticles determination in natural waters, 5) characterization of marine aerosolos regarding presence of organic matter, sulfur species and trace metals.

Meetings
Organization of the open workshop and symposium within SCOR 139 working group ‘Organic Ligands – A Key Control on Trace Metal Biogeochemistry in the Ocean’ in Sibenik, Croatia, April 2015. Active participation in the COST Actions ES1205, ES1302 and TD1105, and SCOR WG 139 and 145.

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• 2014-2018 CSF project: „The Sulphur and Carbon dynamics in the Sea- and Fresh-water EnviRonment“
• 2014-2018 CSF project: „Transport and Chemodynamics of Trace Elements in Freshwater and Coastal Sedimentary Systems,“
• NEWFELLPRO project 2014-2017 “Using lakes to develop isotopic tools for understanding ocean redox through Earth history”

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