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Environmental geography in China: retrospect and prospect

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Over the past several decades, no less remarkable than the fast economic advance has been the pollution of water, air and soil all over China. The degradation of environment provides challenge as well as opportunity to the native scientists. Benefited from their regional-scaled views and unique tools of study, Chinese environmental geographers distinguish themselves from other environment-related scientists by combining geographical methodology with means of chemistry and biology and by emphasizing region-based processes of pollutants and scaling issues. Additionally, they are benefited from the basic trainings in the branches of physical geography, such as soil geography, hydrology and climatology for a better understanding in behavior of pollutants in nature.

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