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Aquatic Environmental Science

12. Stoichiometry and Ecology

Outline (12 July 2010)

1. Stoichiometry

- Stoichiometry and chemical kinetics
- Homeostasis, thermoregulation
- Redfield ratio
- Dynamic equilibrium
- Element displacement rate

2. Stable isotope ratio

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- Isotope and food web, isotopic fractionation

3. Ecology

- What is an ecosystem?
- Components of an ecosystem
- Succession
- Ecological niche, environmental gradient
- Interspecies relationship
- Ecological disturbance
- Ecosystem management

4. Final words

5. Exercise