



Seasonal variations of $\delta^{37}\text{Cl}$ of waters from Akyatan Lagoon, Turkey

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We report the first $\delta^{37}\text{Cl}$ data for surface waters of the Akyatan lagoon, Turkey, from 12 stations sampled over the period 2005 to 2006. The recorded variation of $\delta^{37}\text{Cl}$ values is fairly small, from -0.4 to +0.6 ‰ vs. SMOC, though the environmental conditions were highly variable seasonally. It was the purpose of this study to record seasonal variations of $\delta^{37}\text{Cl}$ in chlorine ion of surface waters. The salinity of the studied waters varied from 2.8 to 95 g/L and the δD vs. $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ plot significantly departs from the World Meteoric Water Line (WMWL) with a slope of 5.43 ± 0.19 . Chlorine isotopes indicate a weak positive correlation between $\delta^{37}\text{Cl}$ and δD of water and its salinity. This may be due to mixing between seawater and distinct sources of freshwater. The small spread of obtained $\delta^{37}\text{Cl}$ results demands enhanced precision of analysis and careful sample preparation.