

Best Paper Award 2013

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“Efficient Simulation of (Log)Normal Random Fields for Hydrogeological Applications” by Phaedon Kyriakidis and Petros Gaganis, *Mathematical Geosciences*, 45 (6):531–556.

Congratulations!

Authors of the Winning Paper



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