

# Joint Task Force of ICP Waters and ICP IM 2018

## presentations Monday 7 May 2018 - Wednesday 9 May 2018

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Don Monteith

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Heleen de Wit

### Biodiversity

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Pavel Krám

Long-term changes in the inorganic nitrogen output fluxes in European ICP Integrated Monitoring catchments - an assessment of the role of internal nitrogen parameters  
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Rafal Ulanczyk

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Introduction/background NEC Directive  
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Spanish aquatic ecosystem monitoring programs: possibilities to comply with requirements of NEC Directive and ICP Waters and ICP IM  
Manuel Toro Velasco

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Biological intercalibration 2017  
Anker Halvorsen

Chemical intercalibration  
Øyvind Garmo

### Thematic reports of common interest

Status and future plans ICP Waters  
Heleen de Wit Not available

Future plans ICP IM  
Martin Forsius

### Separate Task Force meetings

ICP IM 26th Task Force  
Ulf Grandin, Salar Valinia

ICP IM data base status  
Sirpa Kleemola



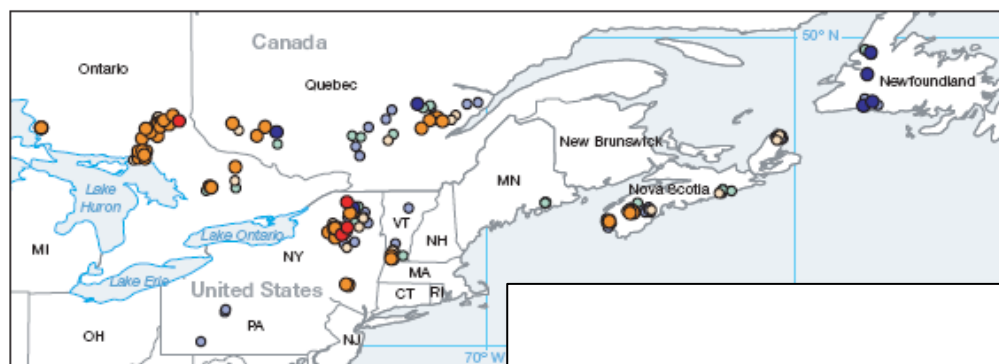
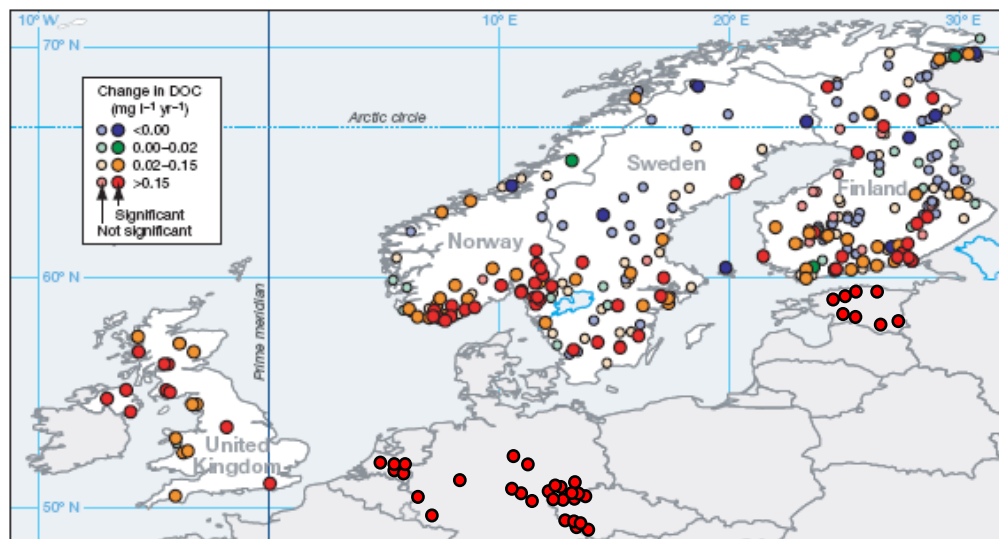
# Predicting DOC response to reductions in acid deposition

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# Hemispheric scale increase in Dissolved Organic Carbon (DOC) over recent decades



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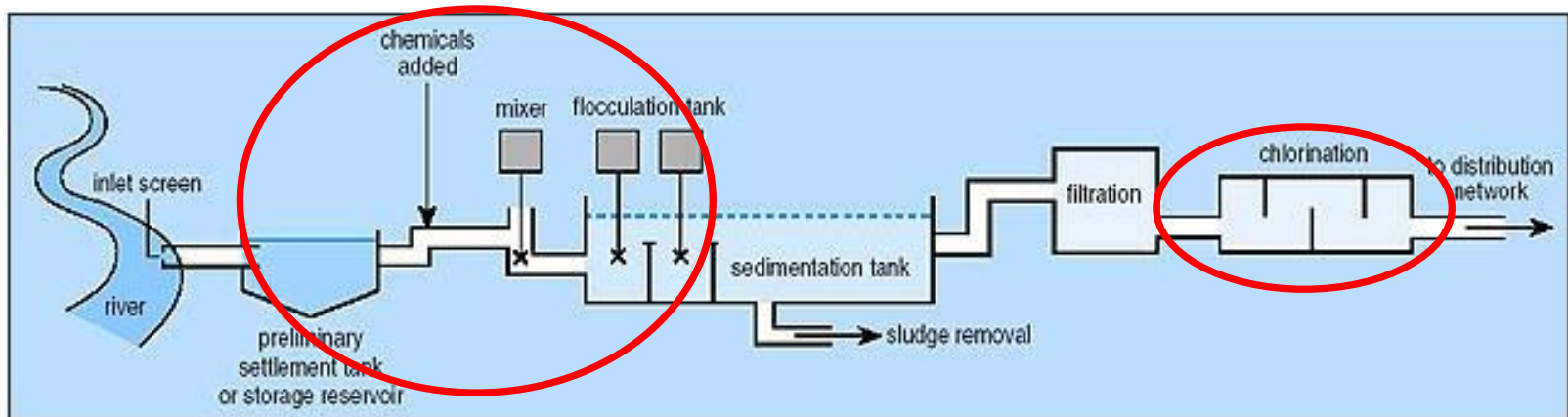
## Dissolved organic carbon trends resulting from changes in atmospheric deposition chemistry

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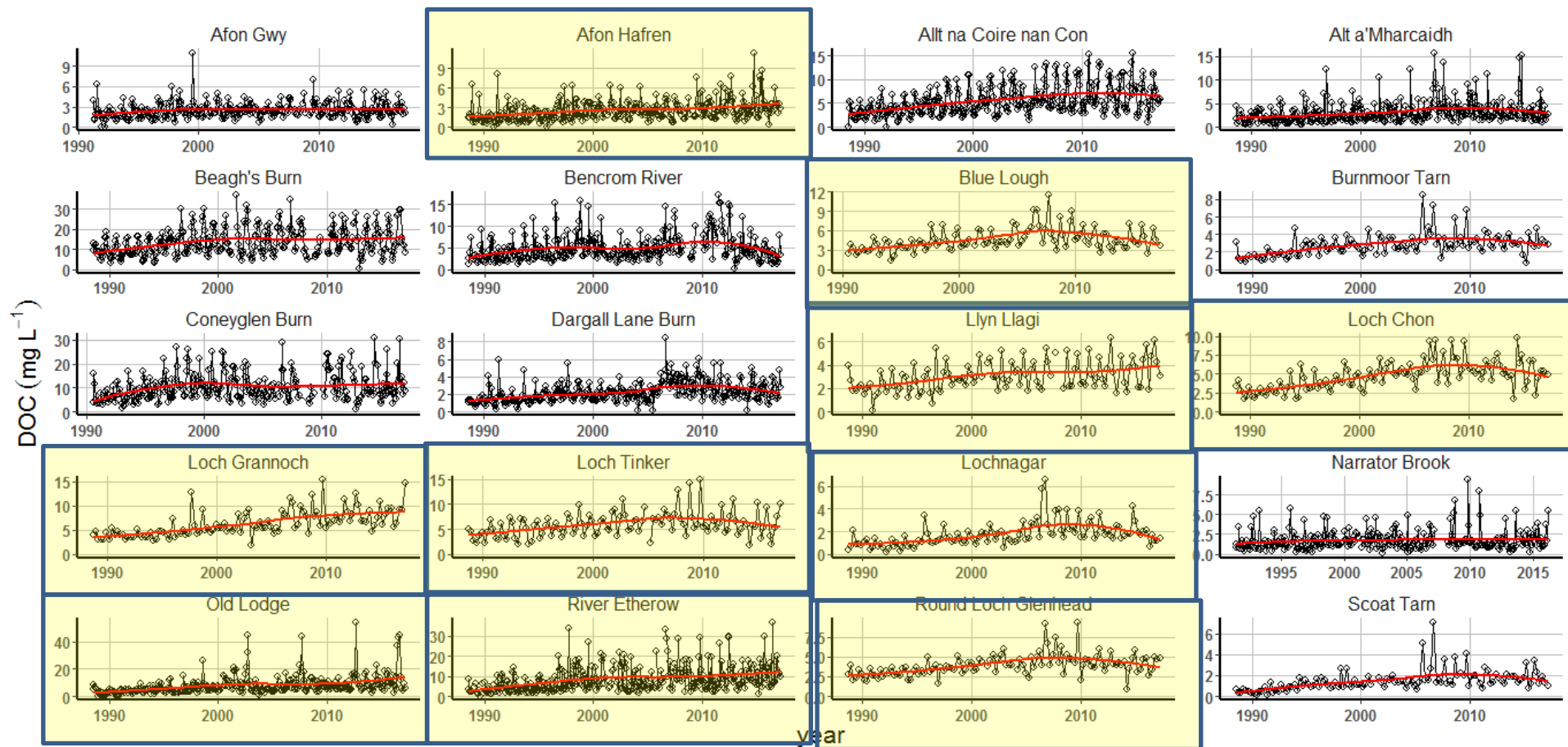
# Economics of Dissolved Organic Matter (DOM)

- Upland catchments with organic-rich soils provide 70% of UK drinking water (Defra, 2011)
- DOM + chlorination = Trihalomethanes (THMs)



- DOM removal for typical plant (processing 60 ML/day)  
= £480K per year. (NEA, 2010)
- Scaled up for 70% UK population (150 litres/person)  
: £50 million per year

# Continuing or flattening out in the UK?



# Industry needs to know what will happen next

in order to:

- Identify water treatment plants most at risk of exceeding threshold concentrations
- Plan for future coagulant use
- Determine potential to intervene at catchment level



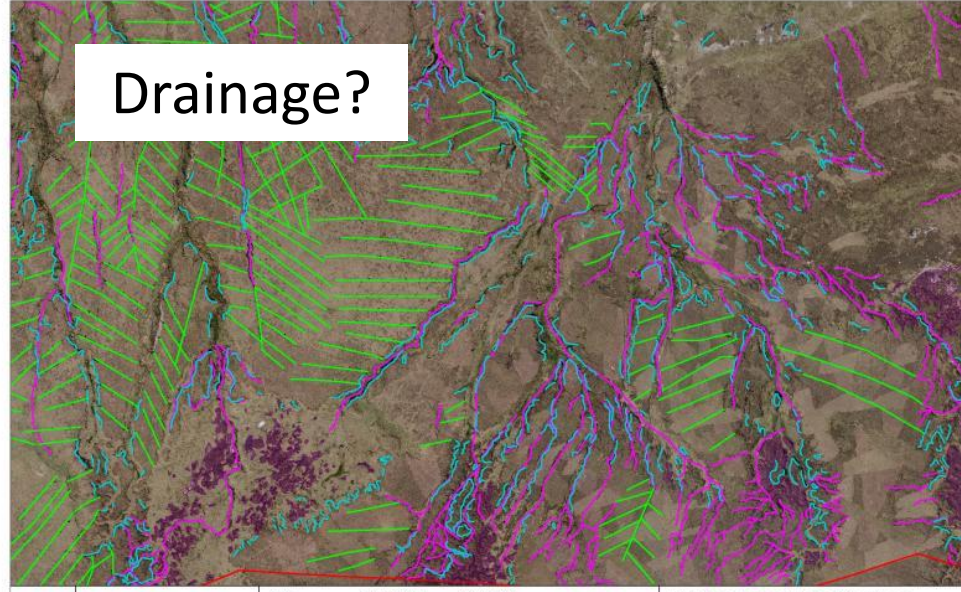
# Would it help to control.....?



Forestry?



Burning?



Drainage?



Overgrazing?

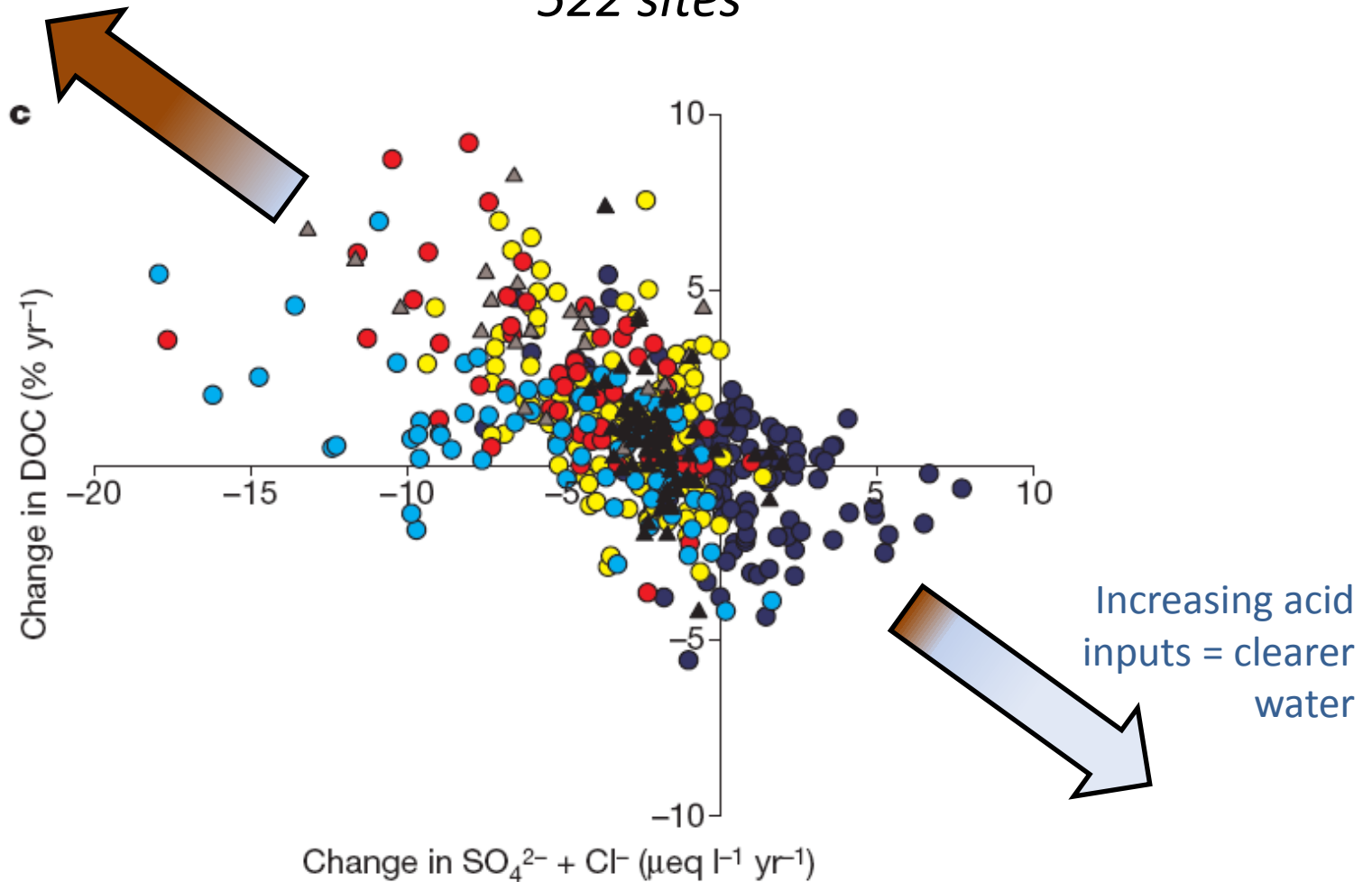
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Grips	Eroding Gullies	Eroding Hags
Bare Peat Areas	Site Boundary	

**Grips, Eroding Gullies, Bare Peat & Eroding Hags**

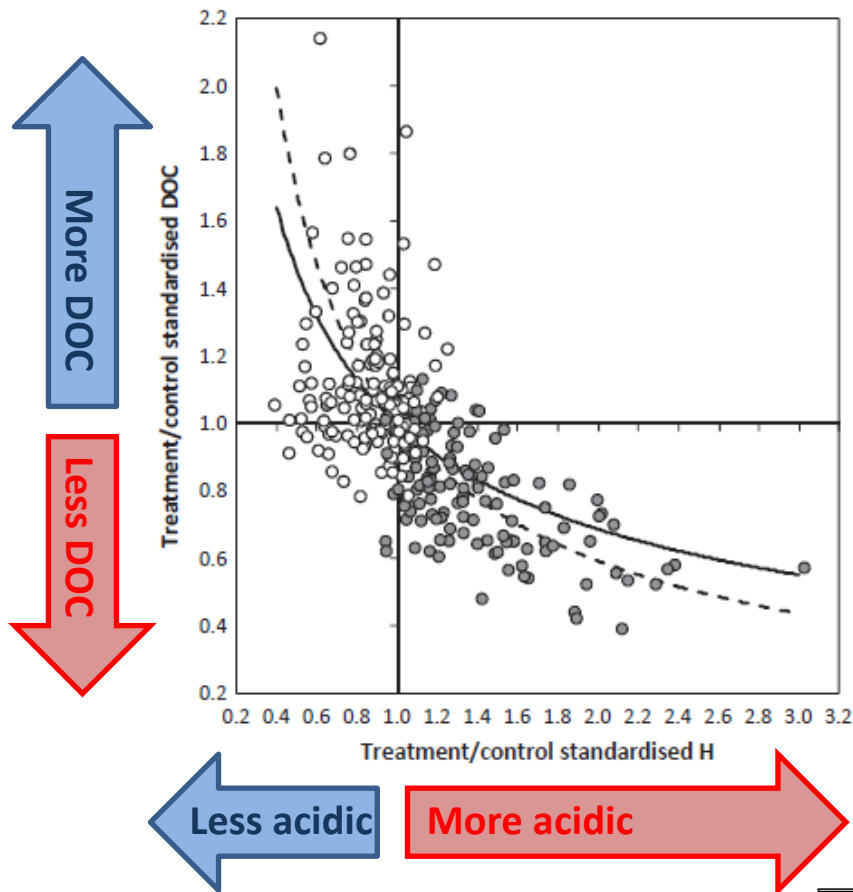
# DOC trends linked to trends in acid anions

*DOC change versus acid anion change:  
522 sites*





# and soil acidity



.....and ionic strength of runoff

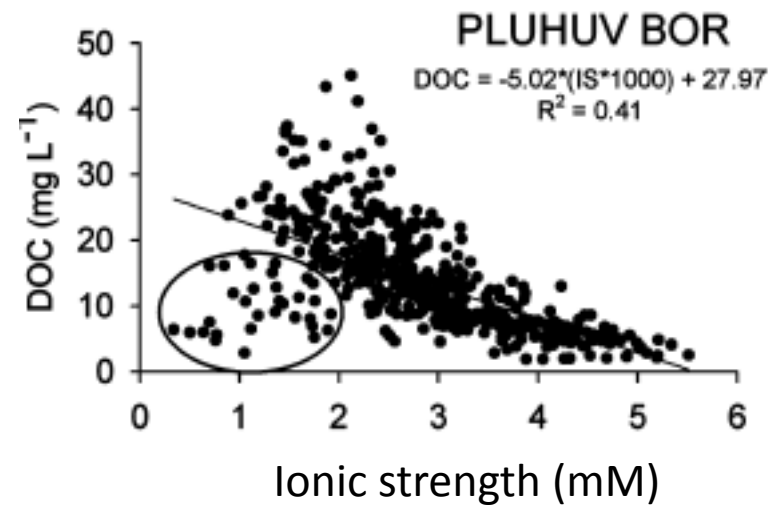
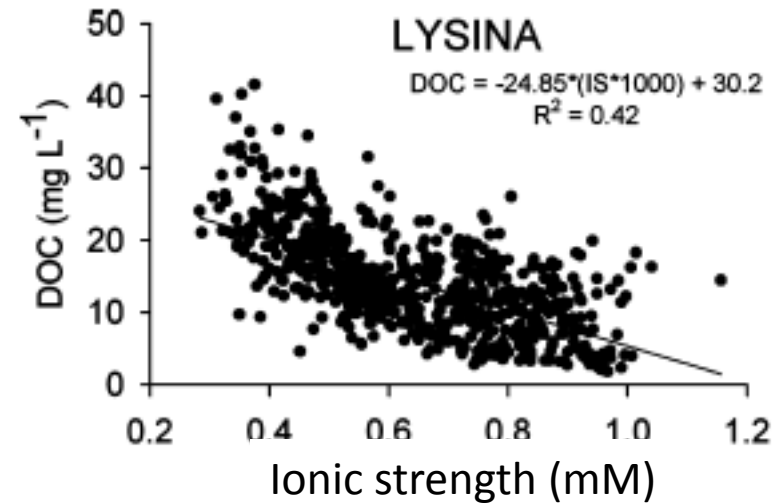


## Increased Dissolved Organic Carbon (DOC) in Central European Streams is Driven by Reductions in Ionic Strength Rather than Climate Change or Decreasing Acidity

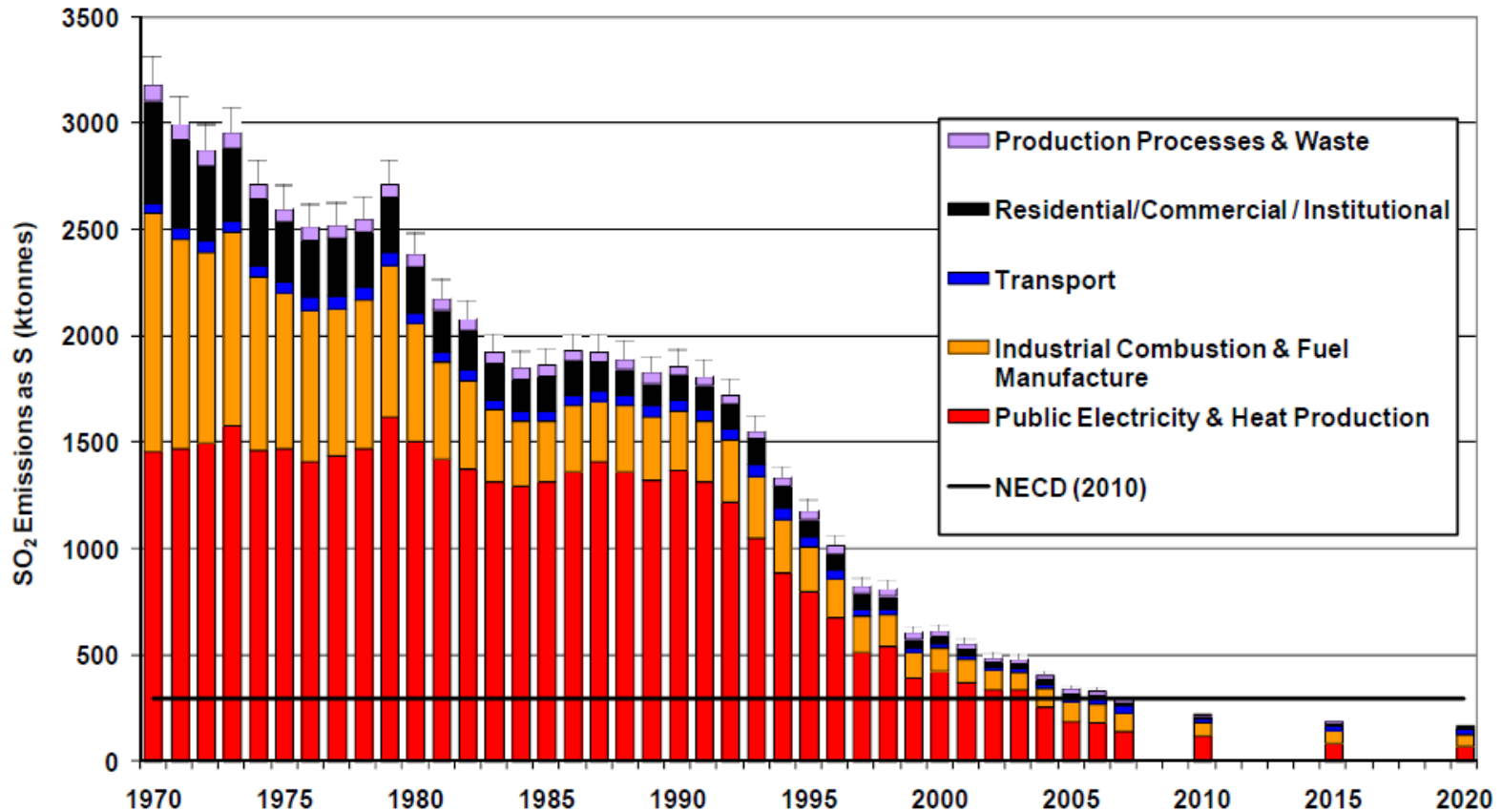
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$$IS = 0.5 \times \sum_i c_i Z_i^2$$



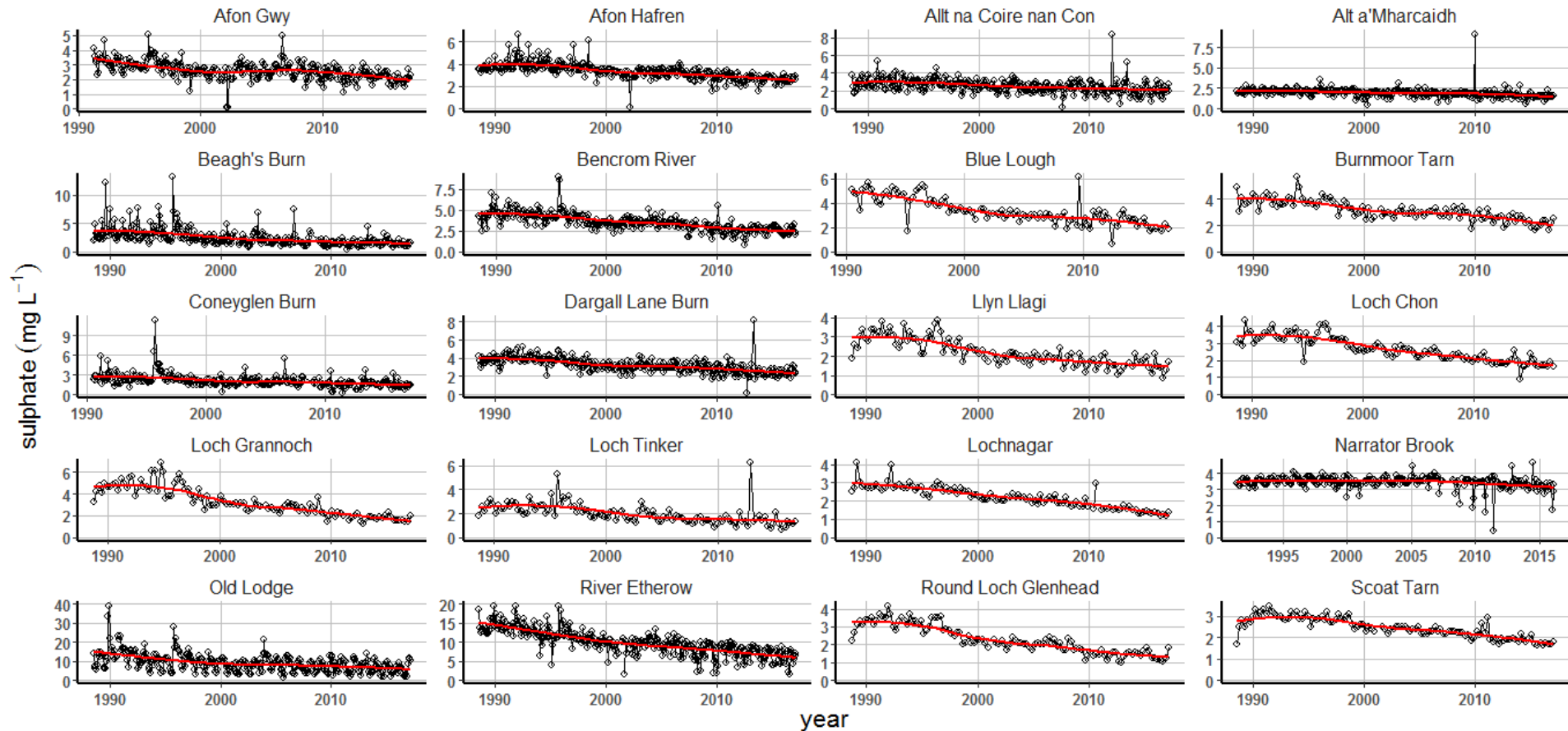
# Last few decades - huge reduction in UK sulphur emissions and sulphur deposition



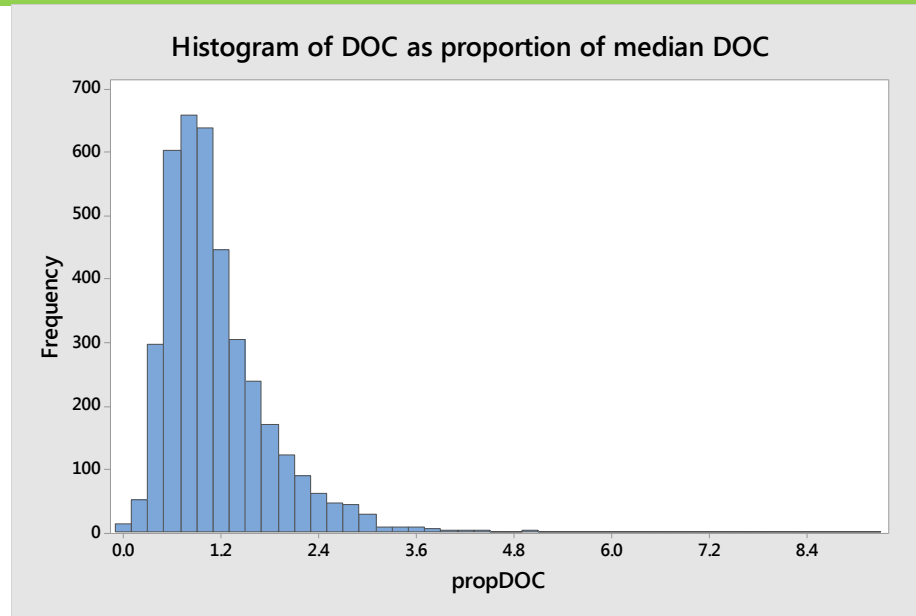
UK Monitoring Starts

NEG-TAP: 2010

# Lagged response in surface water sulphate. Concentrations continue to trend downwards at several sites

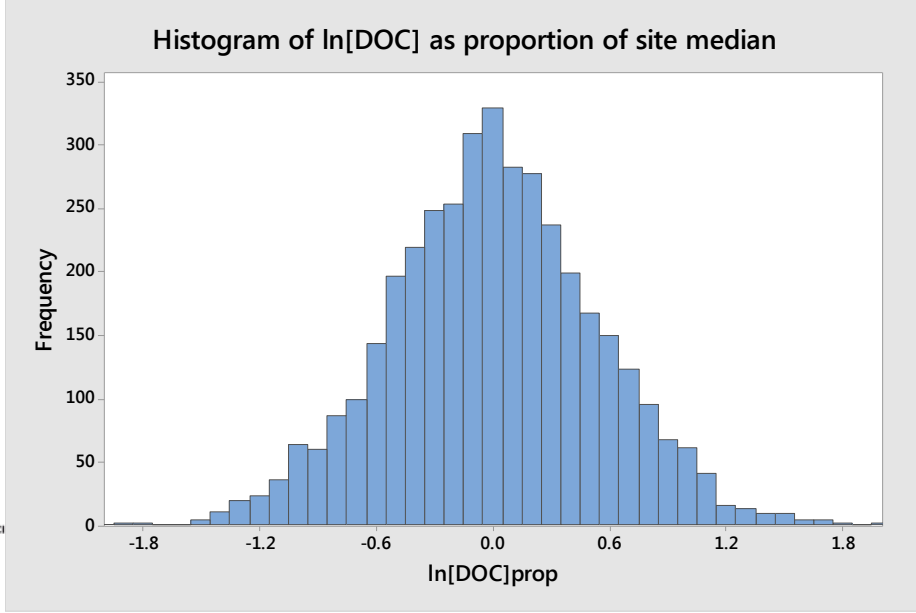
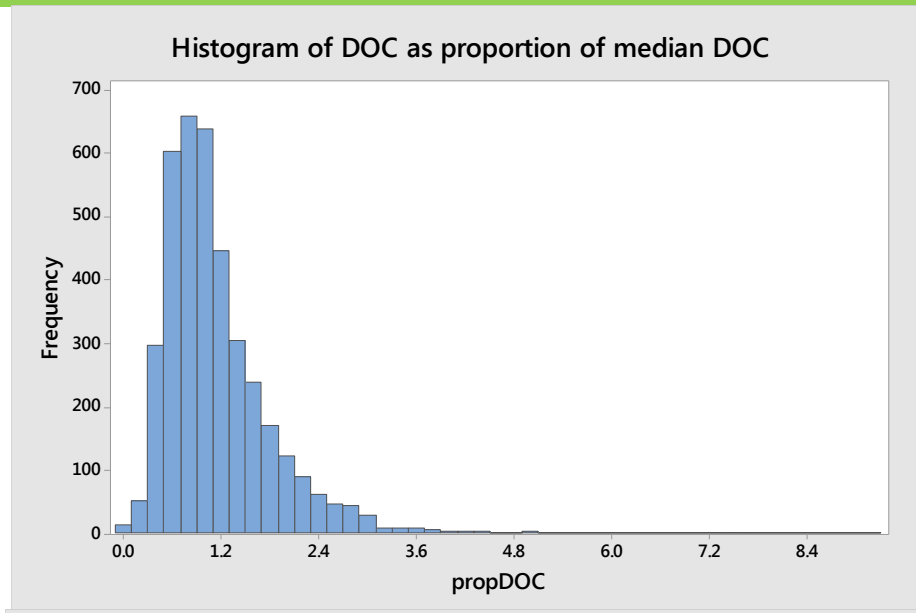


# UK DOC data (20 sites, 3700 data points) transformed to: proportion of site median DOC





# UK DOC data transformed to: proportion of site median.....and then logged (ln DOC<sub>prop</sub>)



# What hydrochemical variables best explain variation in $\ln \text{DOC}_{\text{prop}}$ ?

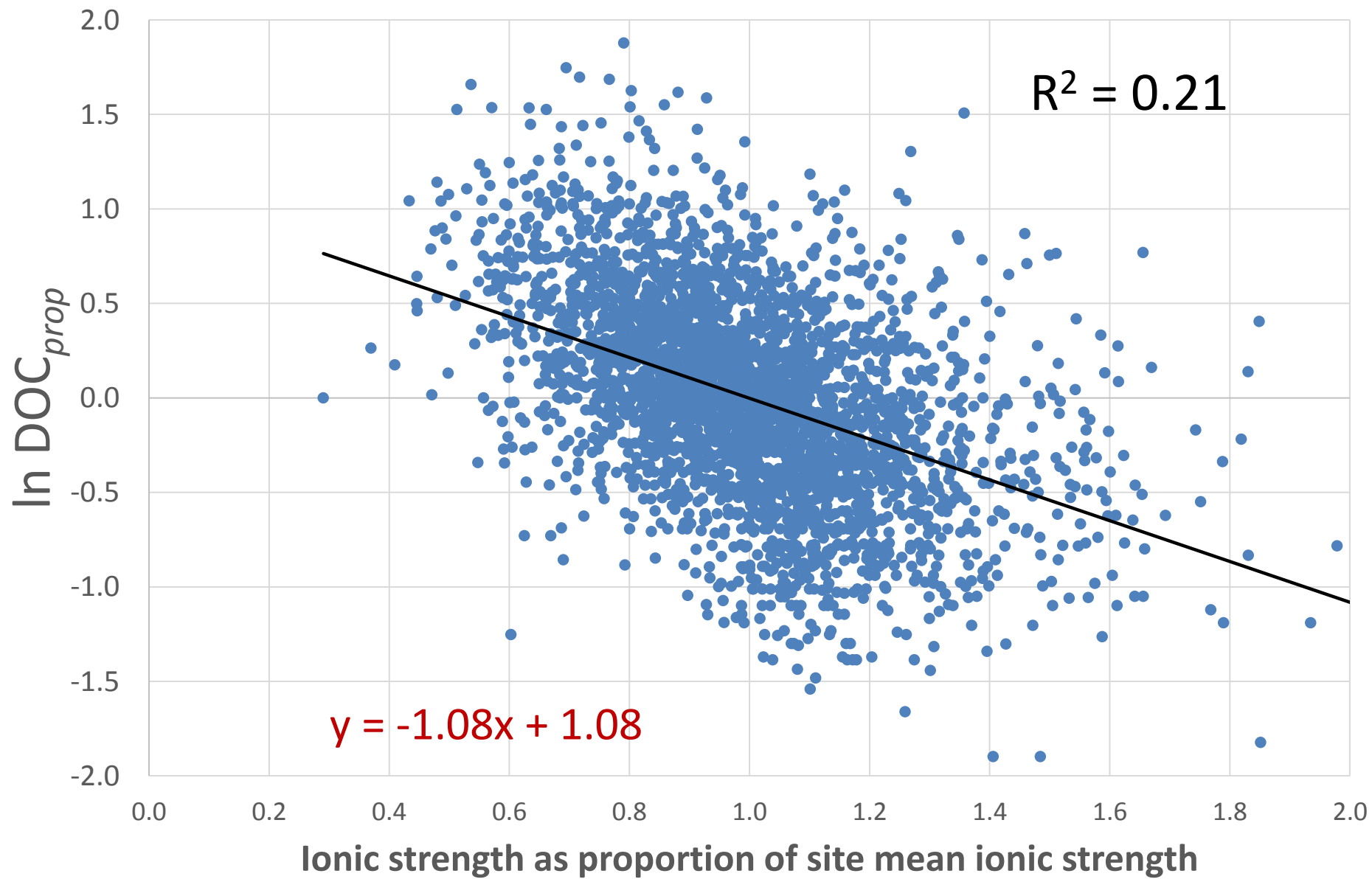
## Candidates

- $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  concentration
- $\text{Cl}^-$  concentration
- Sum Acid Anions (SAA) ( $\text{SO}_4^{2-} + \text{Cl}^- + \text{NO}_3^-$ )
- ANC (Sum Base Cations – Sum Acid Anions)
- Ionic strength (IS) 
$$\text{IS} = 0.5 \times \sum_i c_i Z_i^2$$

## Expressed as:

- Absolute concentrations
- Difference from site mean concentration
- Proportion of site mean concentration

$$\ln \text{DOC}_{\text{prop}} = 1 - \text{Ionic strength}_{\text{prop}}$$



# Model refined by site-specific calibration

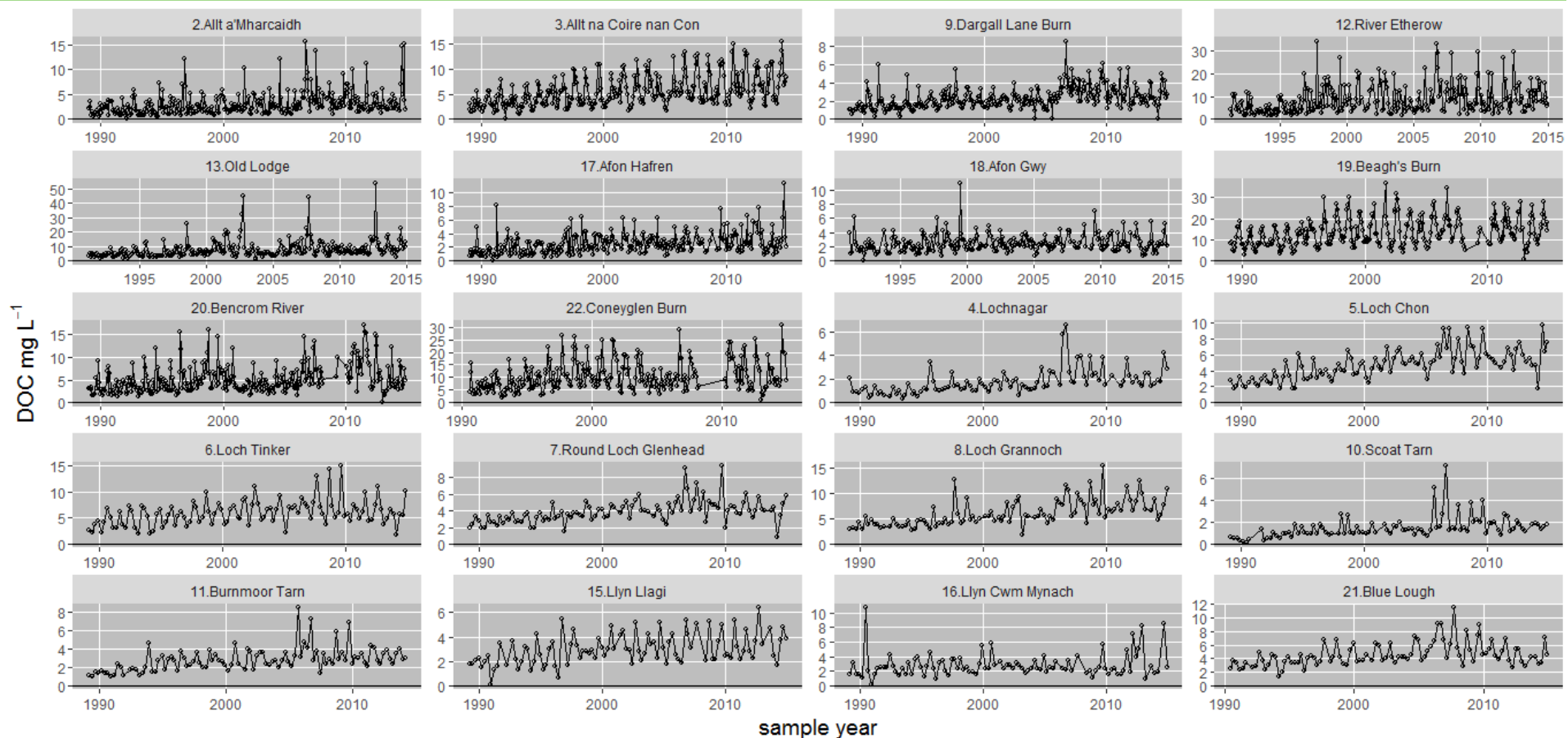
site  $i$   
time  $t$

$$\ln \text{DOC}_{prop(i,t)} = f - f * IS_{prop(i,t)}$$

$$\text{DOC}_{(i,t)} = \text{DOC}\bar{x}_{(i)} \cdot e^{(f - f * IS_{prop(i,t)})}$$

*Where  $f$  = site-specific IS – DOC calibrated constant  
Ranging from 1 - 3 depending on base-flow index*

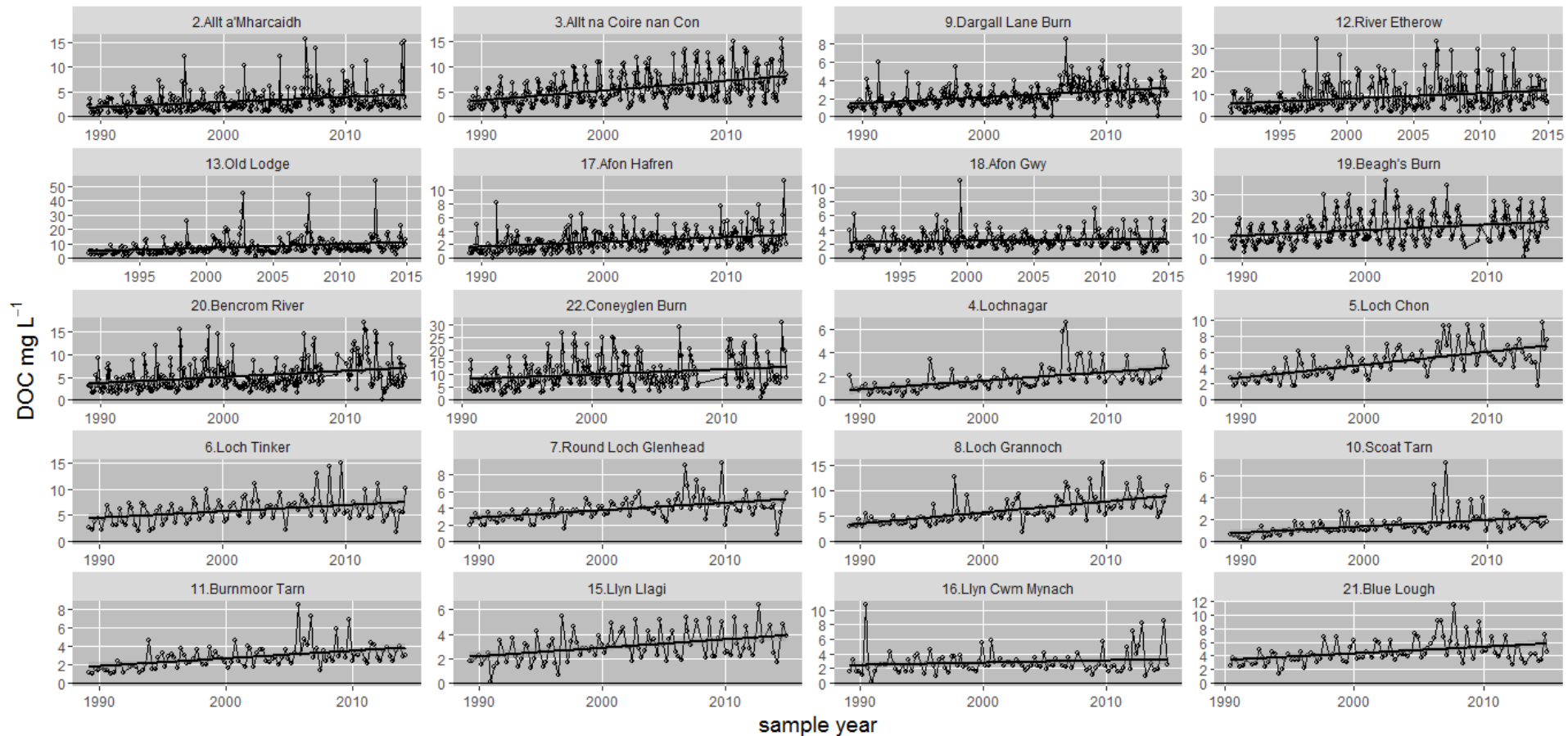
# Baseline DOC trend predictable from trend in ionic strength



Black trace = Measured DOC

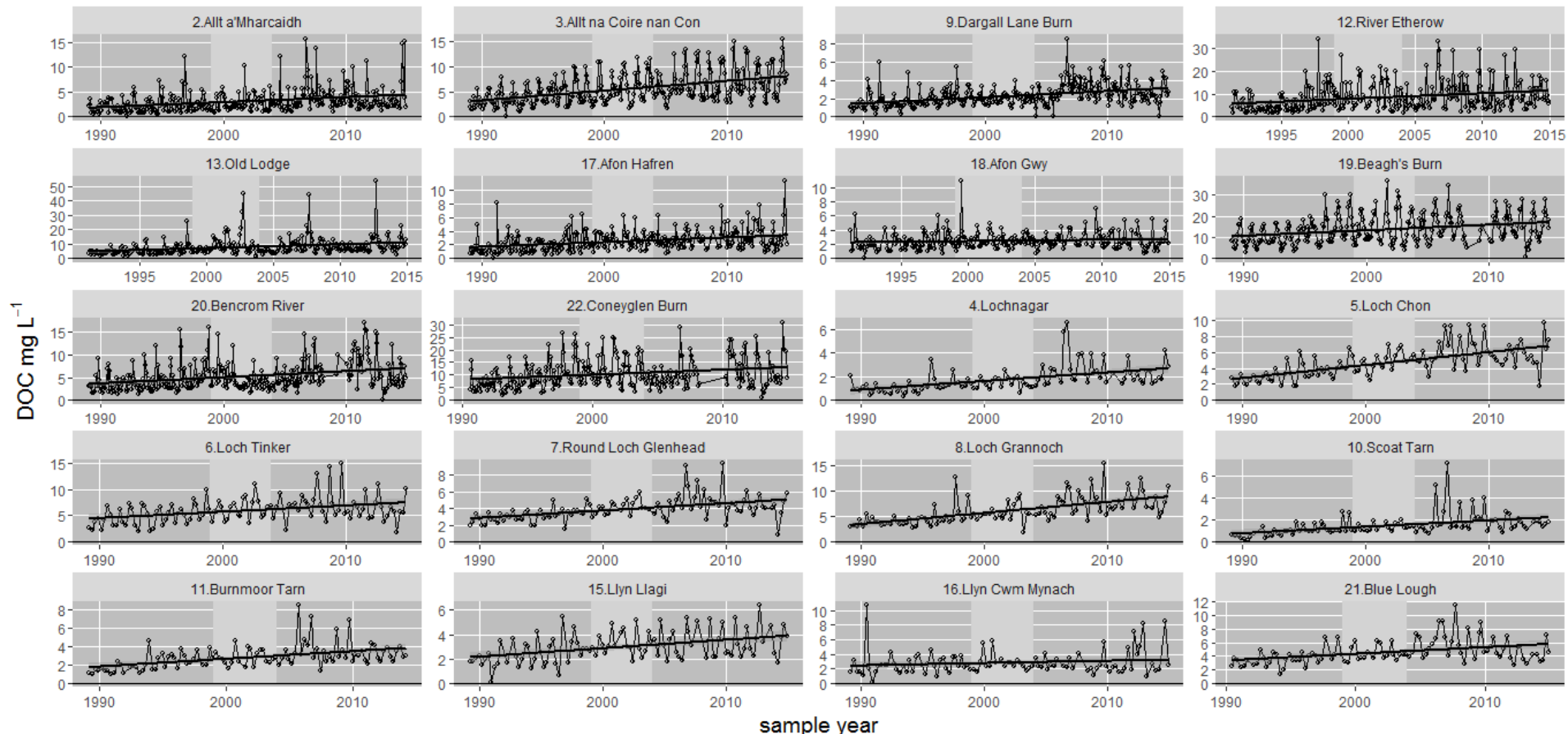


# Baseline DOC trend predictable from trend in ionic strength



Black trace = Measured DOC  
Black line = linear DOC trend

# Baseline DOC trend predictable from trend in ionic strength

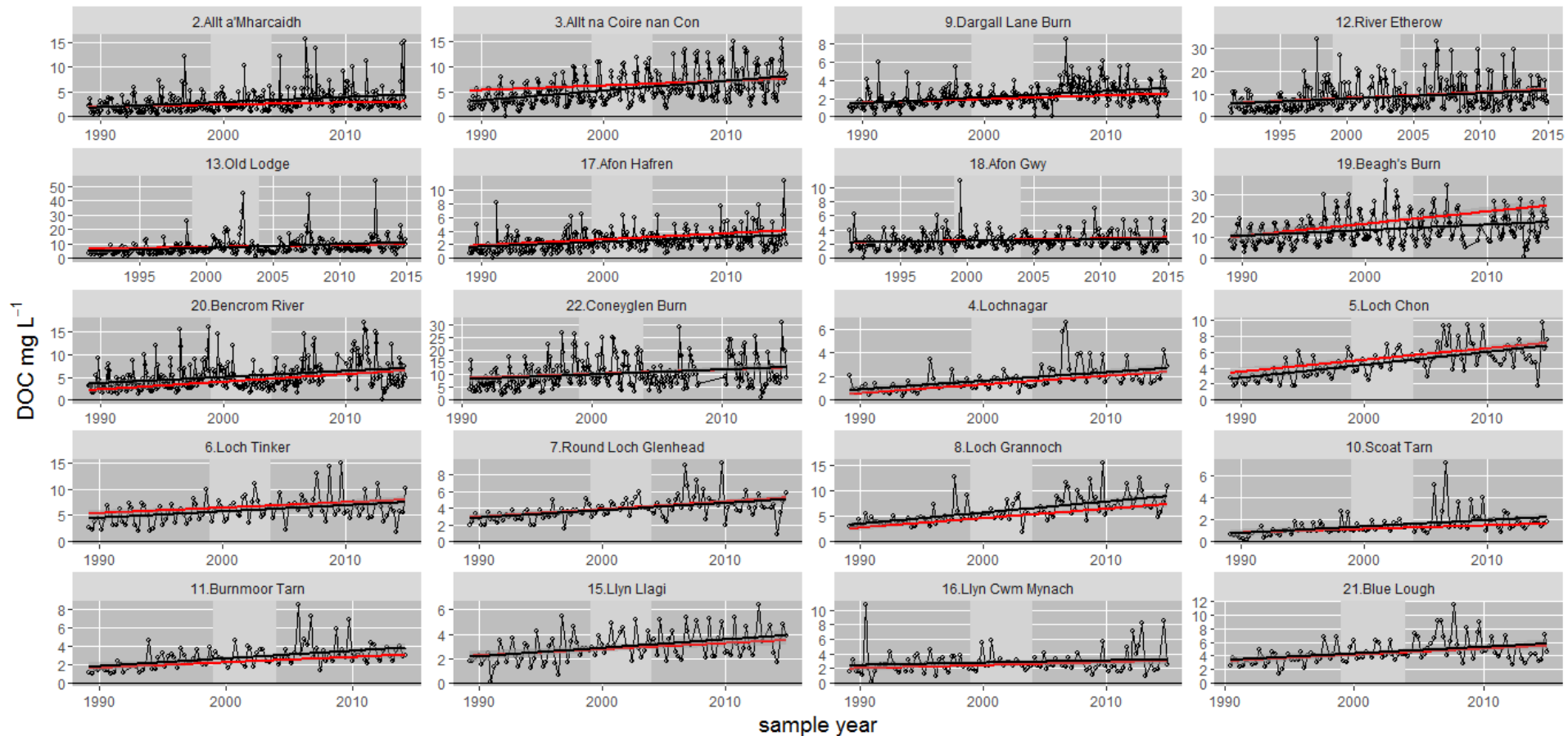


Black trace = Measured DOC

Black line = linear DOC trend

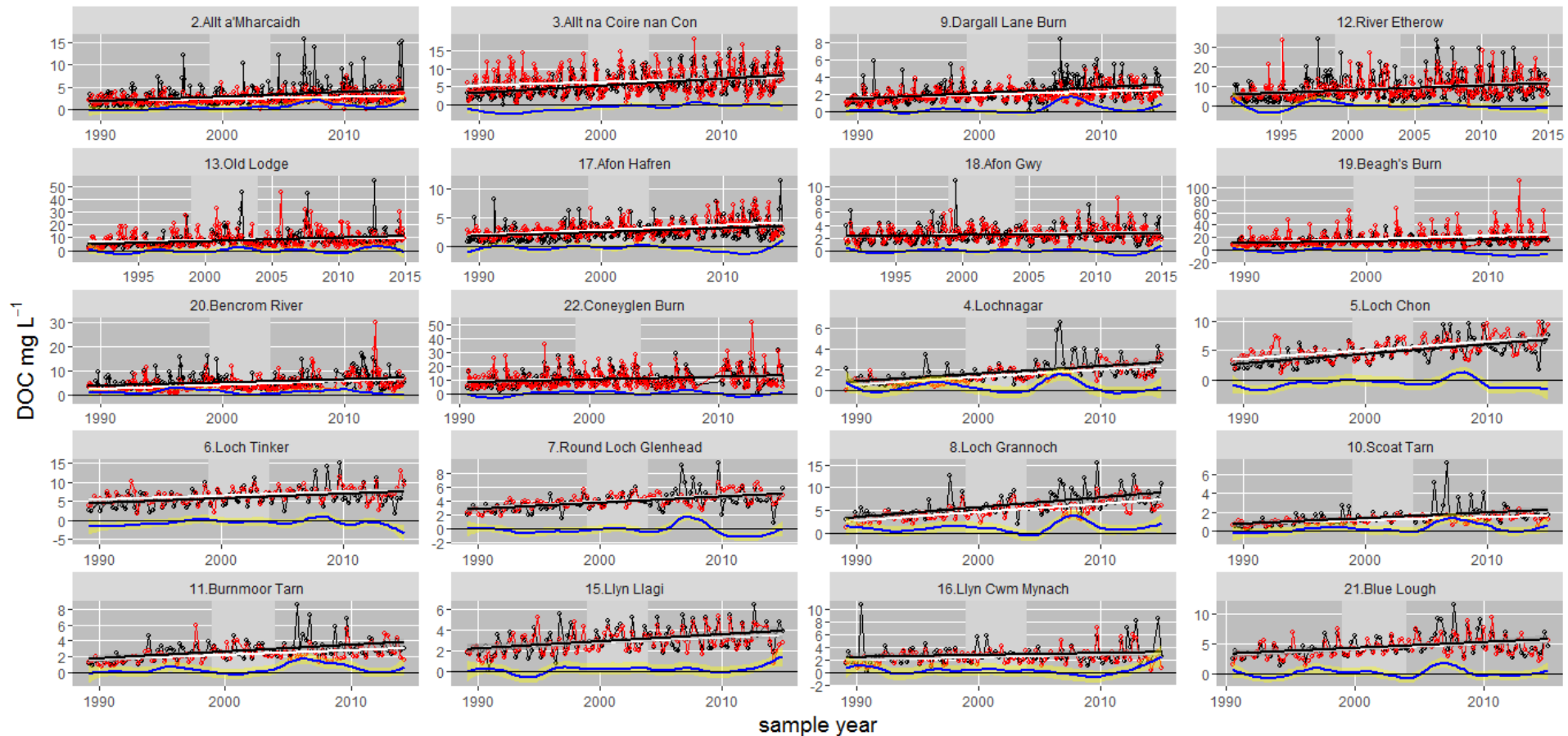
Light grey hatching = DOC vs IS calibration period

# Baseline DOC trend predictable from trend in ionic strength



Black trace = Measured DOC  
Black line = linear DOC trend  
Red line = linear modelled DOC trend

# Model including fixed seasonal component



Black trace = Measured DOC  
Black line = linear DOC trend  
white line = linear modelled DOC trend

# Predicting the moving DOC baseline

- If we have access to:
  1. short-term runs of DOC and IS or conductivity data to calibrate  $f$
  2. current non-marine sulphate concentration
  3. knowledge of regional non-marine sulphate trend
- We can then:
  - Predict how IS will respond to further declines in non-marine sulphate
  - And hence the DOC response



# summary

- For a wide range of surface waters logged DOC concentrations vary in inverse proportion to change in ionic strength
- Relationships are similar across sites but vary depending on base flow contribution
- Relationships likely reflect effects of variation in soil acidity on soil organic matter solubility
- Potential to apply relationship to predict likely future behaviour of the DOC baseline in response to expected further reductions in IS
- This provides a framework against which we can then attempt to superimpose catchment-specific effects (e.g. land use manipulations).

# Climate-driven changes in removal of DOC in a small boreal lake: a 30-year time series.

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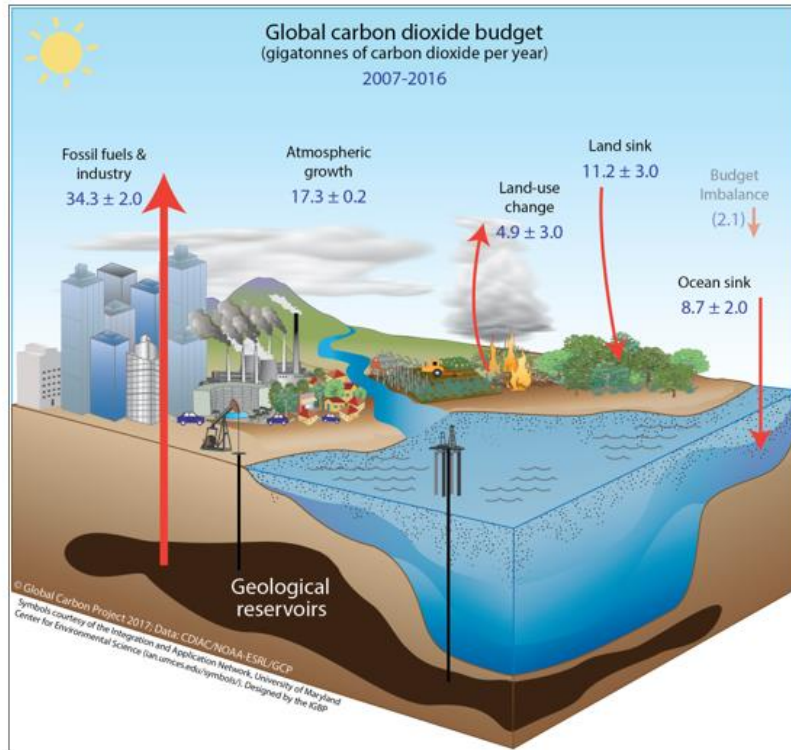
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# Anthropogenic perturbation of the global carbon cycle

Perturbation of the global carbon cycle caused by anthropogenic activities, averaged globally for the decade 2007–2016 (GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr)



Global carbon project  
[www.globalcarbonproject.org](http://www.globalcarbonproject.org)

The budget imbalance is the difference between the estimated emissions and sinks.

Source: [CDIAC](#); [NOAA-ESRL](#); [Le Quéré et al 2017](#); [Global Carbon Budget 2017](#)

# Fate of anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (2007–2016)

## Sources = Sinks



34.4 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr  
88%



12%  
4.8 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr



17.2 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr  
46%



30%  
11.0 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr



24%  
8.8 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr

**Budget Imbalance:**

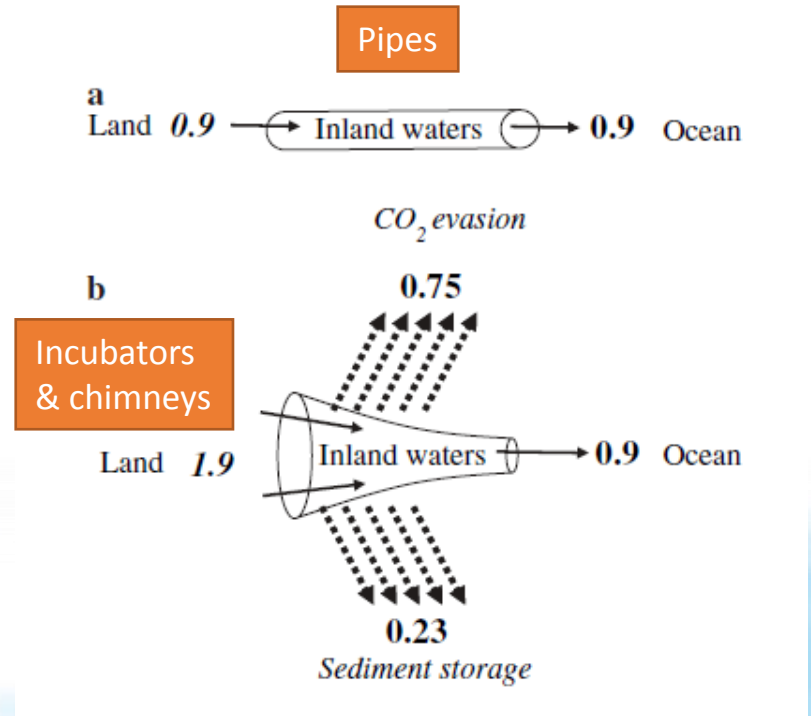
(the difference between estimated sources & sinks)

6%  
2.2 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr

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# Are boreal lakes pipes or chimneys?

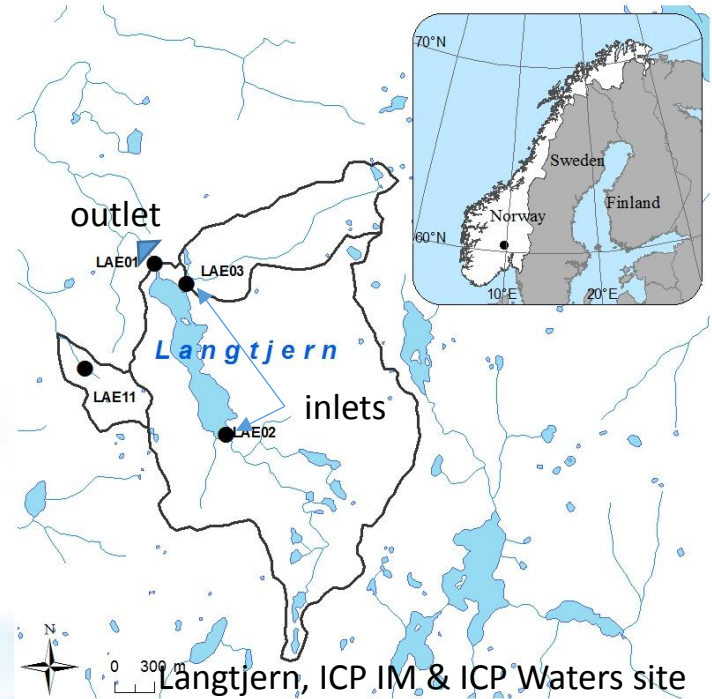
- Are boreal lakes passive pipes for terrestrial OC (DOM), or do they contribute significantly to conversion of DOM to atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>?
- Impact of climate change?



Cole et al. 2007 Ecosystems



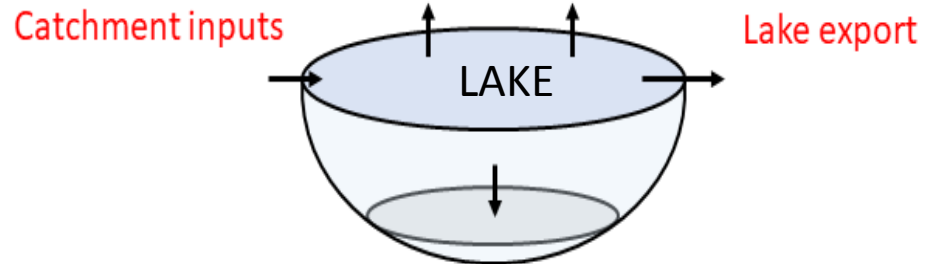
# 30 year timeseries of catchment inputs and lake export of DOC in forested, boreal catchment



- 4.8 km<sup>2</sup> catchment, 0.23 km<sup>2</sup> lake
- Water residence time lake 2 months
- Acidified, humic, oligotrophic
- Ca 6 months of ice cover

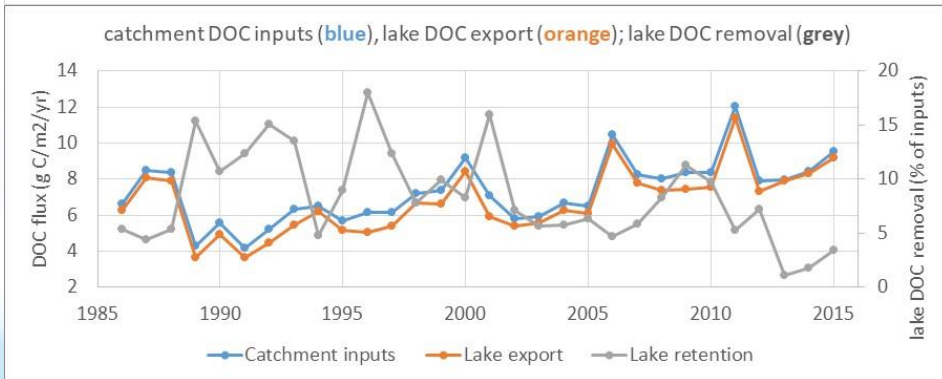
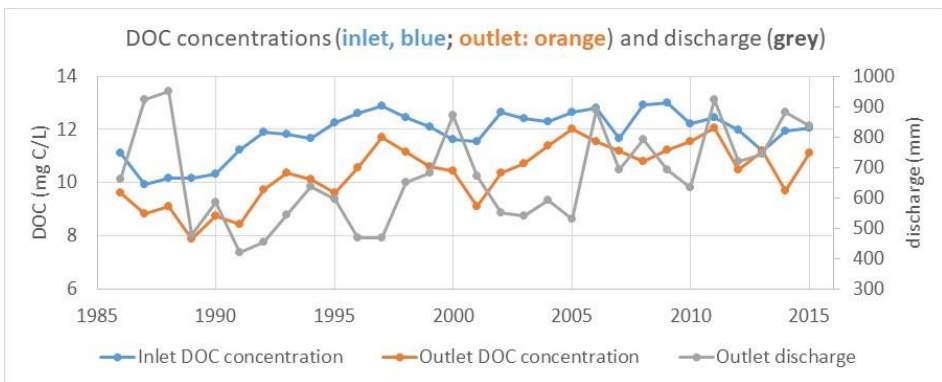
# Methods: calculations of lateral fluxes

- Monitoring programme (1986-2015):
  - Two inlet streams: weekly to monthly DOC (TOC = 95% DOC)
  - Outlet stream: weekly DOC
  - Daily discharge
- Catchment DOC inputs to lake calculated by:
  - interpolation to daily DOC concentration, multiplied with discharge;
  - area-scaled (inlet sub-catchments cover ca 70% of catchment)
- Lake DOC export calculated by:
  - interpolation to daily DOC concentration, multiplied with discharge
- Annual lake DOC removal: difference between annual catchments inputs to lake and lake export



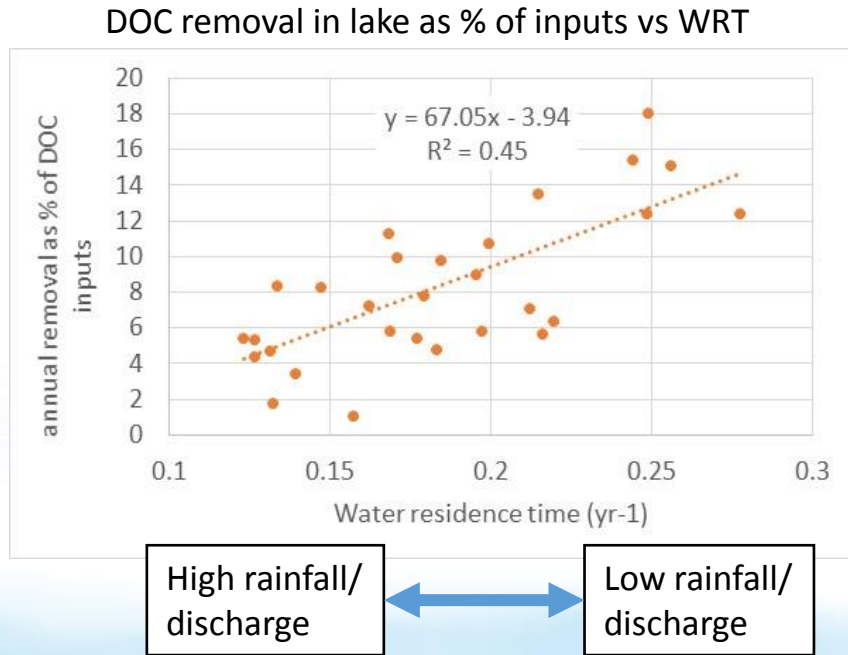


# Results – concentrations and fluxes



- The lake is browning ( $p < 0.01$ )
  - Related to reduced  $\text{SO}_4$  deposition (increased OM solubility)
- Increases in lateral DOC fluxes ( $p < 0.001$ )
  - Related to 1) increased discharge (thus, rainfall); 2) browning (thus,  $\text{SO}_4$  deposition)
- Removal of DOC (% of inputs) is declining ( $p < 0.01$ )

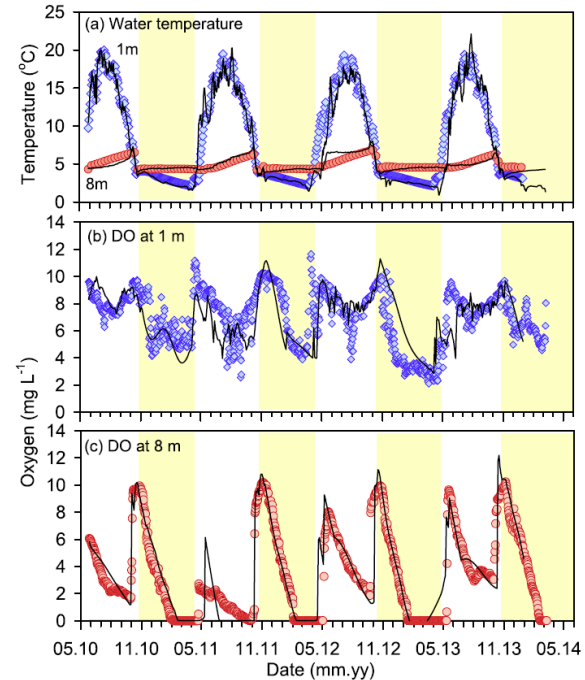
# %DOC removal in lake related to WRT (water residence time)



- A higher % of annual DOC inputs to lake (upto ca 18%) is removed by in-lake processing at high water residence time
- Relatively more lake DOC processing in dry years
- Mean removal: 8% of inputs

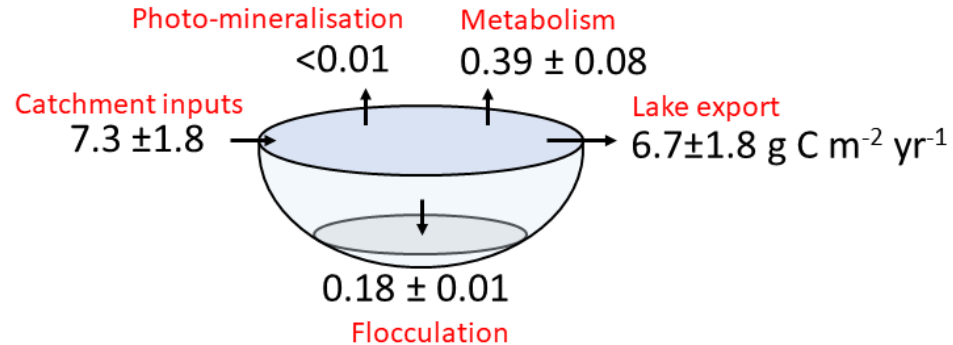
# Methods: attributing in-lake DOC removal to processes, using process-based model

- MyLake model
  - Heat balance of lake (ice cover, thermal stratification)
  - Microbial metabolism (3 pools of DOM (labile, semi-labile, recalcitrant); processing rates dependent on T and  $O_2$ ), flocculation, photo-degradation of DOM
- Calibrated using high-frequency monitoring of T and  $O_2$  with lake buoy, and dated sediment core
  - Sedimentation at deepest point 'anchored' with dated sediment core



# Which processes remove DOC in the lake?

- Best model fit indicates that on average
  - 67% of DOC is removed by microbial activity
  - 33% is removed by sedimentation
  - Photo-oxidation negligible
    - Humic lake, 6 months ice cover, little UV penetration, 2 months residence time



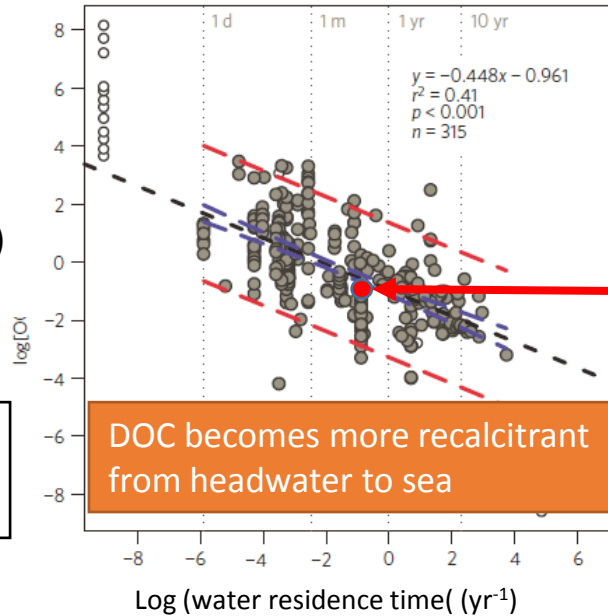
All fluxes expressed in g C / m<sup>2</sup> catchment /yr  
Standard deviation shows interannual variation

# Role of residence time for aquatic DOC processing

Log OC decay rate  $\approx$  lake DOC removal rate

$$k = -\frac{\ln\left(\frac{DOC_{out}}{DOC_{in}}\right)}{WRT} \quad \text{Unit: yr}^{-1}$$

Spatial (headwater to ocean) gradient

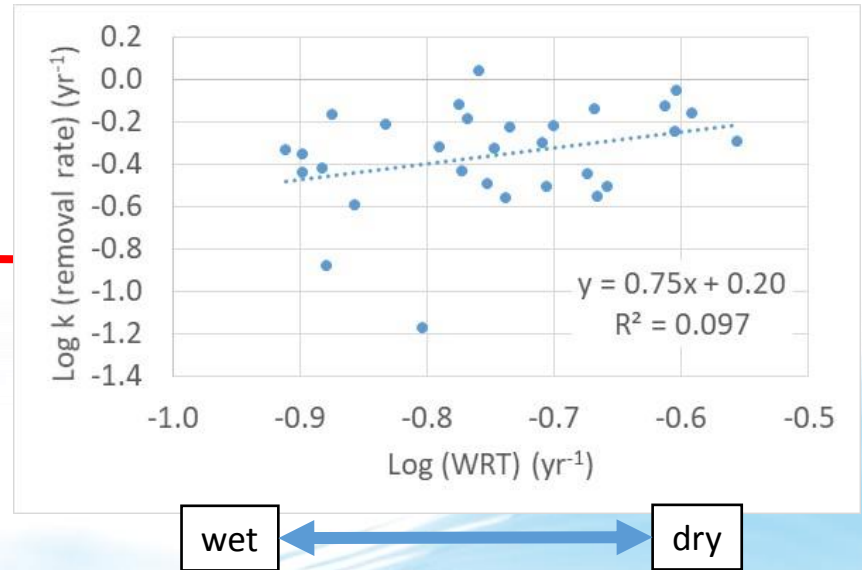


Log (DOC decay rate) (yr<sup>-1</sup>)

Catalan et al. 2016 NatGeoSci

DOC becomes more recalcitrant from headwater to sea

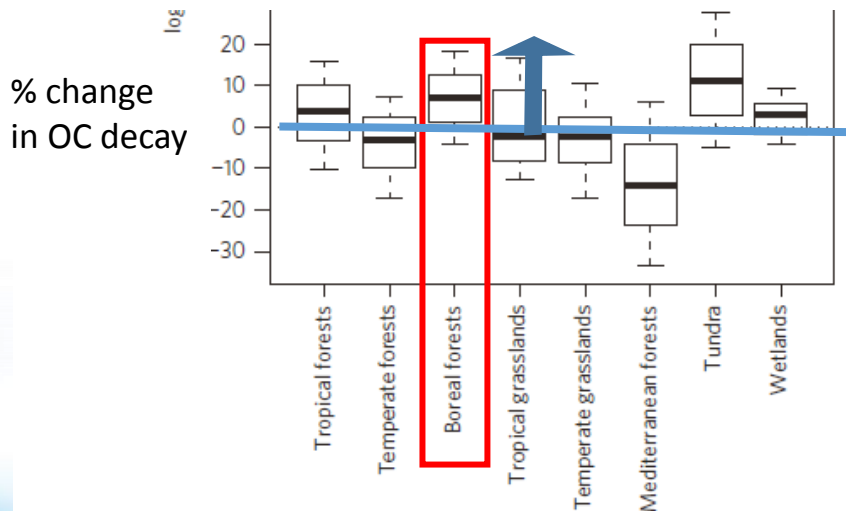
Time series of 30 years in headwater



# Climate wetting impact on DOC decay: space-for-time substitution $\neq$ time series

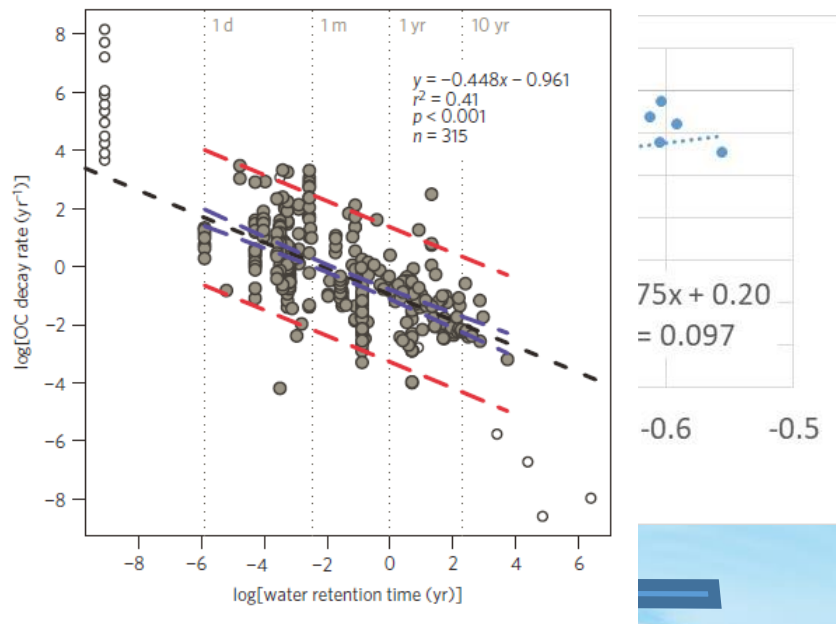
Projection for lakes in boreal forests:

Climate warming  $\rightarrow$  wetting  $\rightarrow$  shorter WRT  
 $\rightarrow$  increase in decay rate



Empirical evidence of climate impact in lakes in boreal forest:

Climate warming  $\rightarrow$  wetting  $\rightarrow$  shorter WRT



Catalan et al. 2016 NatGeoSci

# Conclusions

## Time series

- In small boreal lakes (and large catchment to lake ratio), %DOC removal is low.
- A wetter climate results in large increase in lateral DOC fluxes, and in lower % lake removal of DOC
  - Most DOC is removed by microbes
- Lakes act more like pipes than chimneys/incubators under a wetter climate

## Space-for-time substitution

- Wetter climate results in faster DOC removal because of a change in DOM character (less time to process, less recalcitrant)
  - Support for 'lakes as incubators'
- Space for time substitutions assume that spatial variation is equivalent to temporal change (Pickett 1989).



# Reference & acknowledgements

De Wit H.A., R.M. Couture, L.A. Jackson-Blake L.A., M.N. Futter, S. Valinia, K. Austnes, J.L. Guerrero and Y. Lin. **2018**. *Limnology and Oceanography Letters. Pipes or chimneys? For carbon cycling in small boreal lakes, precipitation matters most.*

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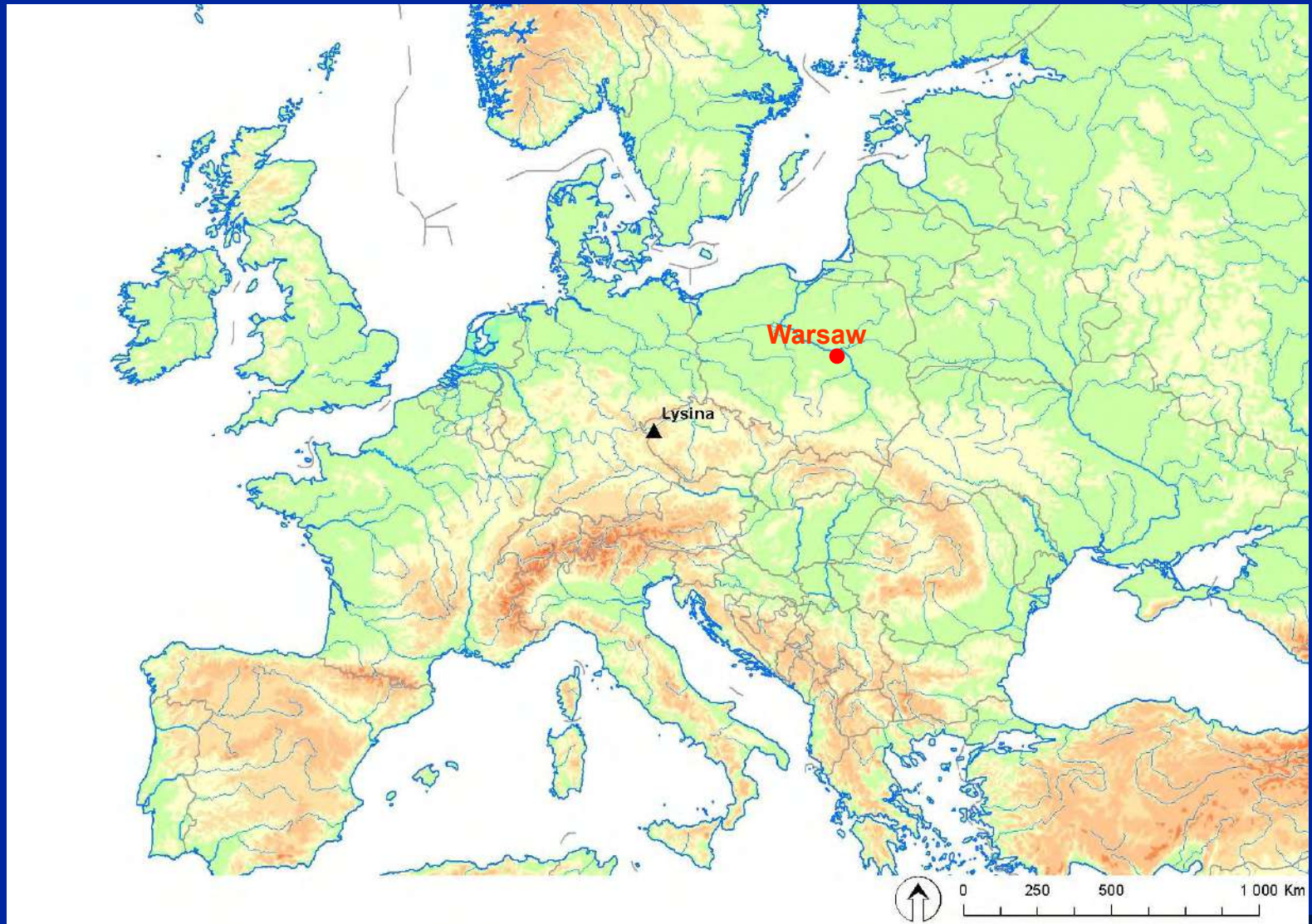
# **Nitrogen and Phosphorus at Lysina CZ02**

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# Location of the Lysina catchment (CZ02 in the ICP IM network)



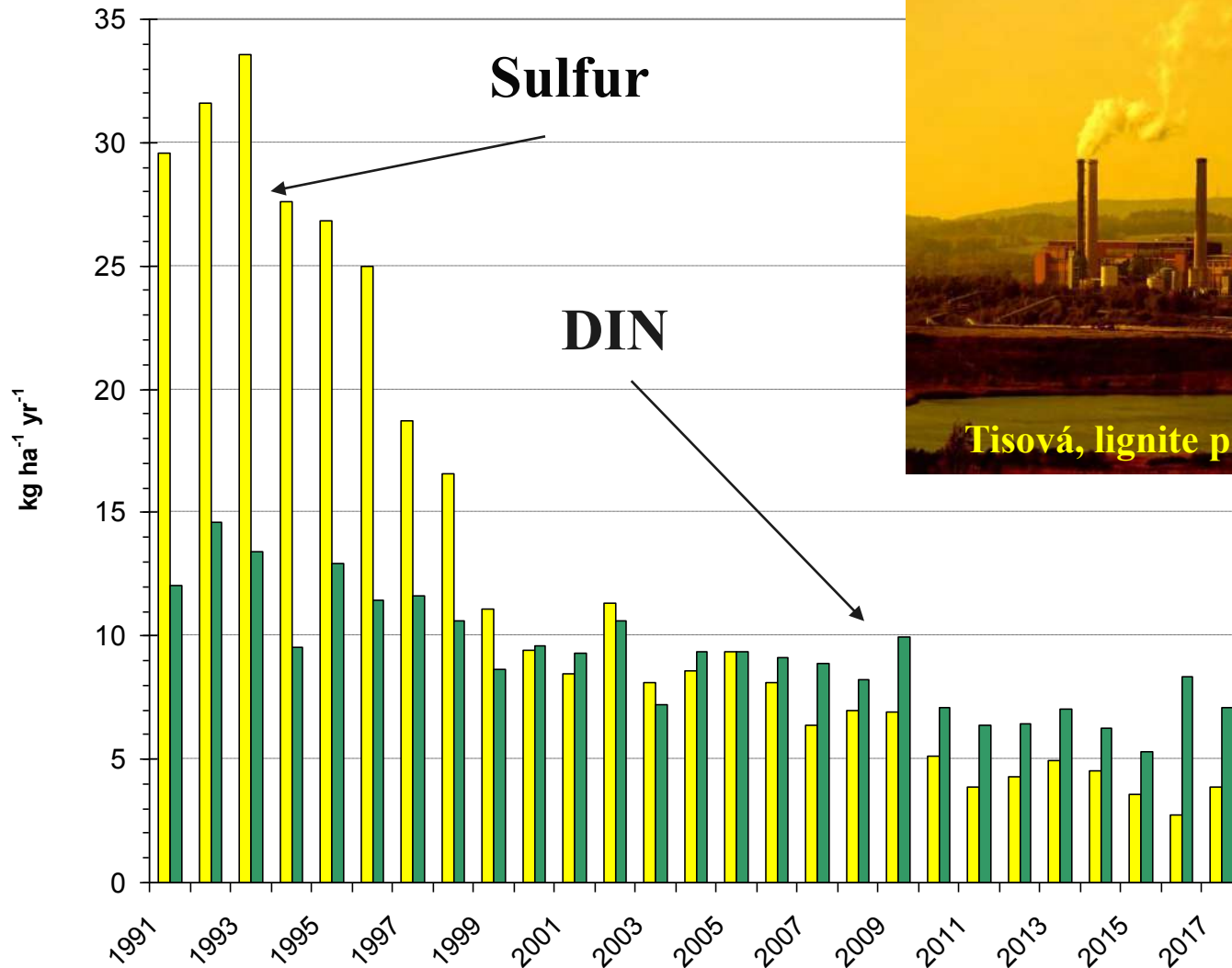


**Lysina catchment, 0.27 km<sup>2</sup>, 829-949 m a.s.l., (leuco)granite, Podzol, spruce  
research 1988-2018, regular input-output monitoring since 1991**

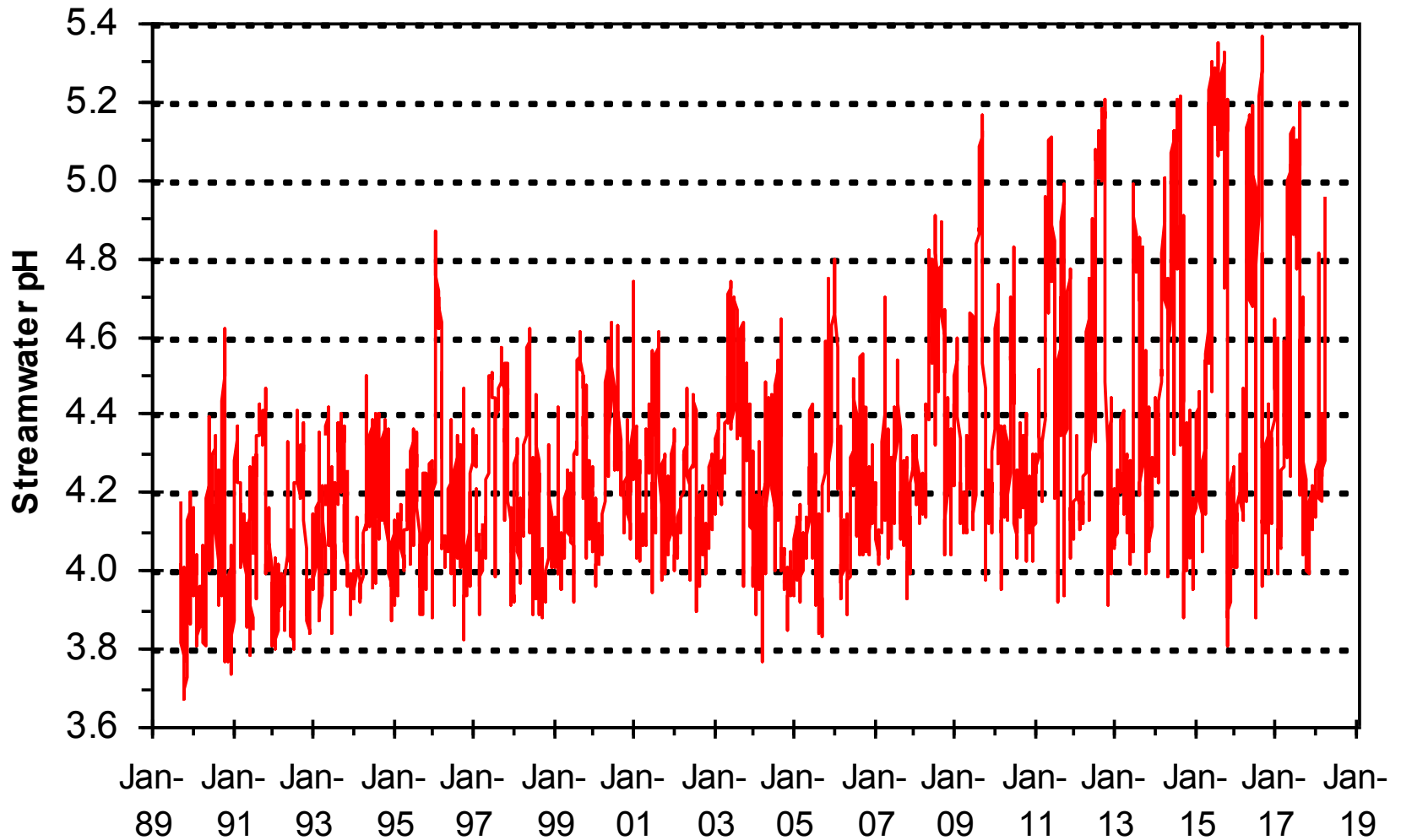


**V-notch weir at Lysina during a high flow episode, characterized by brown color due to high concentration of dissolved organic carbon (DOC) generated in shallow water flow paths of forest soils.**

# Annual Fluxes of Atmospheric Deposition of Sulfur and Inorganic Nitrogen at Lysina in 1991-2017



# Weekly Streamwater pH at Lysina (Sep 1989 – May 2018)

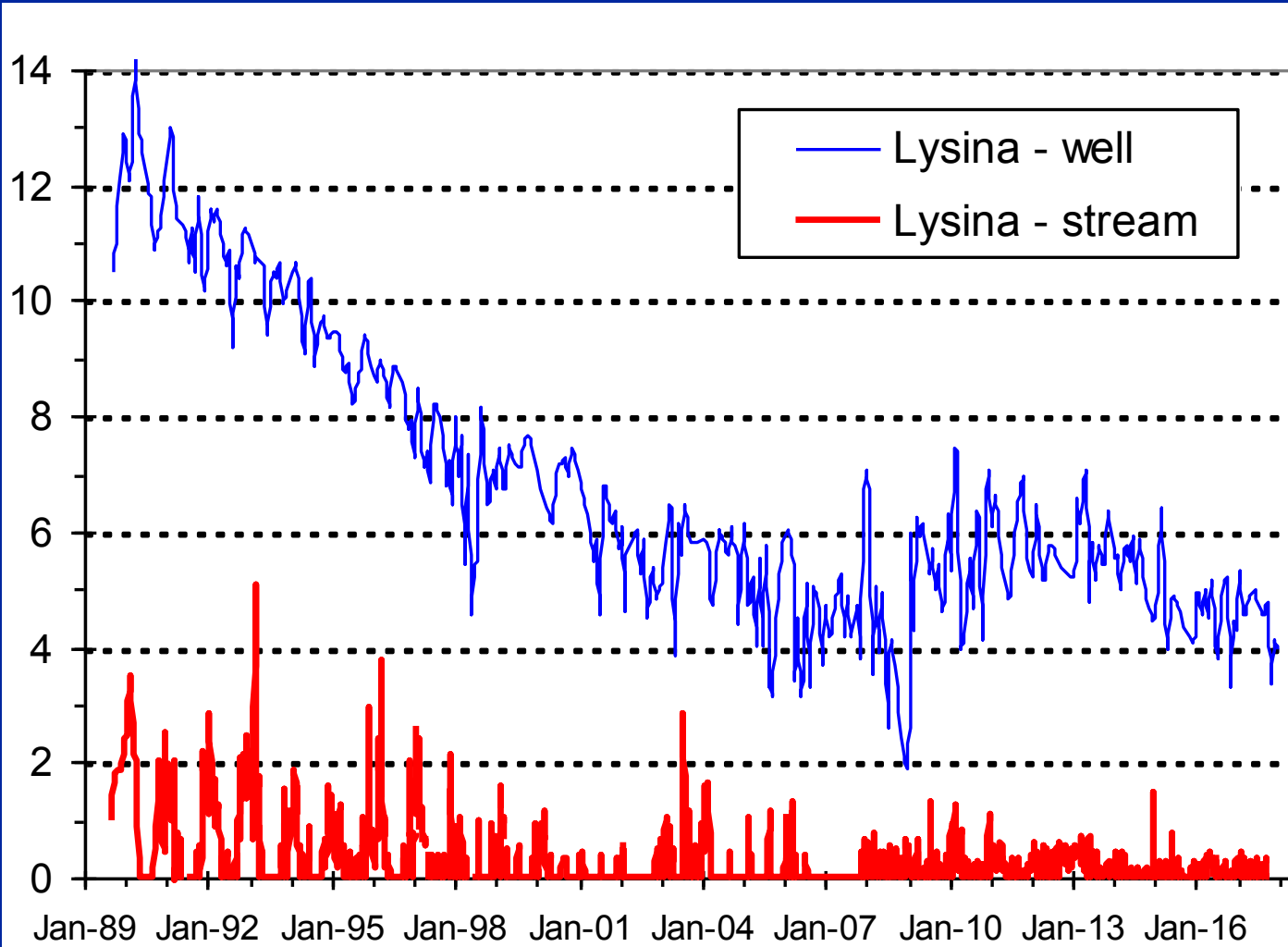


**Note 1: Low pH values at Lysina are generally detected during high flow periods, high pH values during low flow periods.**

**Note 2: The size matters! Streamwater pH values are usually higher downstream (with sampling of higher catchment area). As a consequence also pH values downstream from the Lysina point (area 0.27 km<sup>2</sup>) to the catchment size recommended e.g. by the Water Framework Directive (>10 km<sup>2</sup>) will be higher due to longer water residence time in the catchment and longer time for chemical weathering processes!**

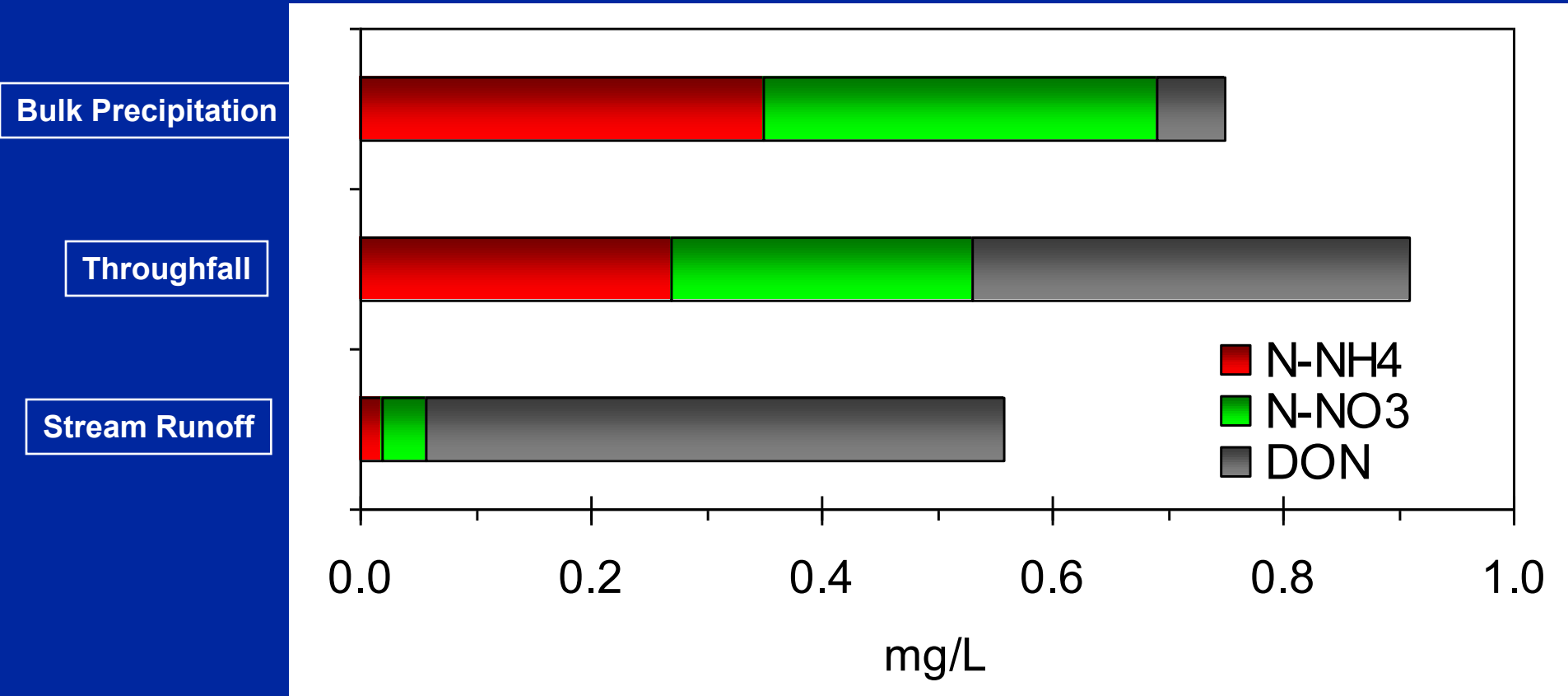
# Nitrate in Groundwater and Streamwater at Lysina (Sep 1989 – Dec 2017)

$\text{NO}_3$   
(mg/L)

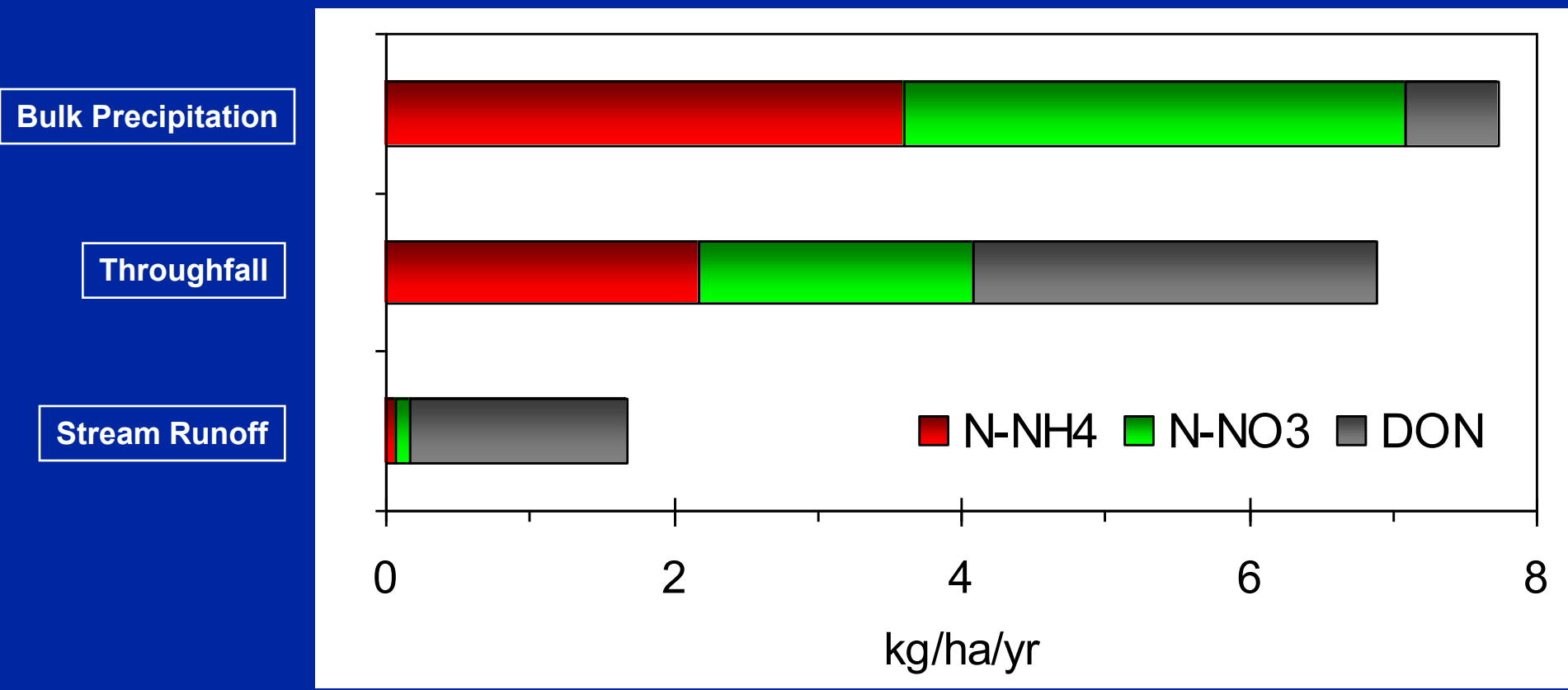




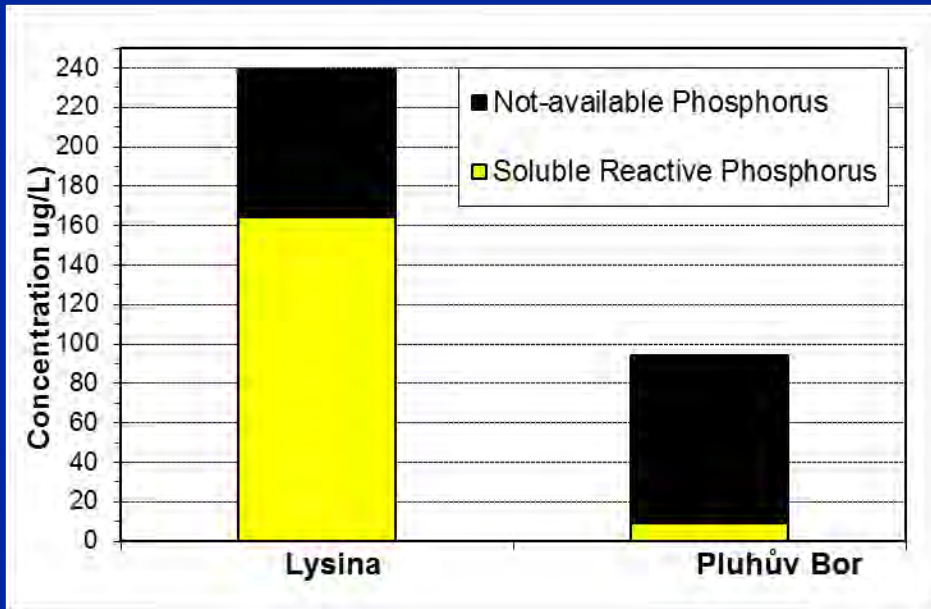
# Nitrogen Concentrations at Lysina in 2017 Water Year



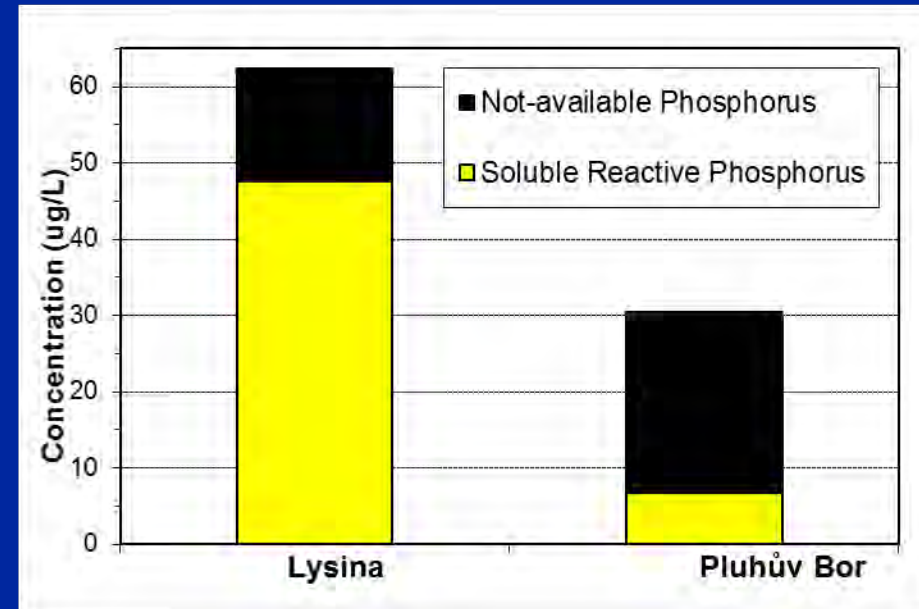
# Nitrogen Fluxes at Lysina in 2017 Water Year



# Medians of Phosphorus Concentrations in Drainage Waters at Two Geochemically Contrasting Catchments in 2017 Water Year

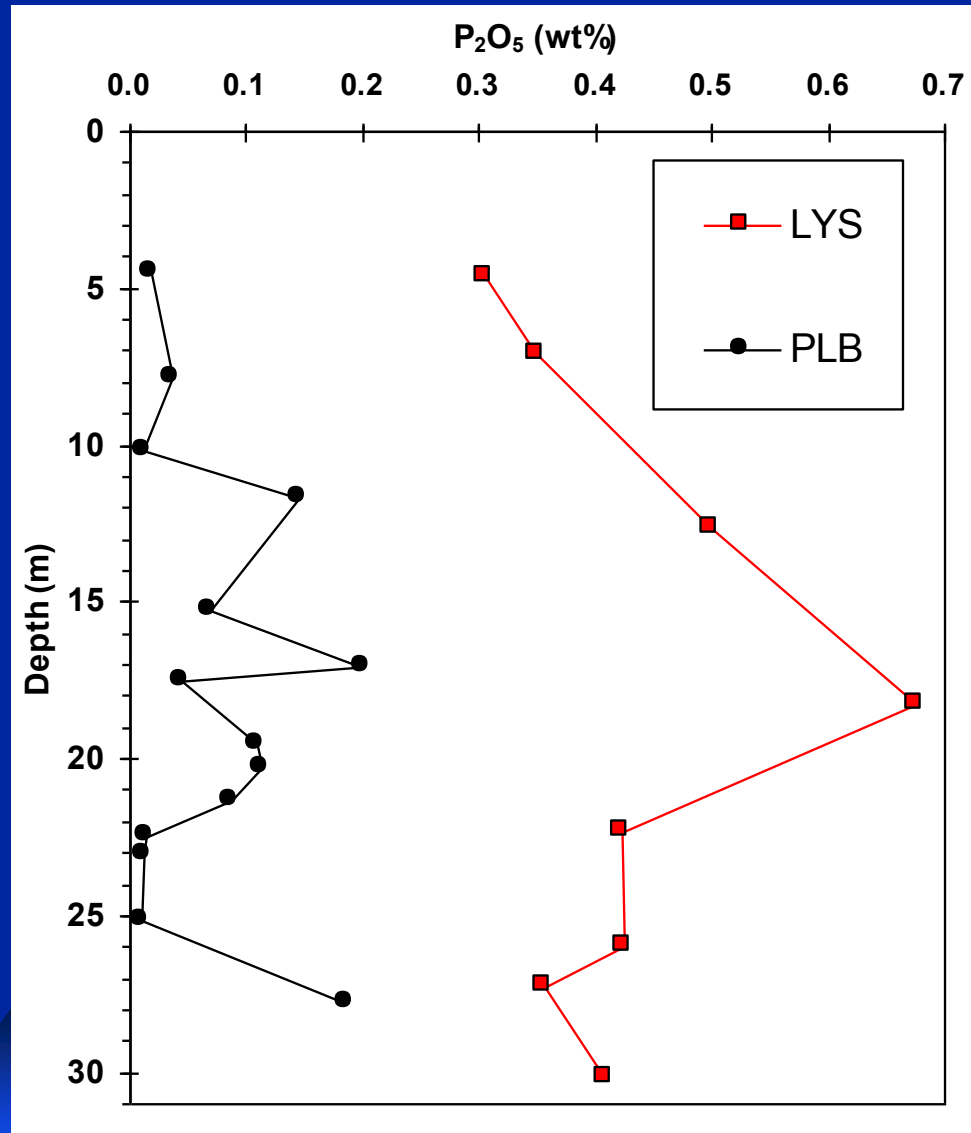


**Soil Water**



**Stream Water**

# Rock Concentrations of Phosphorus in Borehole Cores at Granitic Lysina and Ultrabasic Pluhův Bor

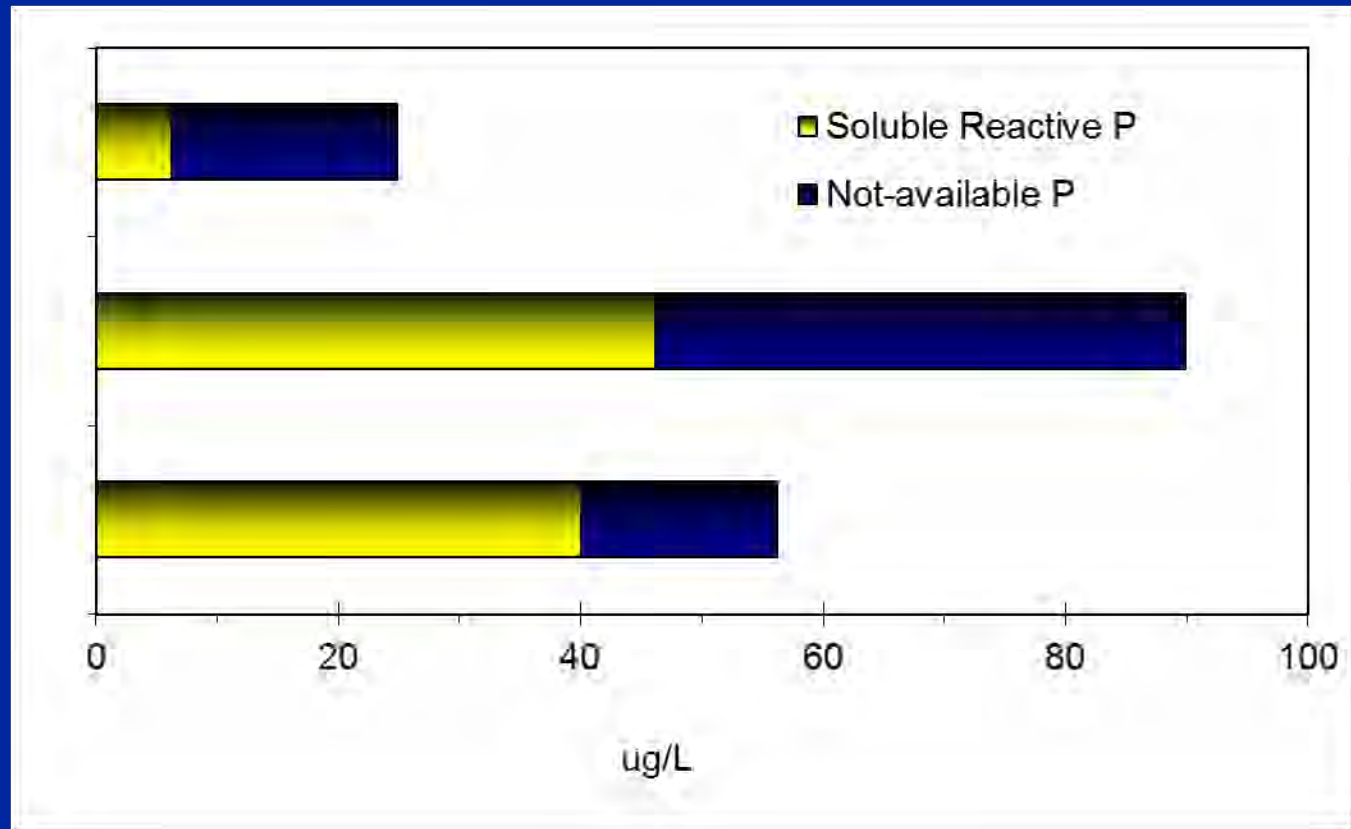


# Phosphorus concentrations at Lysina in 2017 Water Year

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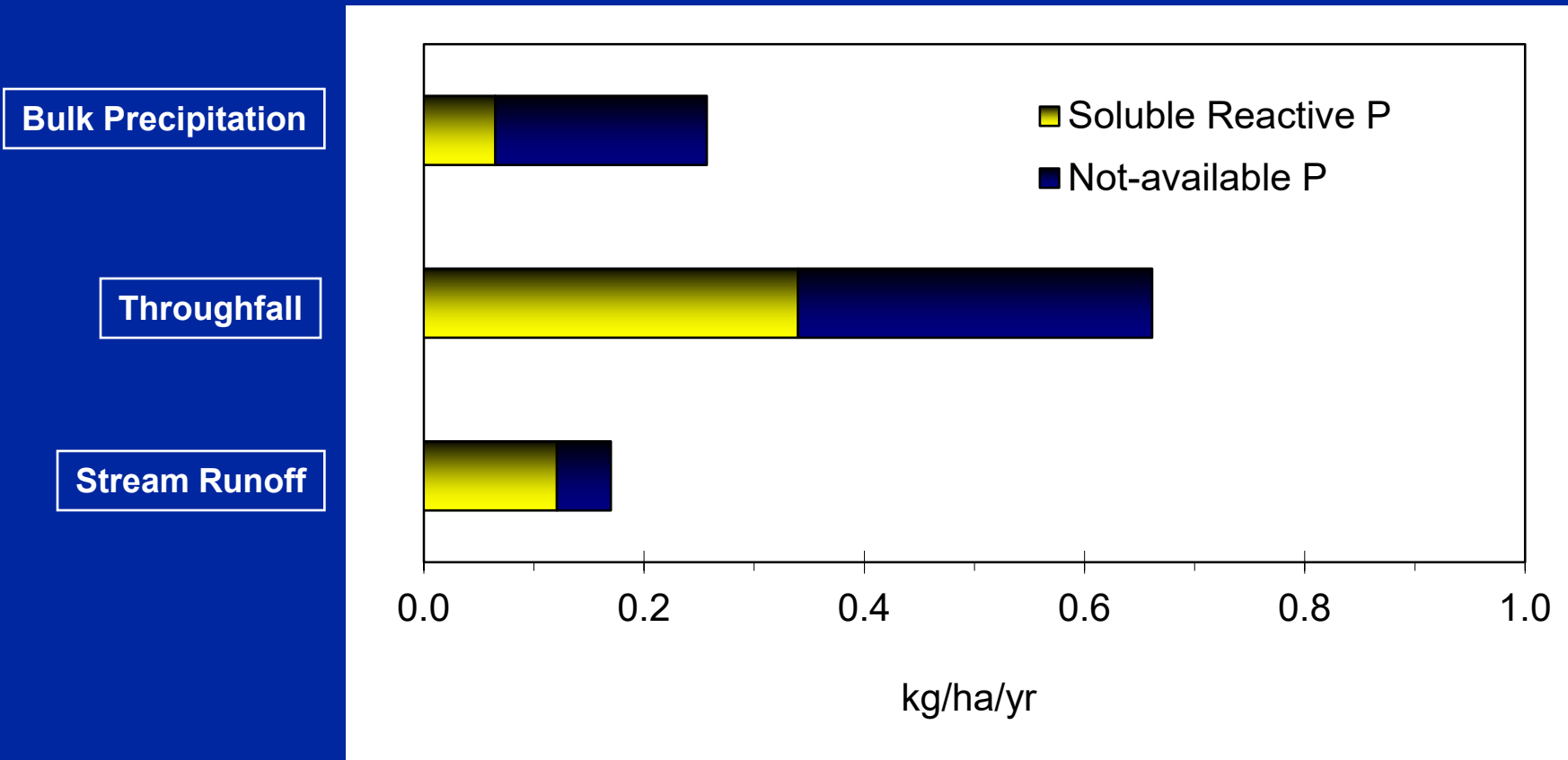
Throughfall

Stream Runoff



Info about competition of acidification and phosphorus eutrofization and its influence on benthic algae:  
Schneider S.C., Oulehle F., Krám P., Hruška J. 2018. *Hydrobiologia* 805: 33-47.

# Phosphorus fluxes at Lysina in 2017 Water Year





# Monitoring subprograms of the ICP-IM network in 2017

Meteorology	Groundwater chemistry	Vegetation (plot scale)
Air chemistry ( <i>incl. CO<sub>2</sub></i> )	Runoff water chemistry	Bioelements
Precipitation chemistry	Lake water chemistry	Vegetation structure
Moss chemistry	Foliage chemistry	Trunk epiphytes
Throughfall chemistry	Litterfall chemistry	Aerial green algae
Stemflow chemistry	Hydrobiology of streams	Microbial decomposition ( <i>incl. CO<sub>2</sub></i> )
Soil chemistry	Hydrobiology of lakes	Bird inventory
Soil water chemistry	Forest damage	Vegetation inventory
<b>Data-rich catchments (amount of reported subprograms):</b>		
<b>21:</b> LV02 (Zoseni); <b>20:</b> EE02 (Saarejärve); <b>19:</b> DE01 (Forellenbach) and FI01 (Valkea-Kotinen); <b>18:</b> SE04, FI03, LT01, LT03 and LV01; <b>17:</b> FI04, SE14, SE15 and CZ02 (Lysina)		

**Note 1: No Rock chemistry subprogram in the ICP IM !**

**Note 2: Data-rich Latvian catchments (LV) were unfortunately removed from the IM because the data submission lasted only until 2009!**

# Conclusions

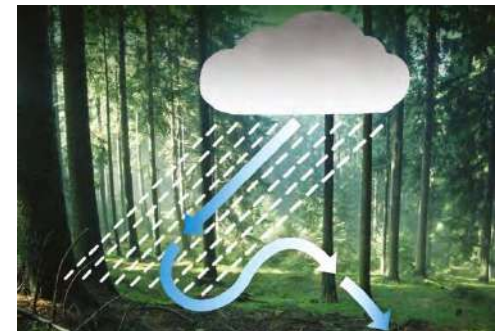
- ◆ Total dissolved nitrogen budget at Lysina is incomplete without considering the Dissolved Organic Nitrogen (DON), especially for the runoff
- ◆ Relatively high concentrations and fluxes of phosphorus in drainage waters at Lysina were generated by elevated content of phosphorus in granitic bedrock. Soluble Reactive Phosphorus (SRP) fraction available for biota prevailed at Lysina.

# Long-term changes in the inorganic nitrogen output fluxes in European ICP Integrated Monitoring catchments – an assessment of the role of internal N-related parameters

## Data mapping

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representatives of focal points...

Joint ICP Waters & ICP IM Task Force meeting,  
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# The latest trend assessments at IM sites

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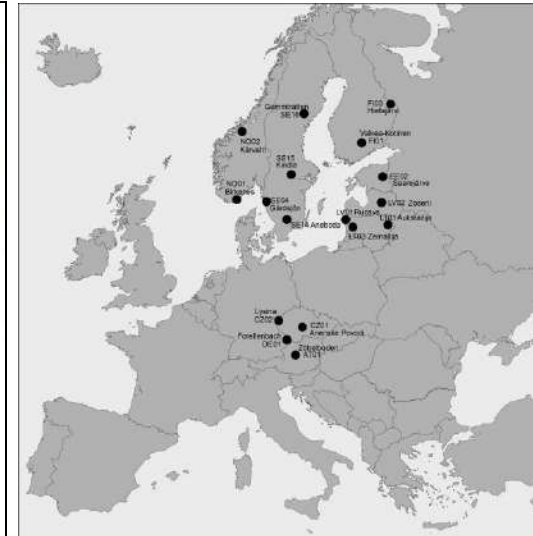


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## Long-term sulphate and inorganic nitrogen mass balance budgets in European ICP Integrated Monitoring catchments (1990–2012)

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## Long-term changes (1990–2015) in the atmospheric deposition and runoff water chemistry of sulphate, inorganic nitrogen and acidity for forested catchments in Europe in relation to changes in emissions and hydrometeorological conditions

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# The results from the ICP IM network show the positive effects of the S emission reduction measures in Europe

 Concentrations and deposition fluxes of  $x\text{SO}_4$  (wet + dry) have decreased significantly almost at all (> 95%) studied IM sites

  $x\text{SO}_4$  concentrations and fluxes in runoff have consequently decreased (significant at 90% and 60% of the sites, respectively), and the IM catchments have increasingly responded to the decreases in deposition of  $x\text{SO}_4$  during the last 25 years

 The most acid-sensitive IM catchments are experiencing a recovery from  $\text{SO}_4$ -driven acidification, although net release of  $\text{SO}_4$  from soil may delay the recovery



# The results from the ICP IM network document the positive effects also for the N emission reduction measures in Europe



Bulk deposition of  $\text{NO}_3$  and  $\text{NH}_4$  decreased significantly at 60–80% (concentrations) and 40–60% (fluxes) of the sites



Concentrations and fluxes of  $\text{NO}_3$  in runoff decreased at 73% and 63% of the sites, respectively, and  $\text{NO}_3$  concentrations decreased significantly at 50% of the sites



In general, TIN ( $\text{NO}_3 + \text{NH}_4$ ) was strongly retained (> 90%) in the catchments not affected by natural disturbances.

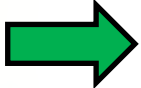


As yet there are no widespread signs of a consistent increase in  $\text{NO}_3$  concentrations or exports in sensitive undisturbed freshwater

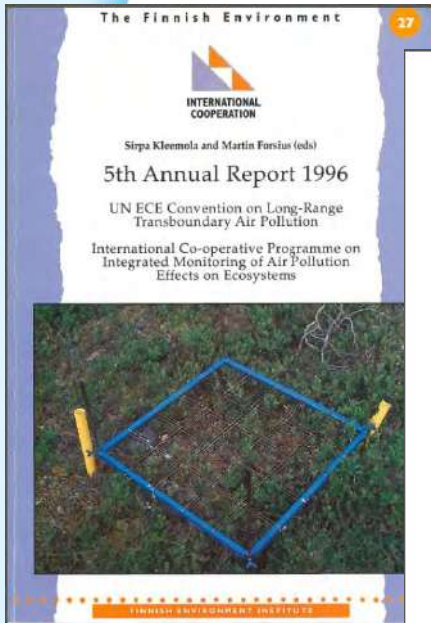




# The N cycling is complex

- ❑ The present decreasing trend of TIN deposition at IM sites should generally lead to decreased  $\text{NO}_3$  concentrations in runoff !?
- ❑ Routine monitoring variables do not explain variation/change in TIN output satisfactorily, because obviously not all potential drivers were included in the empirical models
-  Further analysis with specific catchment and soil data is needed: **Data mapping on internal catchment N-related parameters at IM sites**
- ❑ No detailed research plan yet, but main questions will be: What is the present status of these N-related parameters? How these parameters explain the variation/trends of TIN at IM sites?

# Previous N-assessment



## Assessment of nitrogen processes at ICP IM sites

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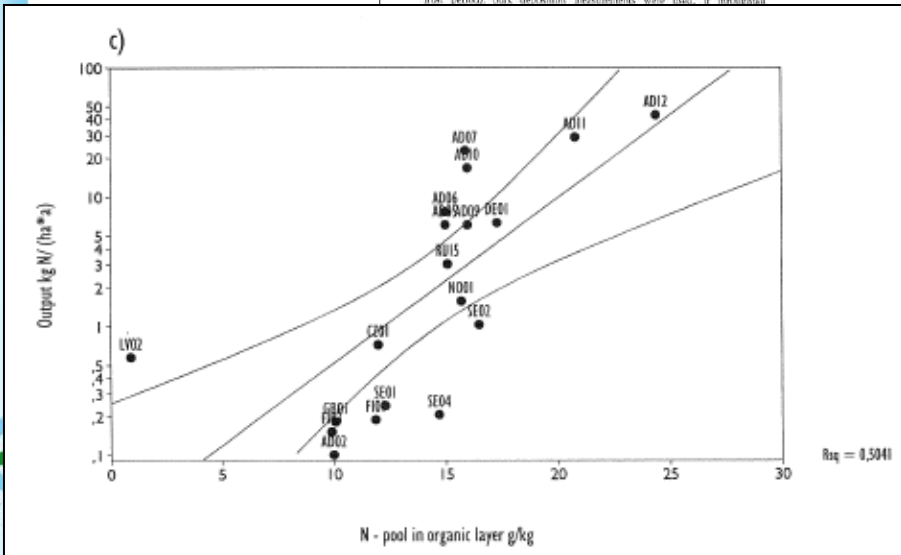
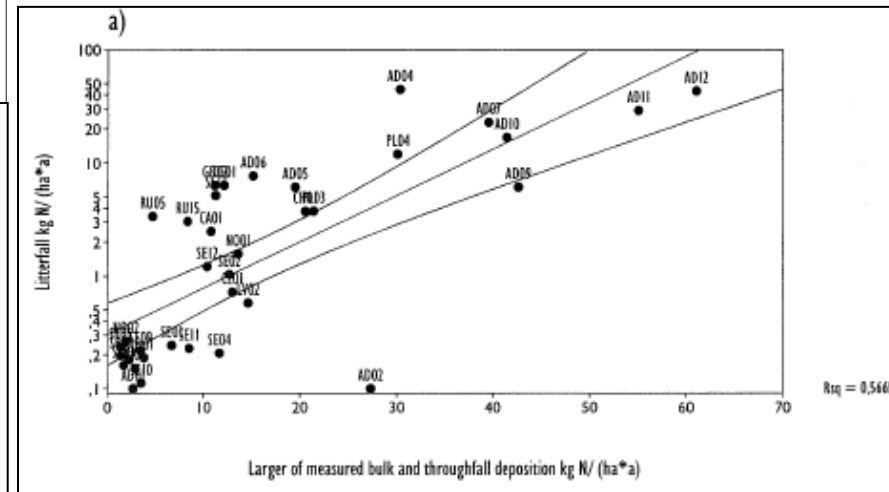
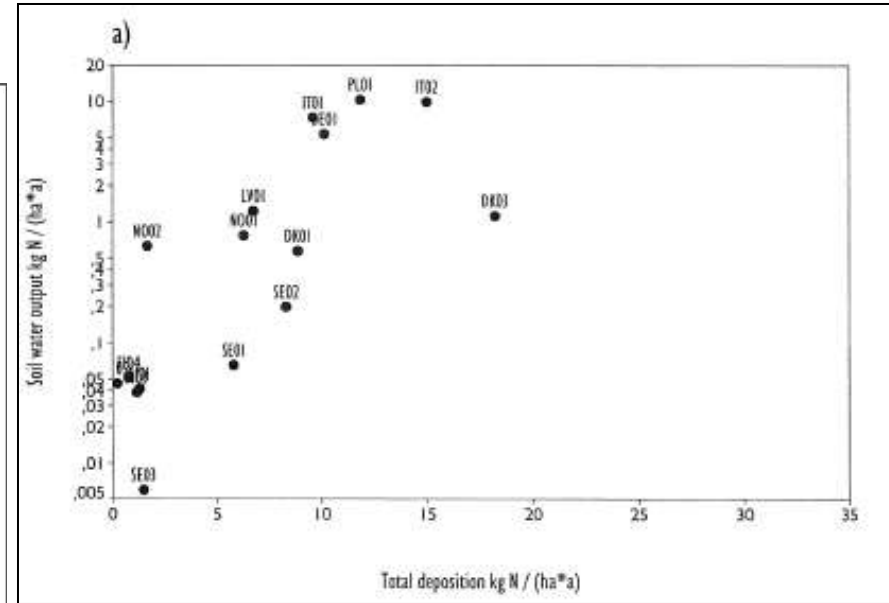
The UN/ECE Working Group on Effects presently gives the highest priority to the environmental effects of atmospheric nitrogen pollutants. Therefore, since additional data has become available in the ICP IM database, the calculations regarding the effects of N-deposition presented in the ICP IM Annual Synoptic Report 1995 (ASR 1995), have been updated. The calculations were made for all IM sites with available data, at both catchment ( $n=39$ , input data,  $n=21$ , output data) and plot scale ( $n=18$ ). Factor budgets, indicating the relative importance of N processes in the production and consumption of proteins on the ecosystem scale, were presented in the ASR 1995.

### 3.1 Materials and methods

#### 3.1.1 Catchment-scale input-output budgets

The calculations were done using bulk and throughfall (when available) deposition and runoff data. The budgets were calculated for the last 4-year period, normally for the period 1993-1994.

Deposition to the basins for each of the last four years was calculated as the sum of the measured monthly deposition values. The throughfall deposition estimates were calculated as the sum of the months when throughfall was recorded (May to October/November or the whole year), for the other months (snow/frost periods), bulk deposition measurements were used, if throughfall



# Submitted/existing data 2000-2016

Site	Country	Hydrometeorology			Deposition		Runoff	Litterfall	Foliage	Soil		Soil water
		Prec.	Runoff	Air temp.	Bulk	Throughfall	Conc./flux			(chemistry)	(physics)	
		PC	RW	AM	BD	TF	RW	LF	FC	SC	SC	SW
AT01	Austria	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
BY02	Belarus	x	x	x	x	n.d.	x				x	
CH02	Switzerland	x	x		x	n.d.	x					
CZ01	Czech R.	x	x	x	x	x	x				x	x
CZ02	"	x	x	x	x	x	x	x				x
DE01	Germany	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
DE02	"	x	n.d.	x	x	x	n.d.	x	x	x	x	x
EE01	Estonia	x	n.d.	x	x	x	n.d.	x	x	x	x	x
EE02	"	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
ES02	Spain	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
FI01	Finland	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x
FI03	"	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x
FI06	"	x	x	x	x	x	x					x
IE01	Ireland	x			x	x						x
IT01	Italy	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
IT03	"	x	n.d.		x	x	x		x			x
IT07	"	x	n.d.		x	x	n.d.		x	x	x	
IT09	"	x	n.d.		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
LT01	Lithuania	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x
LT03	"	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x
LV01	Latvia	x	x		x	x	x	x	x			x
LV02	"	x	x		x	x	x	x	x			x
NO01	Norway	x	x	x	x	x	x				x	x
NO02	"	x	x		x	x	x					x
NO03	"	x	x		x	n.d.	x					x
PL01	Poland	x		x	x	x				x	x	x
PL06	"	x	x		x	x	x	x	x			x
PL10	"	x	x		x	x	x	x	x			x
SE04	Sweden	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
SE14	"	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
SE15	"	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
SE16	"	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
N=32	N=15									N tot	Soil temp.	NO3, NH4, N tot
										pH	Bulk density	pH
										TOC		DOC
										C:N		Flow

# Empirical data needed

- ❑ If TF agrees & willingness to share national data
  - ❑ Soil chemistry (SC): N tot, TOC, C/N, pH
  - ❑ Soil water chemistry (SW): NO<sub>3</sub>, NH<sub>4</sub>, N tot, TOC/DOC, pH, flow
  - ❑ Litterfall chemistry (LF): N tot, TOC, litterfall amount (d.w.)
  - ❑ Foliage chemistry (FC): N tot, TOC, sample weight (d.w.)
  - ❑ Other parameters? Soil moisture and temperature, stand age...
  
- ❑ Time schedule and work plan
  - ❑ Data submitted by 30.9.2018
  - ❑ Draft Material and Methods by 31.10.2018
  - ❑ Manuscript submission by 31.12.2019



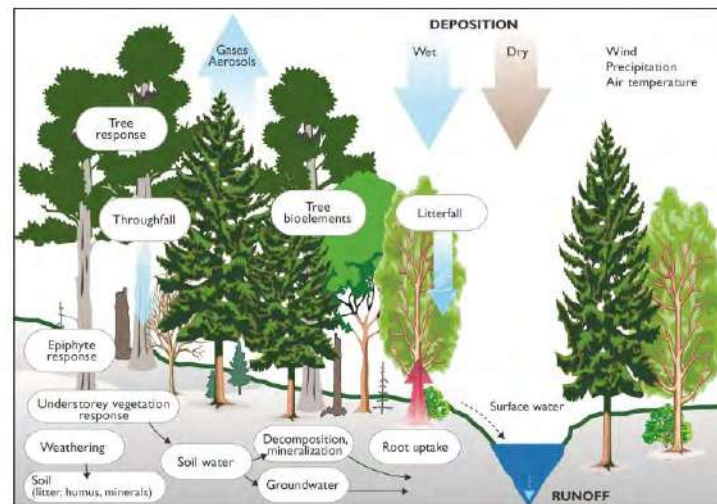
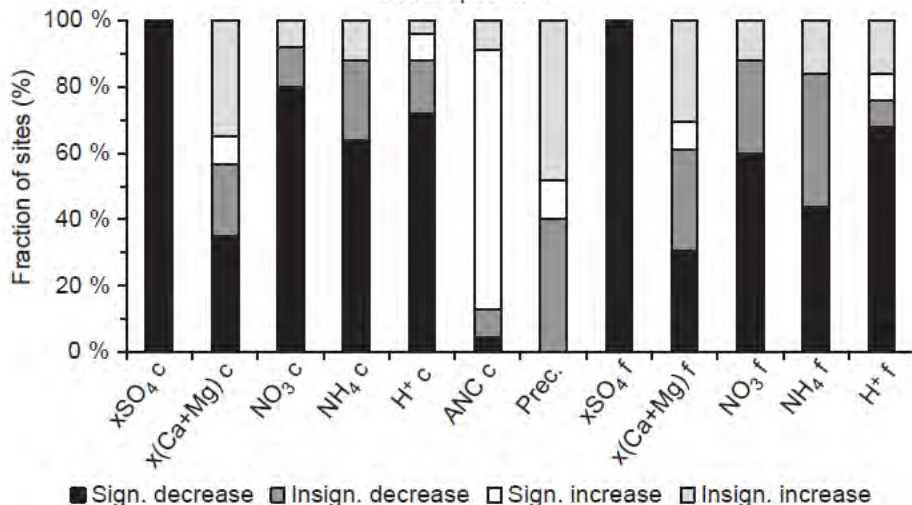
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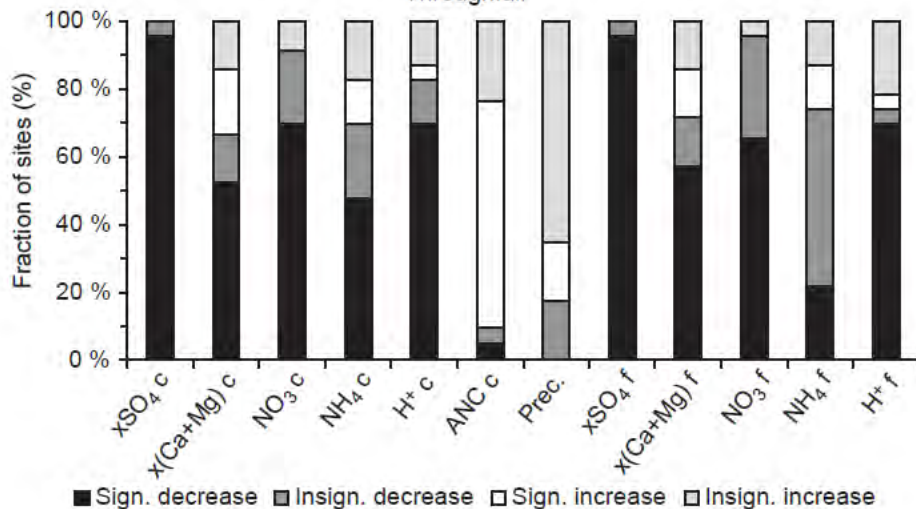
Valkea-Kotinen IM catchment (FI01)  
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# Percentage of IM sites with a significant decreasing (black), insignificant decreasing (dark grey), significant increasing (white) and insignificant increasing (light grey) trend in concentrations and fluxes in 1990–2015

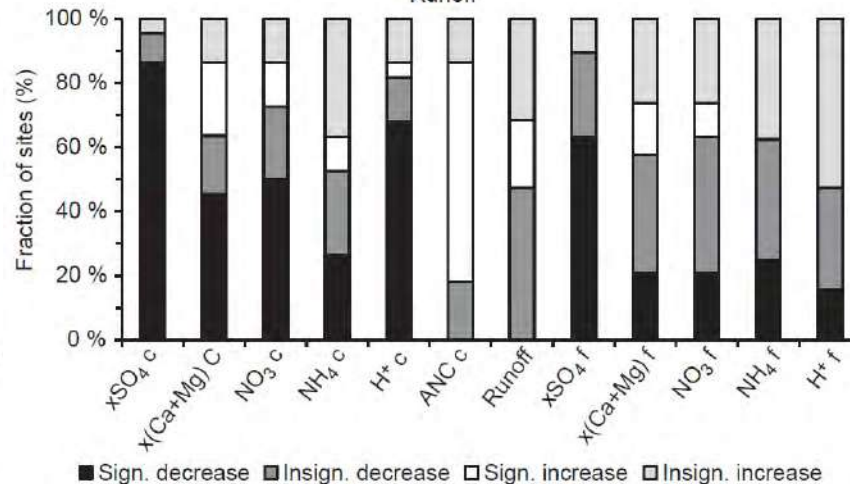
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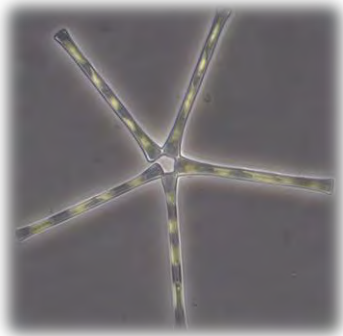
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Runoff



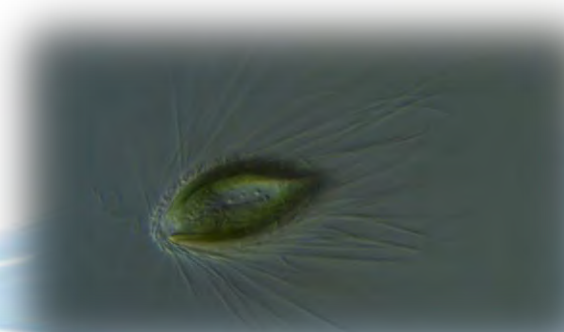
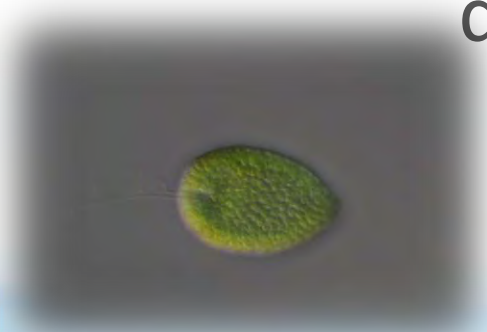




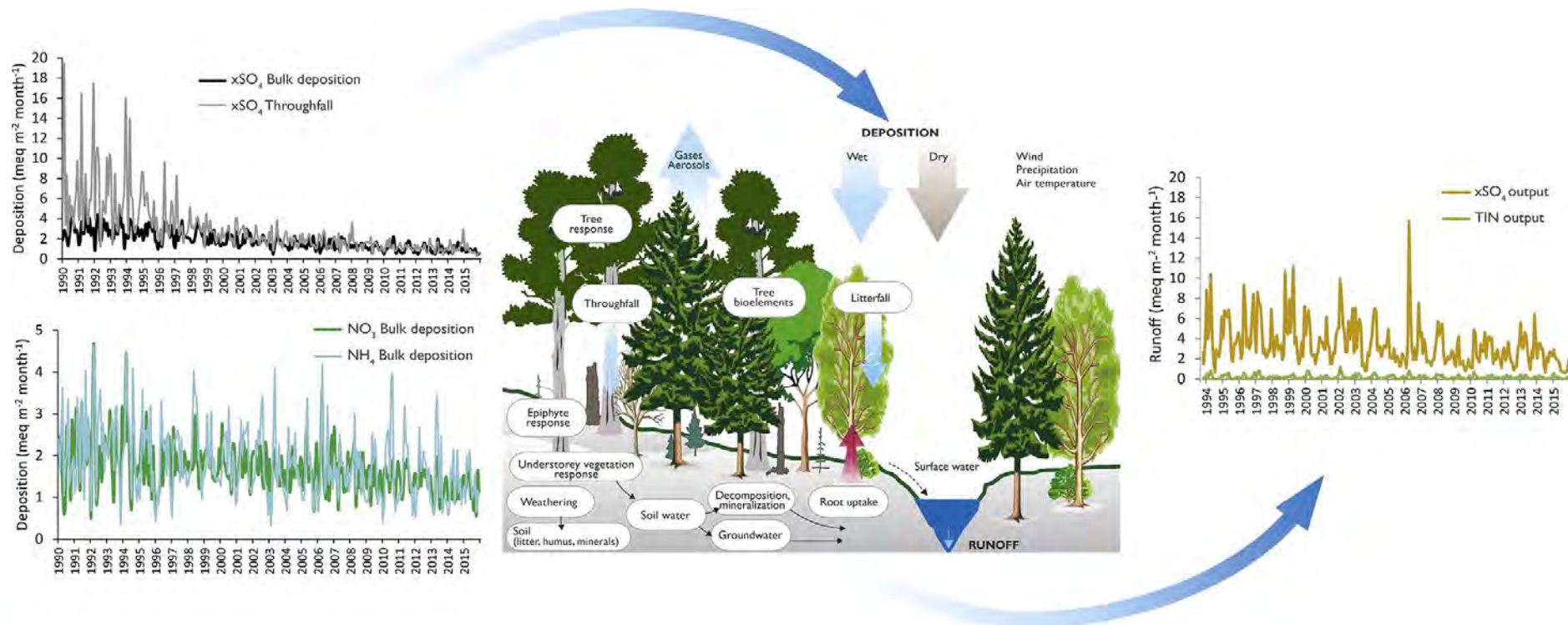
# Reactive Nitrogen – impacts on freshwaters

Topic for the 2019 thematic report

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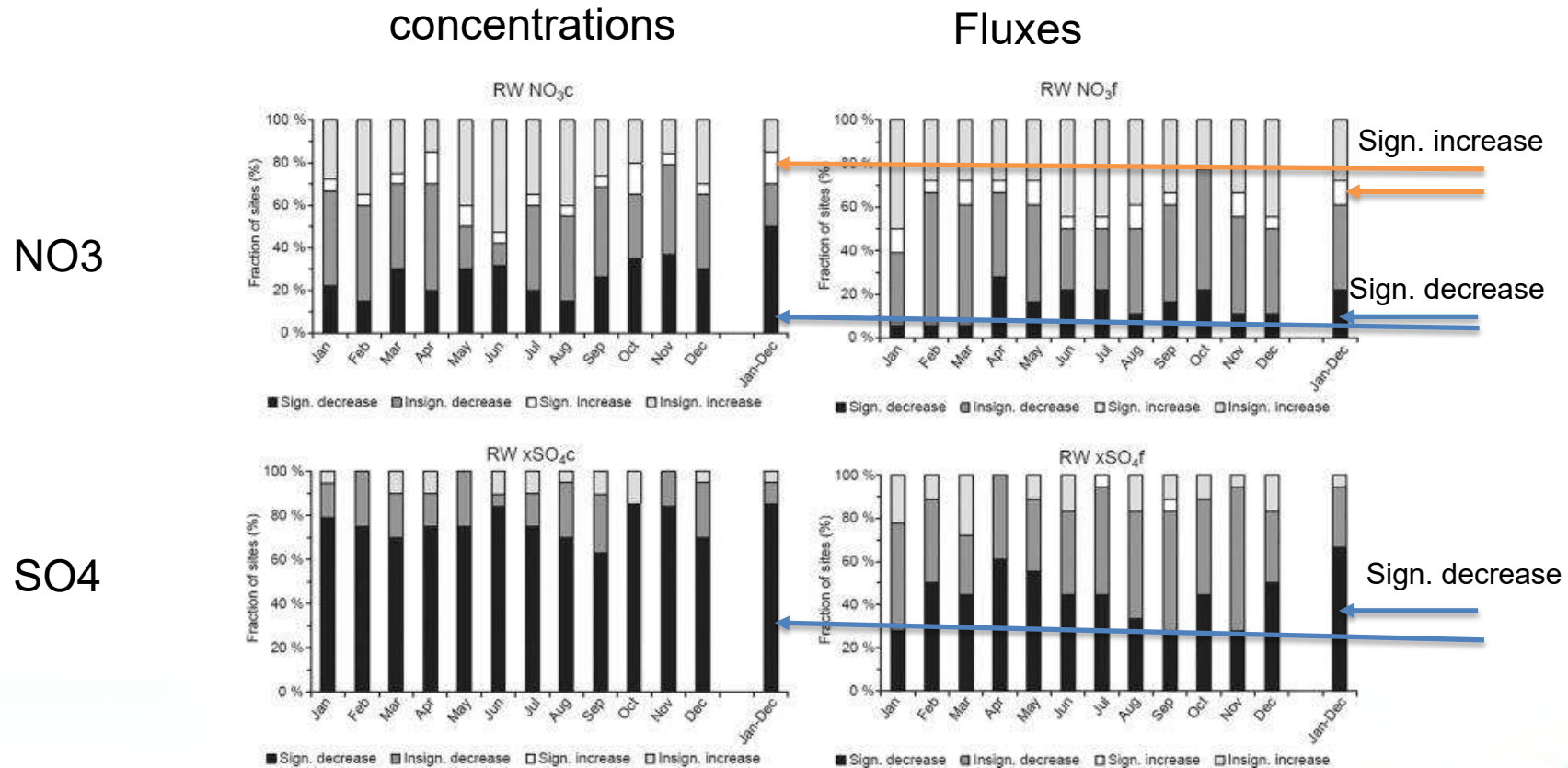


# Nitrogen deposition accumulates in catchments and leads to leaching of DIN to surface waters



Vuorenmaa et al. 2018 Stoten

# Trends in NO<sub>3</sub> concentrations and fluxes



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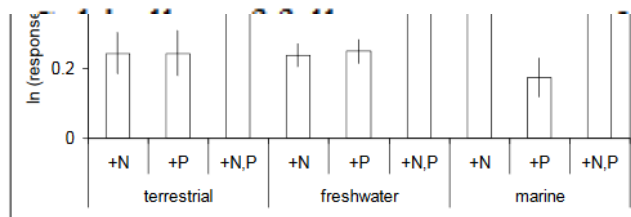
# Aren't freshwaters just P-limited?

ICP Waters Report 101/2010  
Nutrient enrichment effects of  
atmospheric N deposition on biology  
in oligotrophic surface waters  
- a review

Schindler 1977:  
– whole-lake manipulations  
show that lakes are P-limited

P-limitation paradigm has been  
Challenged by Sterner and Elser,  
and others

All three papers that critically review the P limitation paradigm (Elser et al., 2007; Lewis and Wurtsbaugh, 2008; Sterner, 2008) agree that there is compelling evidence that phytoplankton productivity can be limited both by N and P. They also agree that the mechanism proposed by



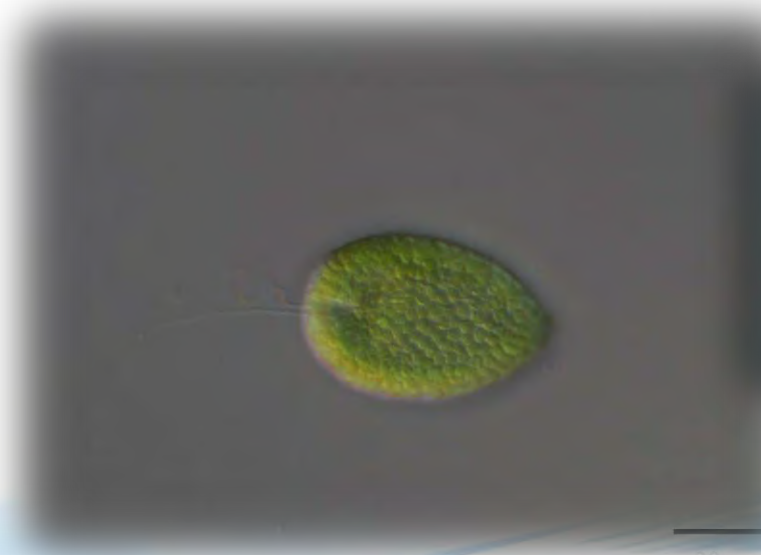
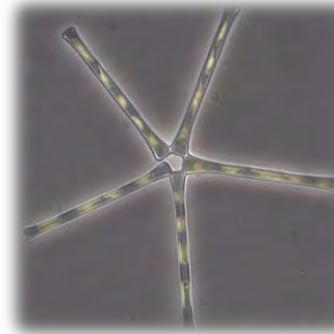
**Figure 1** Responses of autotrophs to single enrichment of N or P or to combined N + P enrichment in terrestrial, freshwater and marine ecosystems. Data are given as natural-log transformed response ratios (RRx) in which autotroph biomass or production in the enriched treatment is divided by its value in the control treatment and then ln-transformed. Error bars indicate + or – one standard error. Redrawn from Elser et al. (2007) (Figure 1)

De Wit and Lindholm 2010  
ICP Waters report 101/2010



# Phytoplankton in oligotrophic lakes

- Microscopic, unicellular organisms that do photosynthesis
- The basis for pelagic food chains in lakes
- Needs light, CO<sub>2</sub>, and macro- and micro nutrients to grow
- Most important macronutrients are **nitrogen** and **phosphorus**
  - These may limit growth rate and biomass



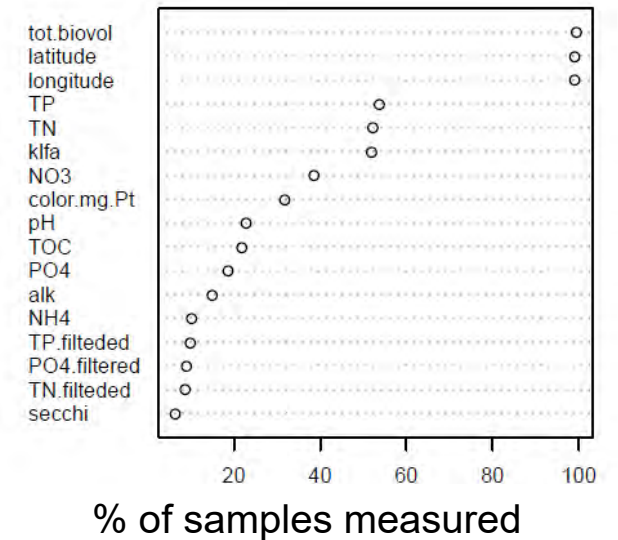
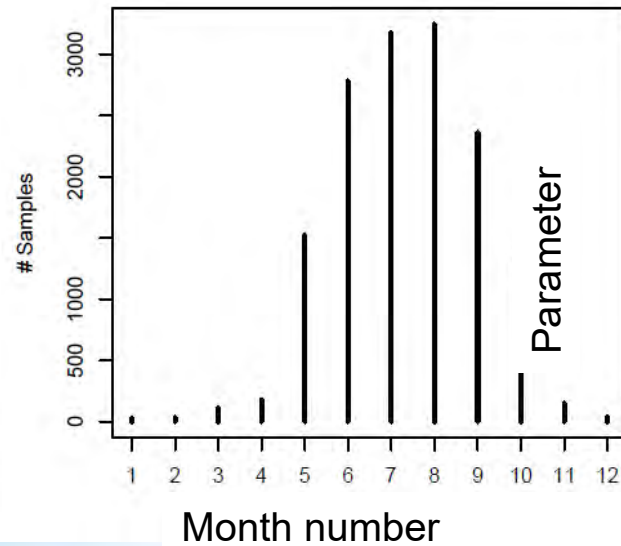
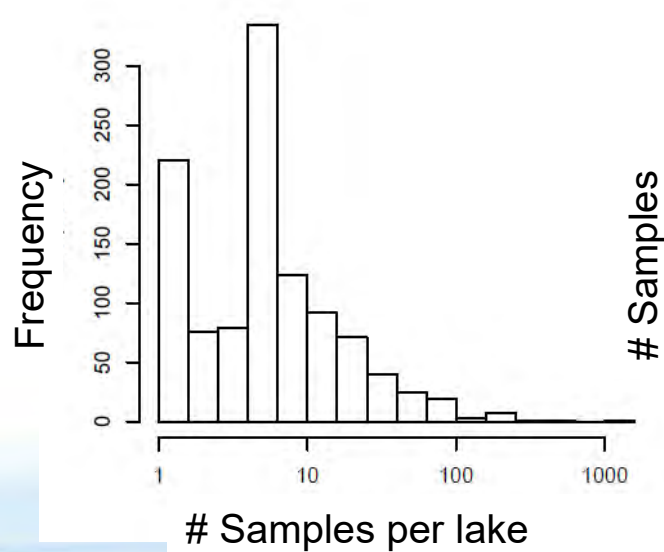
# Reactive nitrogen – preliminary data exploration

- Based on existing Norwegian database where water chemistry has been linked to data on phytoplankton, in 1100 lakes
- Contains many data from eutrophic, agriculturally impacted lakes
- So far:
  - Separate lakes with  $<TP$  15  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$  from the rest.
  - Test relationships between ‘algal biovolume’ (a proxy for algal biomass) and water chemical parameters
  - Test relationships between community (nr of taxa) and water chemistry.
  - Key question – is reactive nitrogen limiting freshwater productivity?



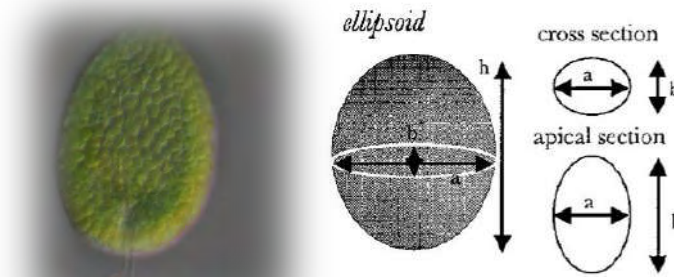
# Water chemistry

- TN and TP measured in 53 % of the samples (~7500 observations)
- NO3 in ca. 40 %
- NH4 in < 20%
- Several observations per lake (some > 100) and year

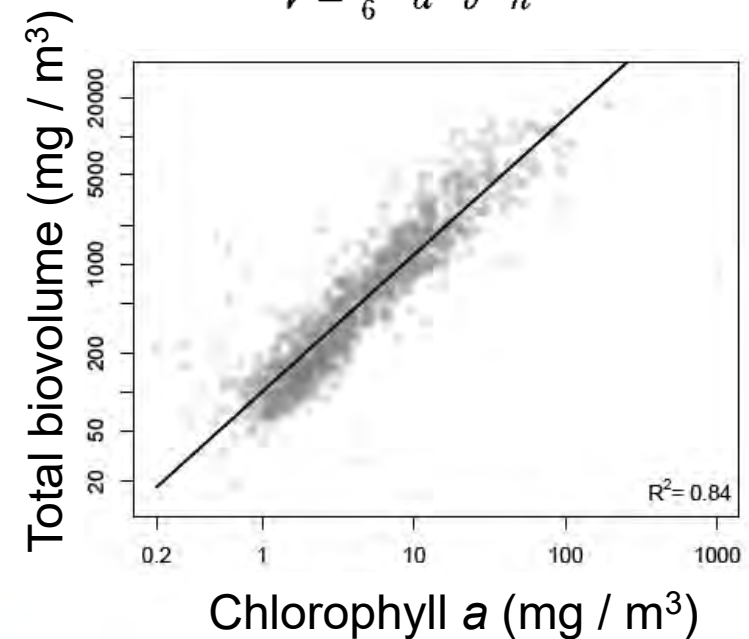


# Algal biomass

- 15 000 observations of phytoplankton total biovolume
  - **Biovolume** = the volume of an algal cell
  - Calculated based on the shape of the cell, e.g an ellipsoid
  - **Total biovolume** = the sum of the volumes for all cells of all taxa present in the sample
- Well correlated with **chl a** concentration



$$V = \frac{\pi}{6} \cdot a \cdot b \cdot h$$

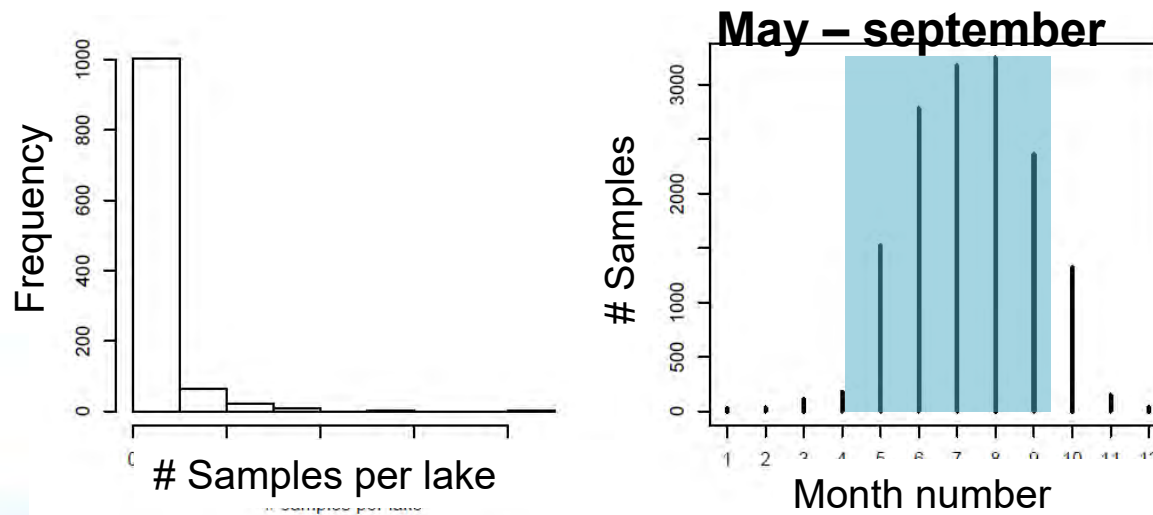


# TP, TN and algal biomass

- TN and TP is measured on unfiltered water samples
- Contains both dissolved and particulate N and P.
  - A large fraction of the total P pool is bound in phytoplankton.
  - Almost always > 40%, often > 90 %
    - In oligotrophic water, humus-rich water possibly lower
- There will necessarily be an autocorrelation when relating TP to algal biovolume or chl *a*.
- The same is true for TN, but a smaller fraction of TN is bound in algal biomass
  - Median fraction of 15 % based on data from 75 Norwegian and Swedish lakes

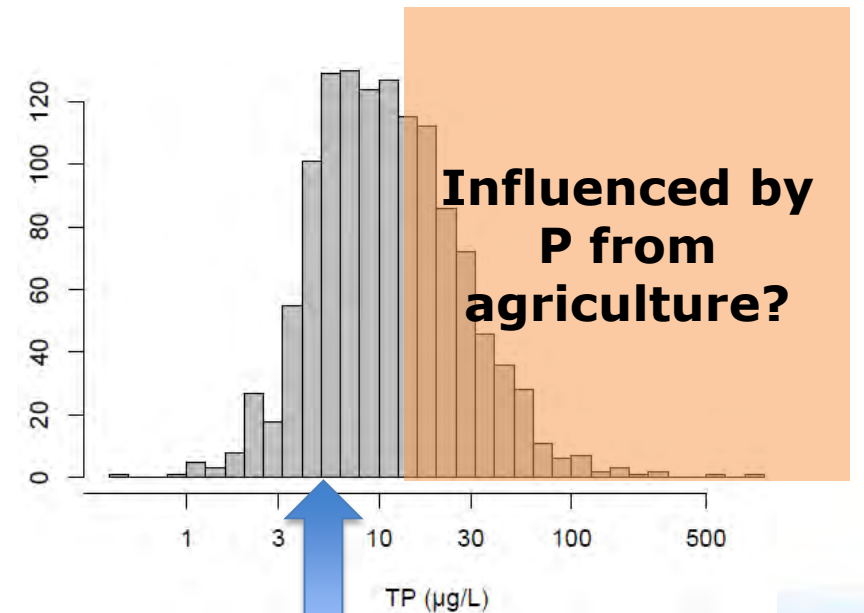
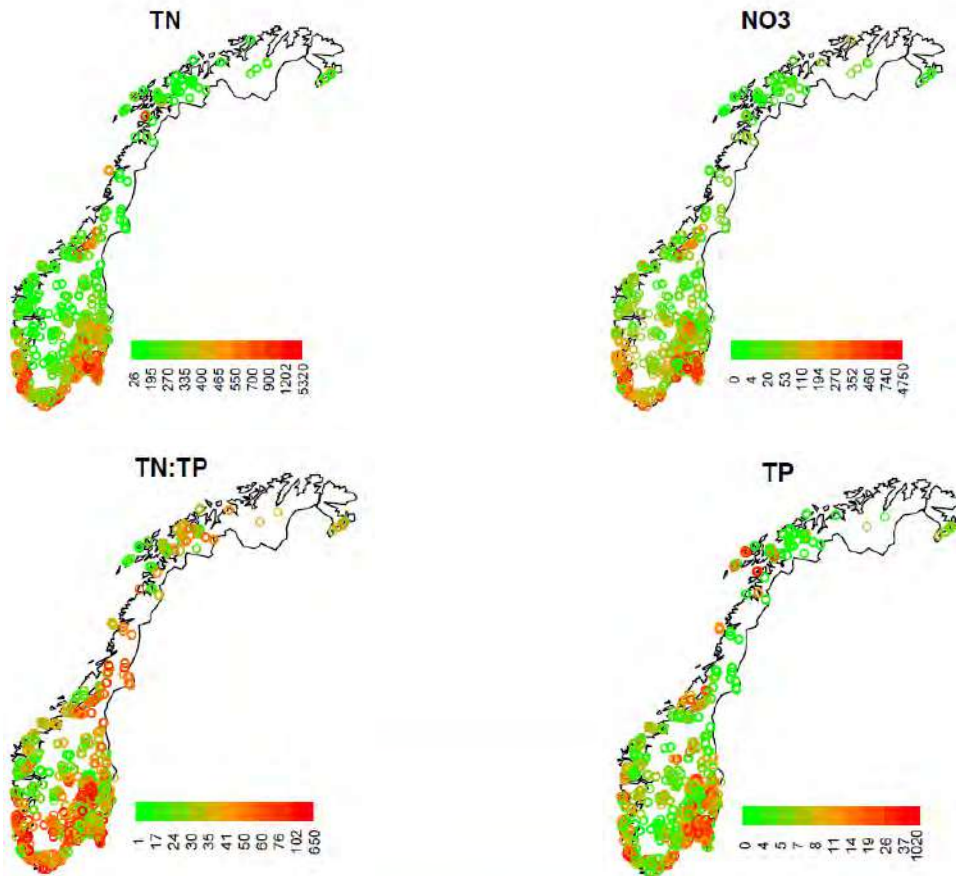
# Aggregated dataset

- Subset to the algal growth season (May-Sept)
- Aggregated by taking the mean for each lake within each year
  - Reduced the dataset from 15 000 to about 2500 datapoints for biovolume
  - From ca. 7500 til 1250 obs for TN and TP
  - Most lakes now with < 10 samples per lake



**NB!** Preliminary analyses are done on this dataset, but the datapoints are not independent (later: e.g. use of mixed effect models to account for dependency within lakes)

# Distributions of N, P, NO<sub>3</sub> and N:P in the database

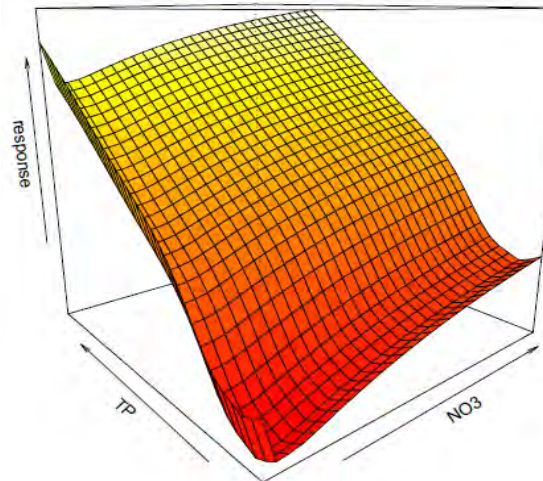
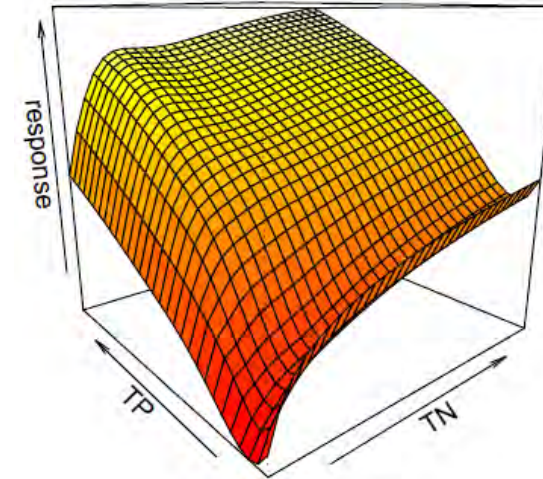


Ca 800 data points



# Co-limitation? Responses of phytoplankton biomass to N and P

- Strong relationship between total biovolume and TP alone (whole dataset:  $R^2 = 0.61$ ; oligotrophic lakes:  $R^2 = 0.3$ )
- Moderate relationship with TN alone (whole dataset:  $R^2 = 0.41$ ; oligotrophic lakes:  $R^2 = 0.2$ )
- Including both variables increased the explained variation slightly (whole dataset:  $R^2 = 0.64$ ; oligotrophic lakes:  $R^2 = 0.37$ )
- Plots show response of biomass to TN and TP (upper), and  $\text{NO}_3$  and TP (lower) for oligotrophic lakes ( $\text{TP} < 15 \mu\text{g/L}$ )
  - Strong TP-effect for all N-concentrations
  - A positive effect of N, but generally only in the lower end of the N-gradient





# Effects of atmospheric nitrogen deposition on nutrient limitation and phytoplankton biomass in unproductive Swedish lakes

2005

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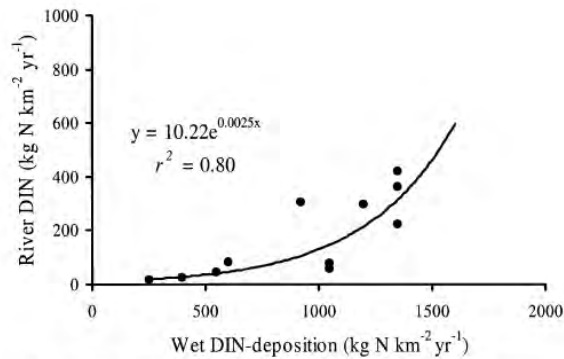


Fig. 3. The relationship between mean river transport of inorganic nitrogen (river DIN) and mean wet inorganic nitrogen deposition (wet DIN deposition) for different river catchments in Sweden (mean values from 1995–2001).

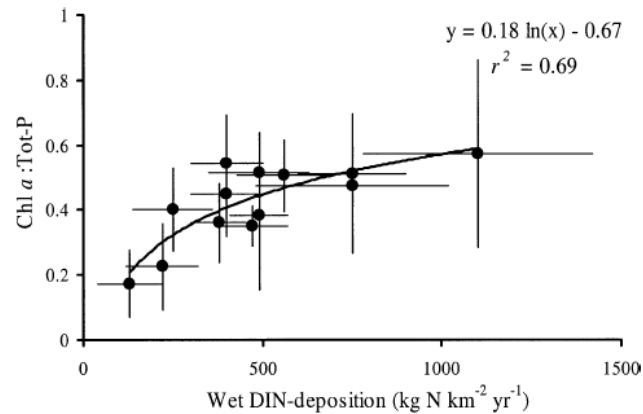
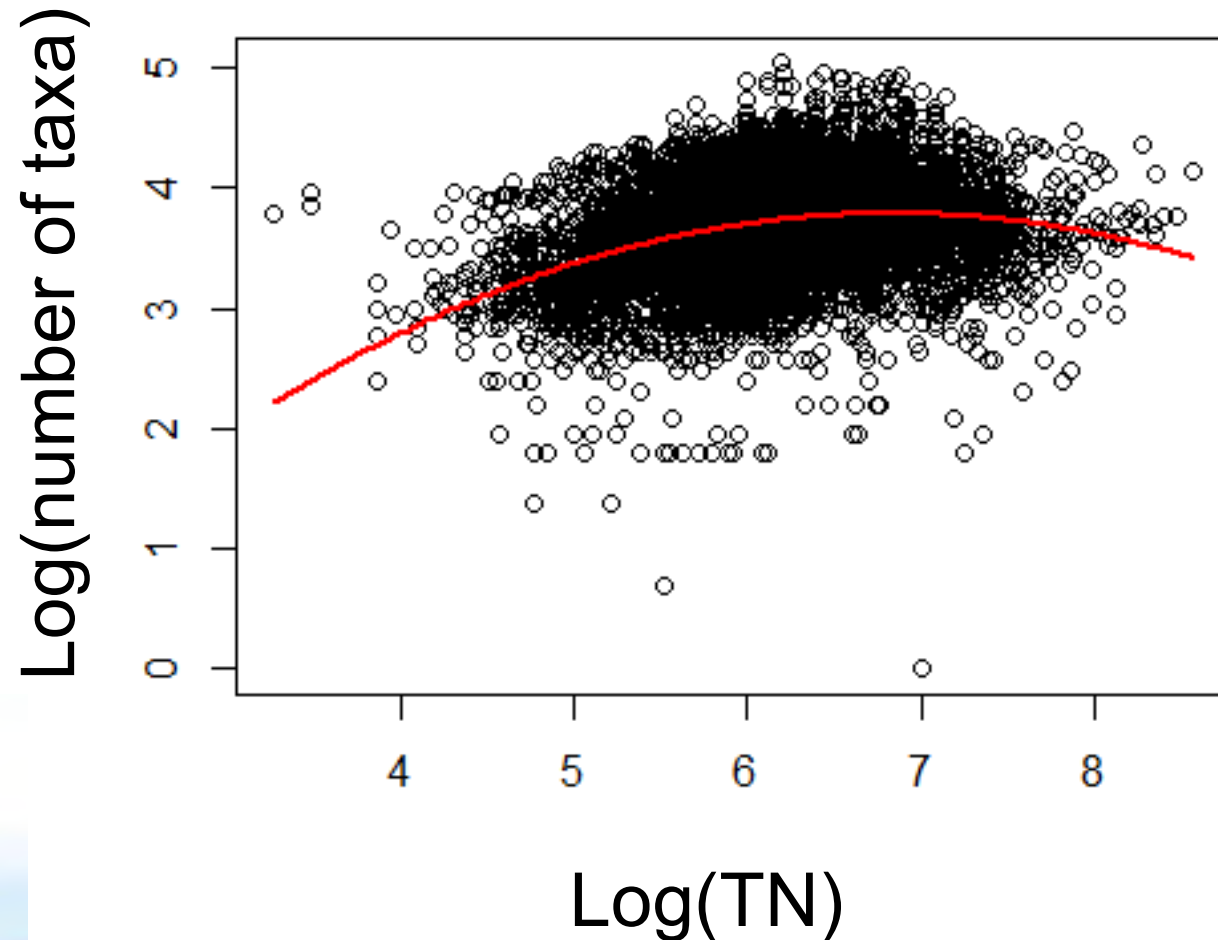


Fig. 1. The different Swedish regions used in this study.

# Effect of total nitrogen on species diversity

# Gaussian curve: looking for optimum TN for maximum number of taxa (richness)



Optimum  
 $915 \mu\text{g N L}^{-1}$   
Tolerance  
 $121\text{-}6904 \mu\text{g N L}^{-1}$   
Maximum  
41 taxa

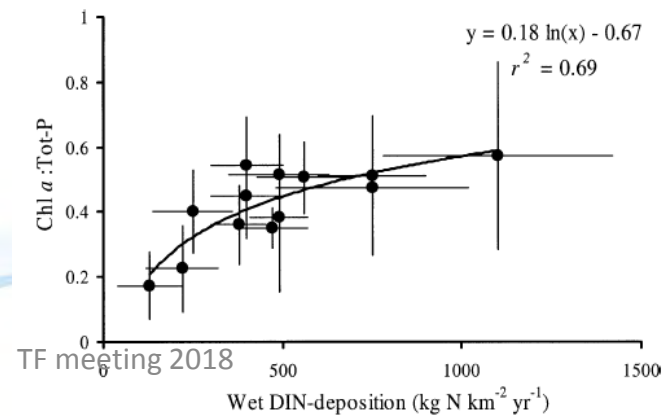
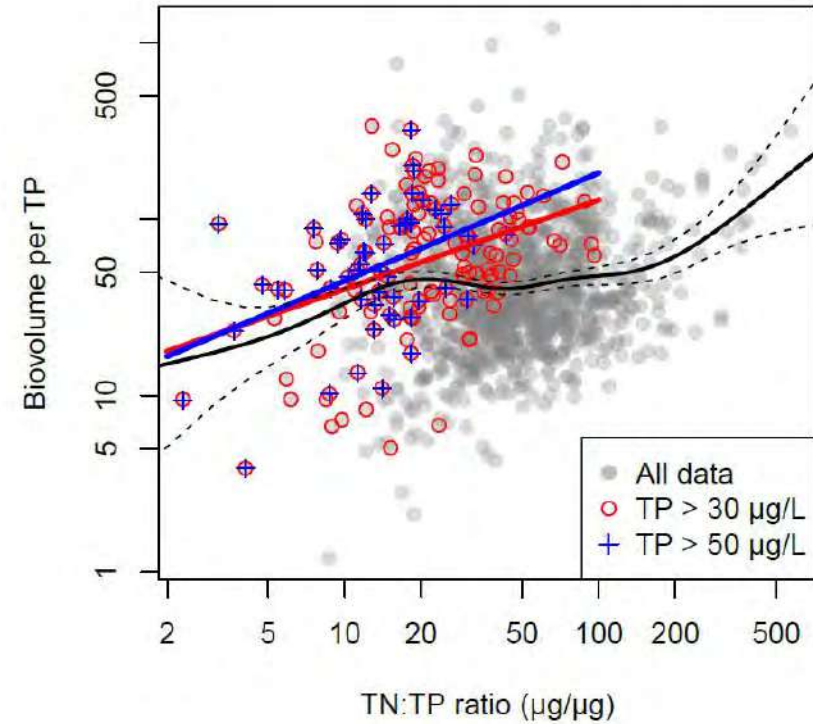
# Conclusions

- Preliminary analysis supports that P-limitation of algal productivity is most common, but suggests co-limitation of P and N at low concentrations of N
- However...
  - The dataset contains (too) few data from oligotrophic lakes
  - Not clear which lakes are impacted only by deposition
- To be discussed
  - Availability of other data
  - Approach – key questions – methods
  - Interest of NFCs to participate in the analysis.



# Responses of phytoplankton biomass to N and P

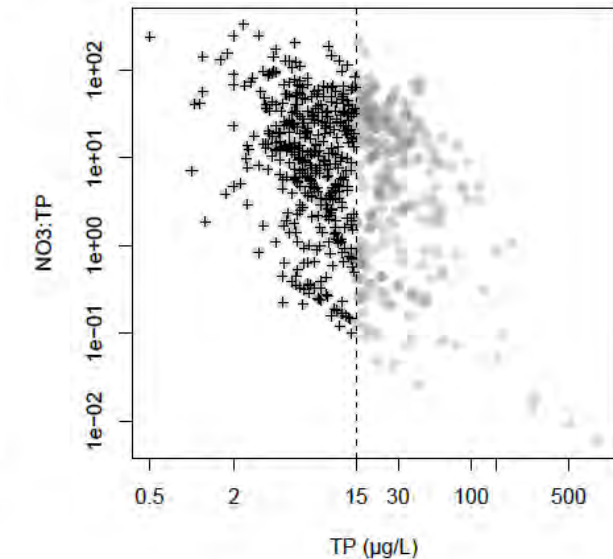
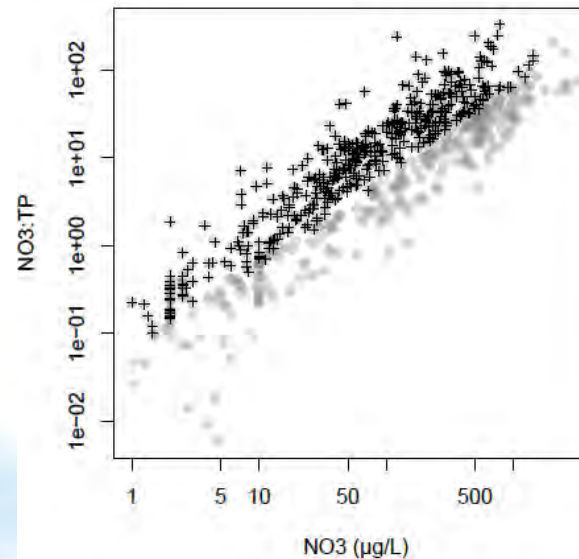
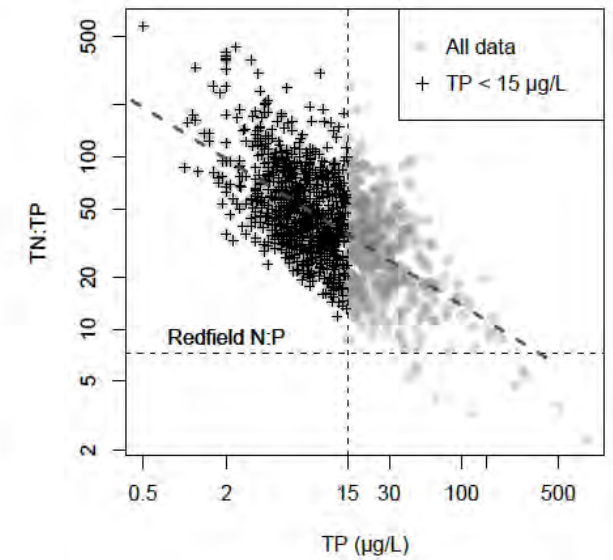
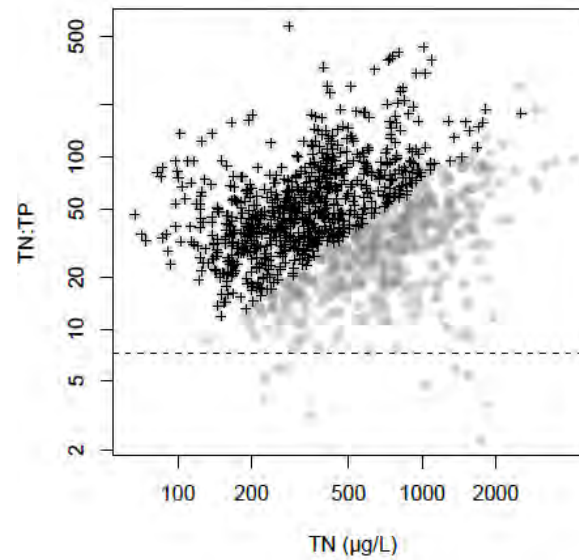
- When lakes are P-limited, we expect the ratio of biovolume to TP to be fairly constant
- If we have N-limitation, this is expected at low TN:TP ratios
- If N-limitation, we expect a decrease in biovolume per TP towards low TN:TP ratios
- There is some indication of that trend in the dataset (right)
- Mostly driven by high P (eutrophic) lakes (red dots: data with TP > 30 µg/L, blue crosses; data with TP > 50 µg/L; grey dots all data)



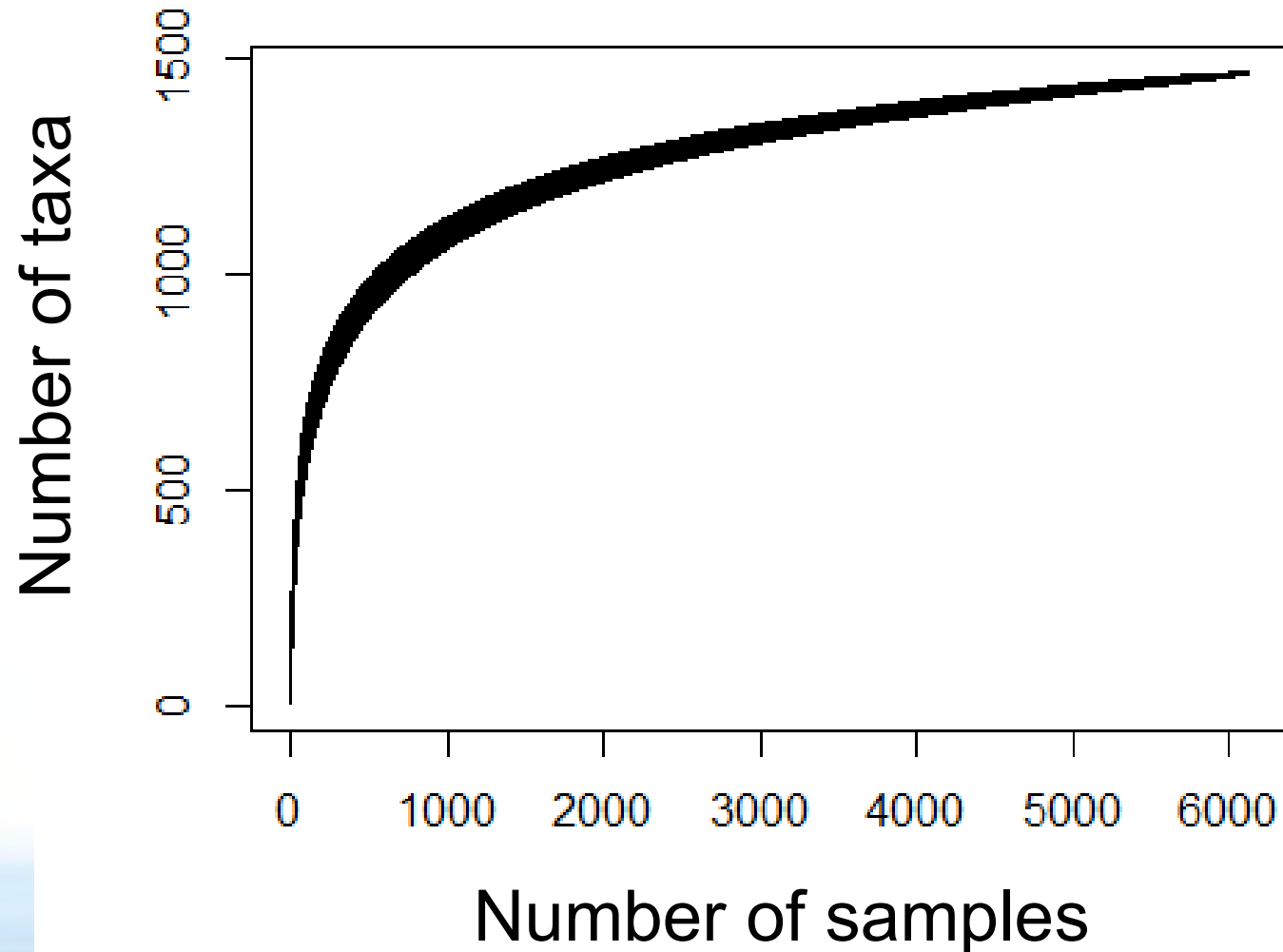


# N:P ratios indicative of N or P limitation

- Majority of TN:TP ratios above Redfield N:P ratio, especially in oligotrophic lakes
  - Indicates P-limitation, rather than N-limitation
- NO<sub>3</sub>:TP is driven mainly by changes in NO<sub>3</sub>
  - Possible relationship between N-deposition and NO<sub>3</sub>



# Species accumulation curve (sampling effort)



Joint 34<sup>th</sup> ICP Waters and 26<sup>th</sup> ICP IM Task Force  
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# Nitrogen budget at the IM station "Puszcza Borecka"

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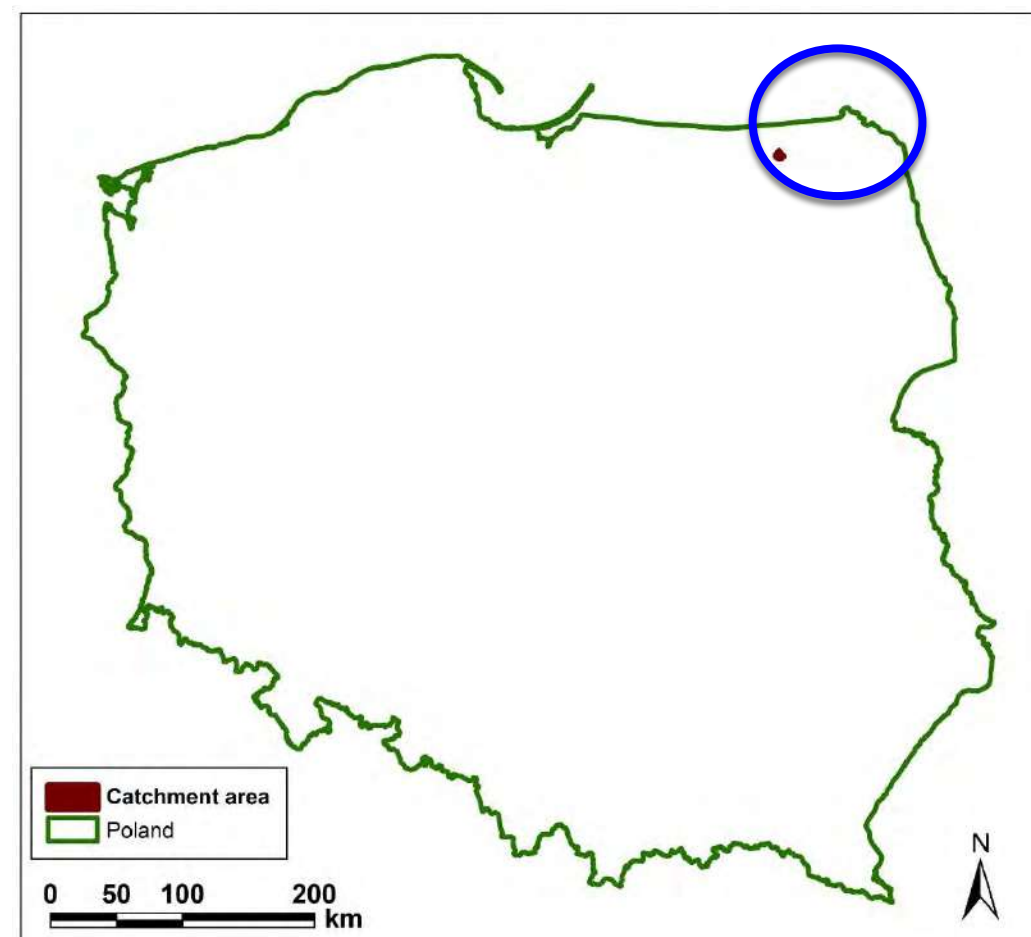
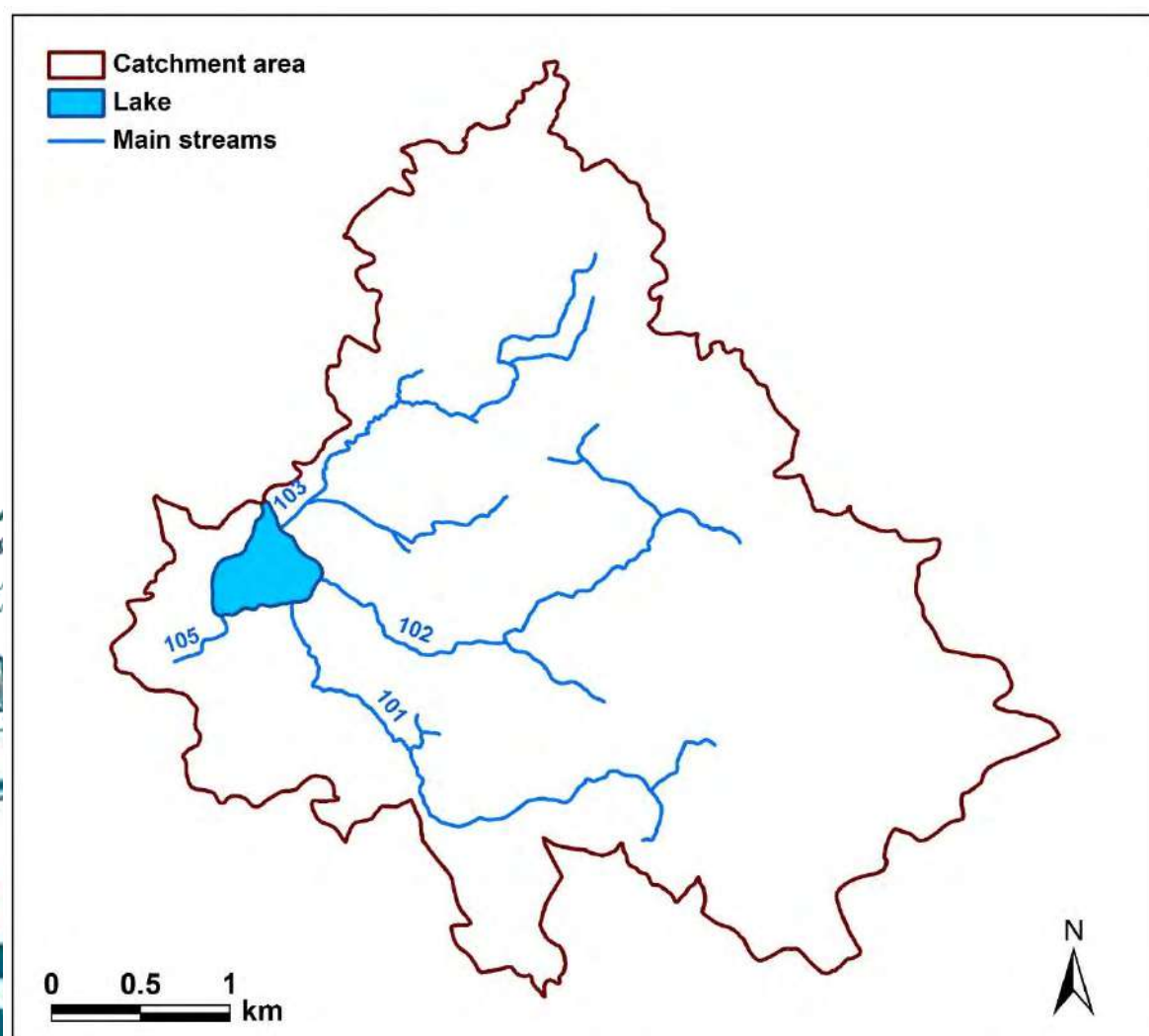


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# IM „Puszcza Borecka”

- **Area** of the monitored catchment: 13.268 km<sup>2</sup>
- **86%** of catchment belongs to the **protected** area Puszcza Borecka
- **100% Natura 2000**
- **EMEP station** (PL05 „Diabla Góra”)

- **Lake (Łękek Wielki)** located at the outflow
- Area of lake: 21.297 ha
- **4 main streams** flowing into the lake (partially of seasonal character)
- **Elevation:** 127.3 – 198.8 m a.s.l. (station at 157.5)

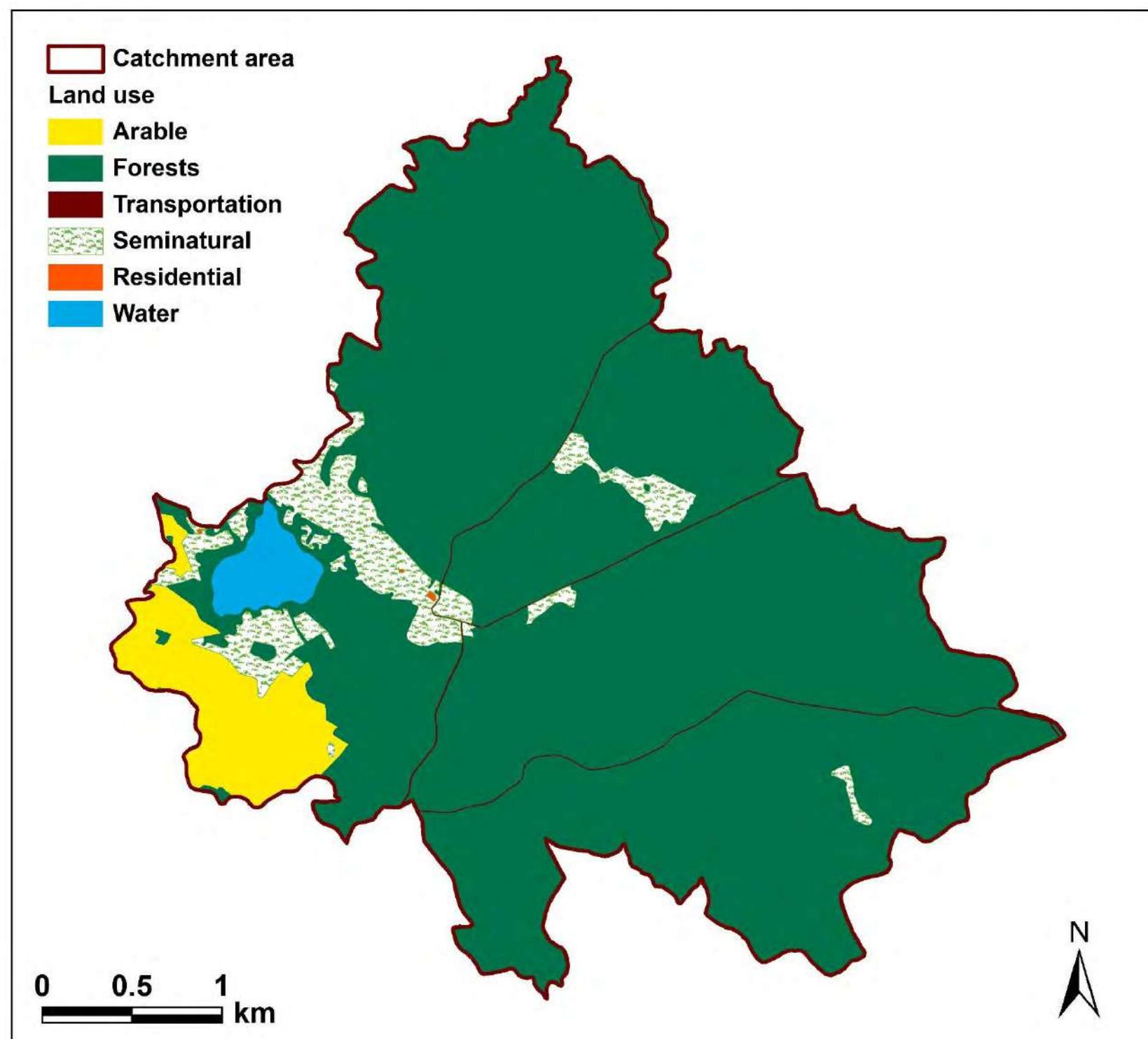




# IM „Puszcza Borecka”

## Land use:

- Forests: 78%
- Agriculture: 5.6%
- Seminatural: 14.3%
- Water: 1.6%
- Residential: 0.2%  
(low density)



# Monitoring of nitrogen

## Scope:

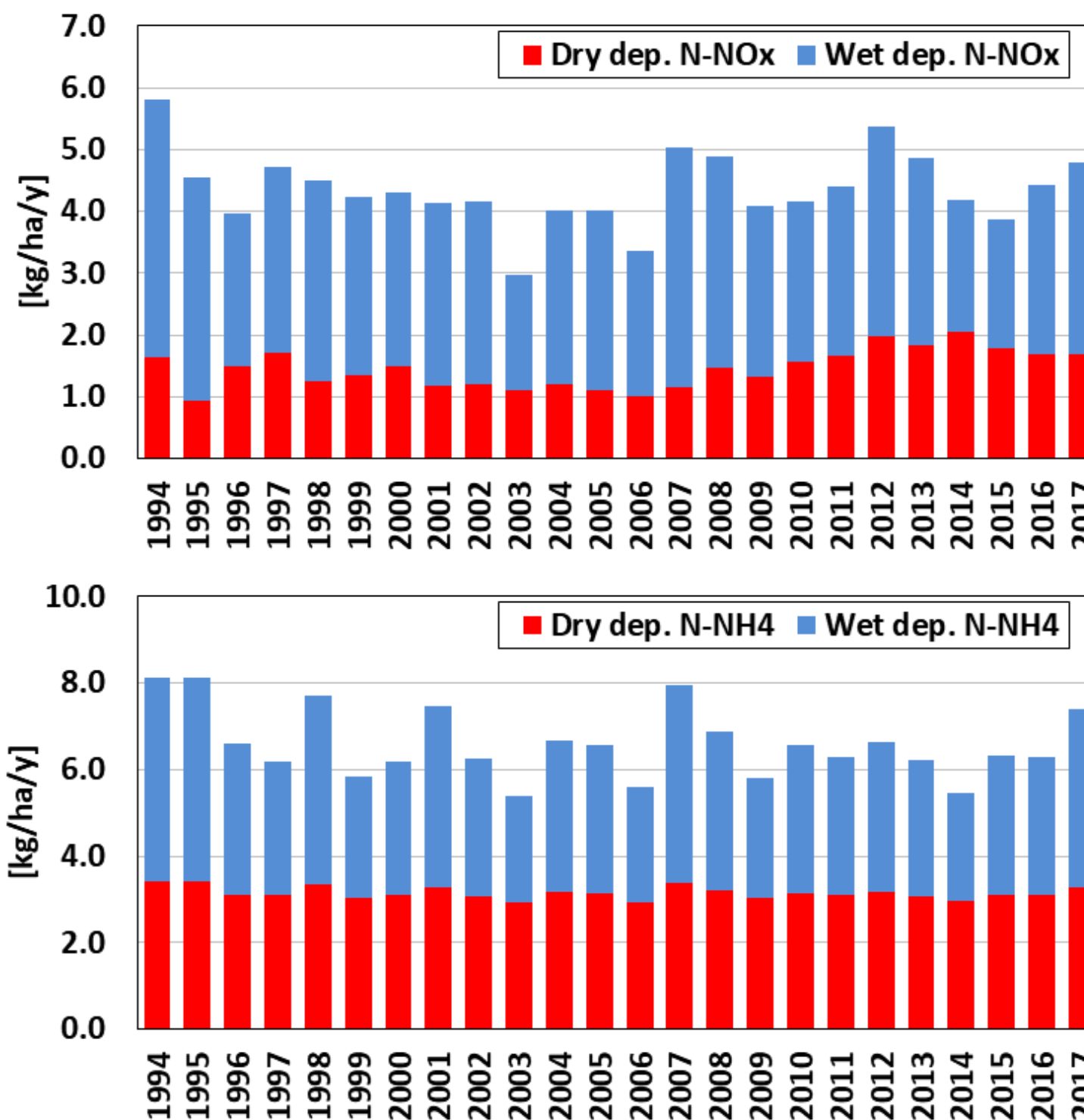
- Concentration of N-NO<sub>2,3</sub> and N-NH<sub>4</sub> in **air and precipitation** and wet deposition (daily since 1994)
- Concentration of N-NO<sub>3</sub> and N-NH<sub>4</sub> in:
  - **troughfall** (monthly since 2005)
  - **stemflow** (monthly since 2004)
  - **litterfall** (monthly sampling, yearly analyses since 2004)
  - **Soil water** at 3 depths: 20, 50 and 80 cm (2-9 samples/year since 2010)
  - **groundwater** (1-8 samples/year since 1995)
  - **lake + outflow** (1-8 samples/year since 1991, outflow since 1995)
  - **streams** (1-10 samples/year since 1995, discontinued)





## Deposition of N

- no statistically significant trends in the total deposition of nitrogen
- for  $\text{NO}_x$  decrease in wet deposition and increase in dry ( $p < 0.05$  and  $p < 0.1$ )
- no decrease because of the atmospheric precipitation (see concentrations)



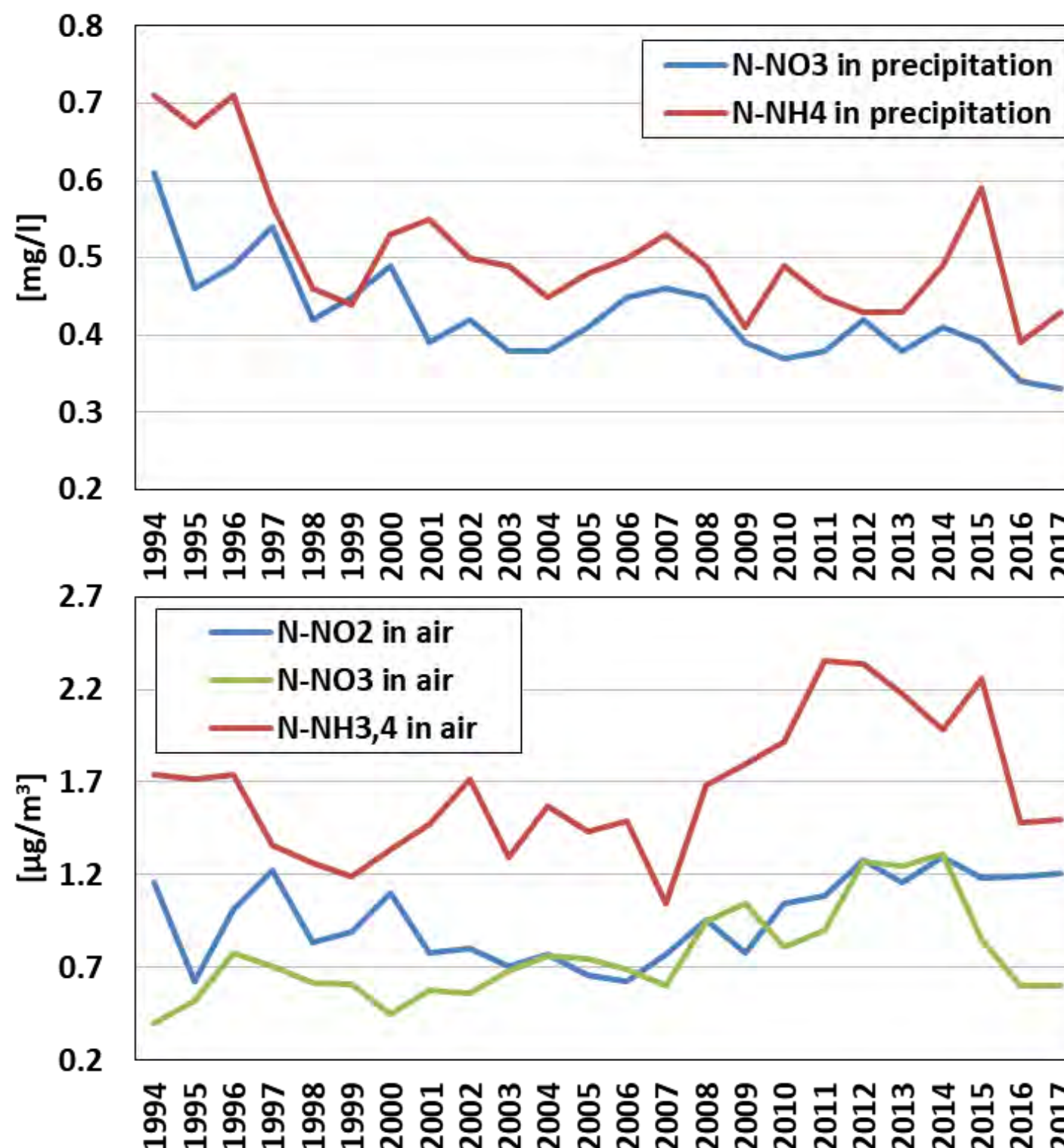
# Monitoring of nitrogen – basic results, trends

## Concentration of N in precipitation

- Significant **decrease** in the N concentrations (p<0.001, decrease nearly 1.5 % per year)

## Concentration of N in air

- Significant **increase** in the N concentrations (p<0.01 for NO<sub>3</sub>, p<0.025 for NO<sub>2</sub> and NH<sub>3,4</sub>, increase approx. 2 % per year)



# Monitoring of nitrogen – N inputs

		Yearly average	Unit	Trend	n	Significance*
N-NO <sub>3</sub>	Dry deposition	1.46	kg/ha/y	▲ 1.63% / year	24	p=0.015
	Wet deposition	2.91		▼ 0.75% / year	24	p=0.059
	Troughfall	4.28		▼	13	N. s.
	Stemflow	0.49 Hornbeam 0.92 Oak 2.73 Spruce	mg/l	▼ ▲ ▲ 7.54% / year	14	N. s. N. s. p=0.018
N-NH <sub>4</sub>	Dry deposition	3.15	kg/ha/y	▼	24	N. s.
	Wet deposition	3.45		▼	24	N. s.
	Troughfall	4.72		▲	13	N. s.
	Stemflow	0.75 Hornbeam 1.21 Oak 2.71 Spruce	mg/l	▲ ▲ ▲ 4.80% / year	14	N. s. N. s. p=0.063
N tot.	Litterfall	53.53	kg/ha/y	▼	5	N. s.

\* “N. s.” (not significant) means p<0.1 in the Mann-Kendall test



# Monitoring of nitrogen – N outputs (sinks)

			Yearly average	Unit	Trend	n	Significance *
N-NO <sub>3</sub>	Soil water at:	20 cm	0.546	mg/l	▼ 24.19% / year	7	p=0.064
		50 cm	0.203		▼	7	N. s.
		80 cm	0.141		▼	7	N. s.
	Groundwater		0.060		▲	20	N. s.
	Surface water outflow		0.334		-	17	N. s.
	Surface water outflow		<b>0.523</b>	kg/ha/y	Not analysed**		
	Lake at:	-1 m	0.356	mg/l	▲ 6.66% / year	13	p=0.071
		-5 m	0.665		▲	7	N. s.
-11 m		0.628	▲		13	N. s.	
N-NH <sub>4</sub>	Soil water at:	20 cm	0.141	mg/l	▲ 23.28% / year	7	p=0.008
		50 cm	0.055		▲ 21.28% / year	7	p=0.017
		80 cm	0.086		▲ 26.70% / year	7	p=0.017
	Groundwater		0.090		▲ 3.91% / year	21	p=0.054
	Surface water outflow		0.174		▲ 14.26% / year	13	p=0.004
	Surface water outflow		<b>0.070</b>	kg/ha/y	Not analysed**		
	Lake at:	-1 m	0.165	mg/l	▲ 12.24% / year	13	p=0.016
		-5 m	0.301		▲	7	N. s.
-11 m		0.861	▲ 10.51% / year		13	p=0.001	

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\*\* reliable flow rate data available to 2008.

# Monitoring of nitrogen

## – correlations between sources and sinks of N

What	Input	Output	Correlation*
N-NO <sub>3</sub>	lake (at 11 m)	dry deposition	moderate
		concentration in air	moderate
		concentration in troughfall	moderate
N-NH <sub>4</sub>	soil water at all depths	dry / wet / total deposition	moderate
		load in troughfall	moderate
	lake (at 1 m)	concentration in air	high
	lake (at 5 m)	concentration in troughfall	moderate
	lake (at 11 m)	concentration in air	moderate
	Surface water (outflow)	concentration in air	high

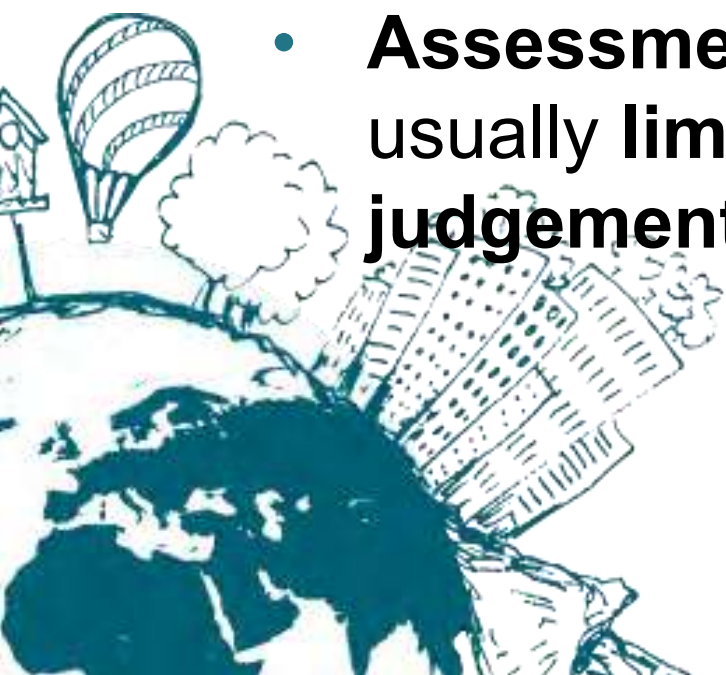
\* Pearson coefficient:  
 Moderate:  $0.5 \leq R < 0.75$   
 High:  $0.75 \leq R$



# Monitoring of nitrogen

## – limitations of the data interpretation

- Usually **not all desired forms of N** are measured or measurable (e.g. nitrogen uptake)
- Usually **not all processes affecting the N** transport are **measured** (e.g. percolation) or measurable (e.g. lateral flow)
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# Modelling of nitrogen dynamics

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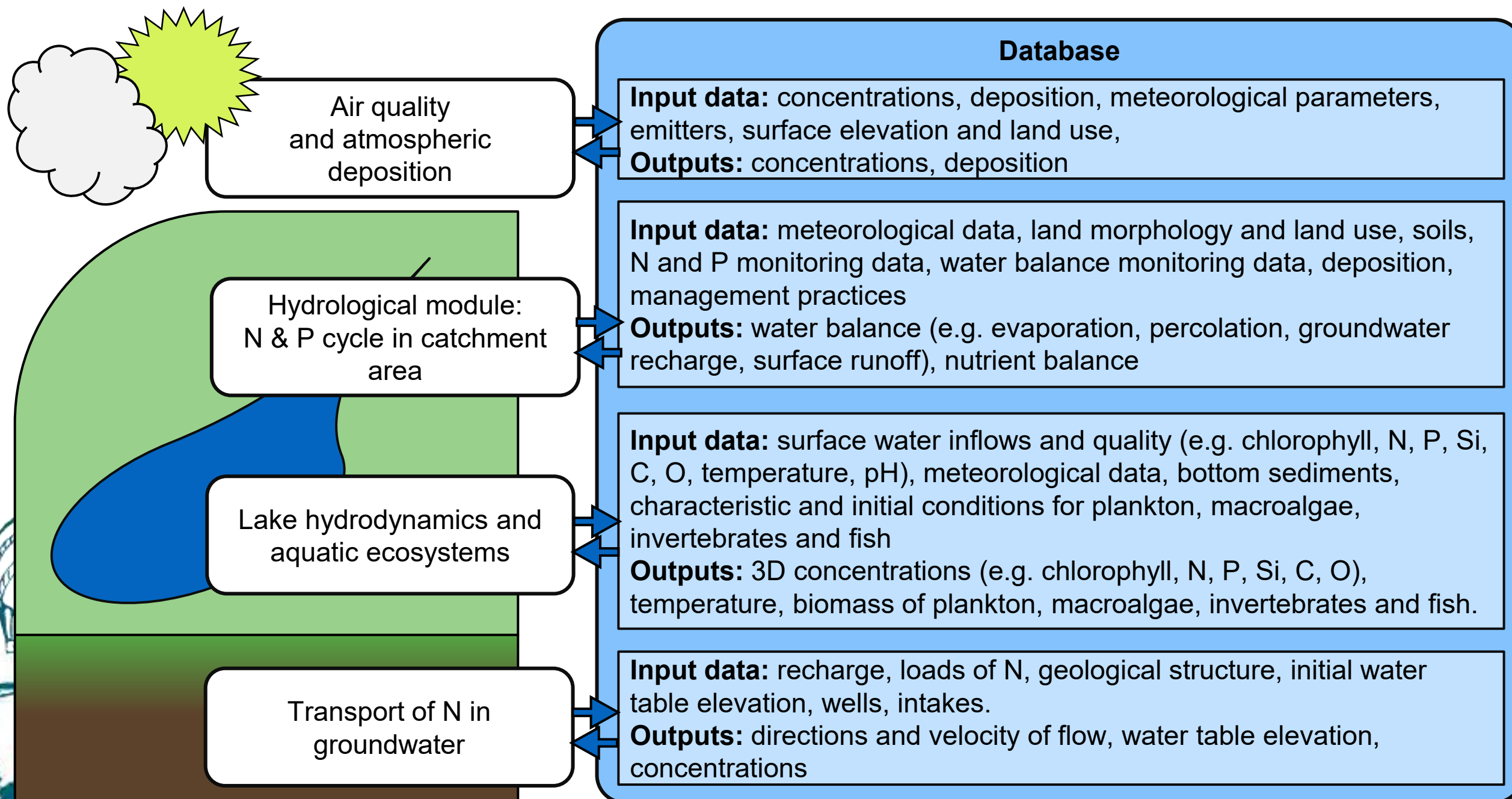
- **All desired forms of N can be included**
- **All desired processes can be included** in deterministic models
- **All processes** are simulated for **the same period**
- **No gaps** in outputs
- **Frequency** of outputs can be **adjusted to needs** (usually)
- Statistical analyses and expert judgements can be complemented with **complex physically based calculations**



# Integrated assessment of environmental processes

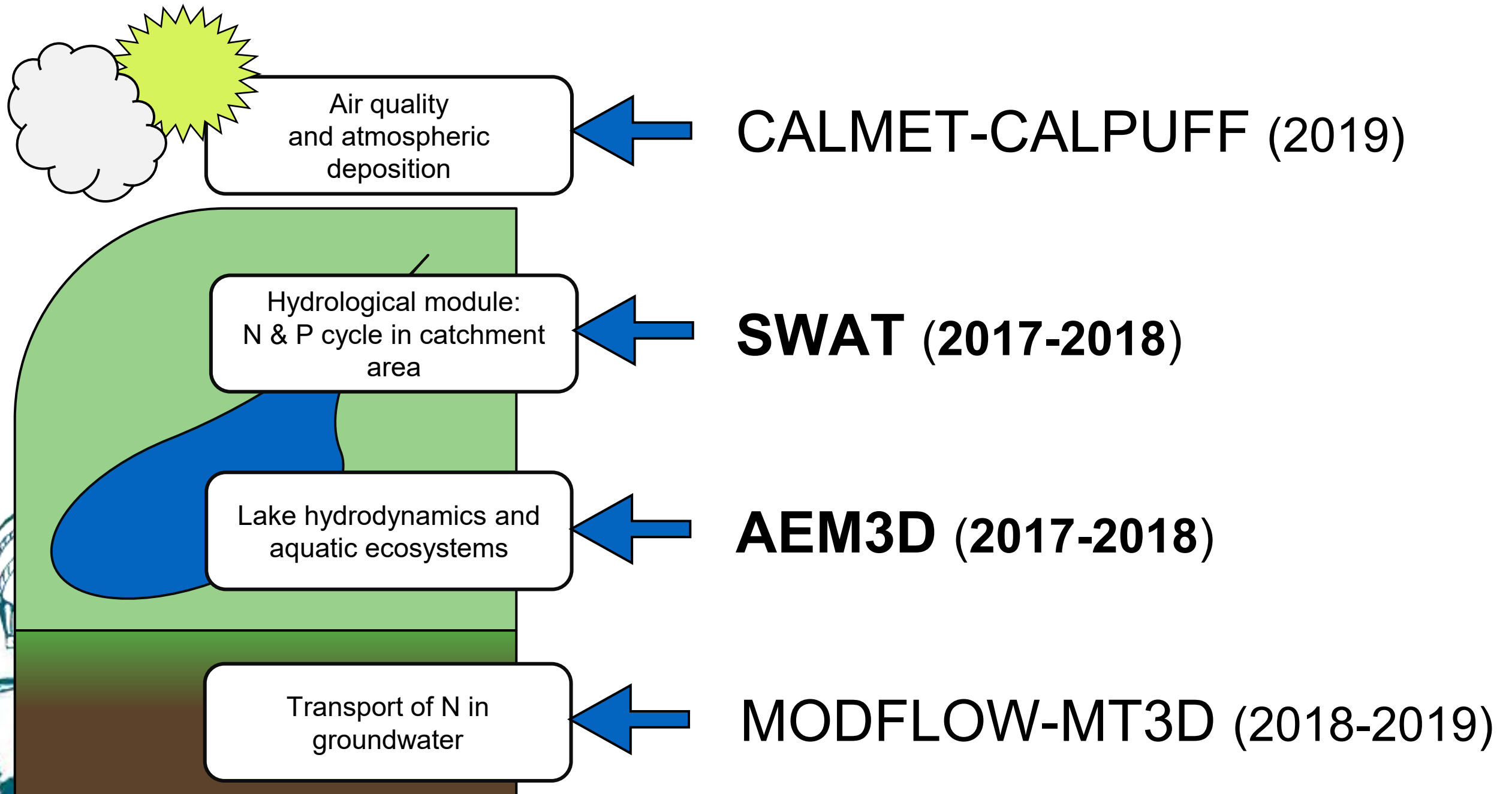
## – conceptual design of the system in Puszcza Borecka

### Four main modules (models)



# Integrated assessment of environmental processes – conceptual design of the system in Puszcza Borecka

## Models (to be) used





# Model of the Łękek Wielki catchment area

## Model:

Soil and Water Assessment Tool (SWAT)

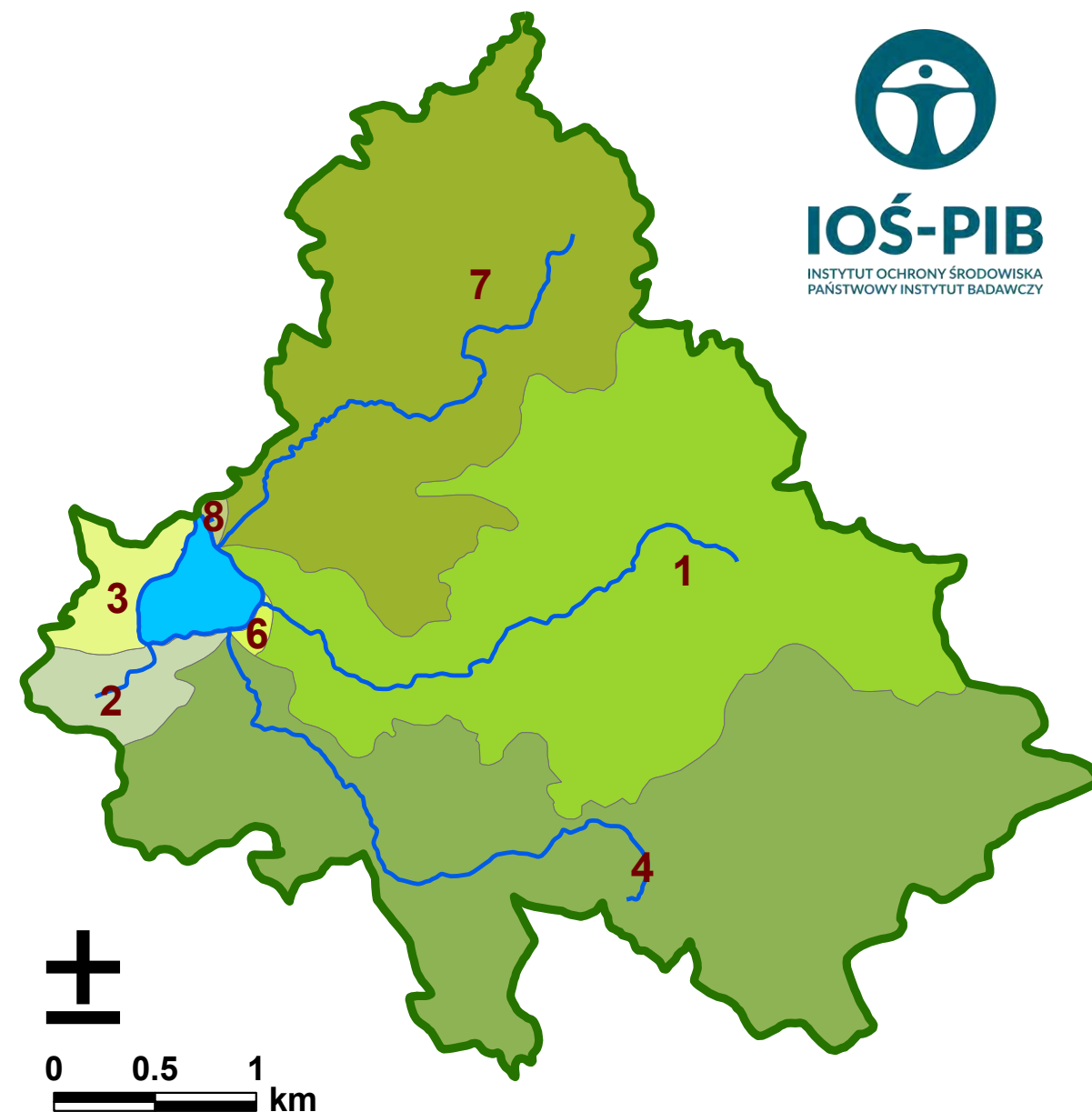
## Main features:

- Subbasins of 4 main inflows
- Direct catchment area of the lake
- 265 hydrological response units (unique combinations of land use and soil type and land slope)
- Time step: 1 day – 1 year
- Analysed period: 1995-2014

## Main inputs:

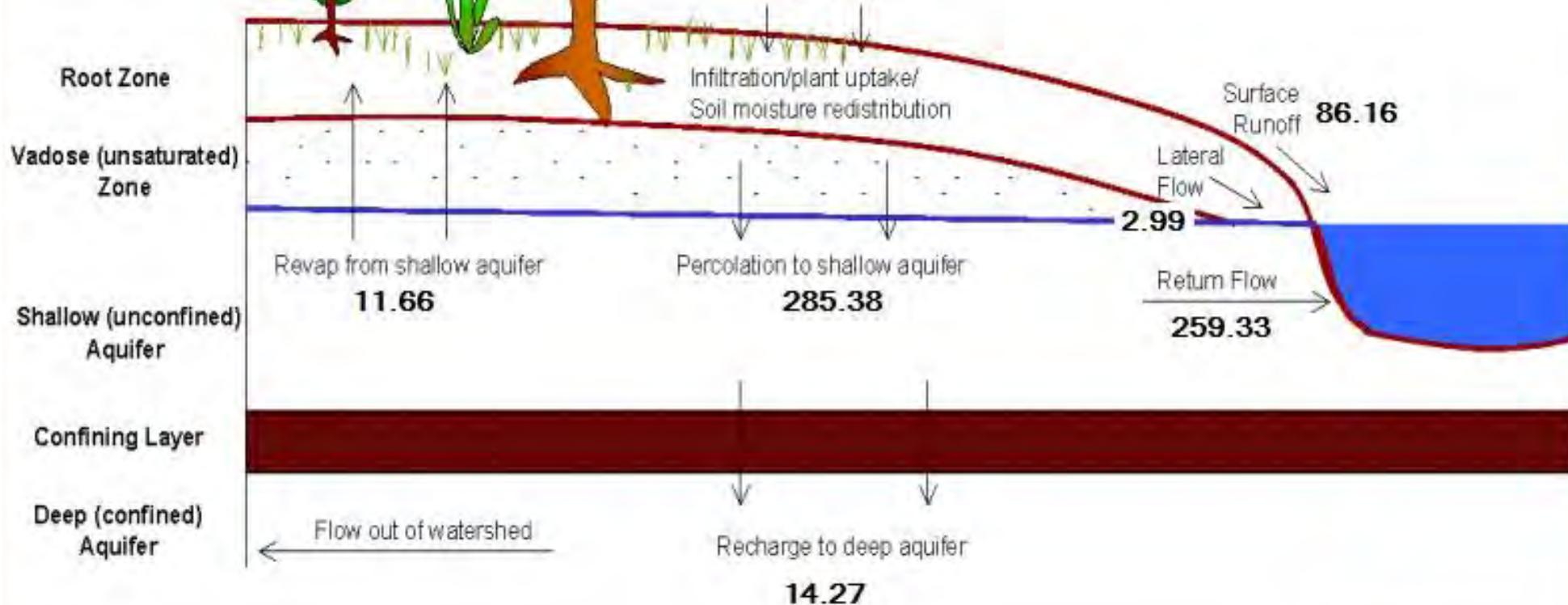
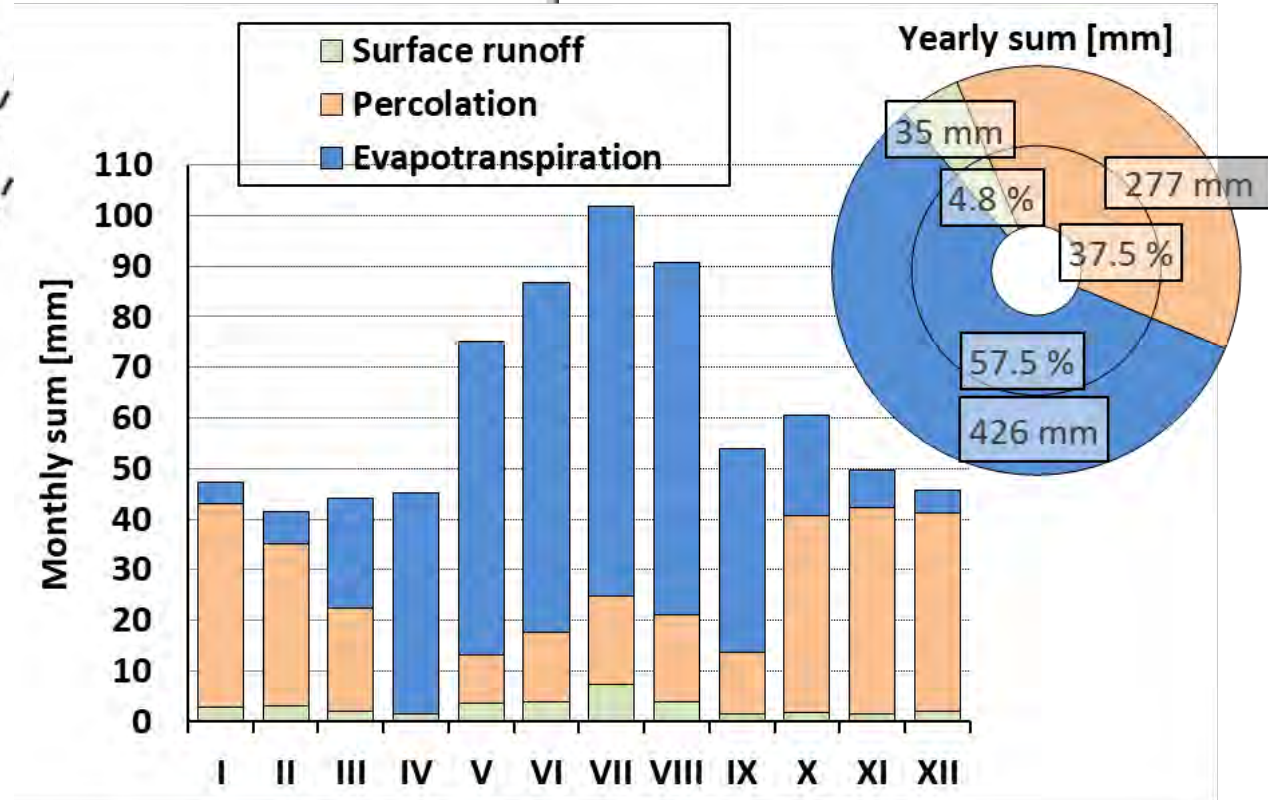
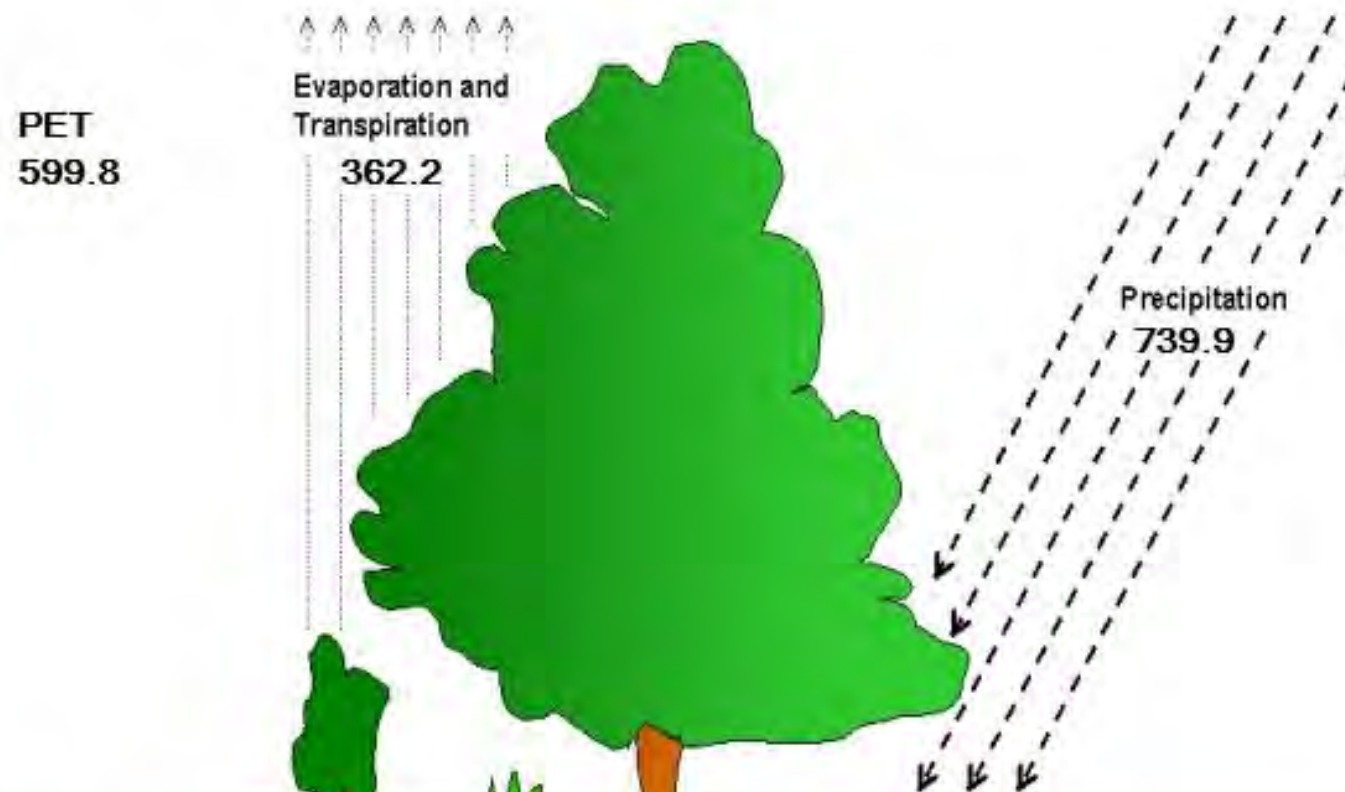
- Land use
- Digital elevation model
- Hydrographic maps
- Soil parameters
- Fertilisers

- Deposition
- Meteorological data
- Flow rate in streams (for calibration)
- Concentrations of N in streams (for calibration)





# Model of the Łękek Wielki catchment area - calculated water balance



**Yearly average**

**Period:**  
1995-2014

**Unit:**  
mm/y

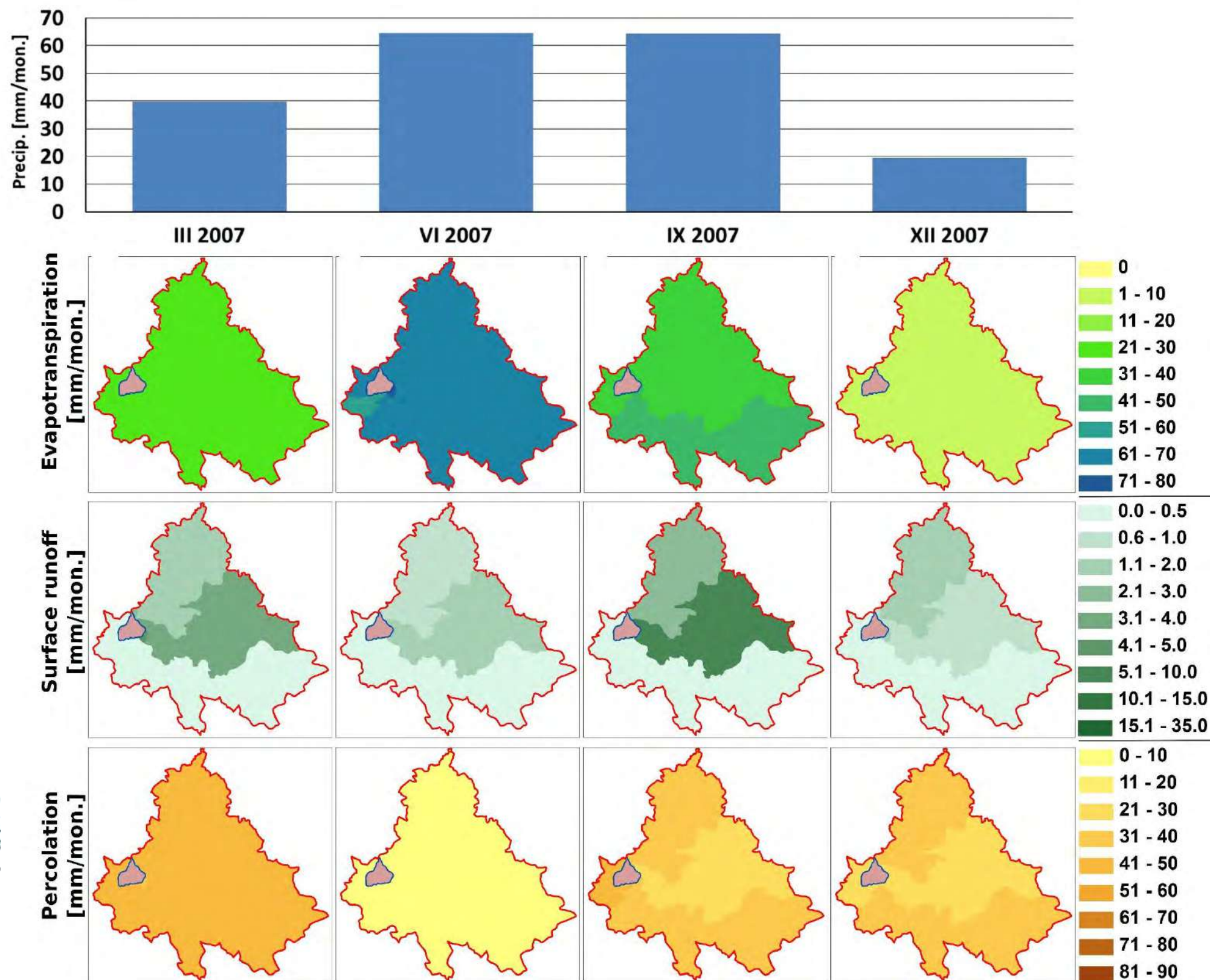




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**Example of  
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(year with  
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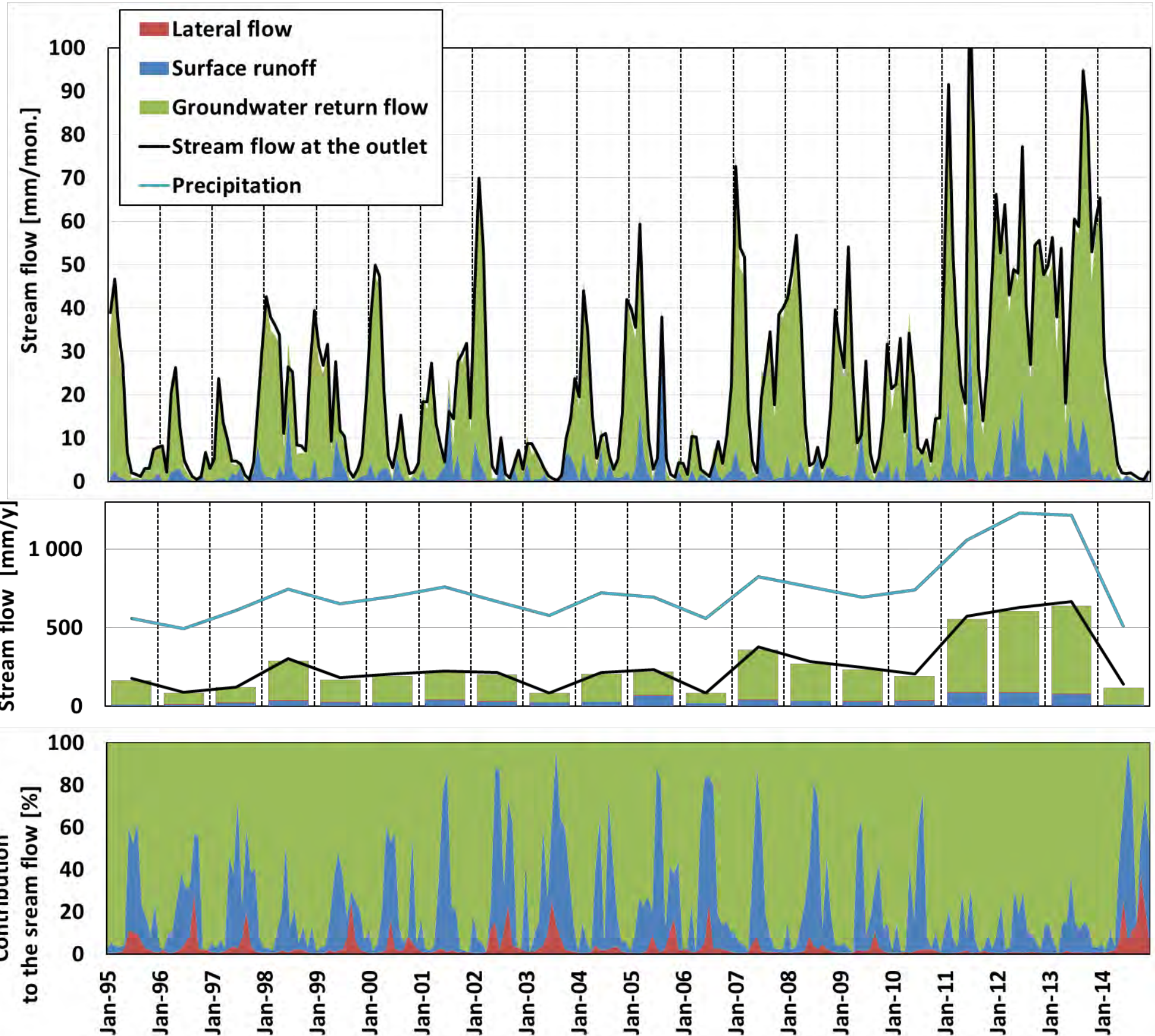


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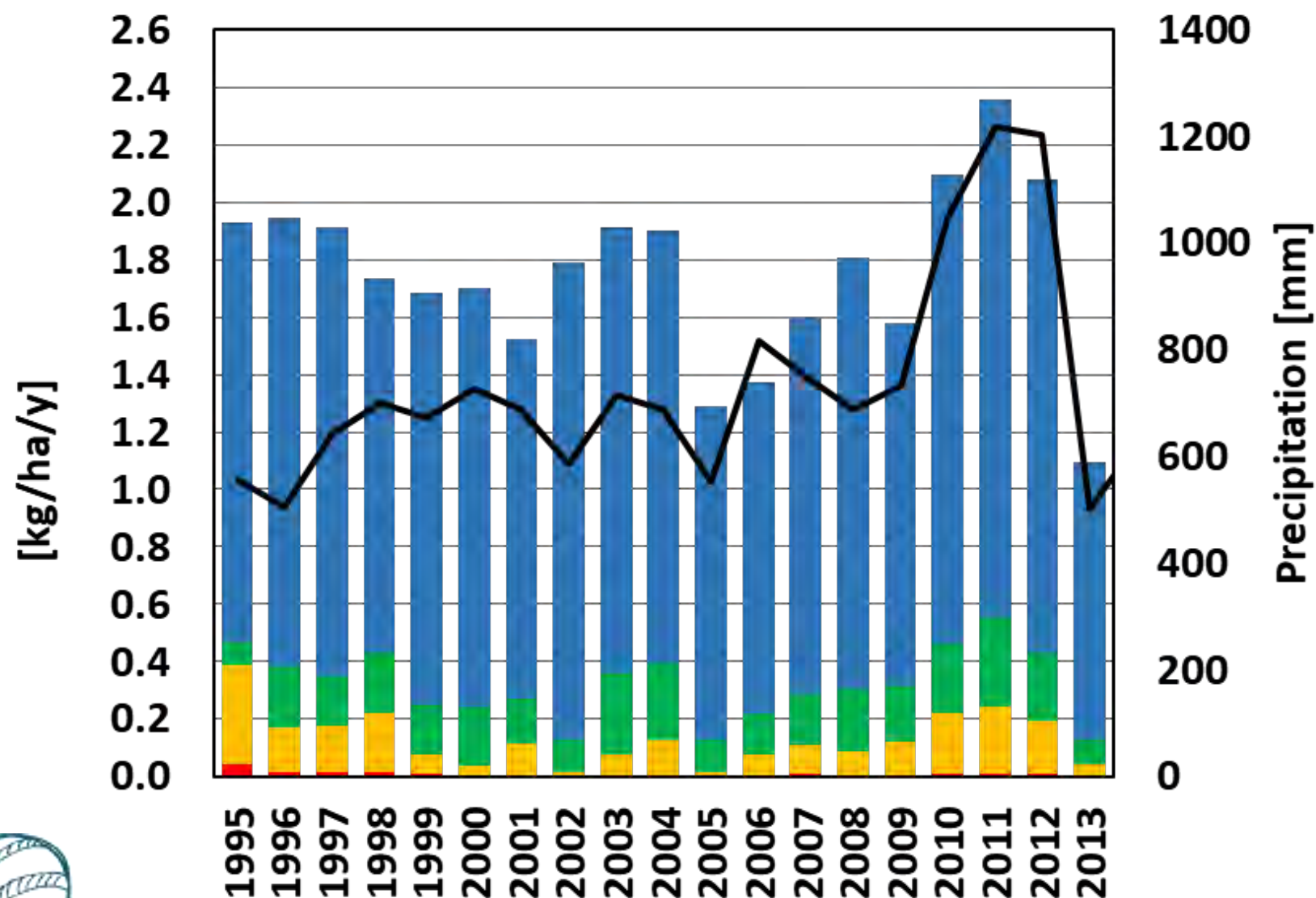


- calculated  
instream  
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Contribution of  
surface runoff,  
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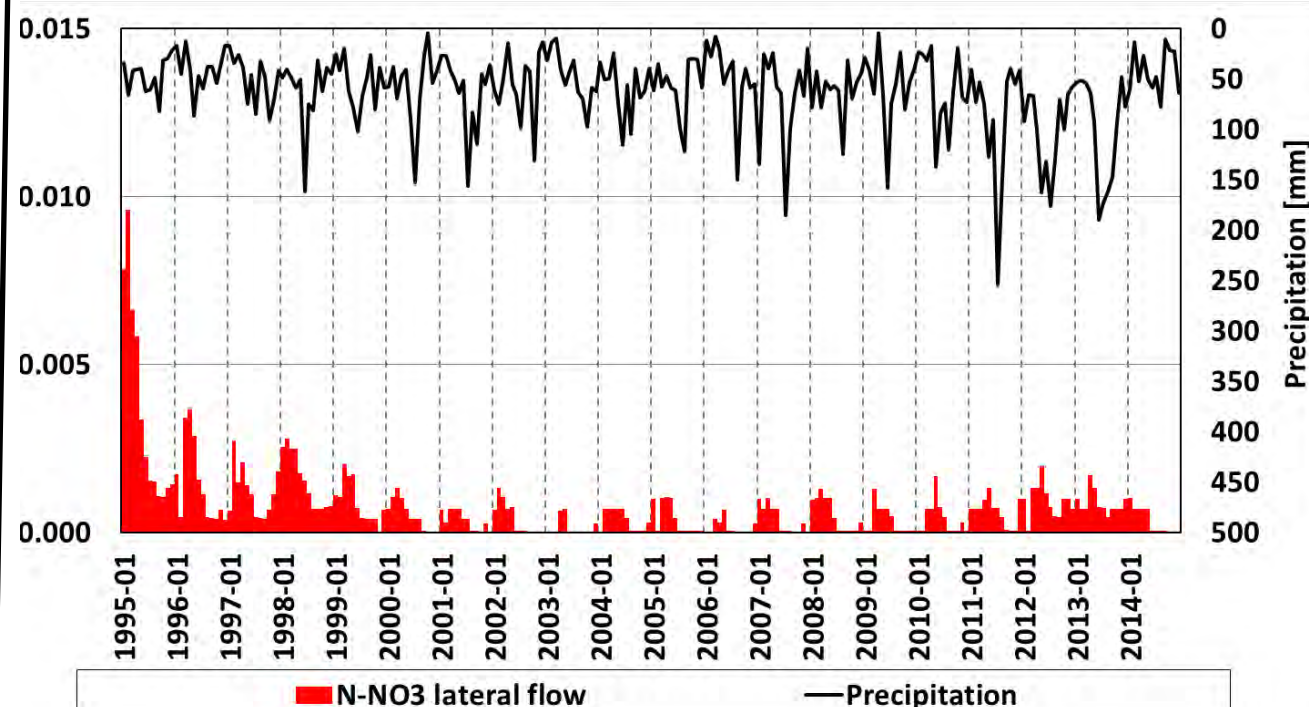
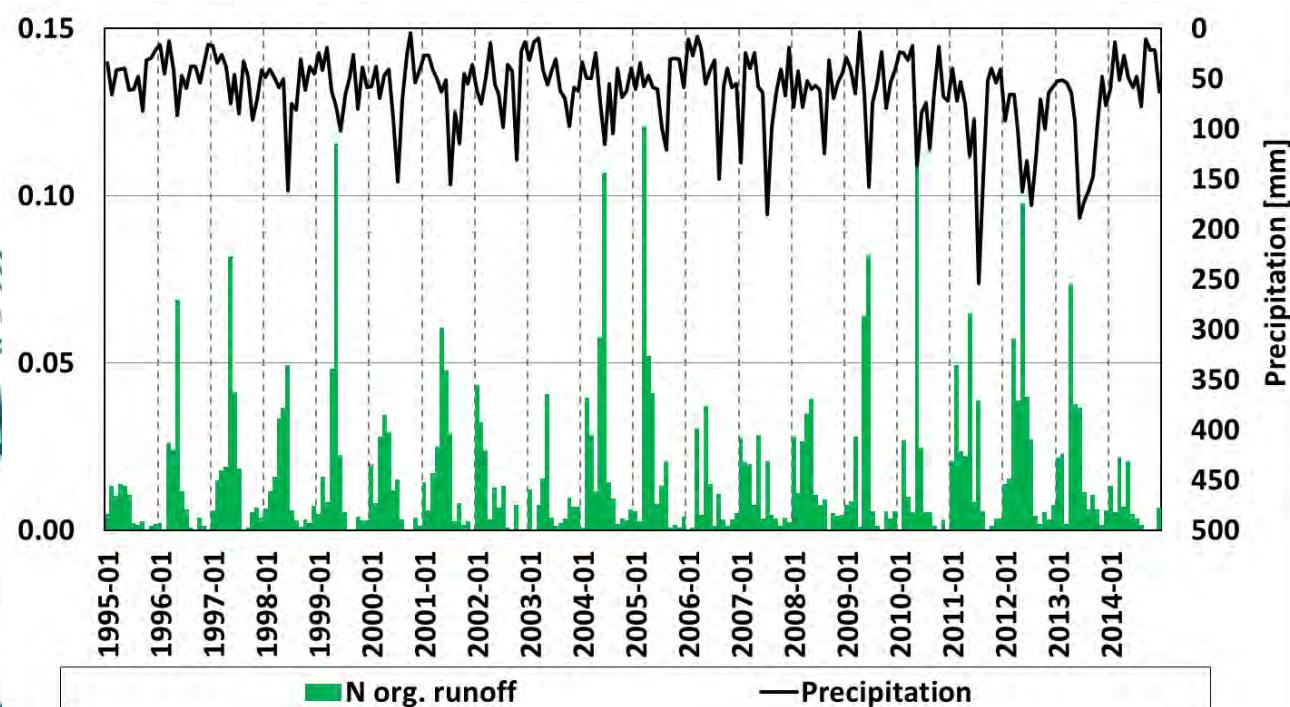
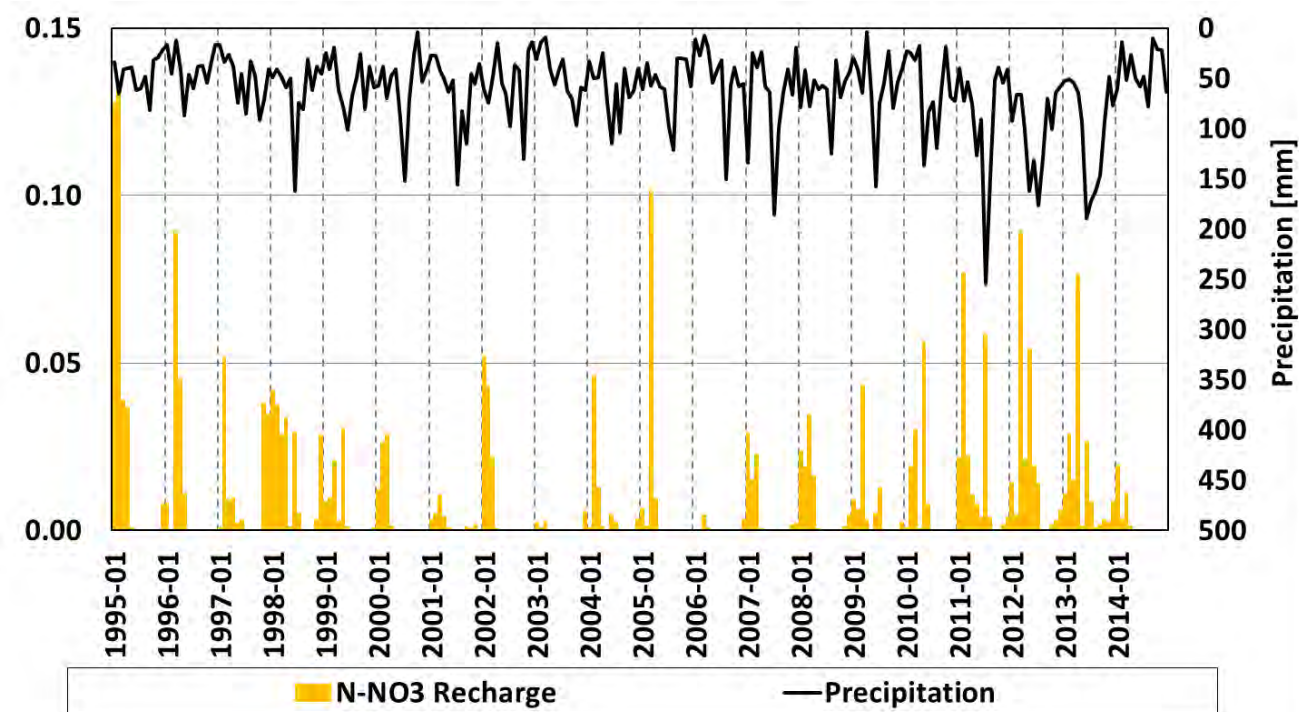




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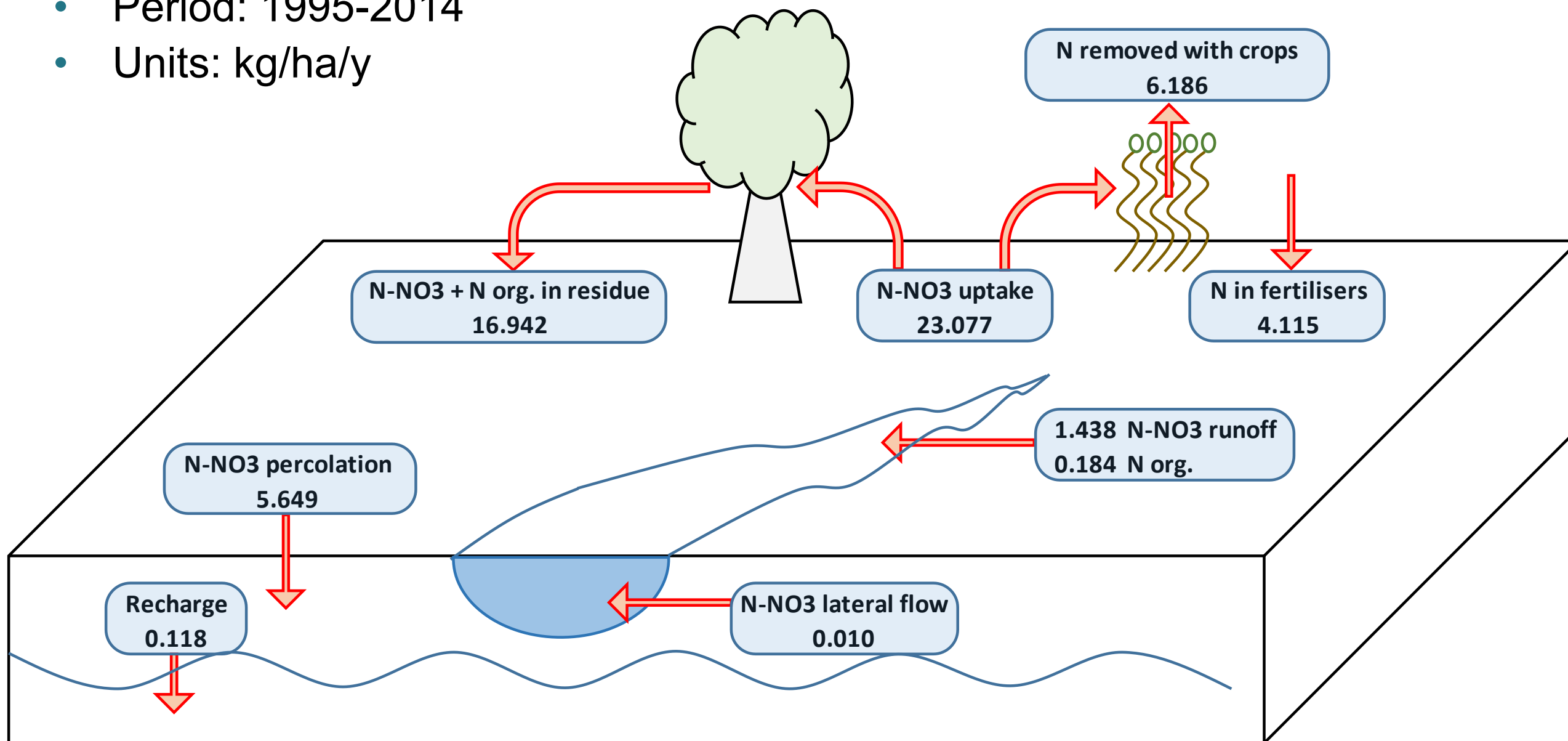




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- Units: kg/ha/y

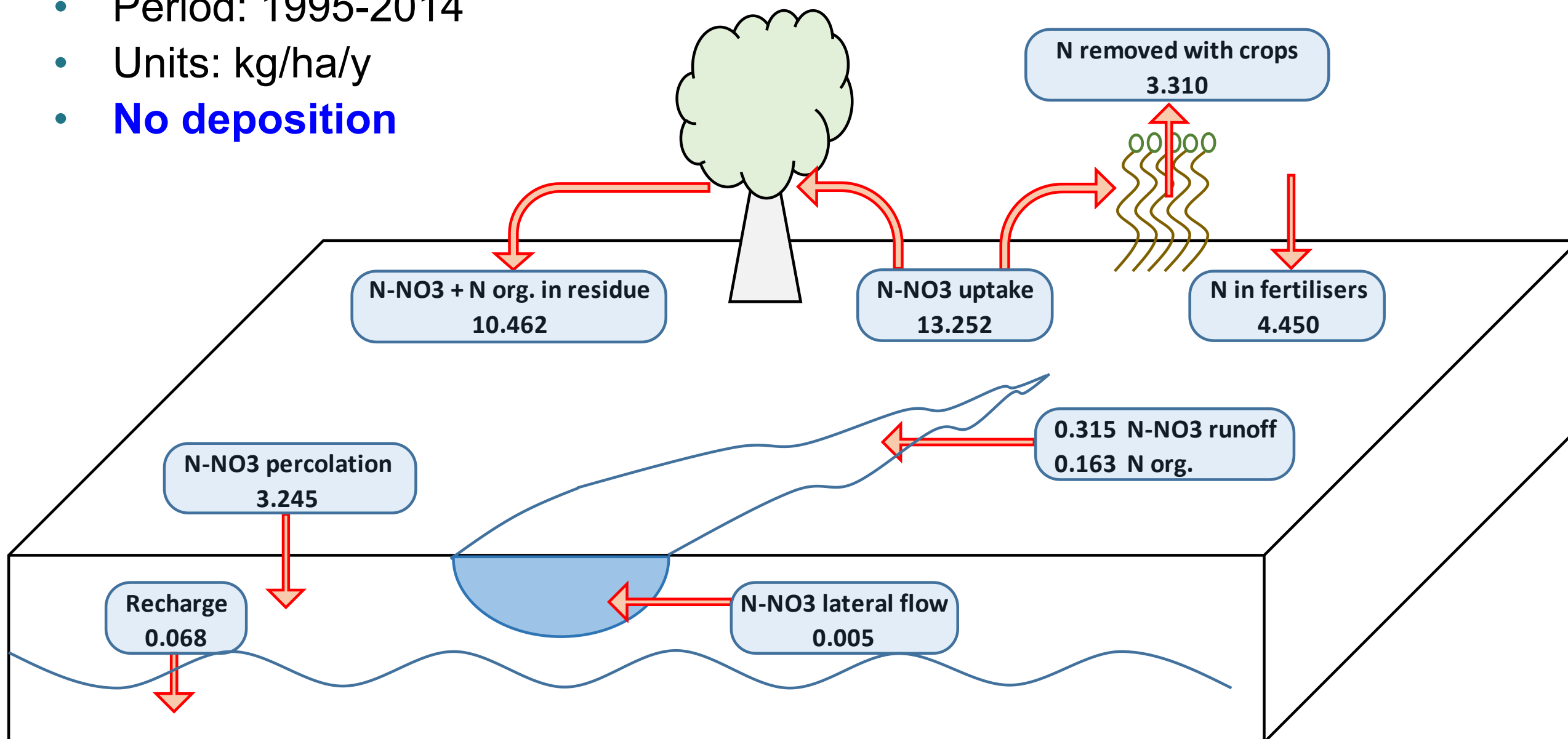


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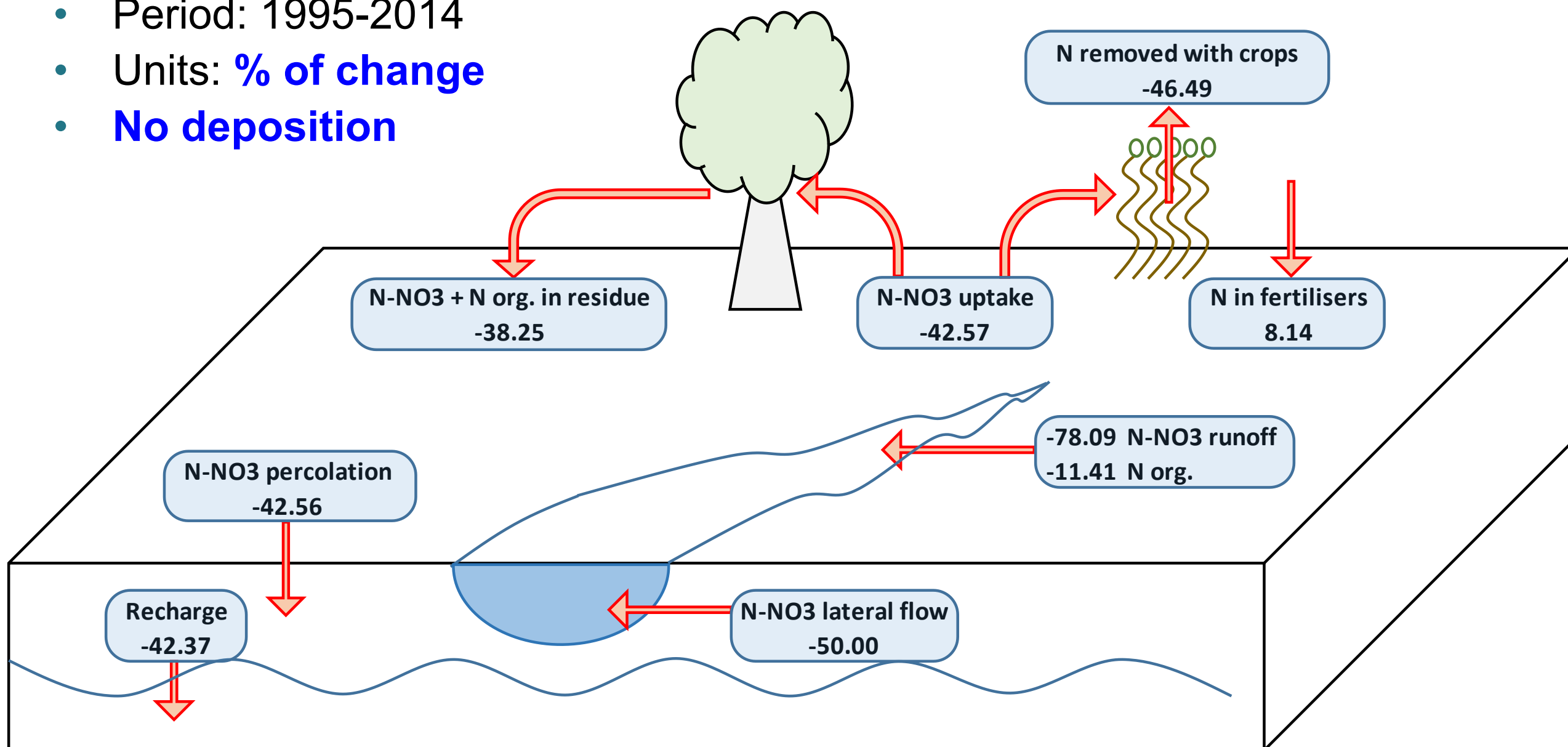


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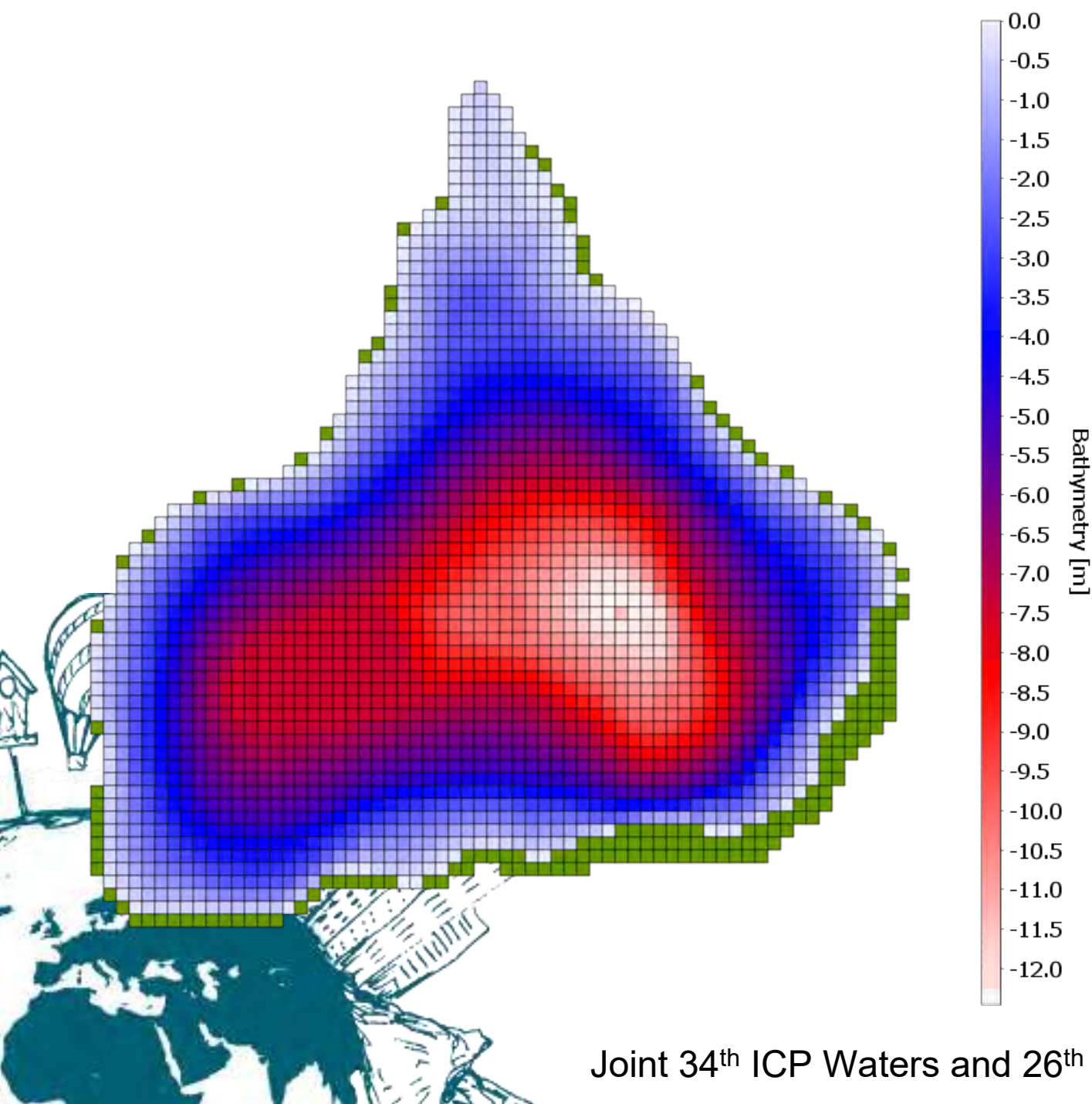
# Model of the Łękek Wielki Lake

## Model:

Aquatic Ecosystem Model (AEM3D)

## Main features:

- Horizontal resolution: 10 m
- Number of layers: 21
- Thickness of layers: 0.25 – 1.00 m
- Total calculation cells: 33 622
- Time step: 0.5 min.
- Analysed period:  
April 2004 – March 2006
- Includes:
  - 4 inflows (streams),
  - 2 direct catchments,
  - groundwater inflow/outflow,
  - main outflow



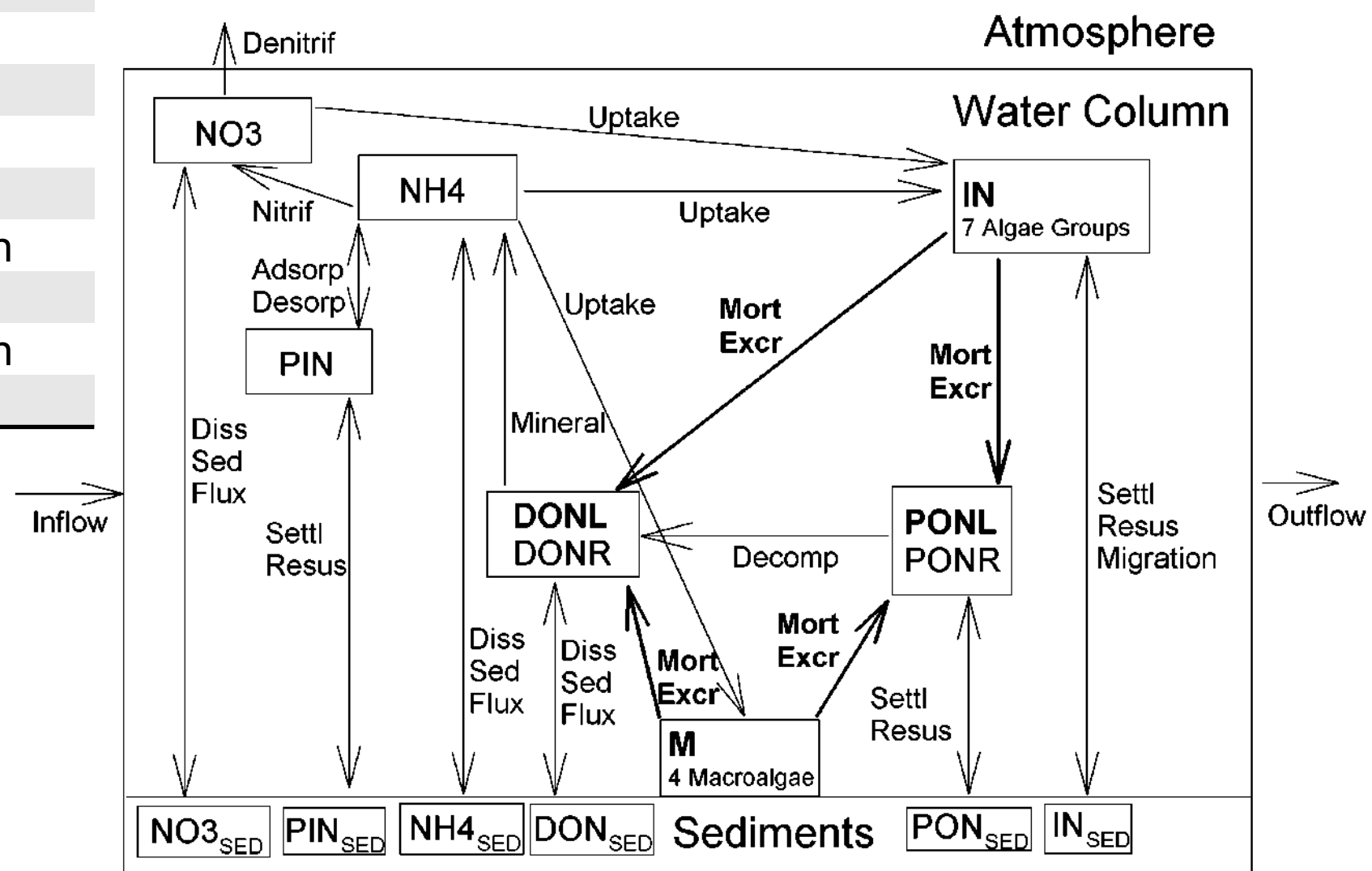
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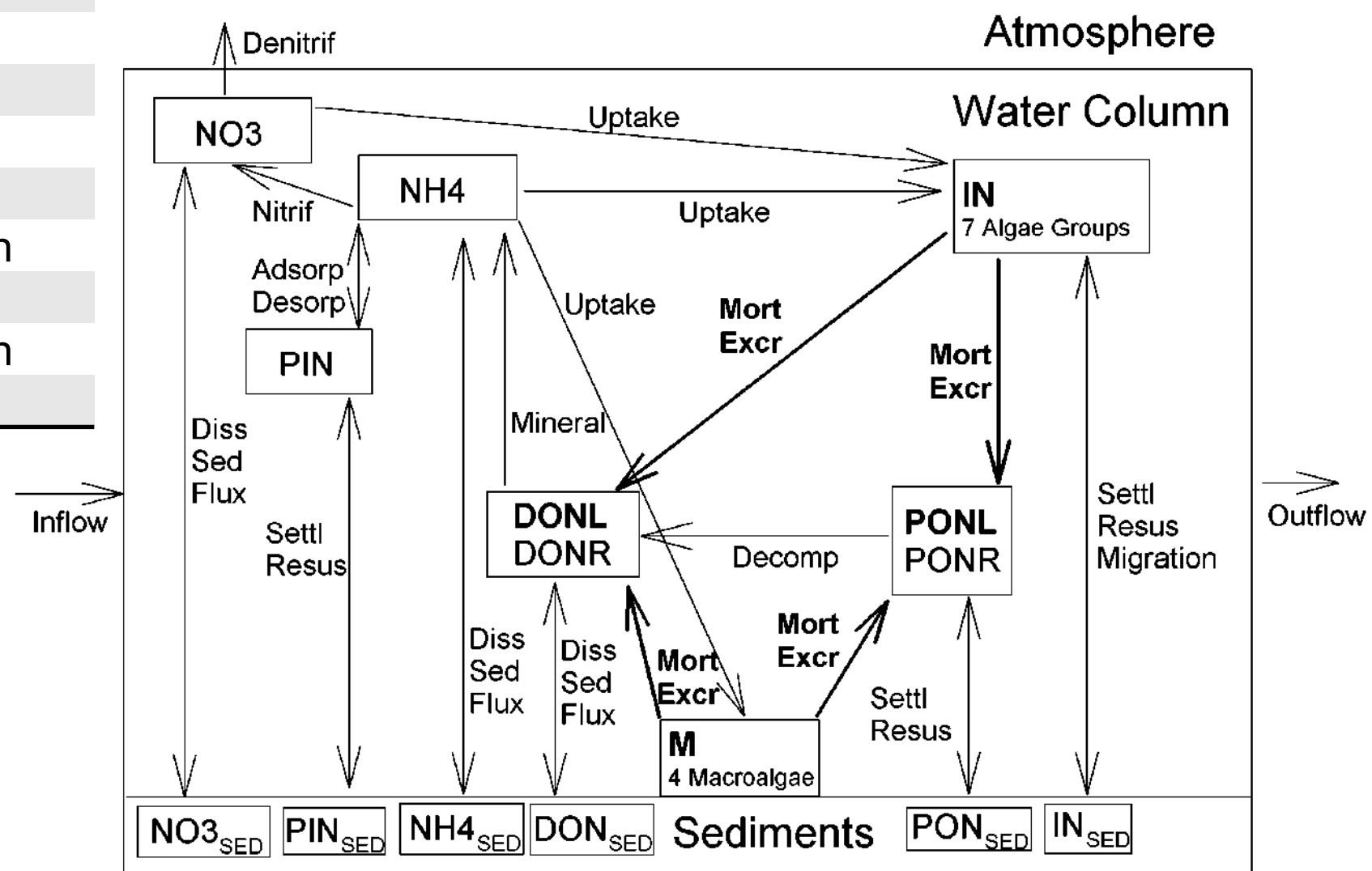
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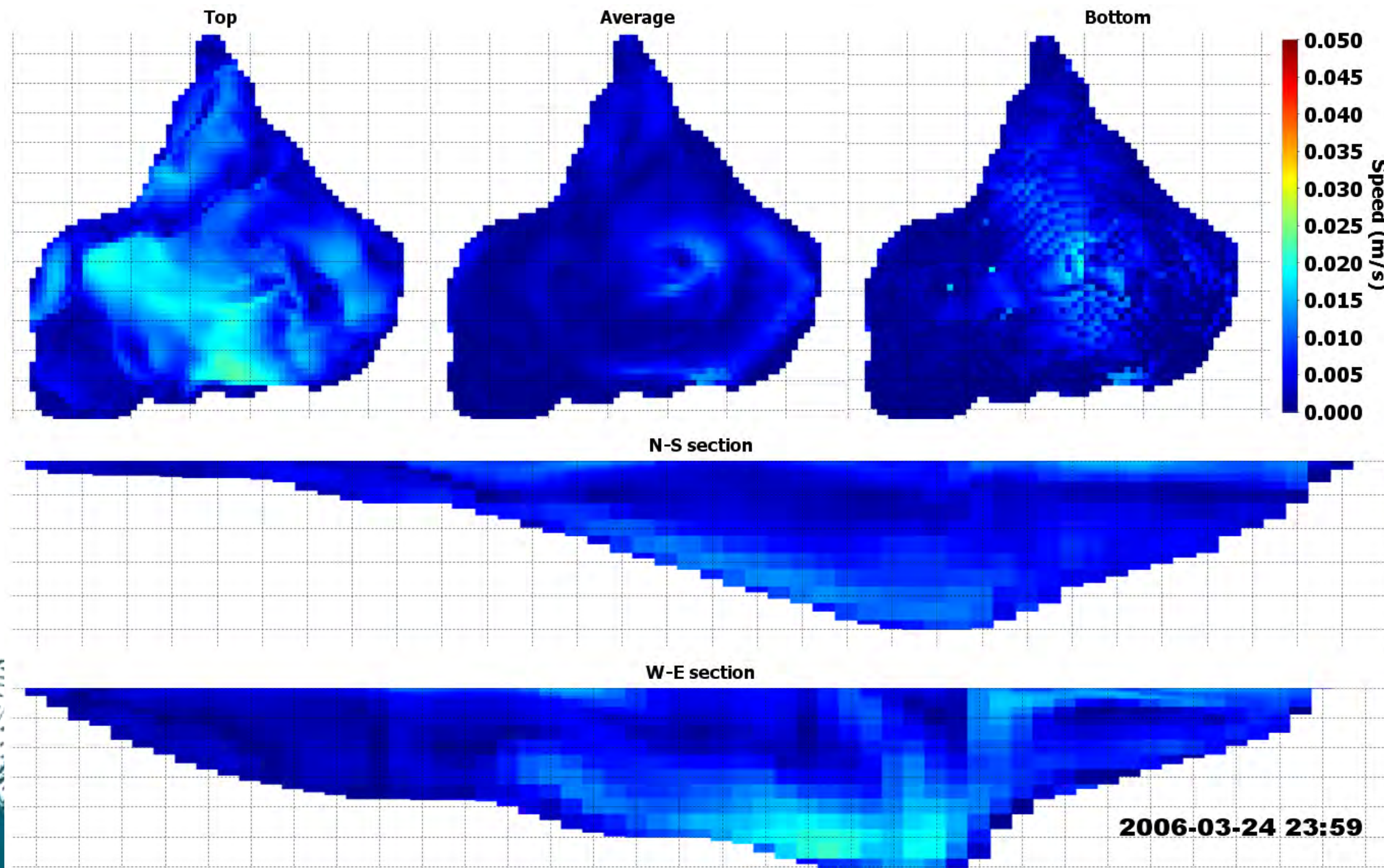




# Model of the Łękek Wielki Lake

- Examples of outputs

## Flow velocity in the cold season (Similar velocity at different depths)

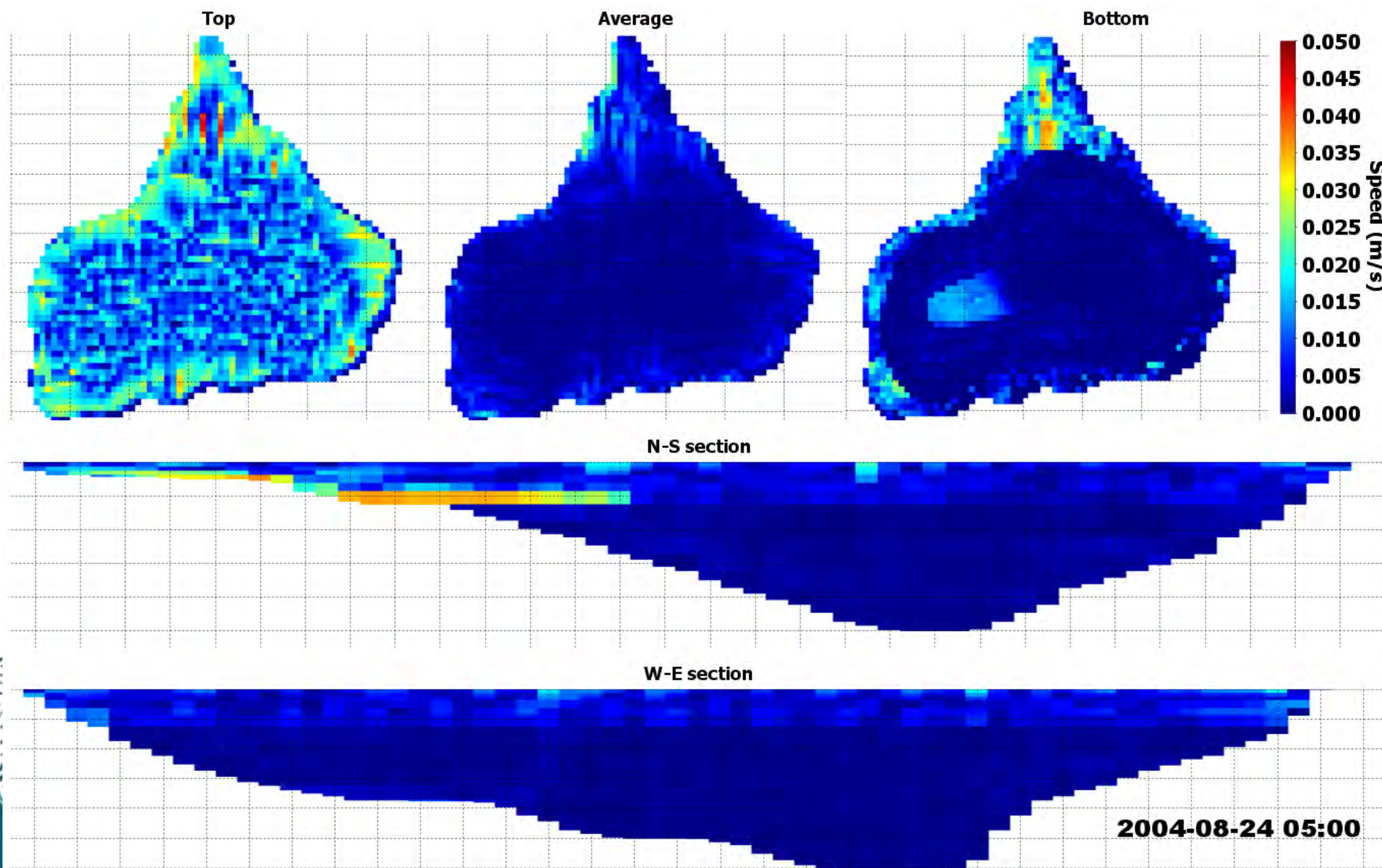




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**Flow velocity in the warm season (Increased velocity near the surface)**

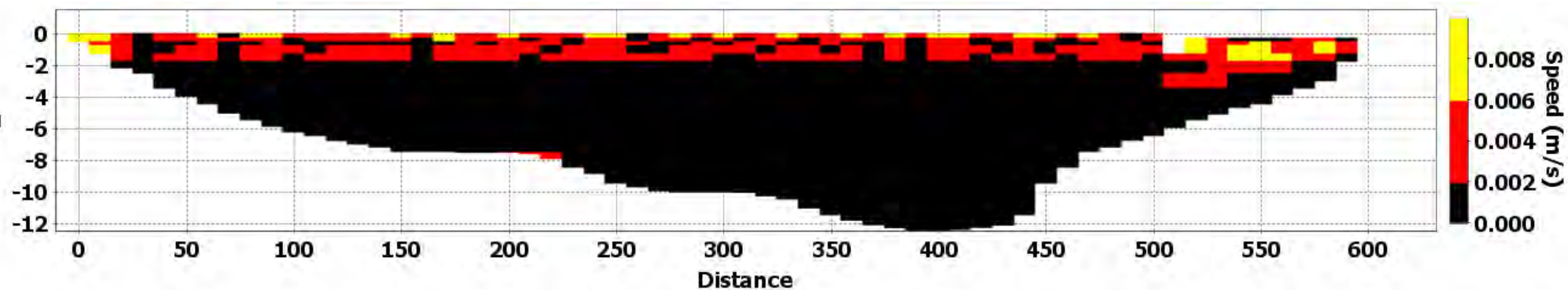
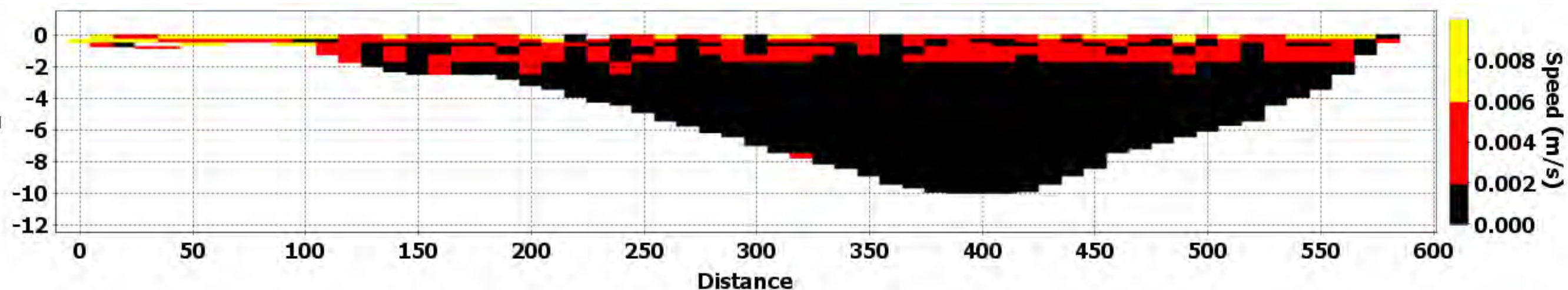




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## Flow velocity in N-S and W-E cross-sections (average for 2 years)

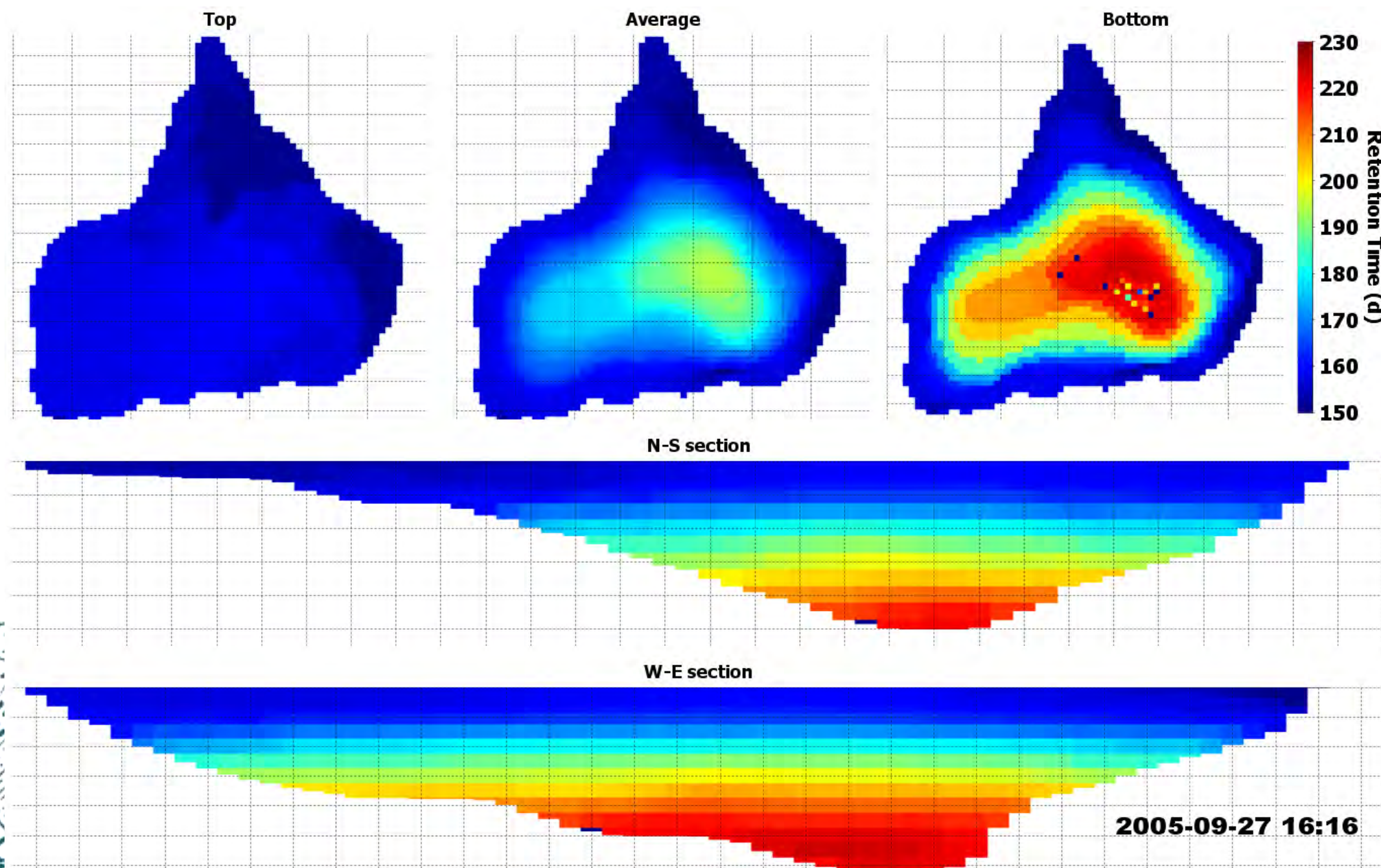




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**Water retention time** in warm season after 1.5 year simulation  
(approx. 150 days near the surface, and 220 days in the deepest part)

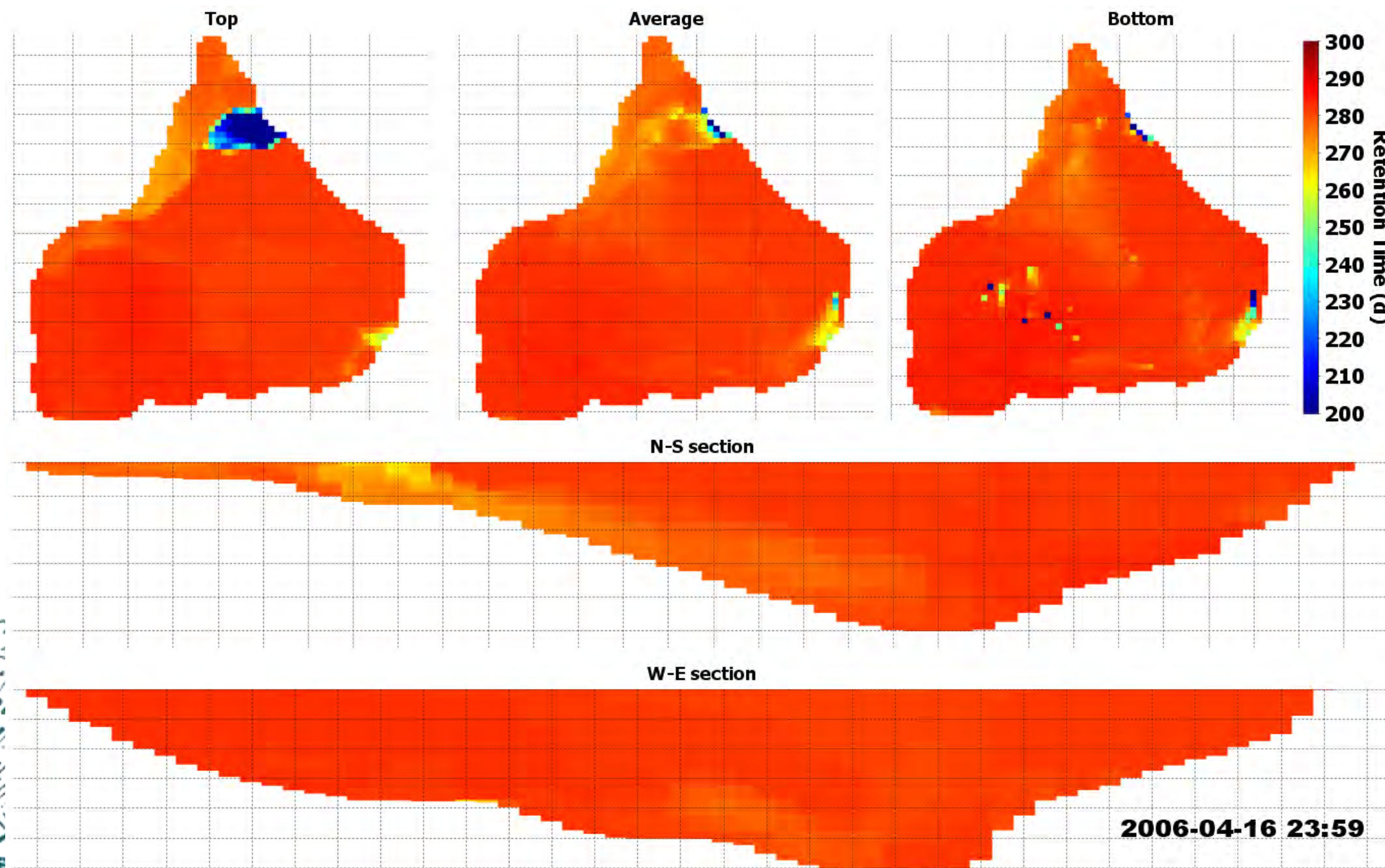




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**Water retention time after 2 years**  
(approx. 280 days in the entire lake except areas near main inflows)

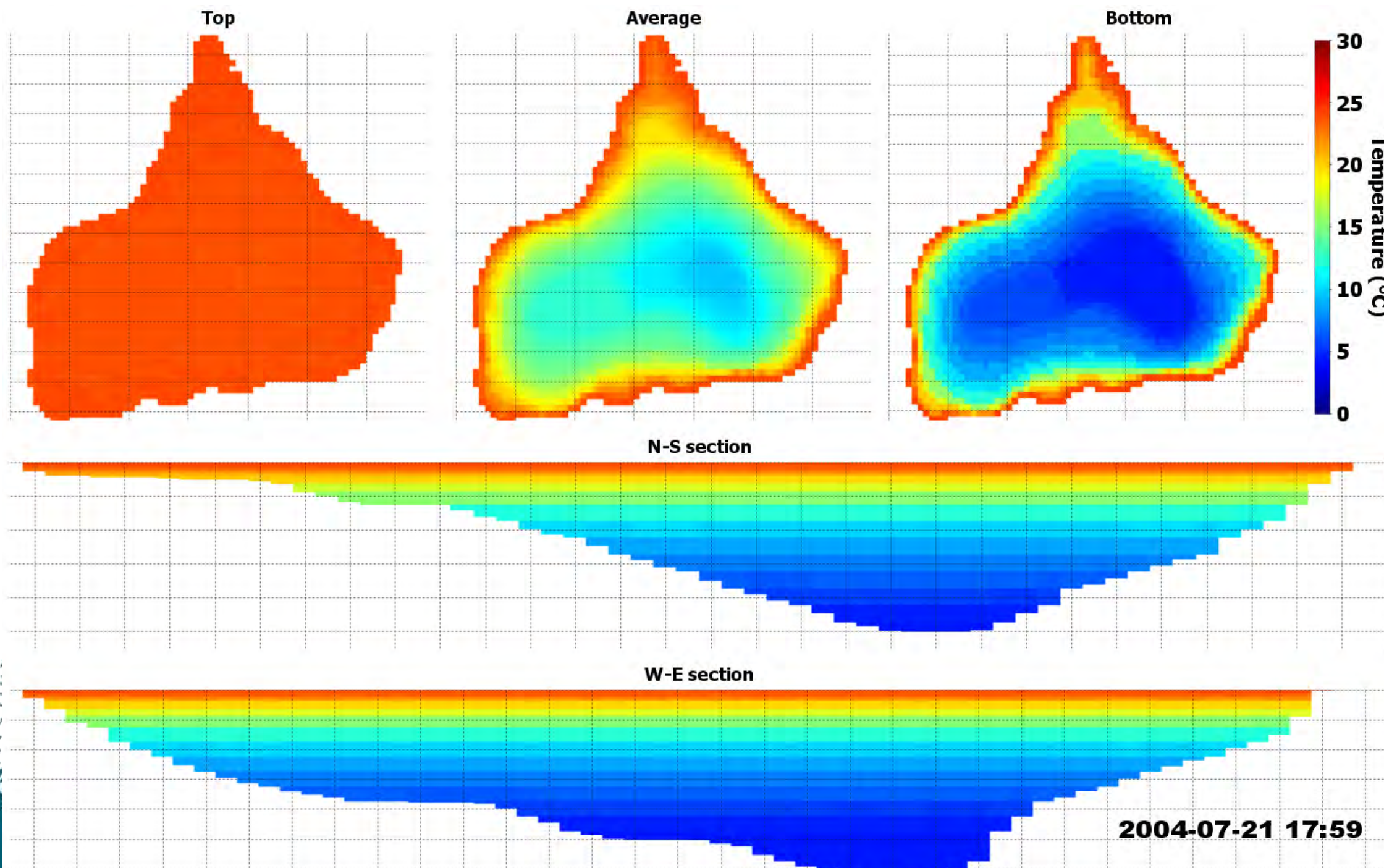




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### Water temperature - warm season

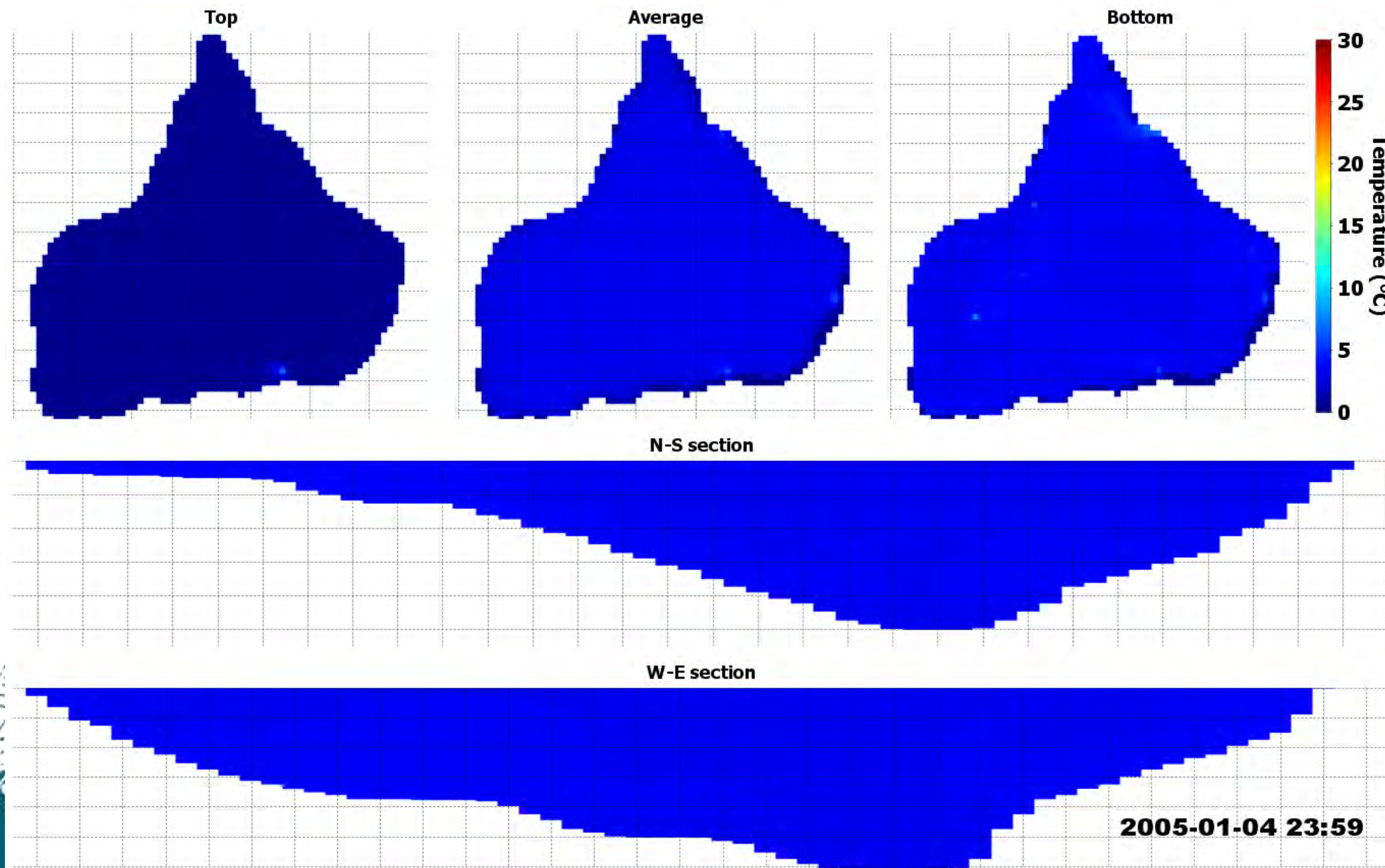




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### Water temperature - cold season



## Conclusions:

- Wide range of monitoring data available for the “Puszcza Borecka” station (since early 1990’s)
- It is difficult to assess the impact of atmospheric deposition of nitrogen on ecosystems and water quality based on the monitoring data only
- SWAT model was used to simulate the nitrogen cycle in analysed area (first step to assess the impact of deposition has been taken)
- AEM3D model was used to simulate the lake’s hydrodynamics and thermodynamics and to give a basis for the assessment of impact of the deposition on water quality and aquatic ecosystems.

# Thank You

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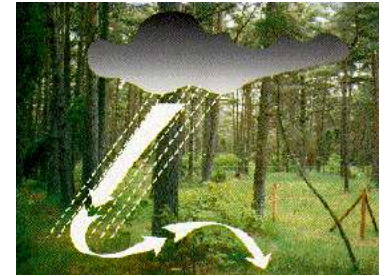


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# National emission ceiling – a opportunity for WGE?

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# DIRECTIVES

## **DIRECTIVE (EU) 2016/2284 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 14 December 2016**

**on the reduction of national emissions of certain atmospheric pollutants, amending Directive  
2003/35/EC and repealing Directive 2001/81/EC**

**(Text with EEA relevance)**



# The aim of the directive

In order to move towards achieving levels of air quality that do not give rise to significant negative impacts on and risks to human health and the environment, this Directive establishes the emission reduction commitments for the Member States' anthropogenic atmospheric emissions of sulphur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC), ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) and fine particulate matter (PM<sub>2,5</sub>)

## SWEDEN

	2005	2012	2020	2030	2030	2030
			NEC	CLE	NEC	MTFR
SO <sub>2</sub>	36	-23%	-22%	-14%	-22%	-18%
NO <sub>x</sub>	175	-25%	-36%	-66%	-66%	-70%
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	30	-10%	-19%	-16%	-19%	-48%
NH <sub>3</sub>	56	-8%	-15%	-10%	-17%	-33%
VOC	198	-6%	-25%	-39%	-36%	-54%

## POLAND

	2005	2012	2020	2030	2030	2030
			NEC	CLE	NEC	MTFR
SO <sub>2</sub>	1217	-30%	-59%	-66%	-70%	-79%
NO <sub>x</sub>	851	-4%	-35%	-49%	-39%	-63%
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	141	-2%	-16%	-11%	-58%	-53%
NH <sub>3</sub>	272	-3%	-1%	1%	-17%	-37%
VOC	575	10%	-25%	-34%	-26%	-67%

## UK

	2005	2012	2020	2030	2030	2030
			NEC	CLE	NEC	MTFR
SO <sub>2</sub>	709	-40%	-59%	-80%	-88%	-91%
NO <sub>x</sub>	1592	-33%	-55%	-72%	-73%	-80%
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	93	-17%	-30%	-28%	-46%	-57%
NH <sub>3</sub>	302	-8%	-5%	-8%	-16%	-27%
VOC	1160	-28%	-37%	-37%	-39%	-52%

# Brief description of the ecosystem monitoring NECD

To ensure the **monitoring of negative impacts of air pollution upon ecosystems** based on a network of monitoring sites that is representative of their **freshwater, non-forest natural and semi-natural habitats, and forest ecosystem types**, taking a cost-effective and risk-based approach (article 9 paragraph 1 first subparagraph)

# What has to be done?

- To report by 1 July 2018 and every four years thereafter, to the Commission and the European Environment Agency, the location of the monitoring sites and the associated indicators used for monitoring air pollution impacts (article 10 paragraph 4(a))
- To report by 1 July 2019 and every four years thereafter, to the Commission and the European Environment Agency, the monitoring data referred to in Article 9 (Article 10 paragraph 4(b)).

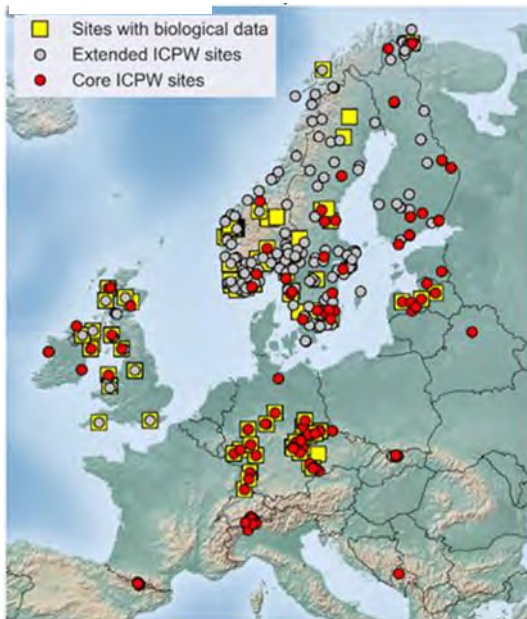


# WGE Ecosystems Monitoring Network

**3 ICPs:** specific and complementary ecosystem monitoring covering from aquatic to terrestrial ecosystems

- Harmonized methodologies
- Manuals available
- Historical data sets
- Monitoring & Reporting routines
- Chemical and biological data
- Data: Collection, processing, analysis, reporting and communication
- Linked to atmospheric deposition data (sites/EMEP)

## ICP- Waters



## ICP-Integrated Monitoring



## ICP- Forests



Plots of the Level II monitoring in 2009.

# WGE Ecosystems Monitoring Network

The existing WGE monitoring networks under the LRTAP Convention fits to the NEC Directive objectives as:

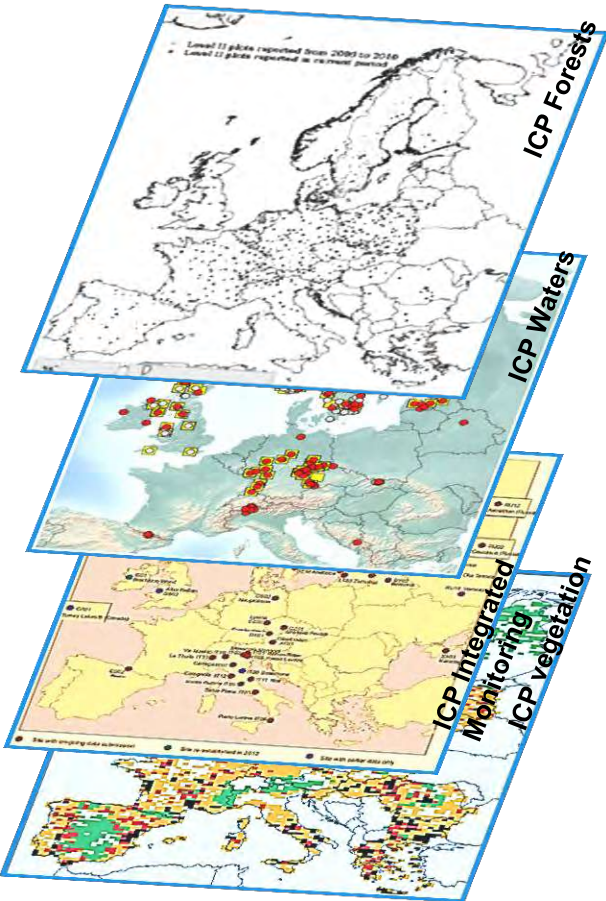
- ✓ Is an operational network
- ✓ Monitors key indicators of air pollution
- ✓ In sites that are representative of European ecosystem types

**WGE** provides a suitable platform for ecosystem monitoring as it has:  
Tools (Methodologies & Manuals)

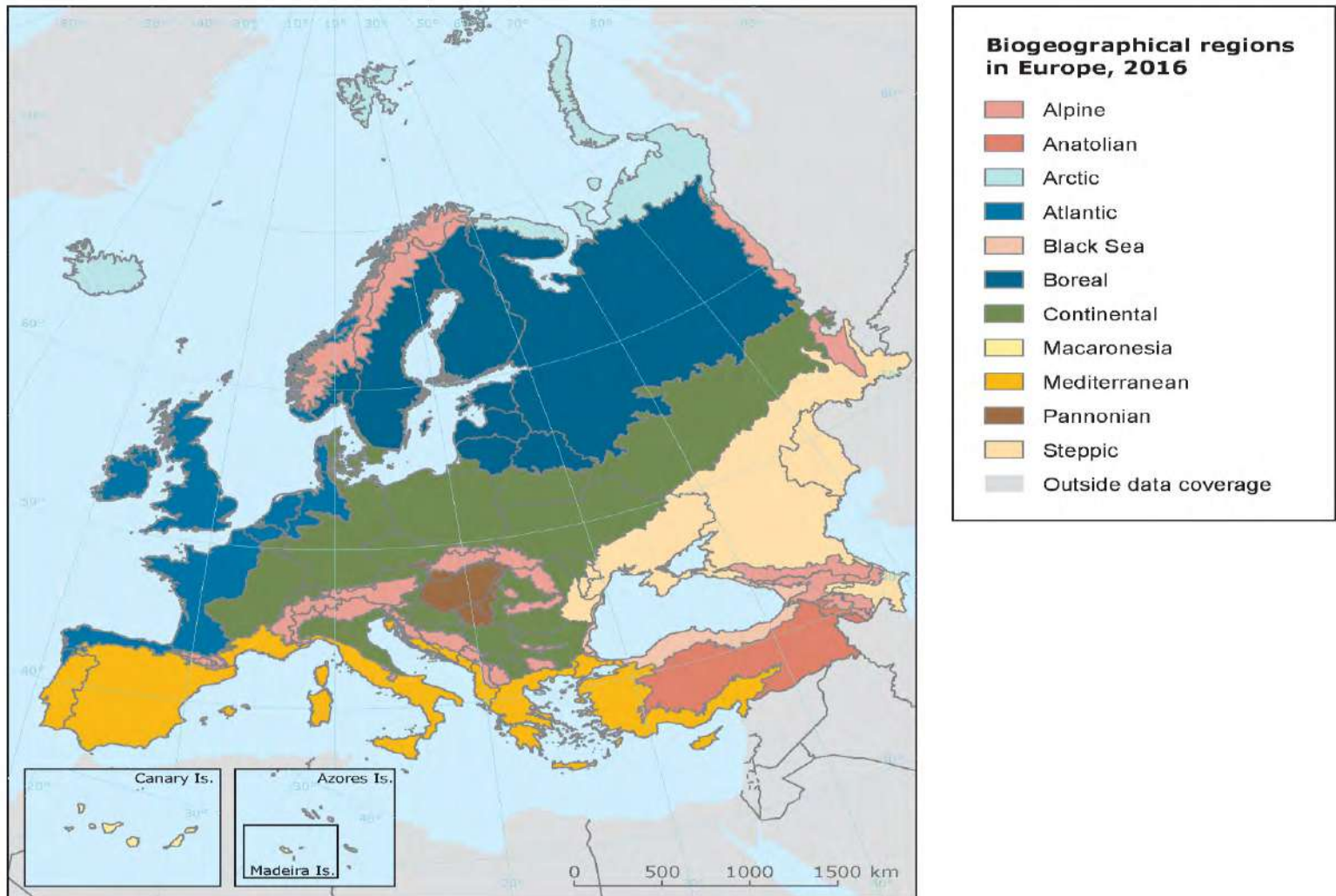
A broad panel of experts (international & multidisciplinary)

More than 20 years of experience

- Almost all MS participate in any of the ICPs related with monitoring
- Easy incorporation into the network
- Scientific and technical support



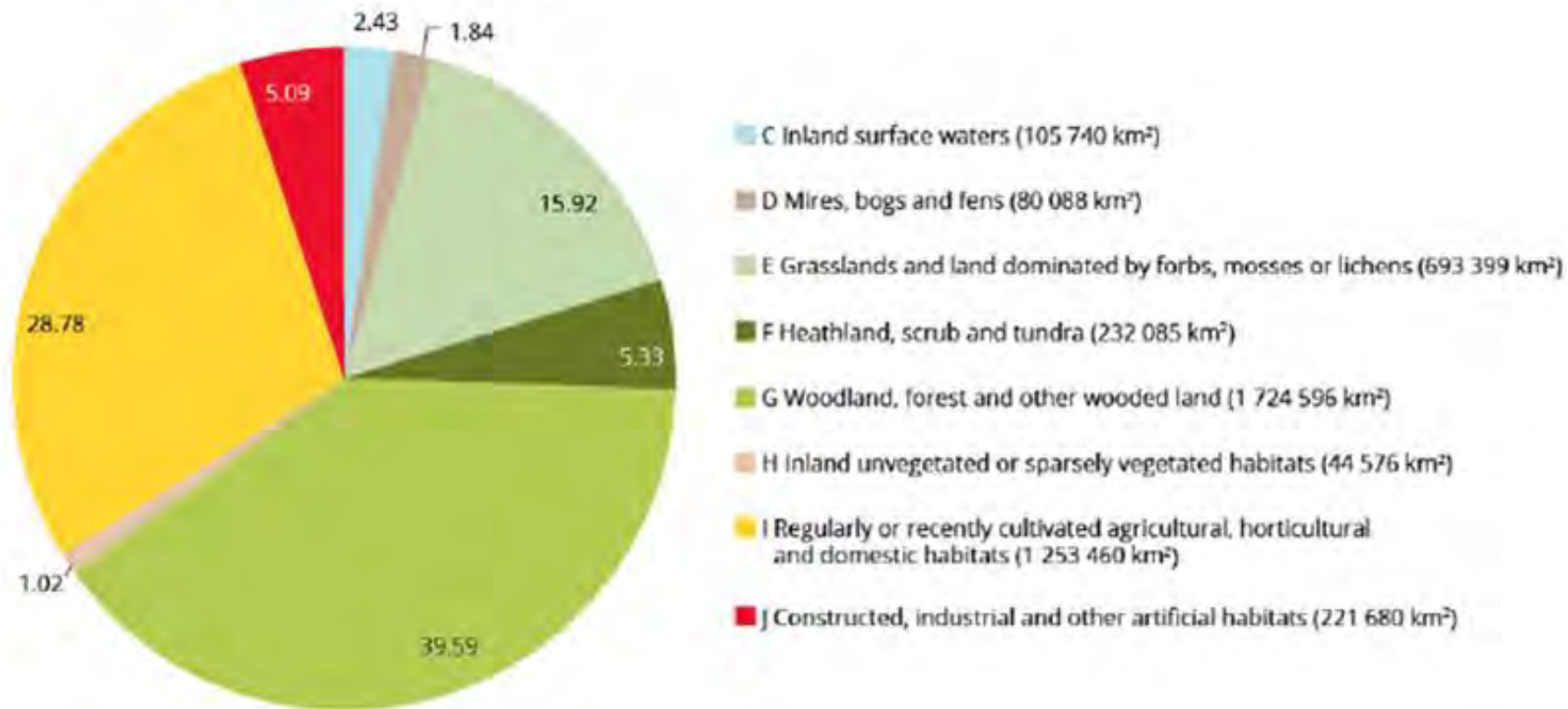
# Biogeographical regions of Europe





# MAES terrestrial and freshwaters ecosystem types EU-28

Coverage of ecosystem types in EU-28 (%)







SWEDISH ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION AGENCY

# **Ecosystem monitoring under Article 9 and Annex V of Directive 2016/2284 (NECD)**

## **Draft Guidance – Version 2**

# How and what to monitor?



**Cause**

**Effect**



*Why?*

*What?*

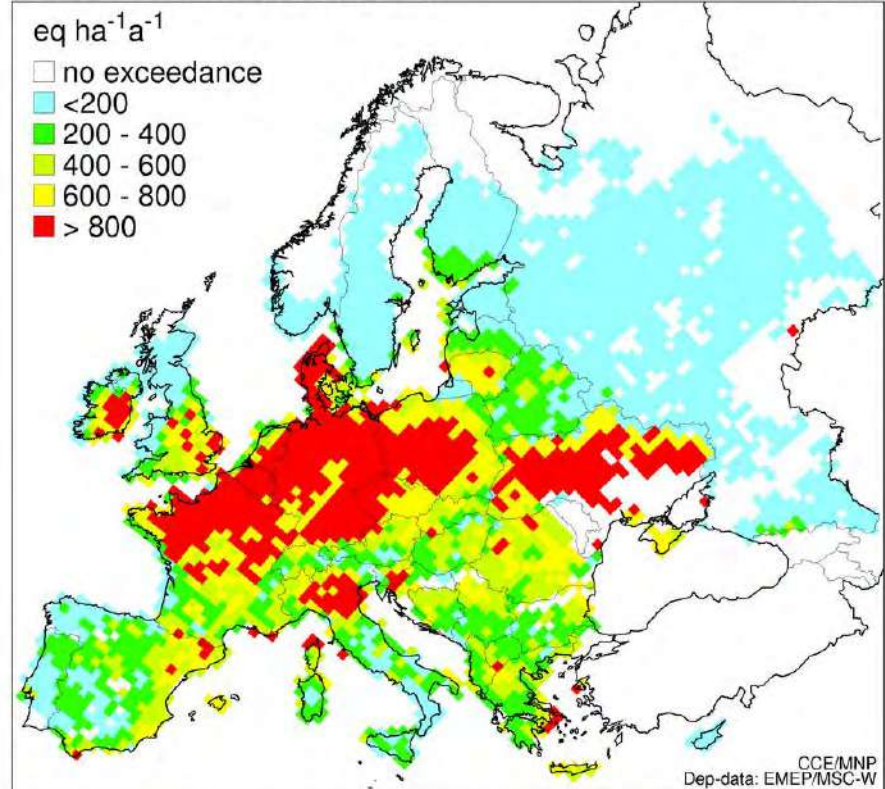
It started raining.

I needed an umbrella.



Exceedance of nutrient CLs

2000



**Table 2:** Selected indicator complexes, parameters, and sources for methods from the ICP Forests Programme to cope with the NECD, Annex V; []: concentrations.

Measurement (Indicator complex)	Parameters	Frequency	Methods
Soil acidity in the soil solid phase	Element concentrations (base cations etc.) Ca, Mg, K, Na, Alex, Ntot and ratios C/N	Every 10-15 years at Level I and Level III plots	Part X
Soil acidity in the soil solution	pH, [SOx], [NO3], [base cations (Ca, Mg, K, Na)], [Alex].	Every 4 weeks at Level II plots	Part XI
Soil nitrate leaching, in soil solution	[NO3+] at deepest soil layer (40-80 cm); to calculate fluxes a soil water flux model (water balance model) has to be applied.	Every 4 weeks at Level II plots	Part X, water balance model cf. Part IX
C/N ratio + total soil N, in soil solid phase	Cstock, Nstock, C/N ratio.	Every 10-15 years at Level I and Level II plots	Part X
Nutrient balance in foliage	[N], [P], [K], [Mg], and ratios with [N].	Every 2 yrs. at Level II, every 10-15 yrs. at Level I plots	Part XII

Measurement	Parameters	Frequency	Method	Data to be reported
Lake catchment sensitivity and hydrochemical effects of air pollution (acidification)	Alkalinity, sulphate, nitrate, chloride, pH, calcium, magnesium, sodium, potassium, dissolved organic carbon, and specific conductivity	Seasonal/quarterly to annual, depending on flush rate	Grab sampling of the upper layer (0,1-1 m) or lake outlet. Described in chapter 3.	Major ions (mg/l), nitrate ( $\mu\text{g N/L}$ ), pH, DOC (mg C/l), alkalinity ( $\mu\text{eq/L}$ ), conductivity at 25 °C ( $\mu\text{S/cm}$ )
River/stream catchment sensitivity and hydrochemical effects of air pollution (acidification)	Alkalinity, sulphate, nitrate, chloride, pH, calcium, magnesium, sodium, potassium, dissolved organic carbon, and specific conductivity	Monthly	Grab sampling. Described in chapter 3.	Major ions (mg/l), nitrate ( $\mu\text{g N/L}$ ), pH, DOC (mg C/l), alkalinity ( $\mu\text{eq/L}$ ), conductivity at 25 °C ( $\mu\text{S/cm}$ )



**Table 5:** Key indicators for assessing ozone damage to vegetation according to Annex 5 of the NECD.

Indicator	Measurement	Frequency	Reference for methodology and data reporting
Ozone foliar damage to trees	Visible ozone symptoms in leaves of tree species and on trees and wood plants at 'light exposed sampling sites' (LESS); Tree diameter growth.	Visible ozone symptoms: annually at Level II plots; Diameter growth: every 5 yrs.	Part VIII (visible ozone symptoms) and Part V (diameter growth) of ICP Forests Manual
Ozone foliar damage to crops and non-tree species	Visible ozone symptoms in leaves; Crops: harvested yield	Visible ozone symptoms: at least annually during growing season, preferably just after (3-7 days) an ozone episode <sup>i</sup> ; Crop yield: annually	<a href="http://icpvegetation.cuh.ac.uk">http://icpvegetation.cuh.ac.uk</a> . To be revised from past manuals to suit NECD (including lists of ozone-sensitive species)
Exceedance of flux-based critical levels of ozone	Ozone concentration <sup>ii</sup> , meteorology <sup>iii</sup> (temperature, relative humidity, light intensity, rainfall, wind speed, atmospheric pressure) and soil type (sandy, clay or loam) at or near site <sup>iv</sup> . Flux-based model DO <sub>3</sub> SE can be used to calculate ozone flux and exceedance of critical levels	Every year: Hourly data during growing season <sup>v</sup>	Method in Modelling and Mapping Manual LRTAP Convention, Chapter 3 – 'Mapping critical levels for vegetation' ( <a href="http://icpvegetation.cuh.ac.uk">http://icpvegetation.cuh.ac.uk</a> , including link to online version of the DO <sub>3</sub> SE model <sup>vi</sup> ).

Measurement (Indicator complex)	Parameter	Frequency	Method
Meteorology	Precipitation, temperature of the air, soil temperature, relative humidity, wind velocity, wind direction, global radiation/net radiation	Monthly	Part 7.1
Air chemistry	sulphur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide, ozone, particulate sulphate, nitrates in aerosols and gaseous, nitric acid, ammonia and ammonium in aerosols	Monthly	Part 7.2
Precipitation chemistry (EMEP manual)	sulphate, nitrate, ammonium, chloride, sodium, potassium, calcium, magnesium and alkalinity	Monthly	Part 7.3
Throughfall	Sulphate, nitrate, ammonium, total N, chloride, sodium, potassium, calcium, magnesium, dissolved organic carbon and strong acid (by pH)	Weekly to monthly	Part 7.5
Soil chemistry	pH (CaCl <sub>2</sub> ), S total, P total, N total, Ca exchangeable, Mg exchangeable, K exchangeable, Na exchangeable, Al exchangeable, TOC, exchangeable titrable acidity (H+Al)	Every fifth years	Part 7.7
Soil water chemistry	pH, Electrical conductivity, Alkalinity, Gran plot, N total, ammonium, nitrate, P total, Ca, Mg, K, Na, Aluminium total, Aluminium labile	Four times annually	Part 7.8
Runoff water chemistry	alkalinity, sulphate, nitrate, chloride, dissolved organic carbon, pH, calcium, magnesium, sodium, potassium, inorganic (labile) aluminium, total nitrogen, ammonium, stream water runoff, specific conductivity	Monthly	Part 7.10
Foliage chemistry	Ca, K, Mg, Na, N, P, S, Cu, Fe, Mn, Zn and TOC	Every fifth year	Part 7.12
Litterfall chemistry	Ca, K, Mg, Na, N, P, S, Cu, Fe, Mn, Zn and TOC	Annually	Part 7.13
Vegetation (intensive plot)	Ground, field, shrub and tree layer vegetation, specifically soil-growing vascular plants, bryophytes and lichens. Tree diameter, canopy structure,	Three year	Part 7.17
Trunk epiphytes	Lichen species growing on living tree trunks	Every fifth year	Part 7.20
Aerial green algae	number of branches , youngest shoot with algae thickest coating of algae per tree. number of annual	Annually	Part 7.21

# What happens now?

- National expert group meeting took place 9<sup>th</sup> of April where reporting template was presented together with explanatory notes
- Many member states were positive to the ecosystem monitoring (big surprise!!!)
- Draft template has been accepted and reporting has to be done by 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2018
- Many references to monitoring methods by the ICPs, could fill many gaps!

# Cont.





Has your ministry been in contact with you as national focal centers and experts?

# NECD ecosystem monitoring

1. Has your ministry been in contact with you as national focal centers and experts?
2. Have you been involved in the national design of the monitoring?
3. How has the country developed its national ecosystem monitoring program?
4. Share your experiences on what has happened and how we can get involved?

# Spanish aquatic ecosystem monitoring programs: possibilities to comply with requirements of NEC Directive and ICP Waters / Integrated Monitoring

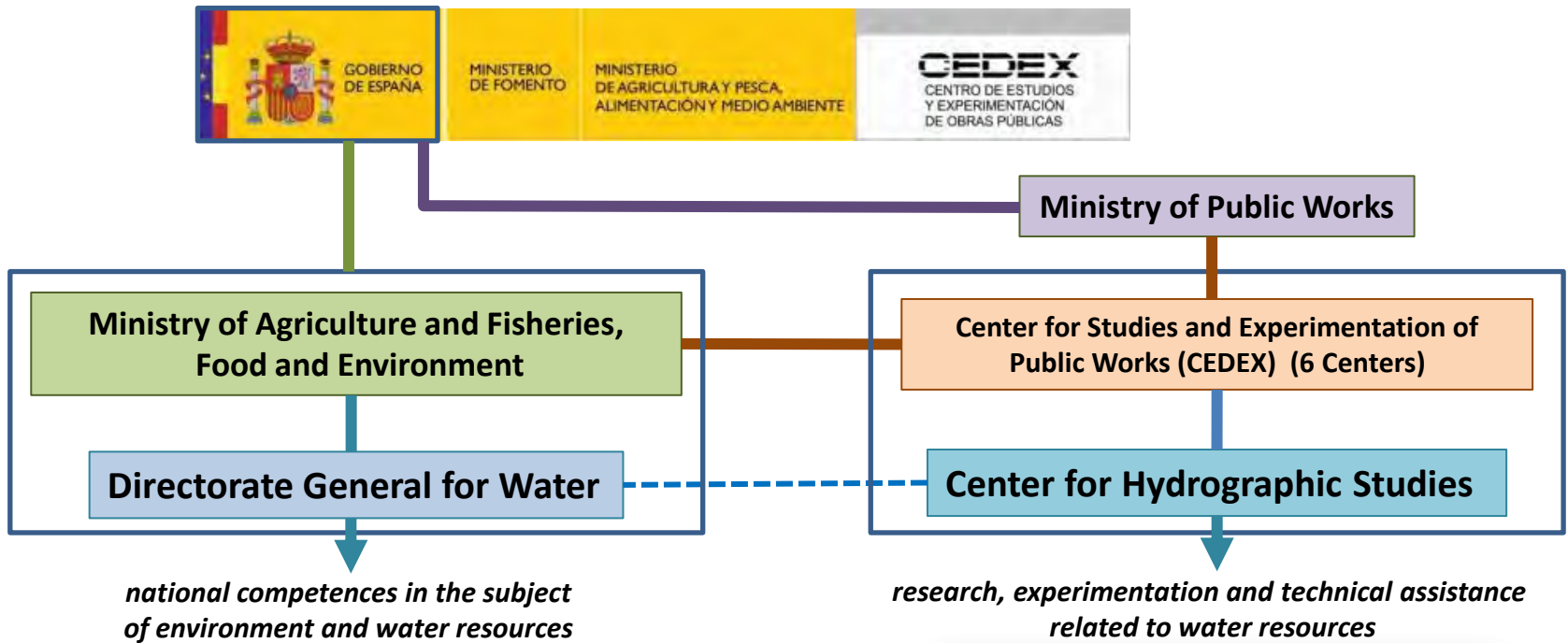
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## Outline:

1. Introduction to Spanish Institutions involved in this tasks
2. Ecological characterization of Spanish rivers and lakes
3. Spanish Freshwater ecosystems monitoring networks
4. Possibilities to comply with NECD & ICPs requirements



# 1. Introduction to Spanish Institutions involved in this tasks



## Department of Water Environment (Centre for Hydrographic Studies)

### ▪ National and European regulations

- European Directives: 2000/60/CE, 92/43/CEE
- Technical instructions, protocols, assessment of ecological status, ecological indicators,...

### ▪ Limnological studies

- Effects of pressures on aquatic ecosystems: (contaminants, eutrophication, toxicity, regulation,...)
- Ecological characterization / biodiversity
- Instrumentation and monitoring of water bodies
- Exotic aquatic species

### ▪ Climate change effects on aquatic ecosystems

- National Plan of adaptation to climate change
- Environmental changes reconstruction / paleolimnology

### ▪ Laboratory for chemical analyses

- Surface and groundwater, sediment analyses
- Contaminants and emerging substances
- Toxicity - bioassays



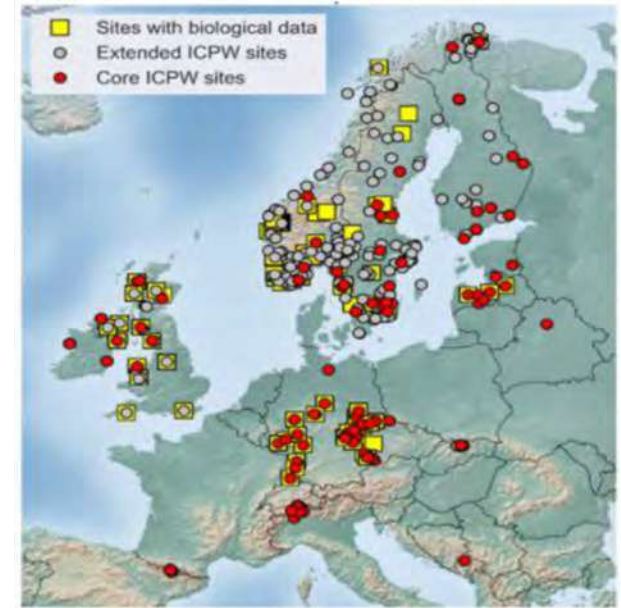
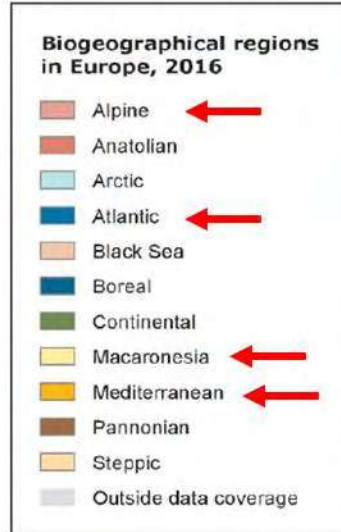
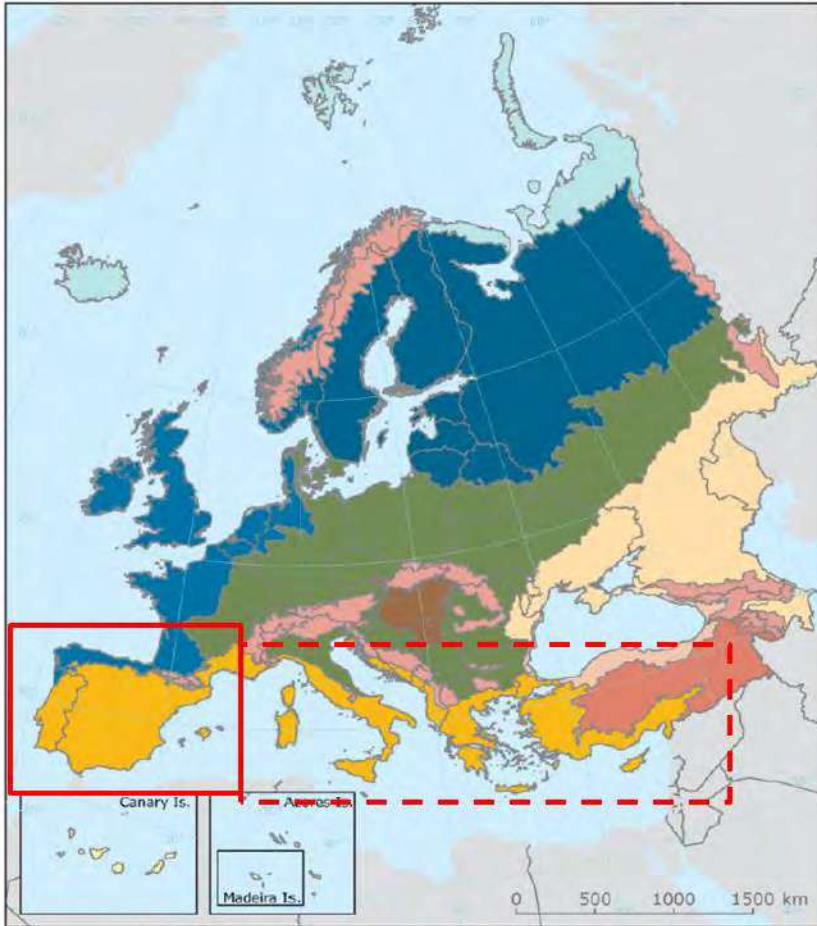




## ***2. Ecological characterization of Spanish rivers and lakes shows a high environmental diversity***



Aim ICP-W: Assess the degree and geographic extent of the impact of atmospheric pollution on Surface waters



ICP Waters Monitoring Network



**“Med-water”  
is missing**

ICP Integrated Monitoring Network  
(primarily forest-based)

<https://www.eea.europa.eu/data-and-maps/data/biogeographical-regions-europe-3>



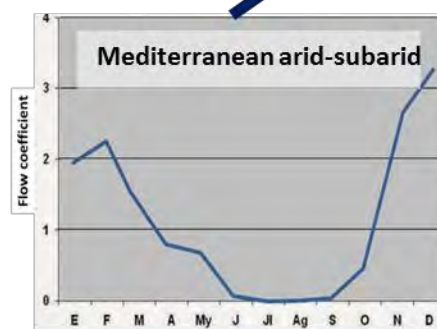
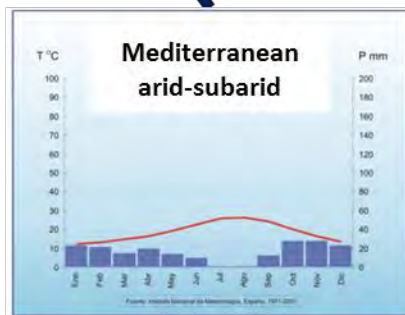
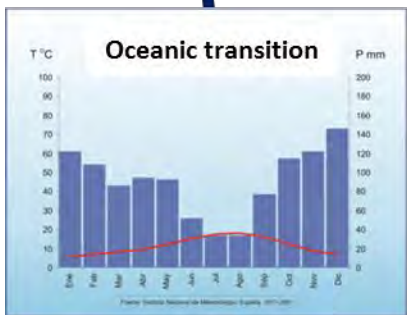
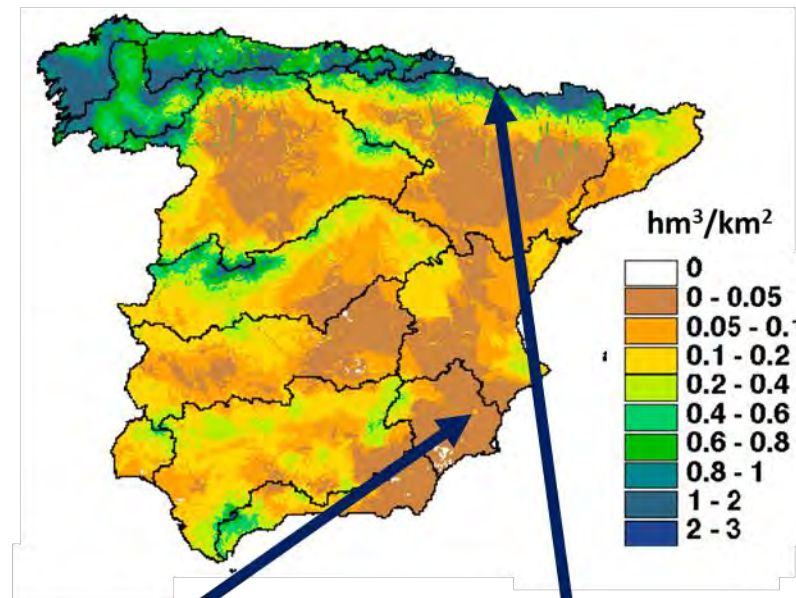
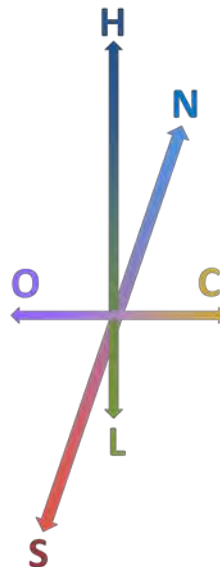
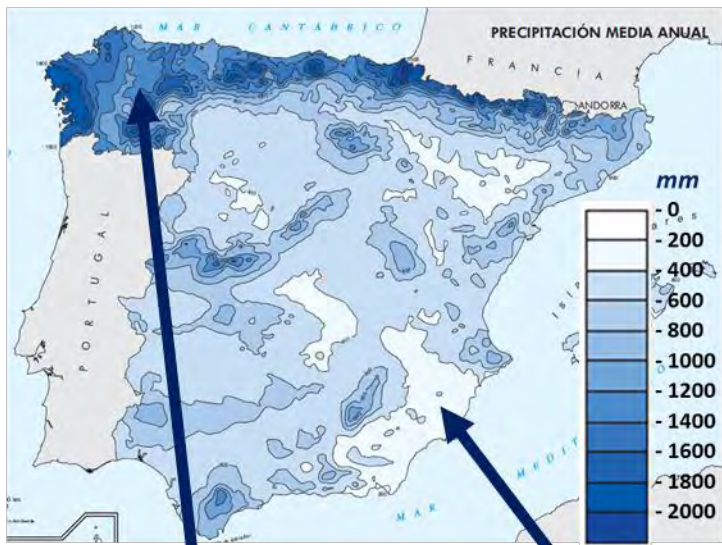
The three large biogeographical regions in Iberian Peninsula include several very different bioclimatic regions...



There are 9 bioclimatic regions in Spain (Iberian Peninsula) determined mainly by two factors: Geography + Atmosphere.  
They respond to three different gradients:



# Mean annual precipitation in Spain\* → Specified annual drainage in Spain\*\*



\* [https://www.ign.es/espmap/clima\\_bach.htm](https://www.ign.es/espmap/clima_bach.htm)

\*\* CEDEX. 2005. Characterization of rivers and lakes typologies for Directive 2000/60/CE



Characterization of rivers and lakes in accordance with WFD (system B) reflect the high environmental diversity

## RIVERS

### Variables (GIS analyses)

- Altitude (m.a.s.l.)
- Air temperature range (°C)
- Watershed area (km<sup>2</sup>)
- Annual mean flow (m<sup>3</sup>/s)
- Specific annual drainage (hm<sup>3</sup>/km<sup>2</sup>)
- Geology/Estimated conductivity (μS/cm)
- Latitude (UTM 30)
- Longitude (UTM 30)
- River order (Stralher)
- Catchment slope (%)
- Months with river flow = 0 (%)
- Mean air temperature (°C)



## LAKES

### Variables (ranges and thresholds)

- Humide index (prec./ETP): >2, < 2
- Altitude: 0-15, 15- 1500, > 1500
- Origen: karstic, not karstic
- Thermal regime (hot momomictic, cold monomictic, dimictic, polymictic)
- Drainage inflow regimen
- Hydroperiod: temporal, permanent
- Max depth: < 3 m, 3 – 15 m, > 15 m
- Salinity: Hammer criterium (anual salinity evolution)
- Alkalinity: > 1 meq/l , < 1 meq/l





**Tipo 21. Ríos Cántabro Atlánticos silíceos**



**Tipo 31. Pequeños ejes fluviales Cántabro Atlánticos silíceos**



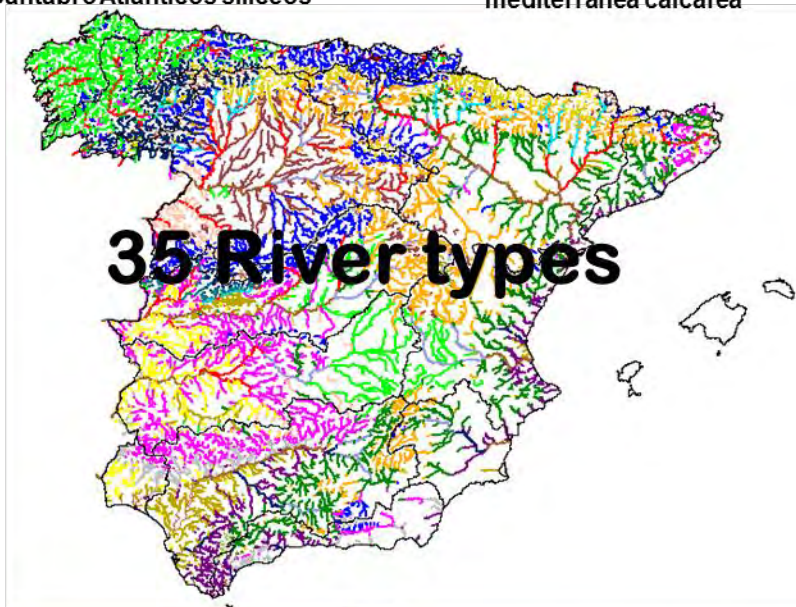
**Tipo 12. Ríos de montaña mediterránea calcárea**



**Tipo 27. Ríos de Alta montaña**



**Tipo 3. Ríos de las Penillanuras silíceas de la Meseta Norte**



**Tipo 5. Ríos Manchegos**



**Tipo 24. Gargantas de Gredos - Béjar**



**Tipo 18. Ríos costeros mediterráneos**



**Tipo 17. Grandes ejes fluviales en ambiente mediterráneo**



**Tipo 9. Ríos mineralizados de Baja montaña mediterránea**





Tipo 10.



Tipo 12.



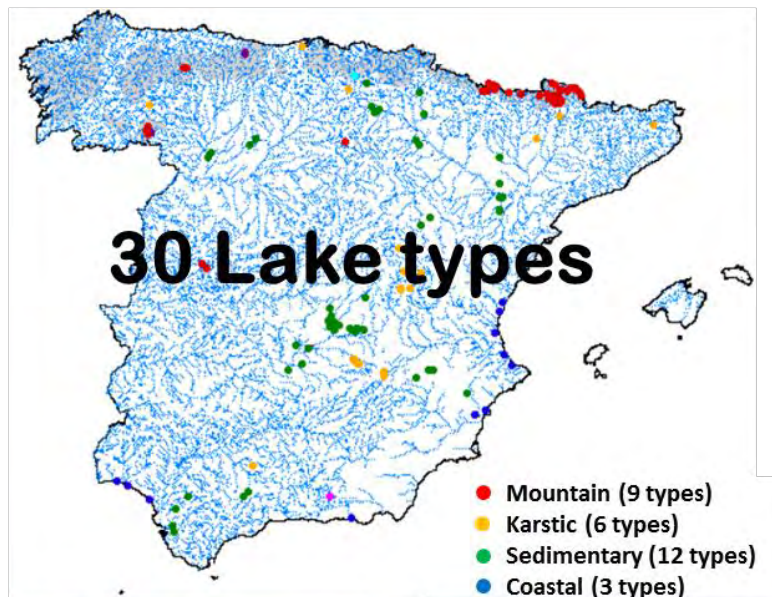
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Tipo 21.



Tipo 23.



Tipo 2.



Tipo 10.



Tipo 23.



Tipo 1.

### 3. Current monitoring networks in freshwater ecosystems in Spain





## At national-level, there are two main monitoring networks in freshwater ecosystems



2000/60/CE

Water Bodies types: rivers, lakes, HMWB, artificial, transitional and coastal.

**Water bodies: ≈ 3800 rivers + ≈ 320 lakes**



92/43/CEE

Habitats (SCI)/Species:  
Running and standing waters (rivers and lakes/wetlands)

**Rivers: 2950 SCIs + Wetlands: 1400 SCIs**

**Spanish Government + Regional Governments**  
(inter-communities) (intra-communities)

*Competences*

**Regional Governments**

All river basins ≈ 10 years (some basins > 15-20 y)

*Current monitoring*

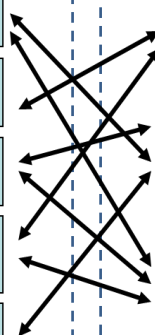
Regional differences, and only wetlands

### Lack of correspondence between WFD and HD types



**Ecological criteria for classification**

- Tipo 8 Ríos de baja montaña mediterránea silicea
- Tipo 11 Ríos de montaña mediterránea silicea
- Tipo 12 Ríos de montaña mediterránea calcarea
- Tipo 25 Ríos de montaña húmeda silicea
- Tipo 26 Ríos de montaña húmeda calcarea



- Tipo 3220 Ríos alpinos con vegetación herbácea en sus orillas
- Tipo 3230 Ríos alpinos con vegetación leñosa en sus orillas de *Myricaria germanica*
- Tipo 3240 Ríos alpinos con vegetación leñosa en sus orillas de *Salix eleagnos*

... / ...



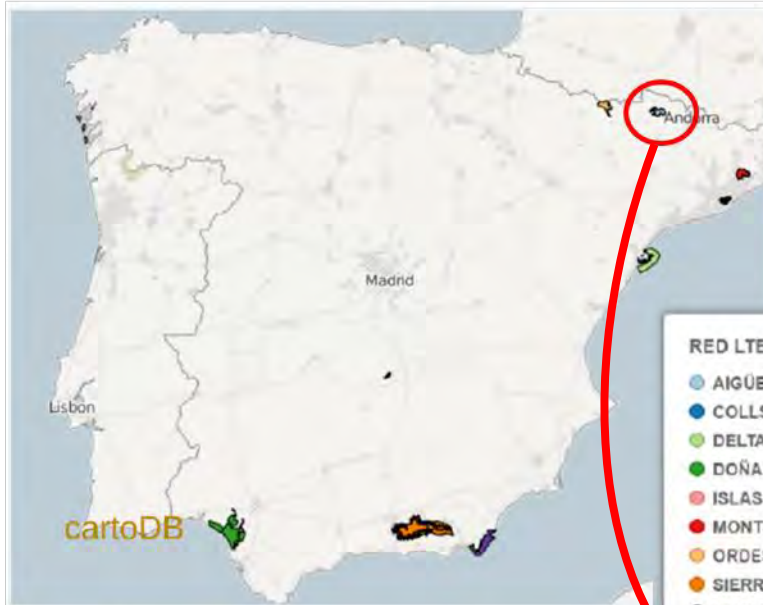
**Phytosociological criteria for classification**

A national working group is coordinating the optimization of both networks to comply with the requirements of both Directives in coincident sites, based on WFD monitoring network.

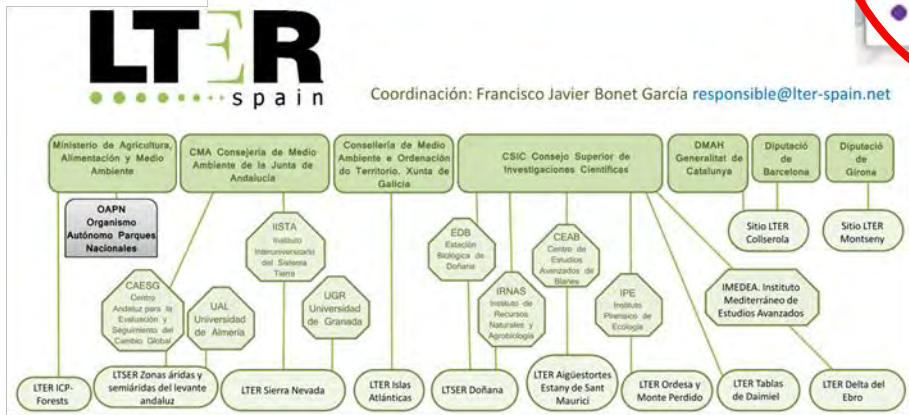


Also at national-level, but very limited in number of sites:

■ LTER-Spain / National Parks Network



- RED LTER ESPAÑA**
- AGÜESTORTES I ESTANY DE SANT MAURICI
  - COLLSEROLA
  - DELTA DE L'EBRE
  - DOÑANA
  - ISLAS ATLÁNTICAS DE GALICIA
  - MONTSENY
  - ORDESA Y MONTE PERDIDO
  - SIERRA NEVADA
  - TABLAS DE DAIMIEL
  - ZONAS ÁRIDAS Y SEMIÁRIDAS DEL LEVANTE ANDALUZ
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**LTER-Aigüestortes** was established in 2008 by 6 institutions, and covers six areas: climatology, CO<sub>2</sub> flows, biogeochemistry of atmospheric precipitation and surface water, reconstruction of past environmental change, populational trends and phenological changes.

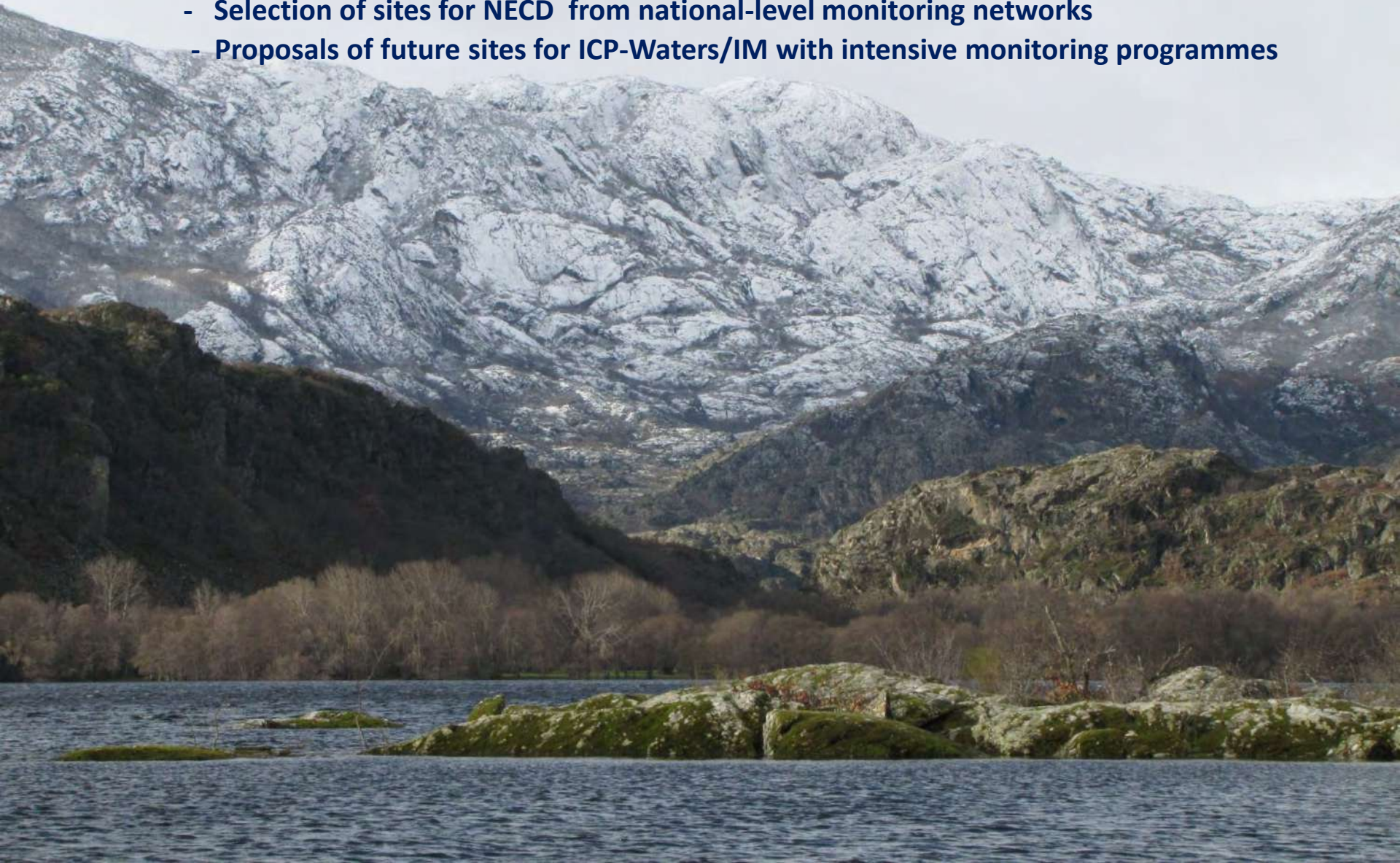
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Source: <http://www.lter-spain.net/>



## 4. Which are the possibilities to comply with NECD & ICPs requirements?

- Selection of sites for NECD from national-level monitoring networks
- Proposals of future sites for ICP-Waters/IM with intensive monitoring programmes

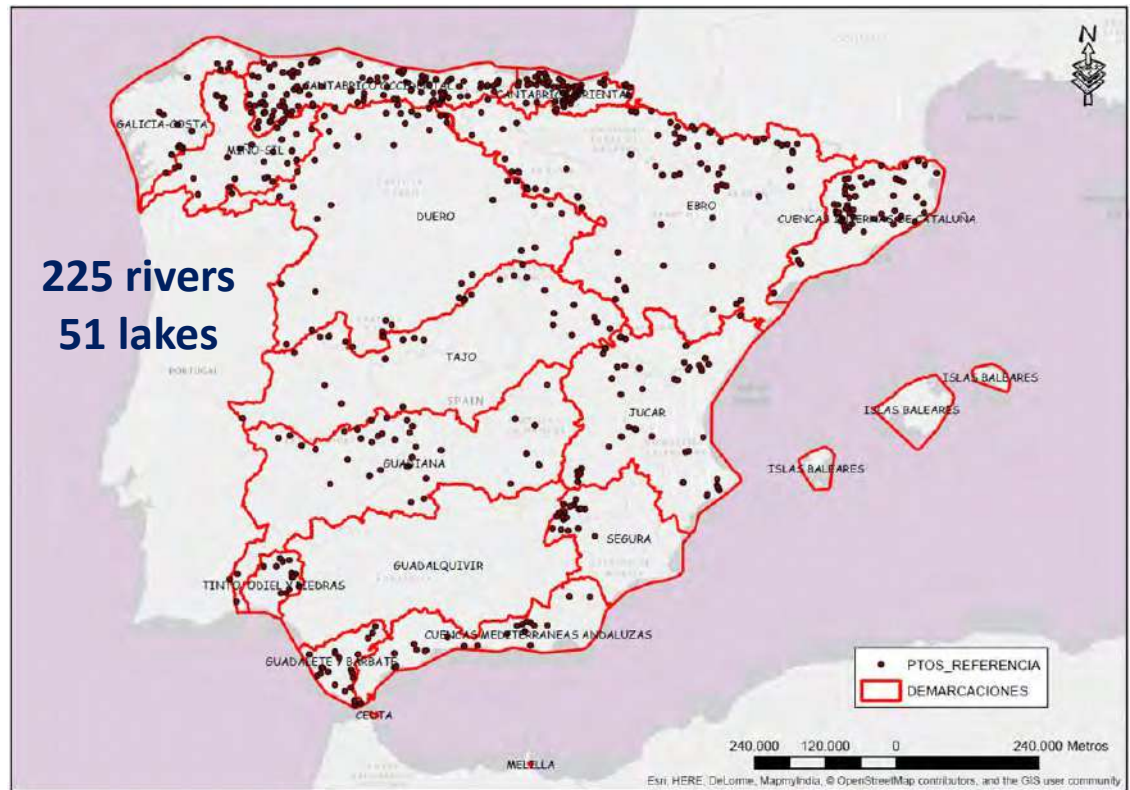


To comply with NECD requirements is necessary to look for representative sites of different habitats (environmental gradient) and without any pressures:

Starting point is the Subprogramme of selected reference sites in rivers/lakes for WFD. The criteria used to select reference sites in rivers/lakes for WFD was the existence of:

Minor or no alterations from:

- Land uses (%)(agric., livest., urban., indust.)
- Morphological alterations
- Hydrological alterations
- Exotic species
- Waste waters
- Recreational uses
- Groundwater connection
- Eutrophication



But a selection of reference sites without any minor pressure is needed



Does this programme fit the NECD requirements (Annex V)?

## Sub-programme of monitoring for Reference sites : indicators and frequency of sampling

BIOLOGICAL ELEMENTS
PHYTOPLANKTON
BENTHIC DIATOMS
MACROPHYTES
MACROINVERTEBRATES
FISHES

GENERAL CHEMICAL PARAMETERS
TURBIDITY
pH
ALKALINITY = ANC
DISSOLVED OXYGEN (mg/L + %sat)
Total HARDNESS
TEMPERATURE
CONDUCTIVITY
DISSOLVED SOLIDS
SUSPENDED SOLIDS
PHOSPHATE
Total PHOSPHORUS
NITRATE
NH <sub>3</sub>
AMONIUM
NITRITE

OTHER CHEMICAL PARAMETERS
MERCURY
SILICA
Total CLORIDE
SH <sub>2</sub>
SO <sub>4</sub>
CHLOROPHYLL A
DQO
PERMANGANATE INDEX
ANIONIC TENSOACTIVES
DBO5
N Kjeldahl
N Total

- It comply NEC Directive
- But DOC is missing

- All protocols and methodologies were adopted according to WFD.
- Because many labs are involved in the different basins, IC is needed.

Surveillance Monitoring Frequency is according to WFD: ≥ 1 year/RBM Plan (6 y) (some basins yearly)

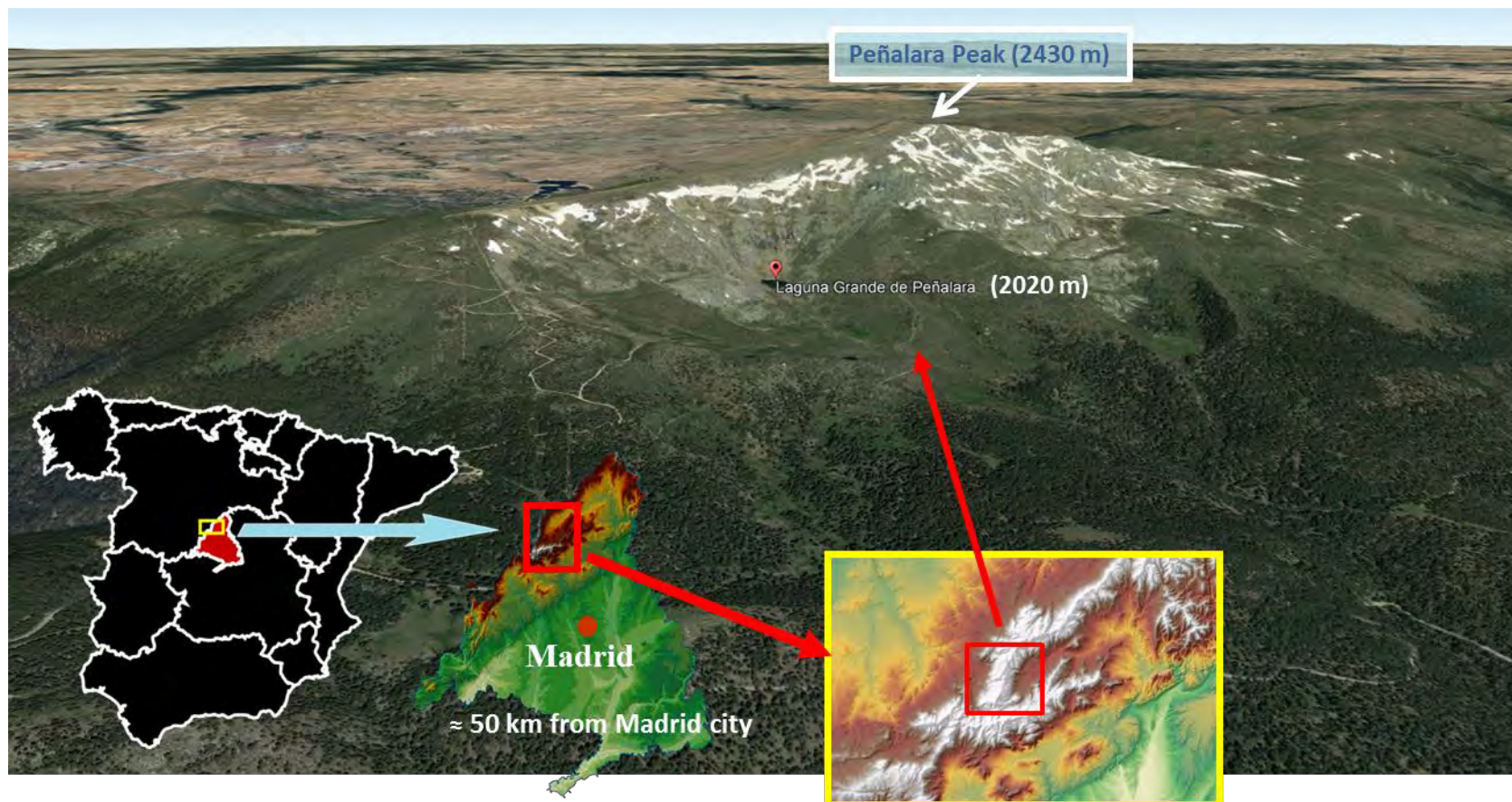
	Rivers	Lakes
Phytoplankton	- -	1/6 months
Other flora and fauna	1/3 years	1/3 years
Physico-chemical	1/3 months	1/3 months
Hydromorphology	1/3 years	1/3 years

- Frequency do not comply NEC Directive (Annex V: yearly in lakes/ monthly in rivers) in some basins and need to be increased.



To comply with ICP-Waters/IM requirements is necessary to look for appropriate sites with long-term intensive monitoring (including air-pollution).

## 1º Proposal: Peñalara Lake – Lozoya River basin (Sierra de Guadarrama National Park)



In April- 2018, the Regional Government began talks with several Research Institutions for the establishment of a monitoring programme, including the possibility of the creation of a EMEP site in the National Park, adapting the current programme GuMNet (*An atmospheric and ground observational network in the Guadarrama Mountains*) (<https://www.ucm.es/gumnet/noticias/presentation-of-the-project-gumnet> )  
It would include a current lake-river monitoring programme started in 1995.



Peñalara Lake – Lozoya River basin (Sierra de Guadarrama National Park ) monitoring programme includes data from



Alk.: 0,05 meq/l  
pH: 5,9-7,2  
Conduct.: 7-17  $\mu\text{S/cm}$   
Ca<sup>++</sup>: < 1 mg/l

**Automatic Weather Stations:**

- Meteorological parameters: 1998-2018
- Air pollution (NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>): 2005-2018

**River monitoring (7 sites):**

- Hydrochemistry (yearly): 2007-2018
- Biological (Invertebr.) (yearly): 2003-2018

**Lake monitoring:**

- Hydrochemistry (pH, T<sup>a</sup>, Cond., Odis, P, N, Ca, Mg, Alk)(monthly): 1995-2018
- Biological (Plankt+Inv.) (monthly): 1995-2018
- Ice phenology and lake level: 1998-2018

**Flow gauging monitoring:**

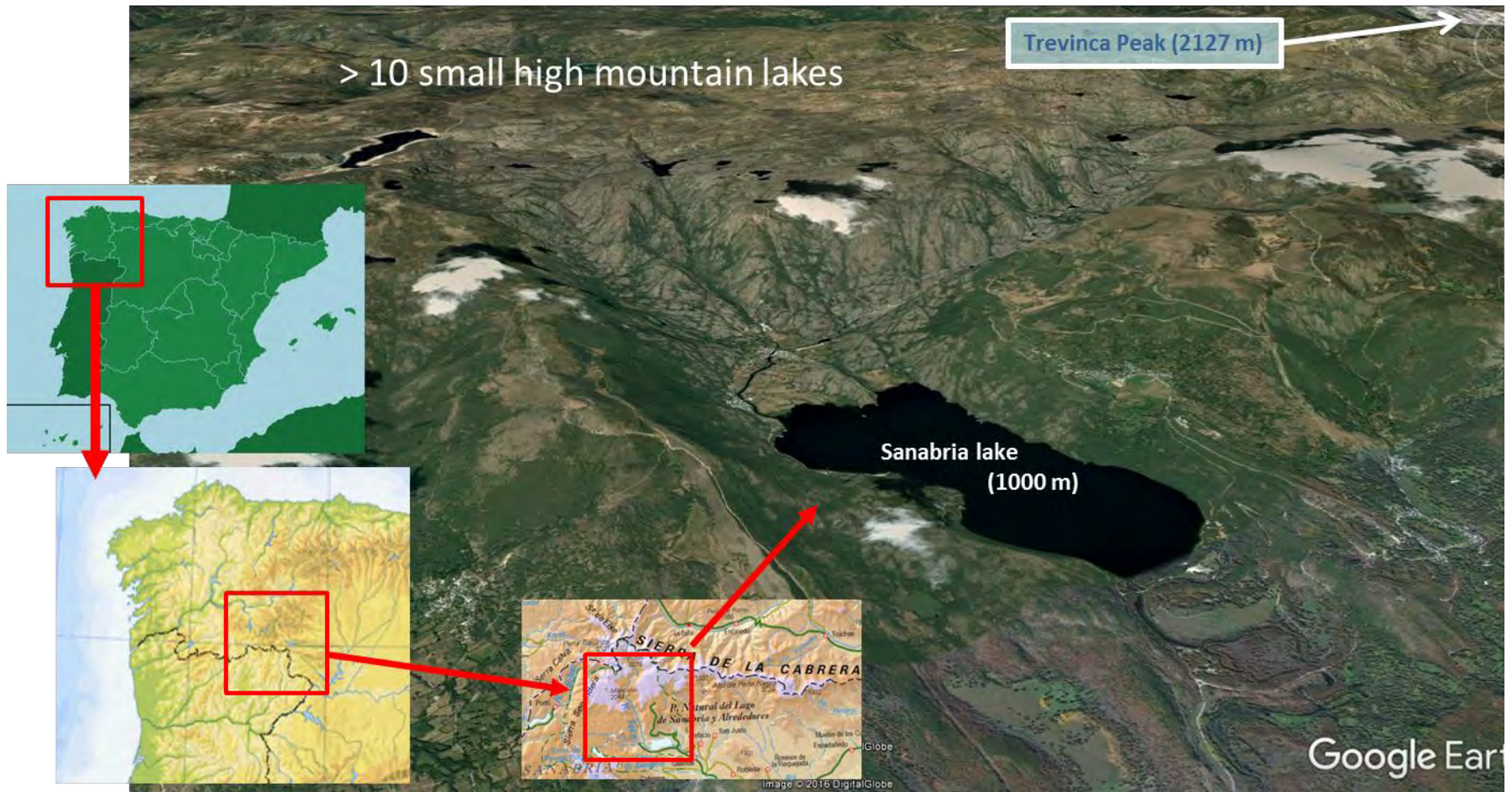
- Continuous flow/T<sup>a</sup> (136 ha): 2001-2018

Laguna Grande de Peñalara





## 2º Proposal: Sanabria Lake – Tera River basin (Natural Park of Sanabria)



- Since 1987, a basic limnological lake monitoring (hydrochemistry:  $T^a$ , pH, cond., Odis, P, N, Si, Chl a, Alk) is running monthly, with several 1-2 years periods of phytoplankton surveys (monthly).
- An intensive monitoring (including atmospheric deposition) of the lake and its catchment carried out from 2015 to 2018 could be a starting point to establish a possible site for ICP-Waters.
- There are more than 10 small high mountain lakes in Sanabria Lake basin.



## Sanabria lake – Tera River monitoring programme includes data from:

### Automatic Weather Stations:

- Meteorological parameters: 1983-2018
- Air pollution (NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>): 2016-2018

### Snow depth monitoring (5 sites):

- Telenivometer/poles: snow gauge + SWE sensing 2008-2018

### Stream monitoring (11 sites):

- Hydrochemistry (P, N, SO<sub>x</sub>, Ca, Mg, Na, K, Alk, DOC) + Flow (continuous/monthly): 2015-2018

### Soil water (5 sites):

- Eventually (rainfalls) (P, N): 2016-2018

### Lake monitoring:

- Hydrochemistry (T<sub>a</sub>, pH, cond, O<sub>dis</sub>, P, N, Si, Chl a, Alk) (monthly): 1987-2018
- Hydrochemistry (complete) (monthly): 2015-2017
- Biological (Plankt+Invert.) (1-4 months): 2015-2017
- Lake level: 2016-2018

### Flow gauging monitoring (3 sites):

- Continuous flow/T<sub>a</sub> (11 km<sup>2</sup>): 2015-2018

Alk.: 0,1 meq/l  
pH: 5,6-7,3  
Conduct.: 9-15 μS/cm  
Ca<sup>++</sup>: < 2 mg/l





## Main Needs for the selection of sites to comply with NECD and ICP-W/ICP-IM

### About sites from national running monitoring networks (for NECD):

#### ➤ Subprogramme of Reference sites (WFD):

- Selection of representative sites for NECD following established criteria (**July-18**)
- Required sampling frequency in some basins and indicators
- Include additional parameter for water chemistry (DOC)

#### ➤ LTER-Spain sites :

- Selection of sites that comply with requirements for NECD (**July-18**)
- To establish agreements with each site responsible funding/research institution.



### About proposed frequent-monitoring “pilot sites” (for ICP-Waters/ICP-IM):

#### ➤ Peñalara Lake – Lozoya River: (in process)

- Monthly frequency for sampling in rivers is needed
- Some additional parameters for waters, air-precipitation, and soil/water chemistry
- Some additional parameters for vegetation/soil (if considered for IC-IM)
- Comply with methodologies of ICP and participate in IC exercises.

#### ➤ Sanabria Lake – Tera River: (in project)

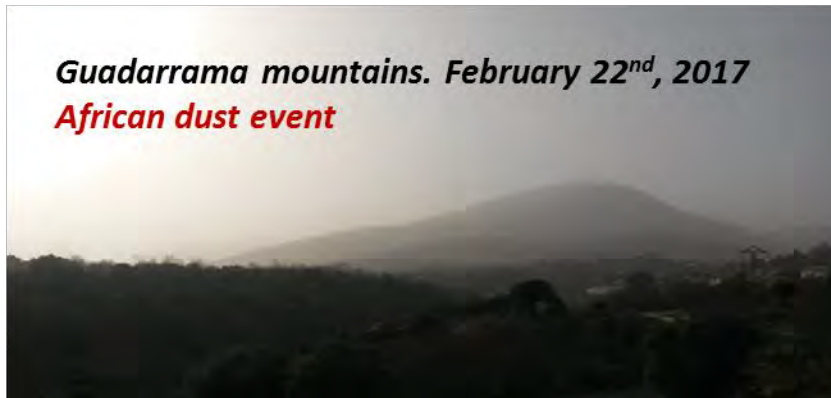
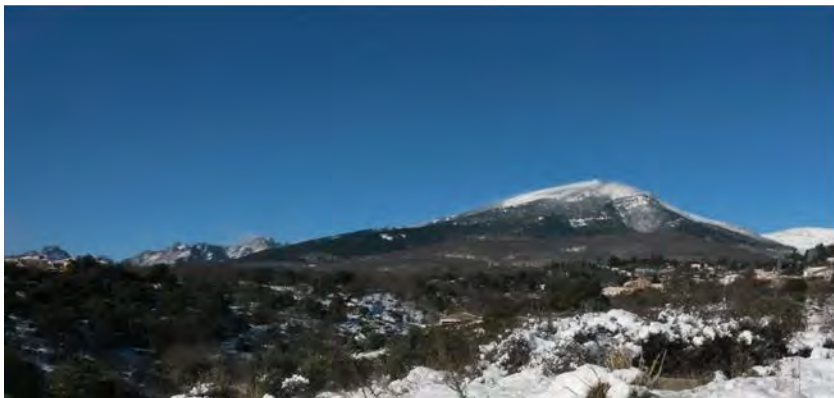
- Institutional agreement for funding continuous monitoring is needed
- Some additional parameters for waters, air-precipitation, and soil/water chemistry
- All parameters for vegetation (for ICP-IM)

#### ➤ Other possible sites from LTER (eg. Aigüestortes NP) (it needs an agreement)



## Some additional ideas to be considered...

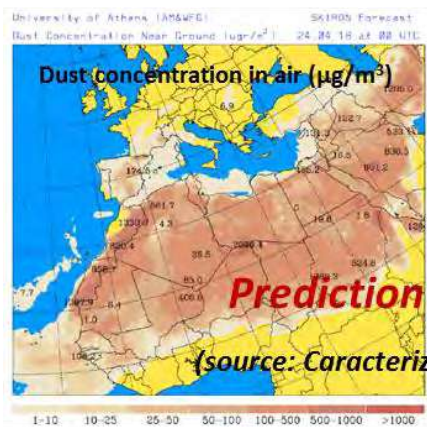
Relevance of atmospheric input of phosphorus as eutrophying substance in Iberian Peninsula (SW Europe)



**Guadarrama mountains. February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017**  
**African dust event**

**African dust can be a significant source for alkalinity, base cations, nitrogen... and phosphorus:**

- Avila & Alarcon\_2003\_Precipitation chemistry at a rural Mediterranean site. J.Geophys.Res.
- Camarero & Catalan\_2012\_Atmospheric phosphorus deposition may cause lakes to revert from P limitation back to N limitation. Nature Comm.
- Izquierdo\_etal\_2012\_Atmospheric P deposition in a near-coastal rural site in NE Iberian Peninsula. Atm.Env.
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- Jiménez etal\_2018\_Climate change and Saharan dust drive recent cladoceran and primary production changes in remote alpine lakes of Sierra Nevada, Spain. Glob.Chang.Biol.



**Prediction of African dust event for April 24<sup>nd</sup>, 2018**

(source: Caracterización de la Contaminación Atmosférica y COPS CIEMAT/CIEMAT)





*Thank you!*

*Questions?*

*Lake Sanabria*



# Biological intercalibration: Invertebrates 2017





# Objectives

- **The biological intercalibration should promote international harmonisation of monitoring practices**
- **An important tool in this work is an inter-laboratory quality assurance test**
- **The bias between analyses carried out by the individual participants of the ICP Waters Programme should be identified and controlled**

# Objectives

- **Evaluate the quality of the taxonomic work on the biological material delivered to the Programme centre**
- **Harmonise the biological database**
- **Maintain and improve the taxonomic skill of the participating laboratories**

# Methods

- **Two test samples of invertebrates is composed by the programme subcentre and sent to participating laboratories**
- **The results are controlled and evaluated by the Programme subcentre**
- **Feedback is given directly to the individual laboratory and in reports**

# The test samples

- **Made of material sent from each participating laboratory**
- **Material added by the subcentre**

**It is important to use animals from the home region of each laboratory**



# The test samples

**An example:**

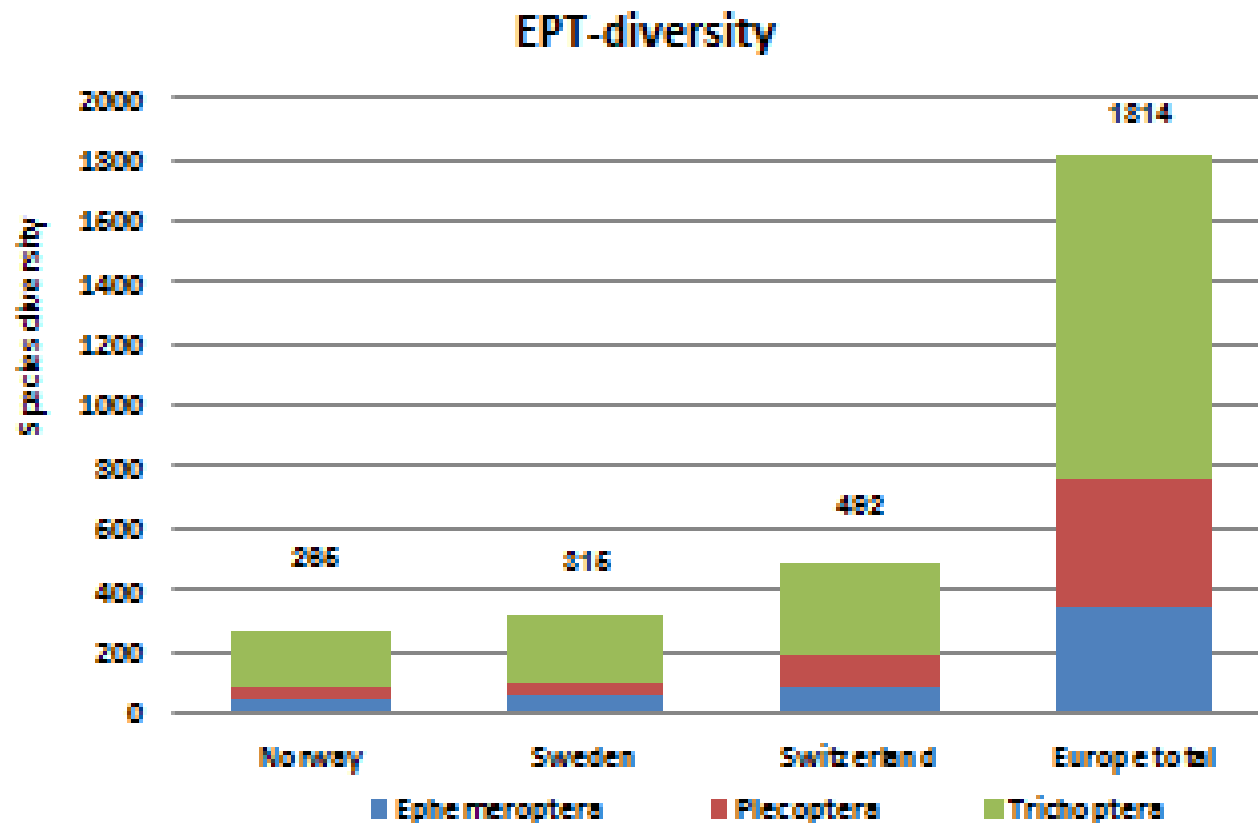
**The test samples to Switzerland 2015 was composed of material from: Switzerland, Norway and Sweden**

**Fauna Europea is used to control the geographical relevance of the test material**



<http://www.faunaeur.org/>

## Total number of species within the insect orders Ephemeroptera, Plecoptera and Trichoptera in Norway, Sweden and Switzerland



Source: Fauna Europaea

# The Quality index (Qi)

The index is based on the identification of individuals to correct species, genus and the % identified:

$$Q_i = \% \text{ correct species}/10 * \% \text{ correct genus}/10 * \\ \% \text{ identified individuals}/100$$

Qi will be a number between 0 and 100. It will decrease exponentially by faults made on genus level and by low % identified

A Qi above 80 is regarded as good taxonomic work

# Biological intercalibration 2017

- The report was published in the autumn





# Results

The results will be presented separately for:

- **Mayflies (Ephemeroptera)**



- **Stoneflies (Plecoptera)**



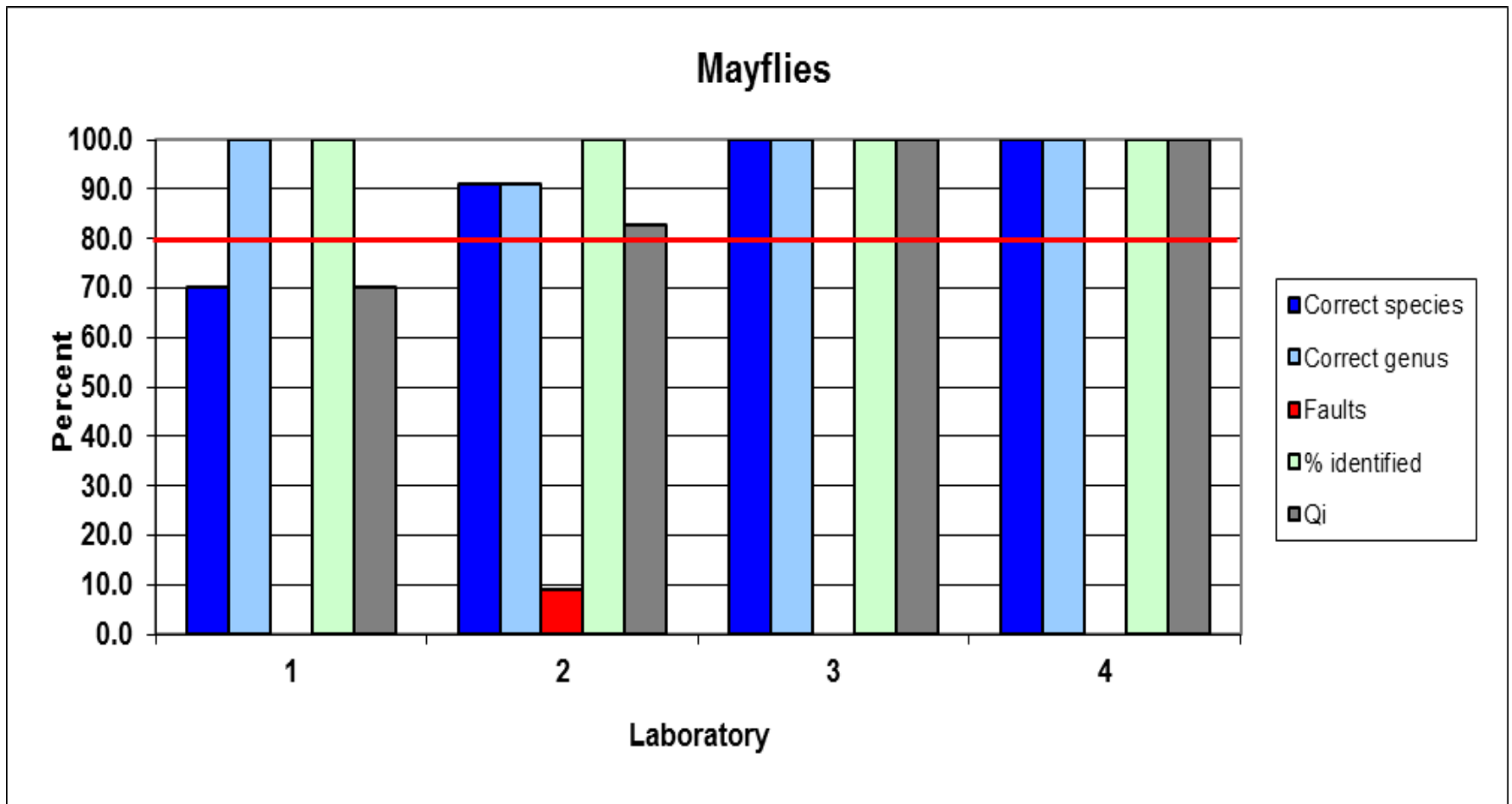
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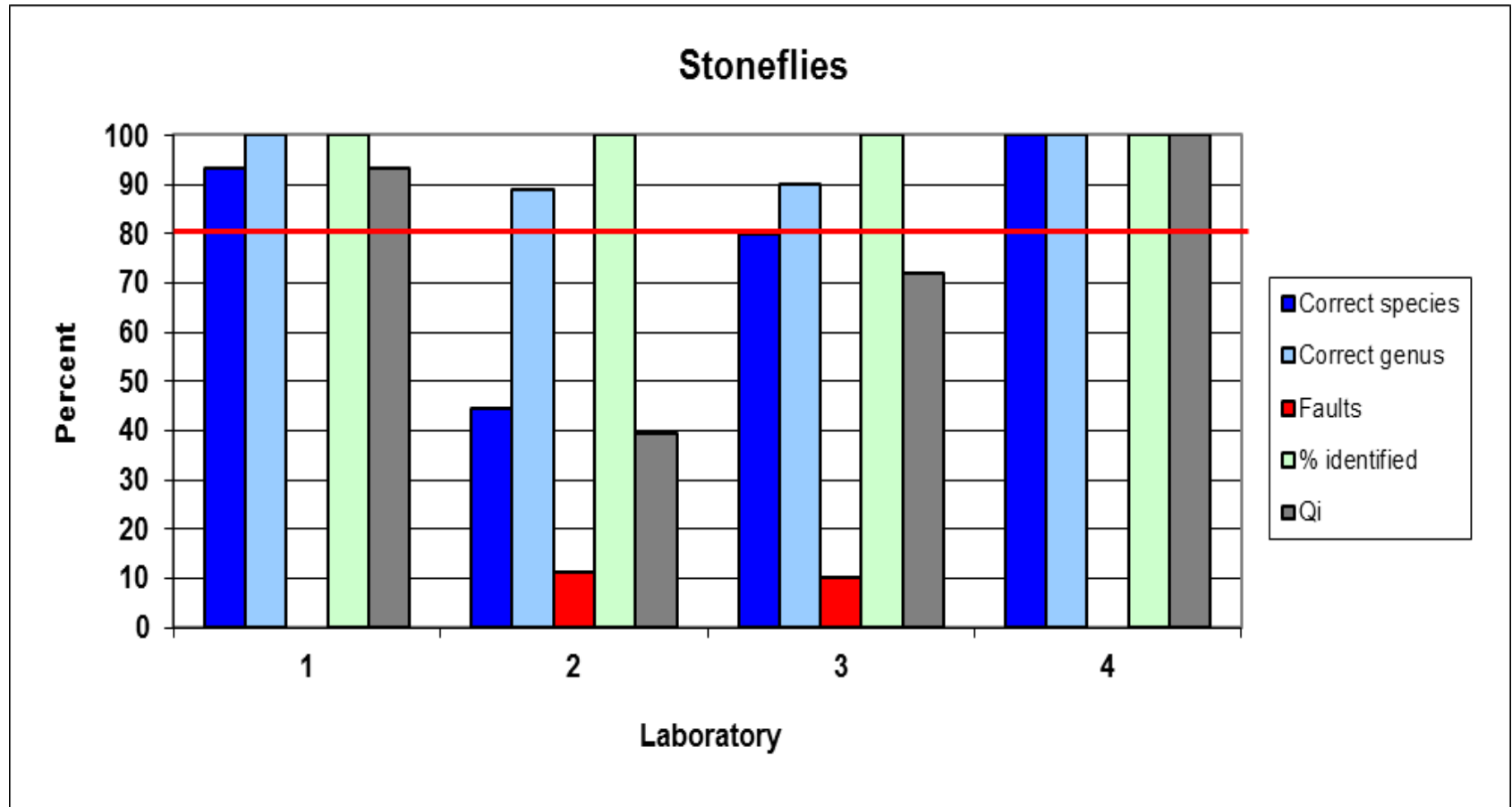
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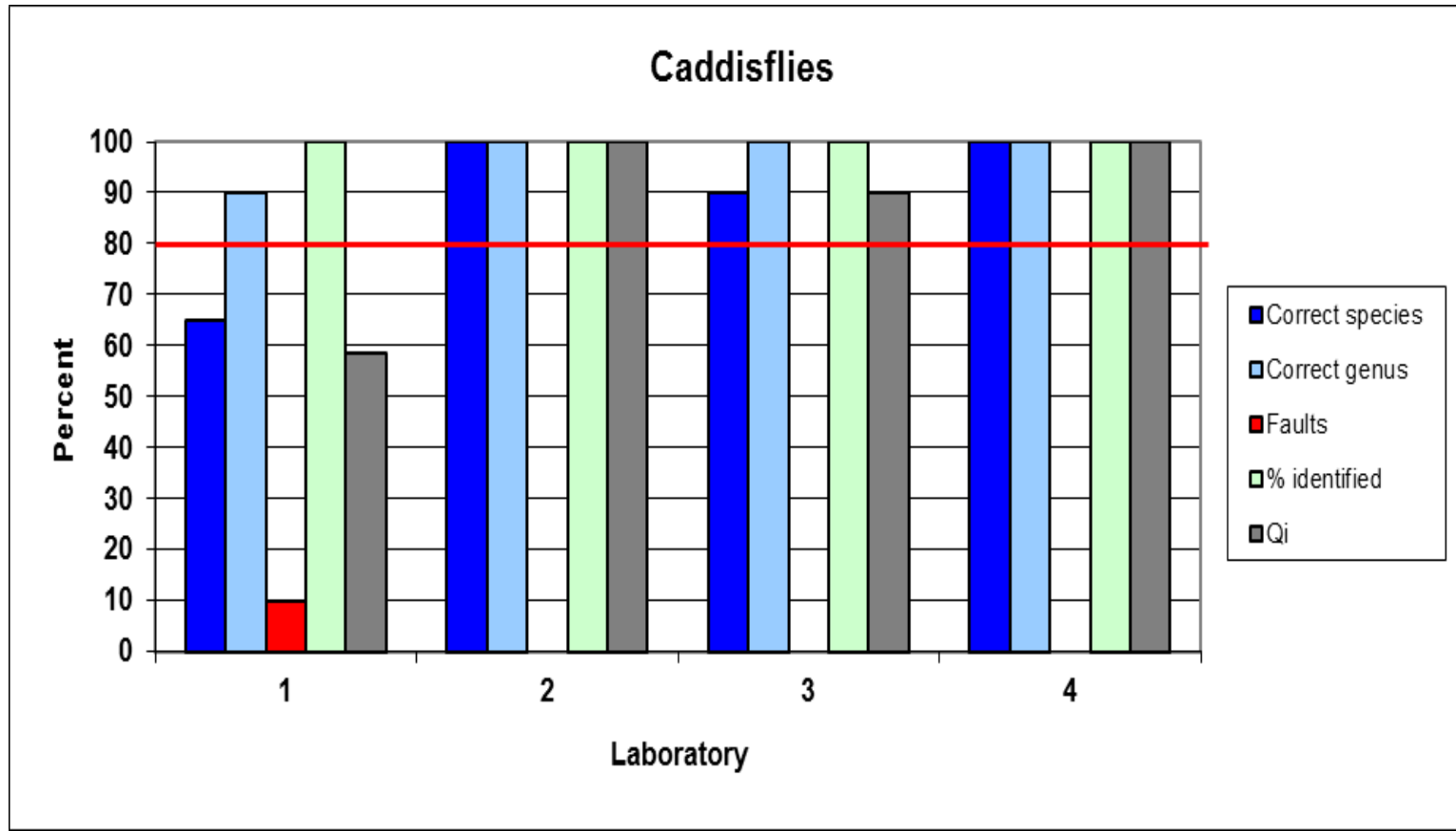
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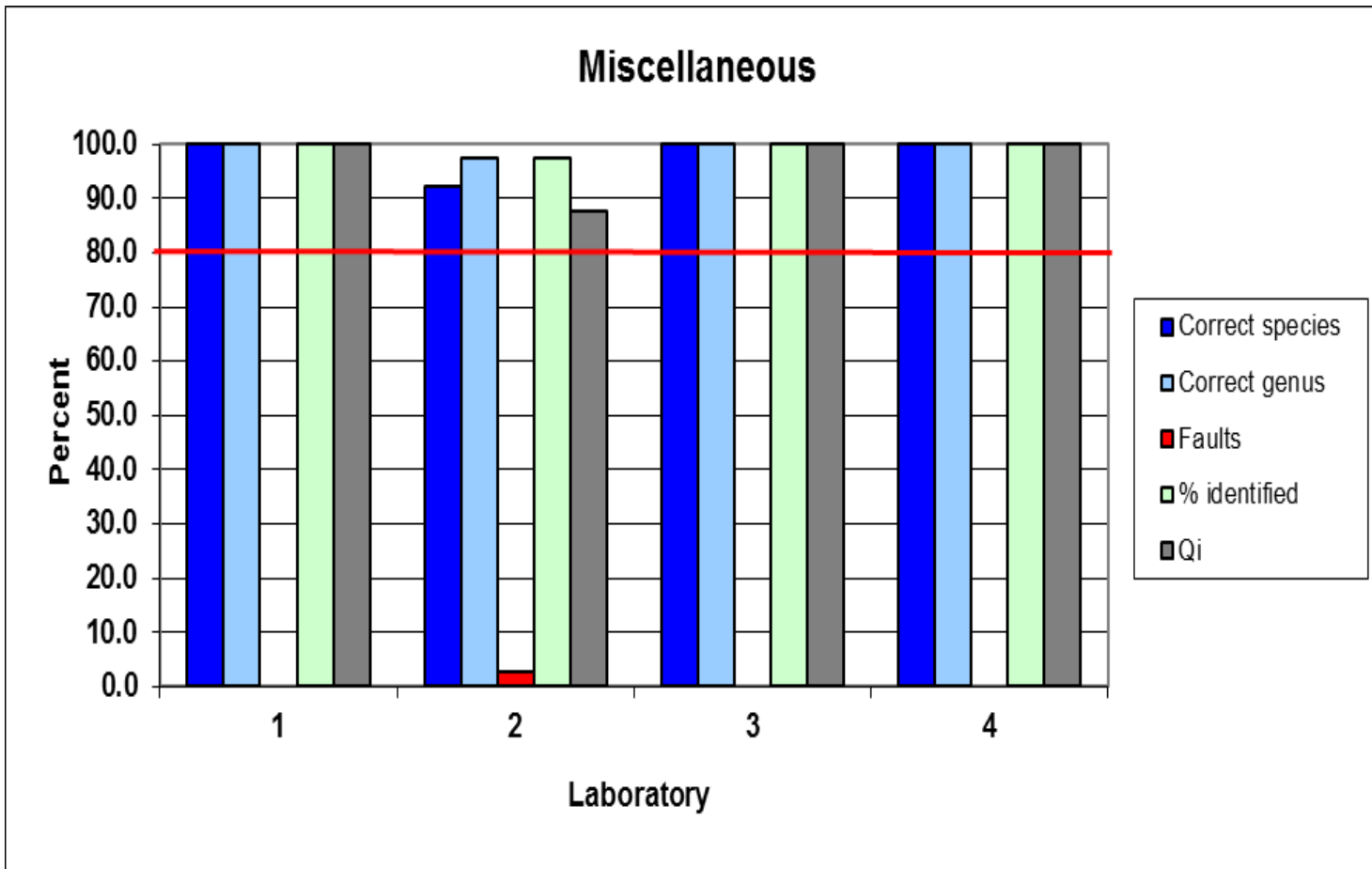


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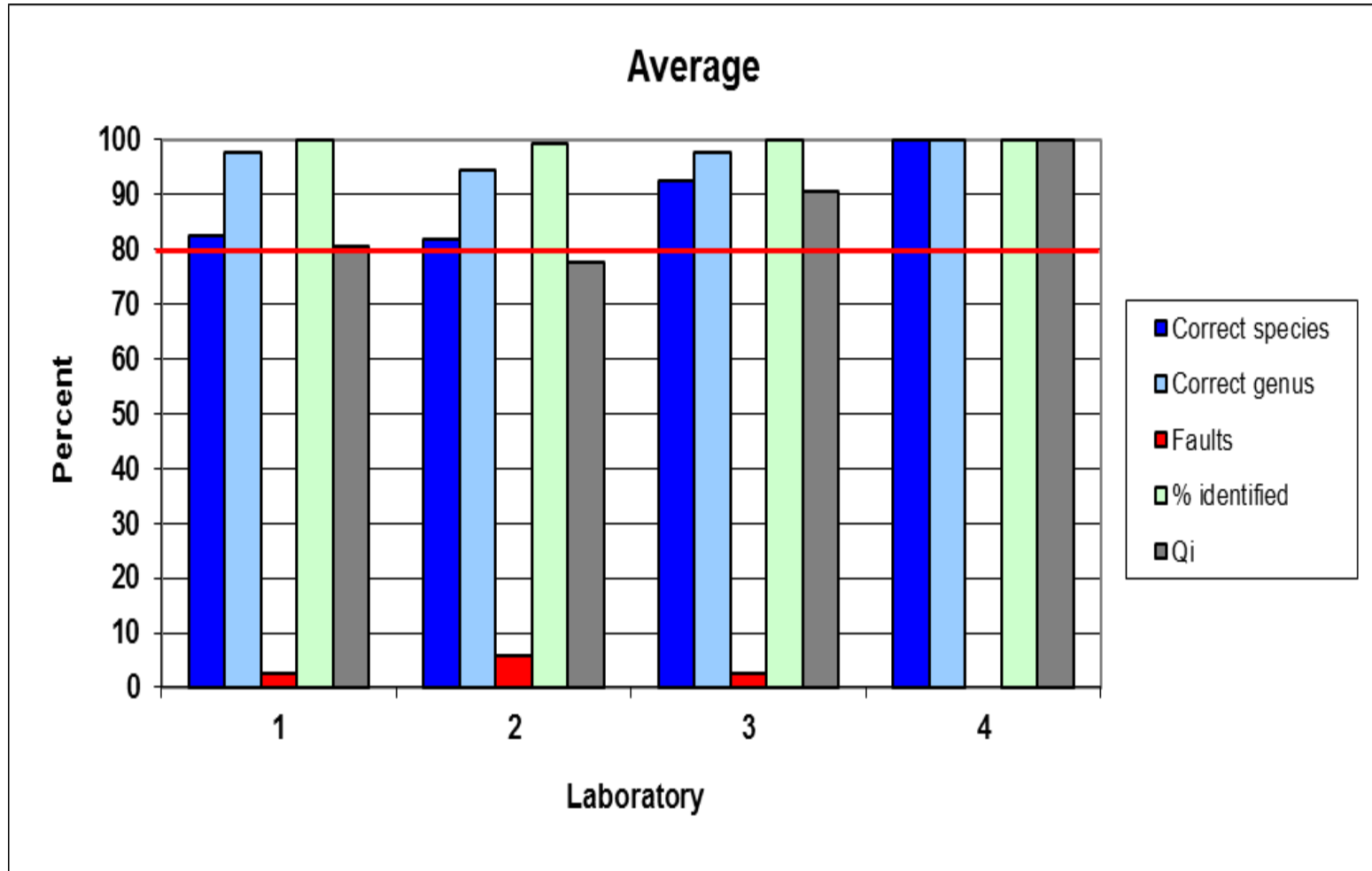




# Other groups



# Average skill



# Conclusions

- Four laboratories participated in the biological intercalibration in 2017
- The average Quality index (Qi) was excellent for two laboratories. Laboratory 4 had all correct, and Laboratory 3 had a Qi of over 90, well above the limit for good taxonomic work

# Conclusions

- Laboratory 1 had an index value just over 80, indicating acceptable taxonomic work
- Laboratory 2 had an index value just below 80, indicating not acceptable taxonomic work
- This last result is caused by the stoneflies being correctly identified to genus only, and emphasizes the importance of trying to identify the EPT groups down to species level



# Biological intercalibration 2017

## Participants

- Sweden, Estonia, Germany, Switzerland

## Planned participants 2018

- Norway, Sweden, Czech Republic, Ireland, Estonia and Latvia

# Intercomparison 1731

pH, conductivity, alkalinity, total phosphorous, nitrate, TOC, major ions and trace metals

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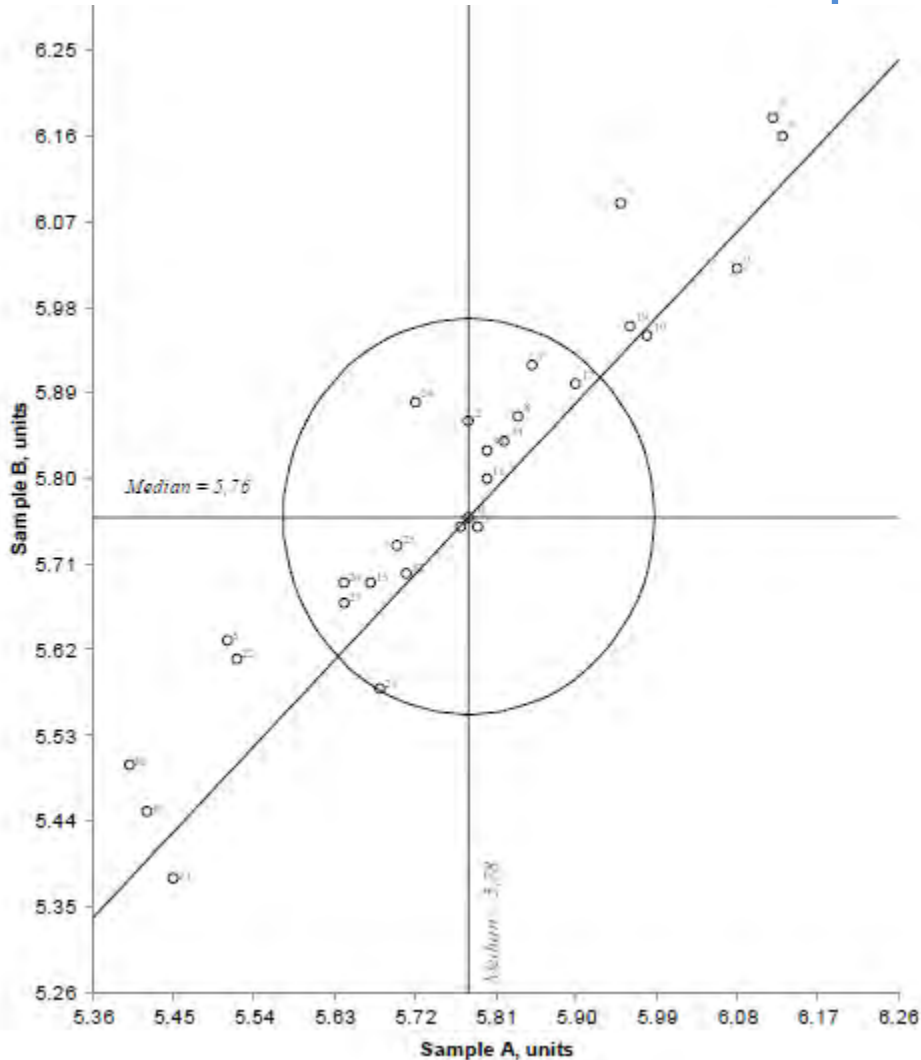
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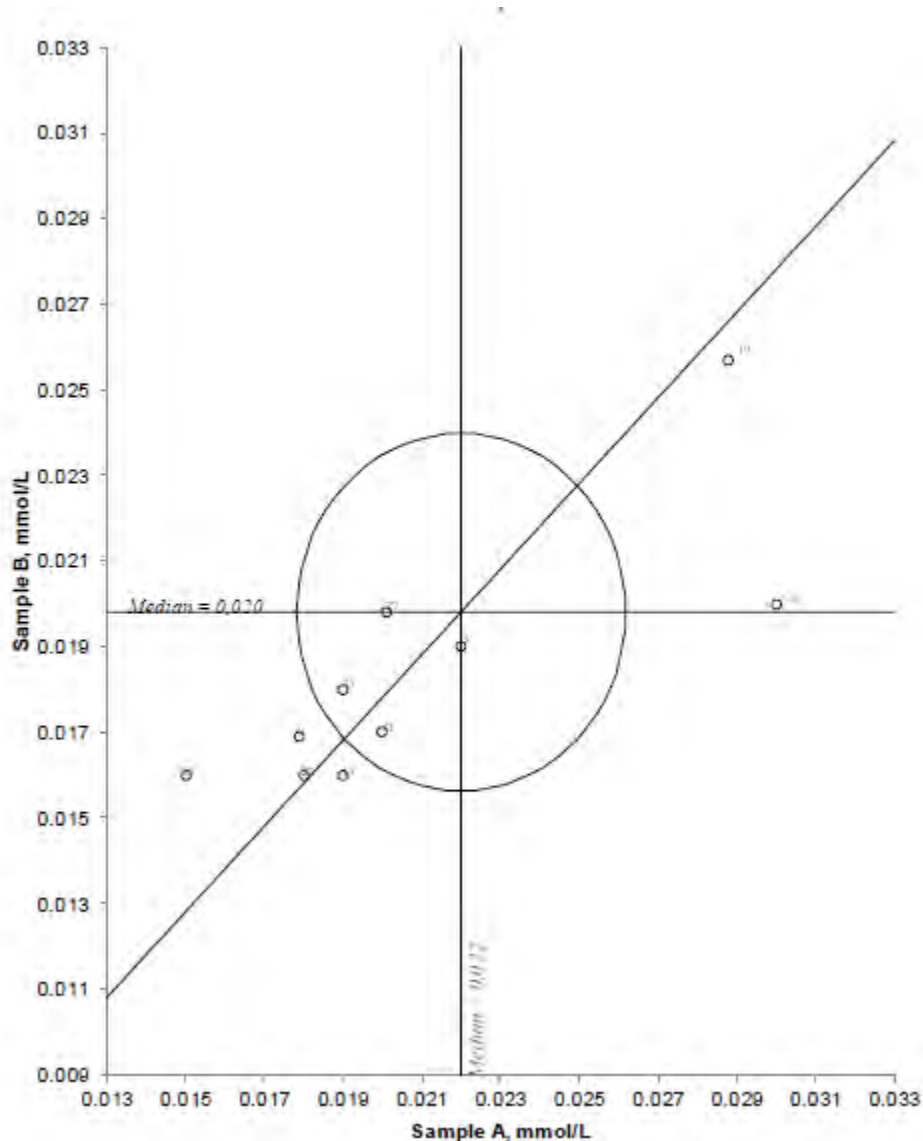


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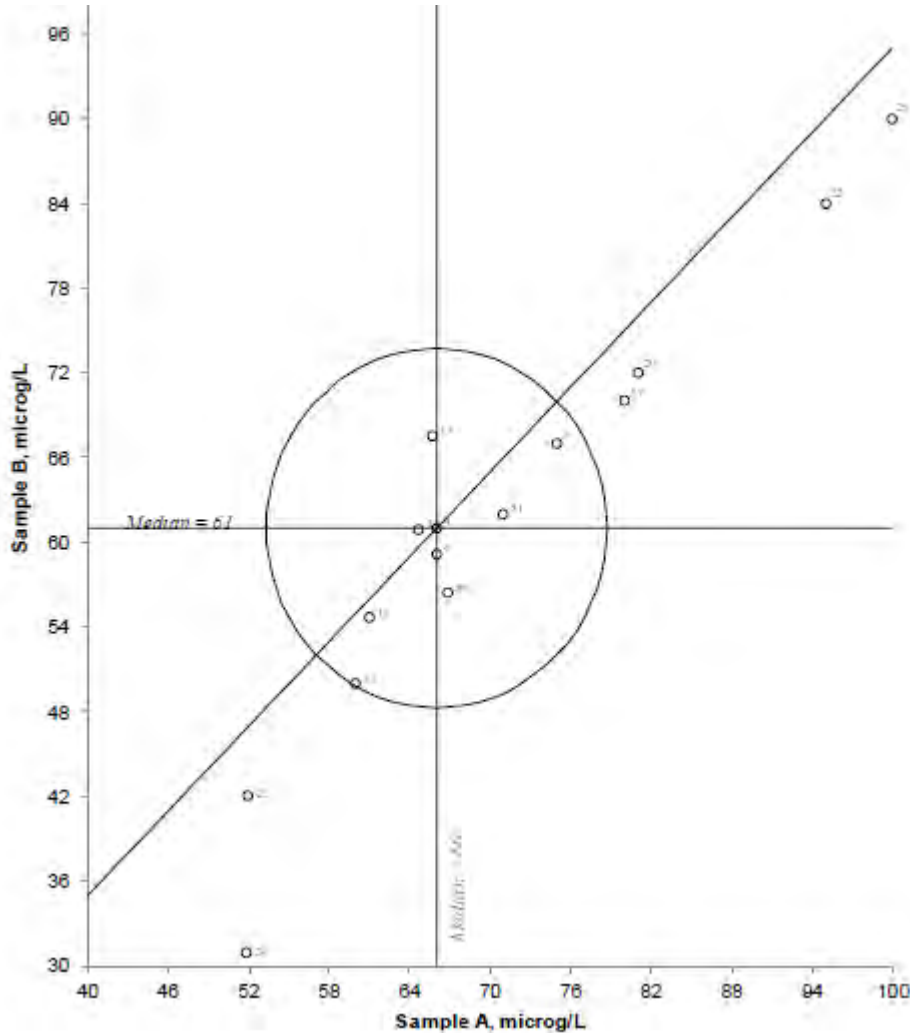
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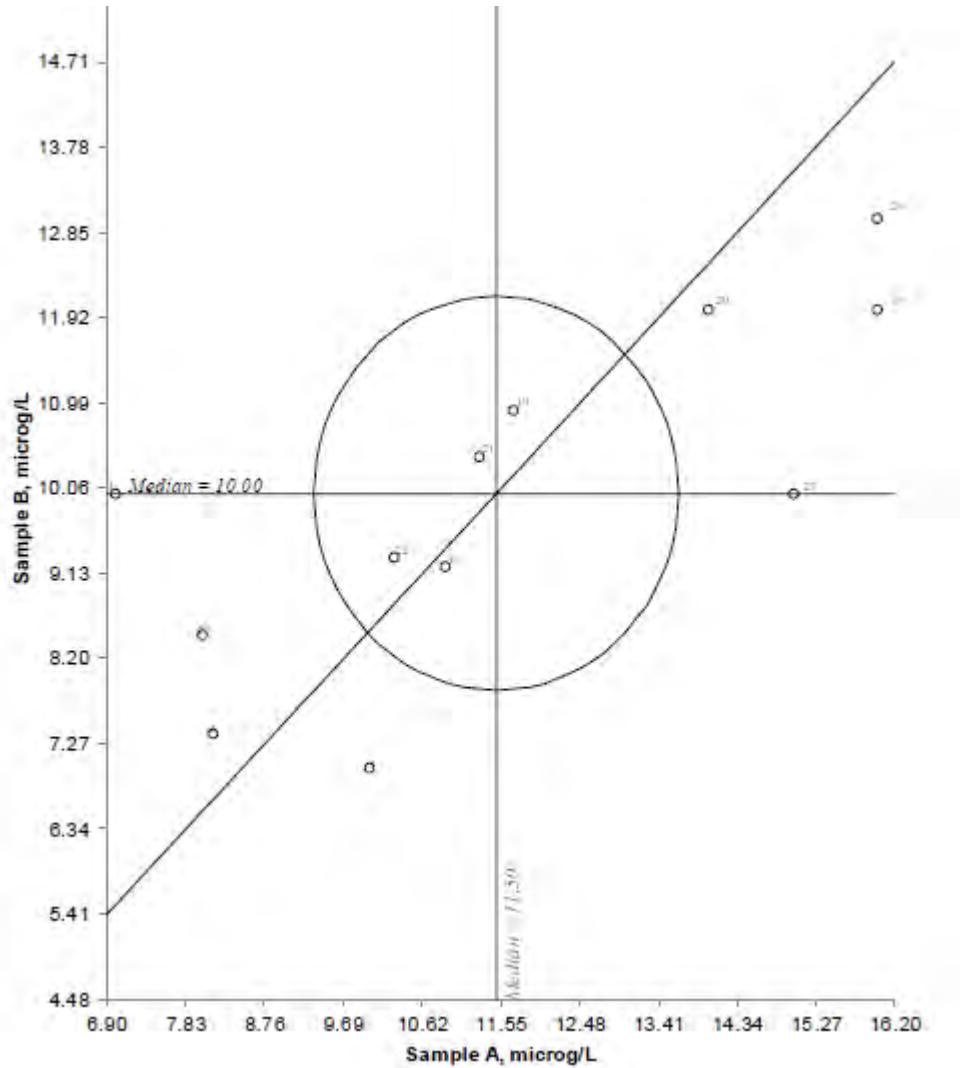
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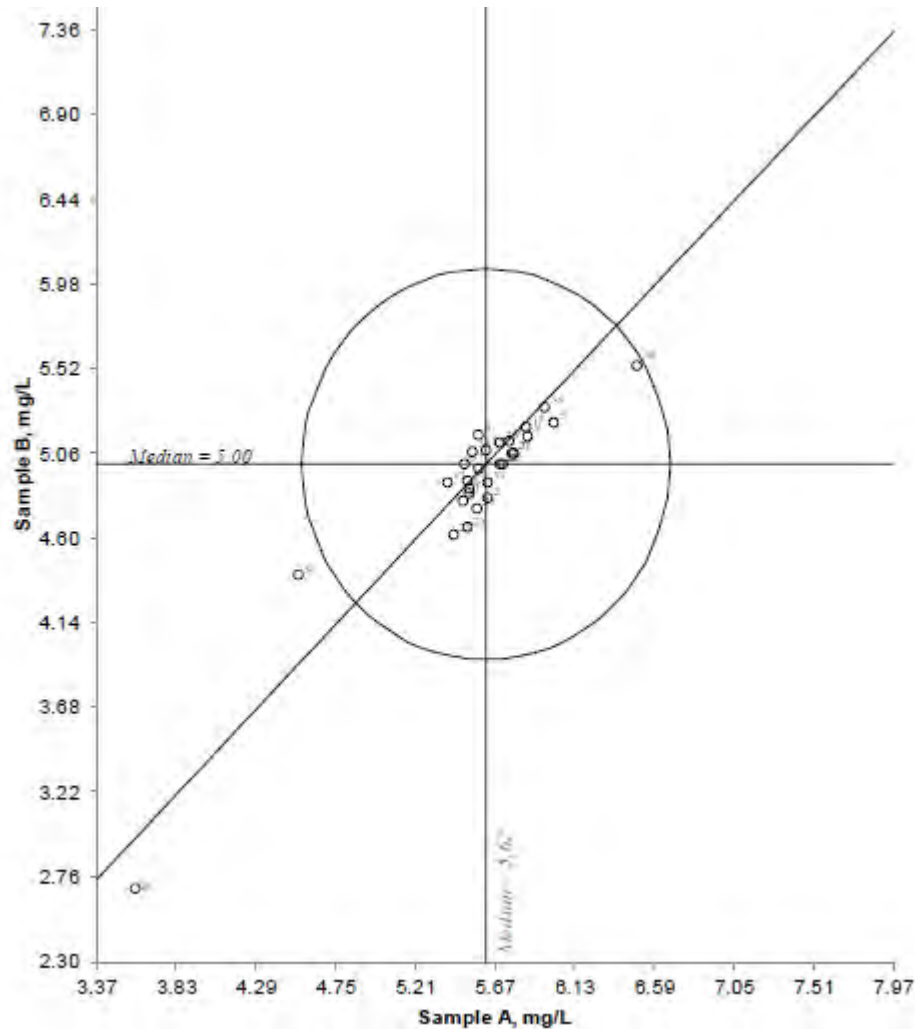


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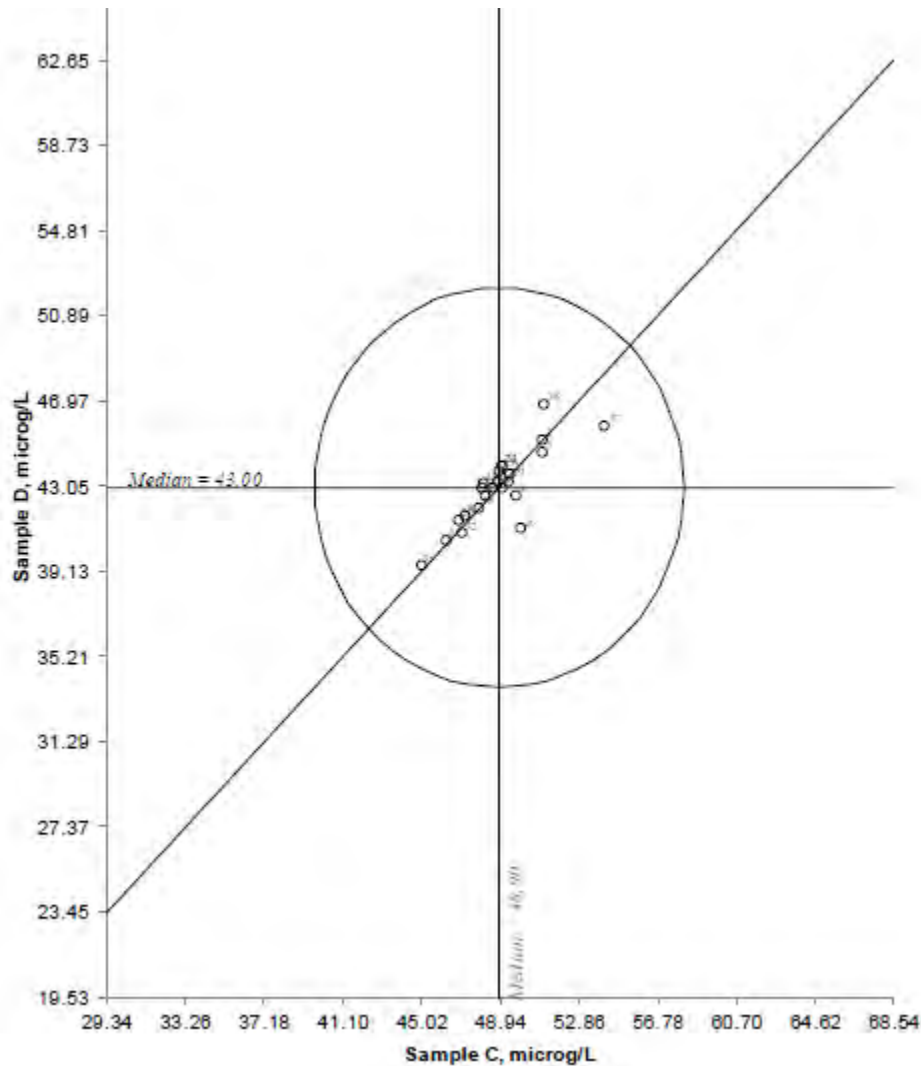


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- 90 % of results were acceptable
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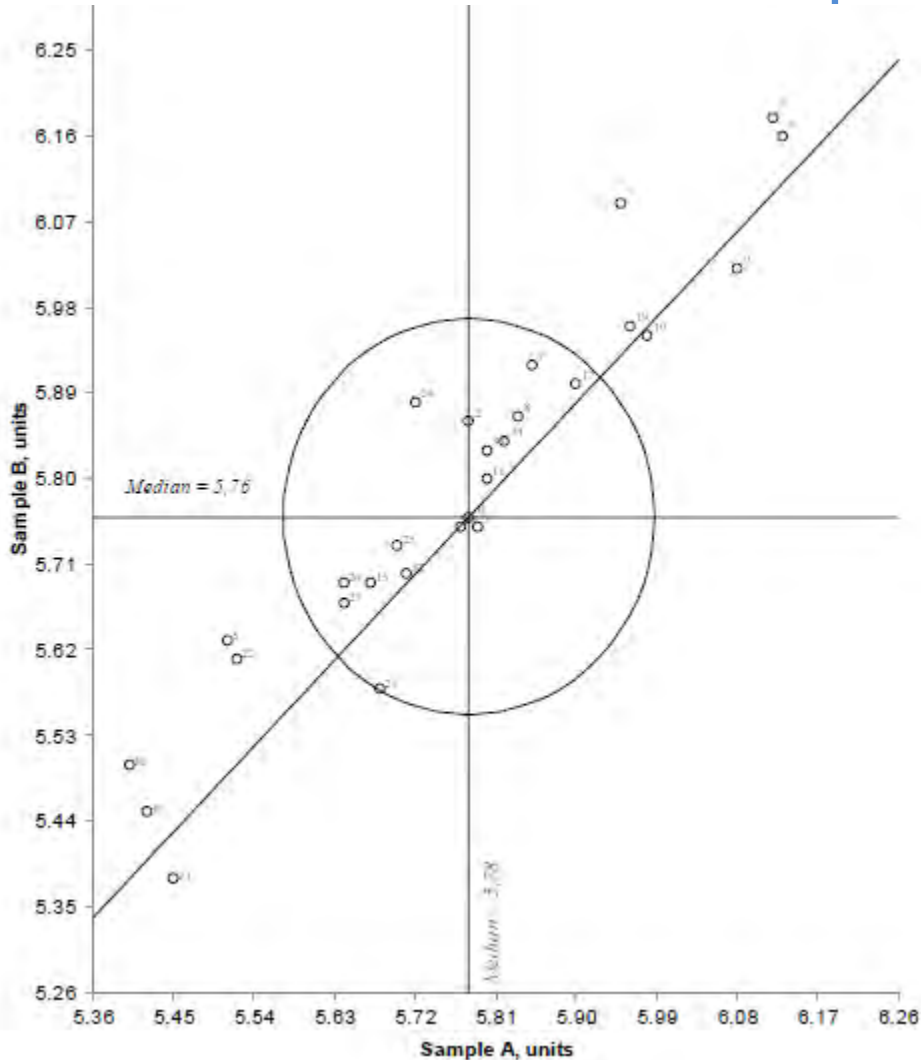
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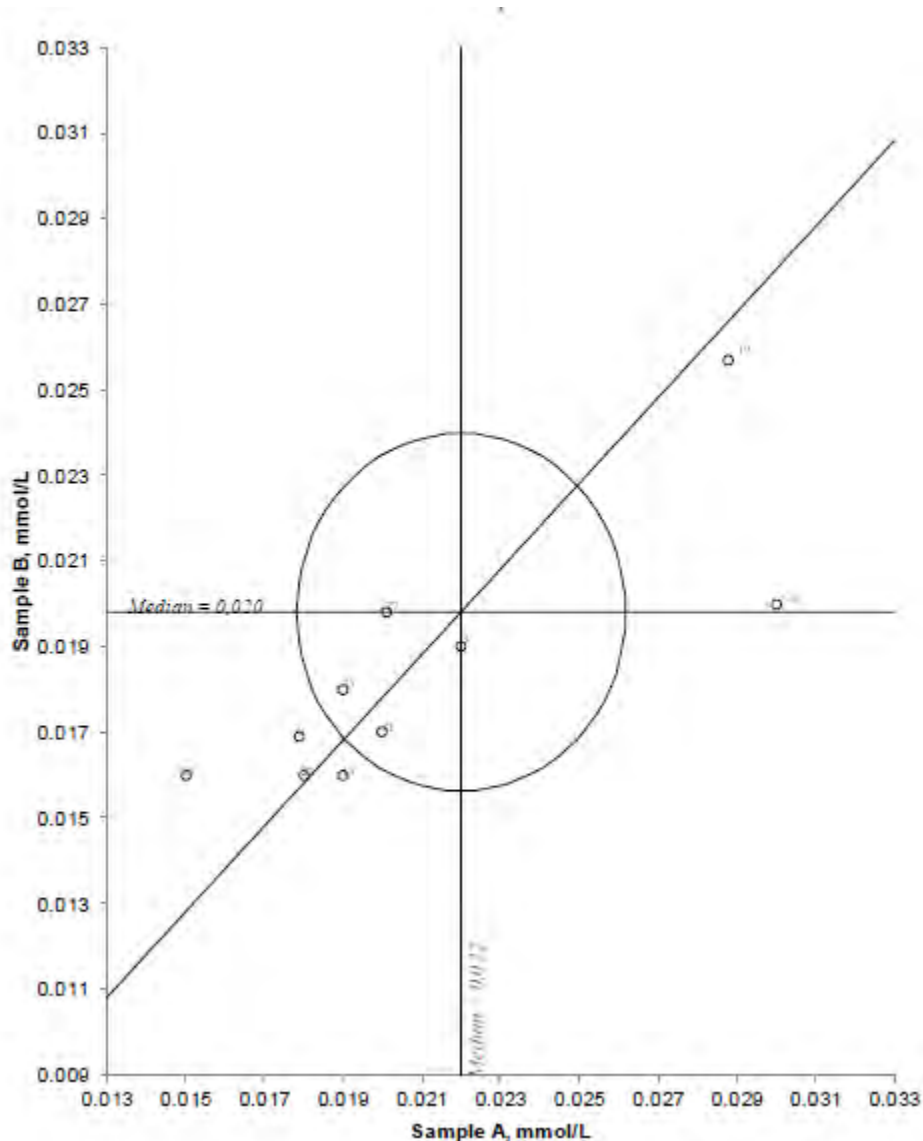
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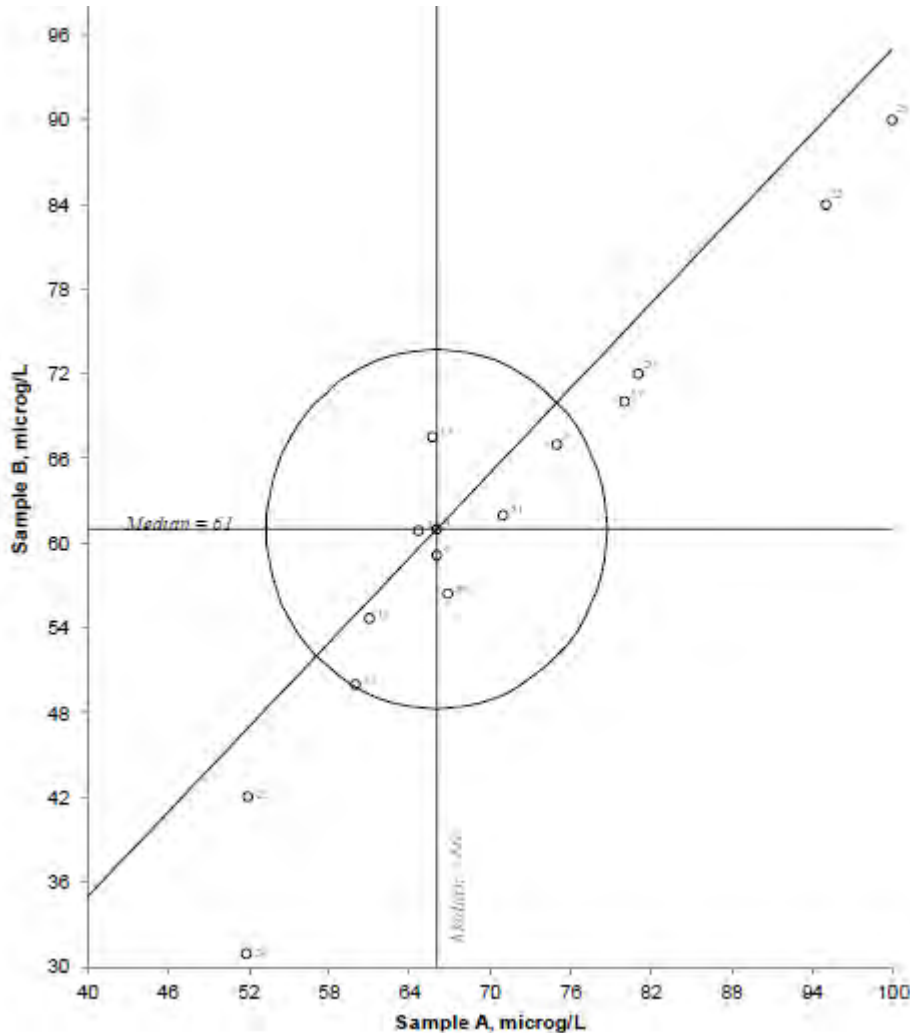
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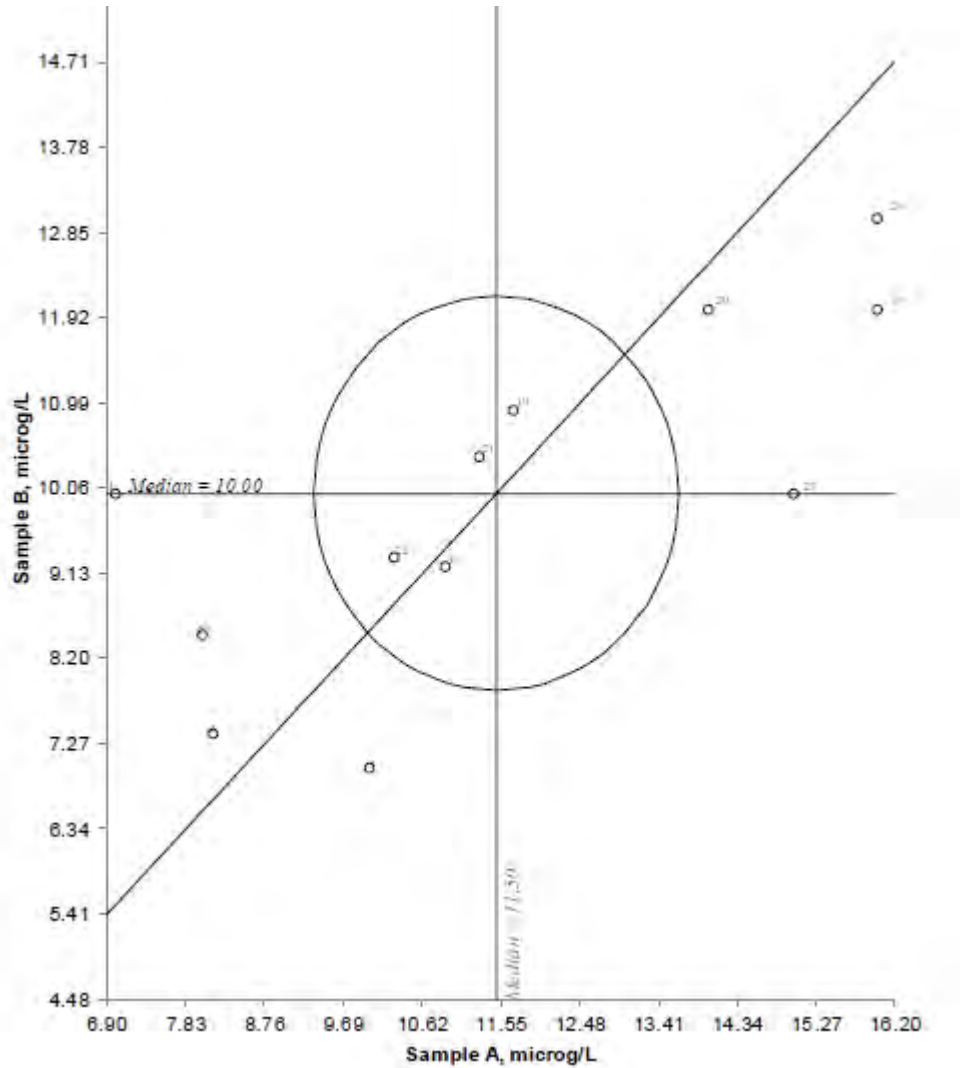
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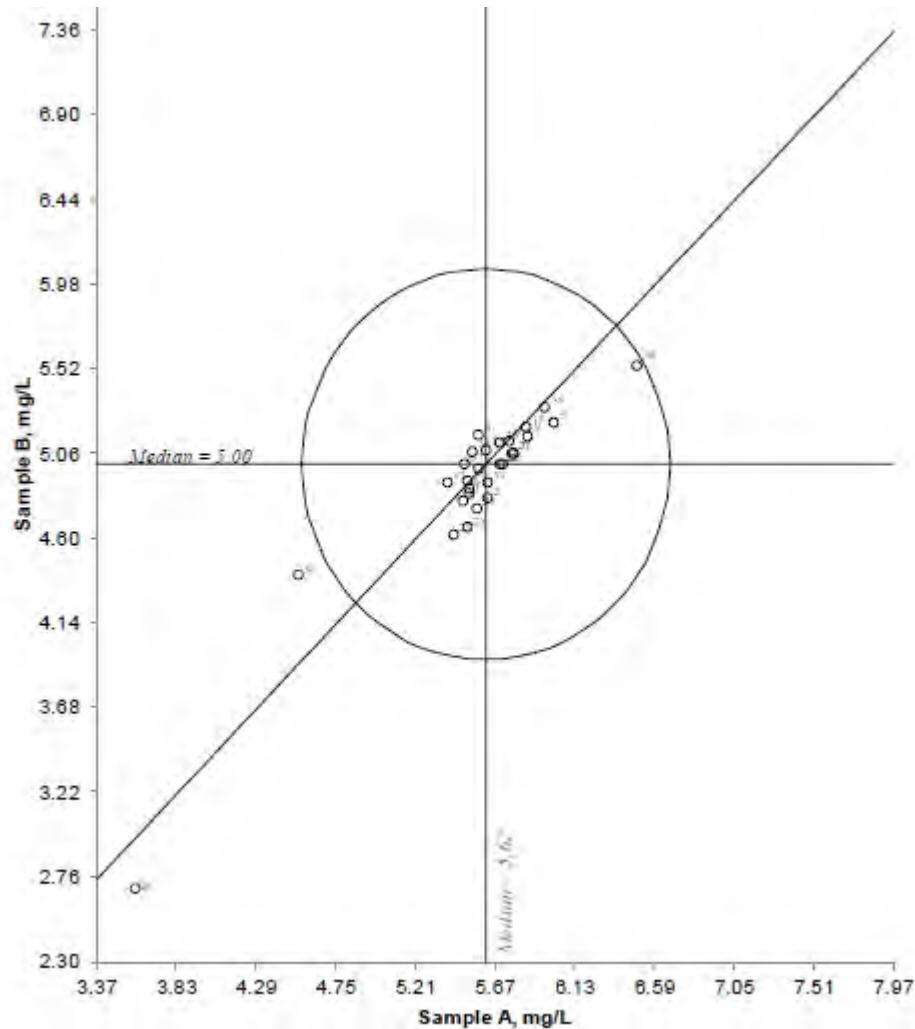
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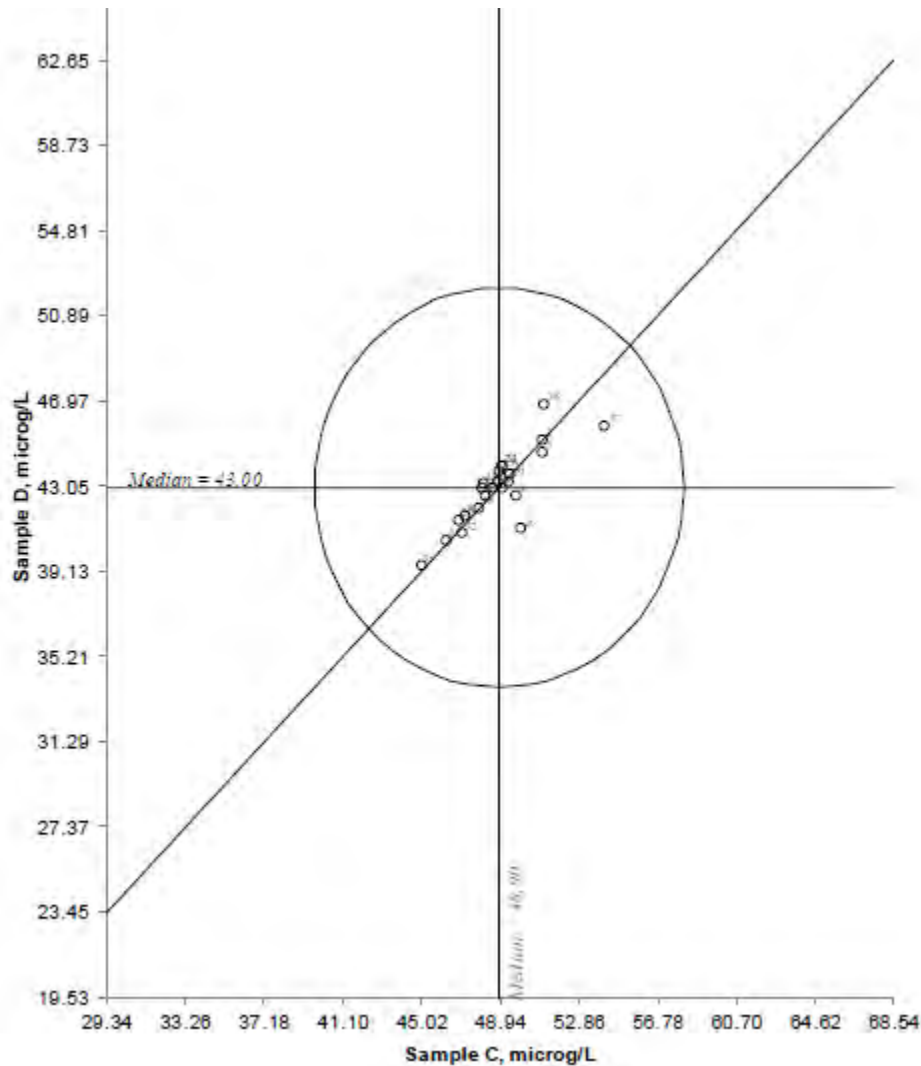


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# ICP IM

## Future plans

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# ICP IM draft work plan 2018-19

## 1. Reoccurring standard activities

Activity	Time frame	Responsible
<b>ICP IM Task Force meeting 2019</b>	tbd	IM chair and programme centre, NFP contributions
<b>Submission of quality controlled results for year 2017</b>	December 2018	National Focal Points
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<b>ICP IM Annual Report 2019</b>	2019	Programme Centre in collaboration with NFPs
<b>Reporting of ICP IM activities to WGE</b>	2018 and 2019	Programme Centre and Chair

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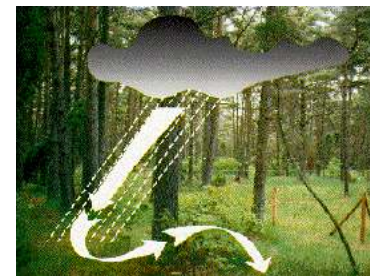
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Activity	Time frame	Responsible
<b>Cooperation with other ICPs, particularly regarding dynamic modelling (all ICPs), cause-effect relationships in terrestrial systems (ICP Forests, ICP Vegetation), and surface waters (ICP Waters).</b>	Tbd. TF meeting	According to decisions at the TF meeting
<b>Cooperation with external organisations (International Long Term Ecological Research Network ILTER, GEO BON). Progress reports.</b>	2019	Programme Centre and NFPs, eLTER EU-project activities
<b>Develop concepts for multi pollutant – multi effect relationships (NO<sub>x</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, acidity, heavy metals, POPs, etc). Progress reports/contributions to Annual Report OR presentations in Workshop</b>	2019	Voluntary activities at National Focal Points
<b>Report on dynamic modelling on the impacts of deposition and climate change scenarios on ground vegetation</b>	2019	Programme Centre and NFPs of Austria and Sweden

# ICP IM draft work plan 2018-19

## 3. Scientific papers

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# Scientific Strategy ICP IM



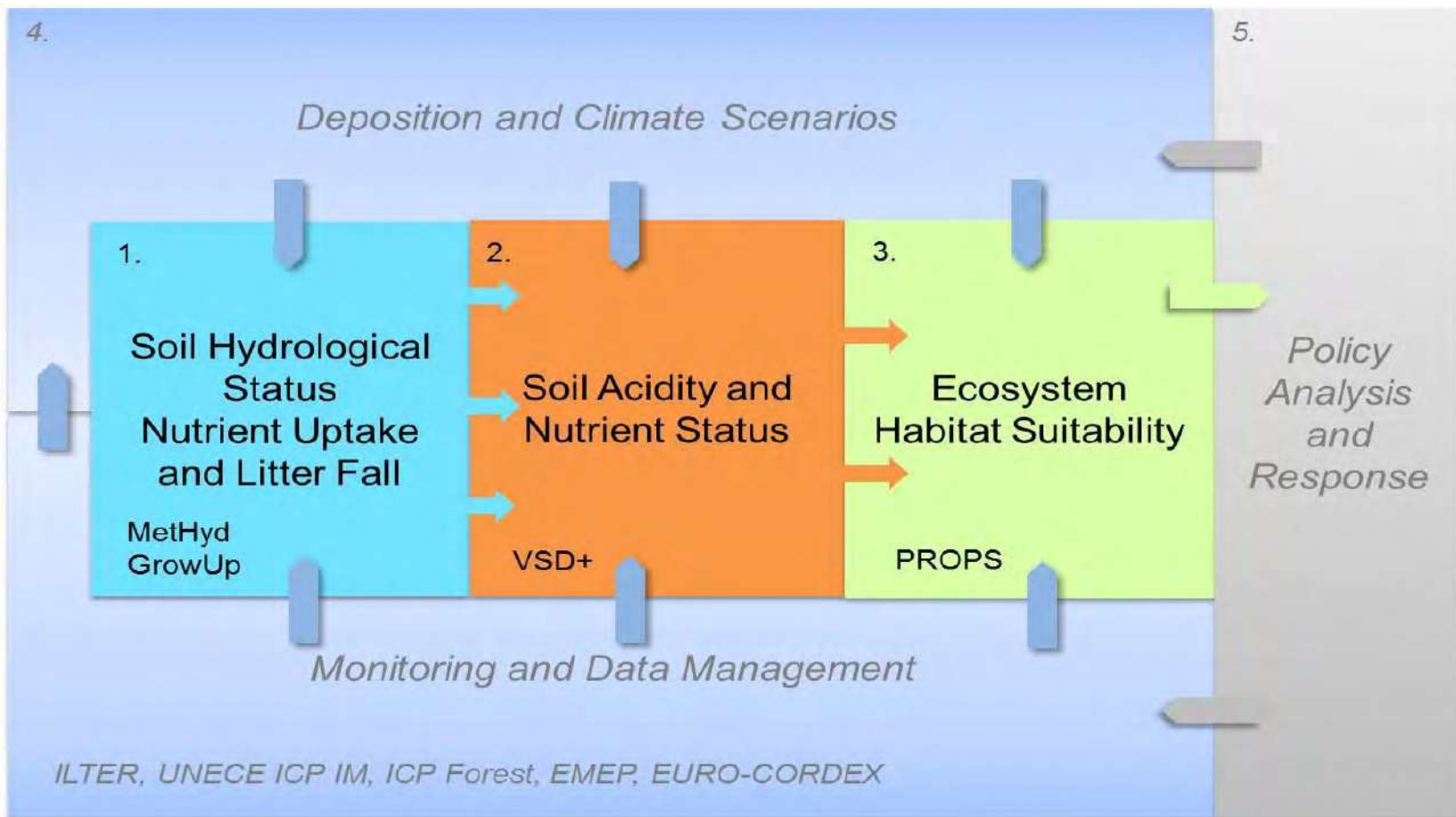
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Highlights of proposed updates to the long-term  
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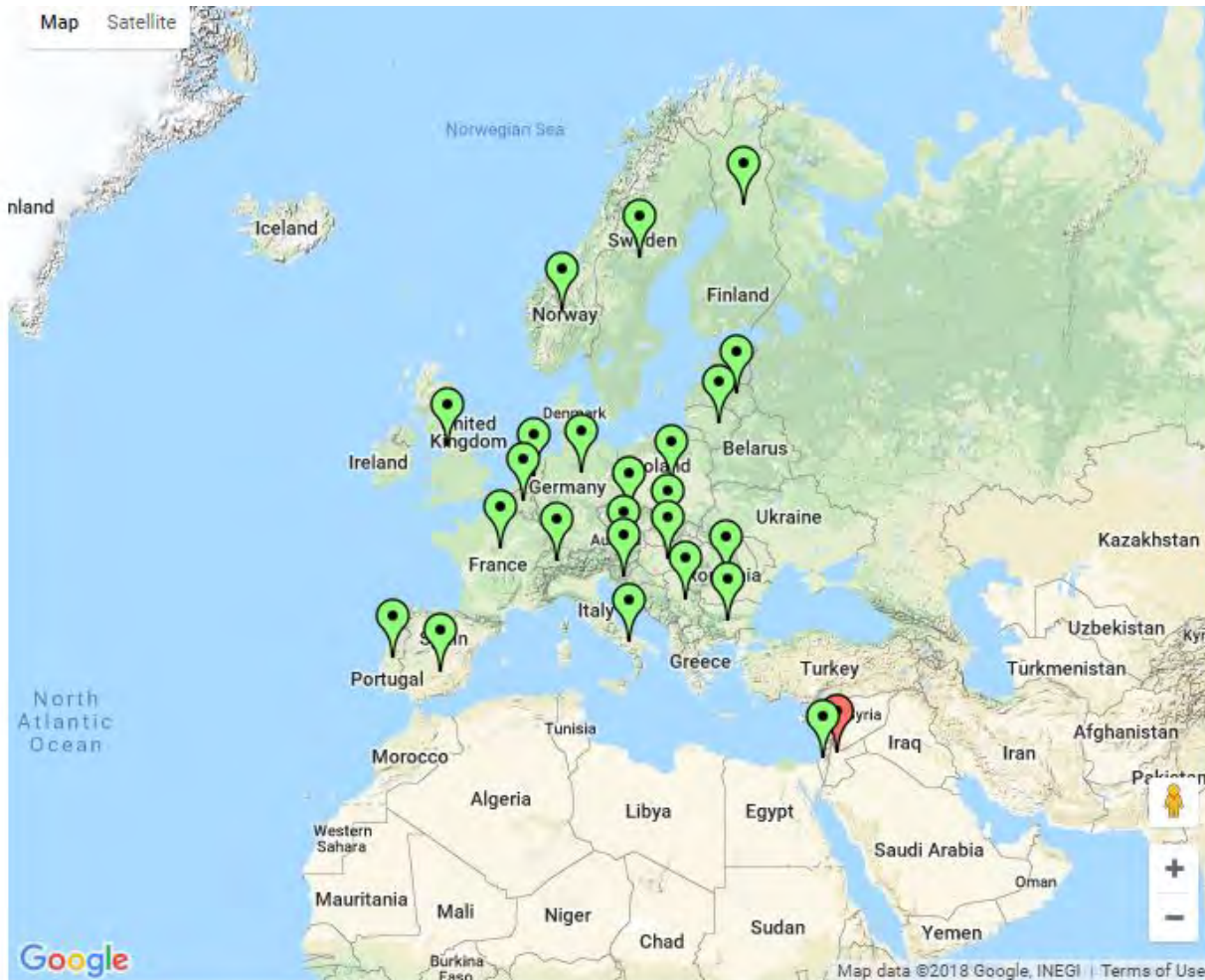


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# most IM sites part of the LTER network





# The Svartberget Catchment



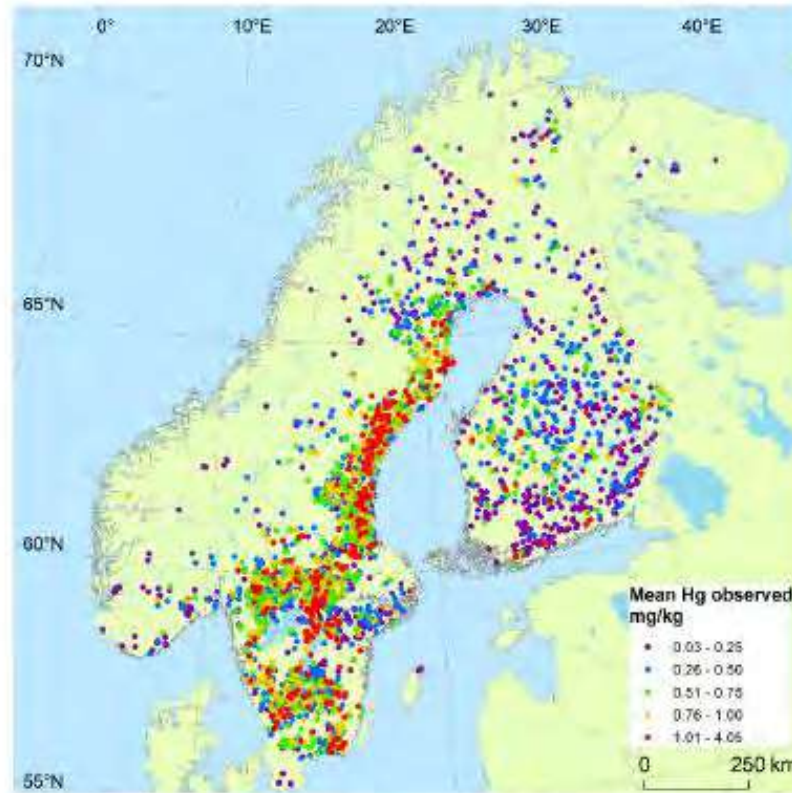
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# ICP IM provided expertise and handbook

**Ecosystem monitoring under Article 9 and Annex V of Directive 2016/2284  
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**Draft Guidance**

# ICP IM and Waters provided data for Minimata convention



**Figure 12** Median observed fish Hg concentrations per lake in the complete data set (1965-2015). Measurements are grouped based on concentration levels and include all the five main fish species, Arctic charr, brown trout, perch, pike and roach.



- 1. Opening of the 26<sup>th</sup> ICP IM Task Force**
- 2. Approval of the agenda**
- 3. Approval of minutes from 25<sup>th</sup> IM TF**





## 4: Activities during 2017/18

- **IM represented at 11 international meetings**
- **PC contributed to 2017 Joint WGE report**
- **2 scientific papers**
- **Contribution to joint report on Hg**
- **IM participated in a joint coordinated exercise on dynamic modelling together with other ICPs**



## 5: Work plan and future work priorities

- a) Reports to be prepared /finalized in 2018/19
- b) Co-operation with other ICP:s and organisations: e.g. LTER-Europe
- c) Ongoing and future research projects and cooperation
- d) **General discussion:** Future work under the Convention (Salar Valinia)



## 5a. Reports to be prepared /finalized in 2018/19

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## 5b. Cooperation with other ICP:s and organisations

- The EU NEC directive
- UNECE activities
- LTER-Europe
- Participation in the European biodiversity monitoring system
  
- Initiatives from all ICP:s!





## 5c. Future projects and cooperation

The meeting is expected to discuss:

- inclusion of new tasks in the short-term or more long-term work-plan
- the role of ICP IM in relation to multi-effects evaluations and global change related topics, and how this work should be coordinated
- how IM can make further use of EMEP data



## 5d. General discussion:

### Integrated environmental policy (5,6,7)

- Continue developing the multi-effect, multi-pollutant framework
- Ozone-nitrogen-climate-biodiversity interactions
- Further science and policy work is needed
- Communicate and cooperate with climate, biodiversity policies

# Comparing WP and LTS

## *PRG recommendations*

- Airborne effects of HMs and POPs, taking into account work under related global conventions (4)
- Empirical ecosystem **research on dose-response** functions for ozone and nitrogen (6)
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- Scientific paper on dynamic modelling on the impacts of future deposition scenarios on soil and water conditions in ICP IM catchments.
- 2019:
- Report on dynamic modelling on the impacts of deposition and climate change scenarios on ground vegetation.
- Scientific paper on the relationship between critical load exceedance and empirical ecosystem impact indicators

# Discussion

- Does we fulfil the recommendations from the PRG?
- Any ideas on relevant topics to put in our WP?
- Any ideas for cooperation with other ICP to adress issues related to biodiversity etc?





## 6. Financing/external applications

- Financed via national contributions and the Trust Fund.
- Some key actions of the EU Horizon 2020 framework programme are open for research proposals.
- The NFPs may report on any progress in this field.



## 7. Data submission and database status

Will be reported by Sirpa Klemola



## 8. Next task Force meeting

Main issue for ICP IM Task Force is if we want to continue to have joint TF meetings with ICP Waters.

If yes, decision on location will be taken by the joint meeting



**9. Other business**

**10. End of meeting**

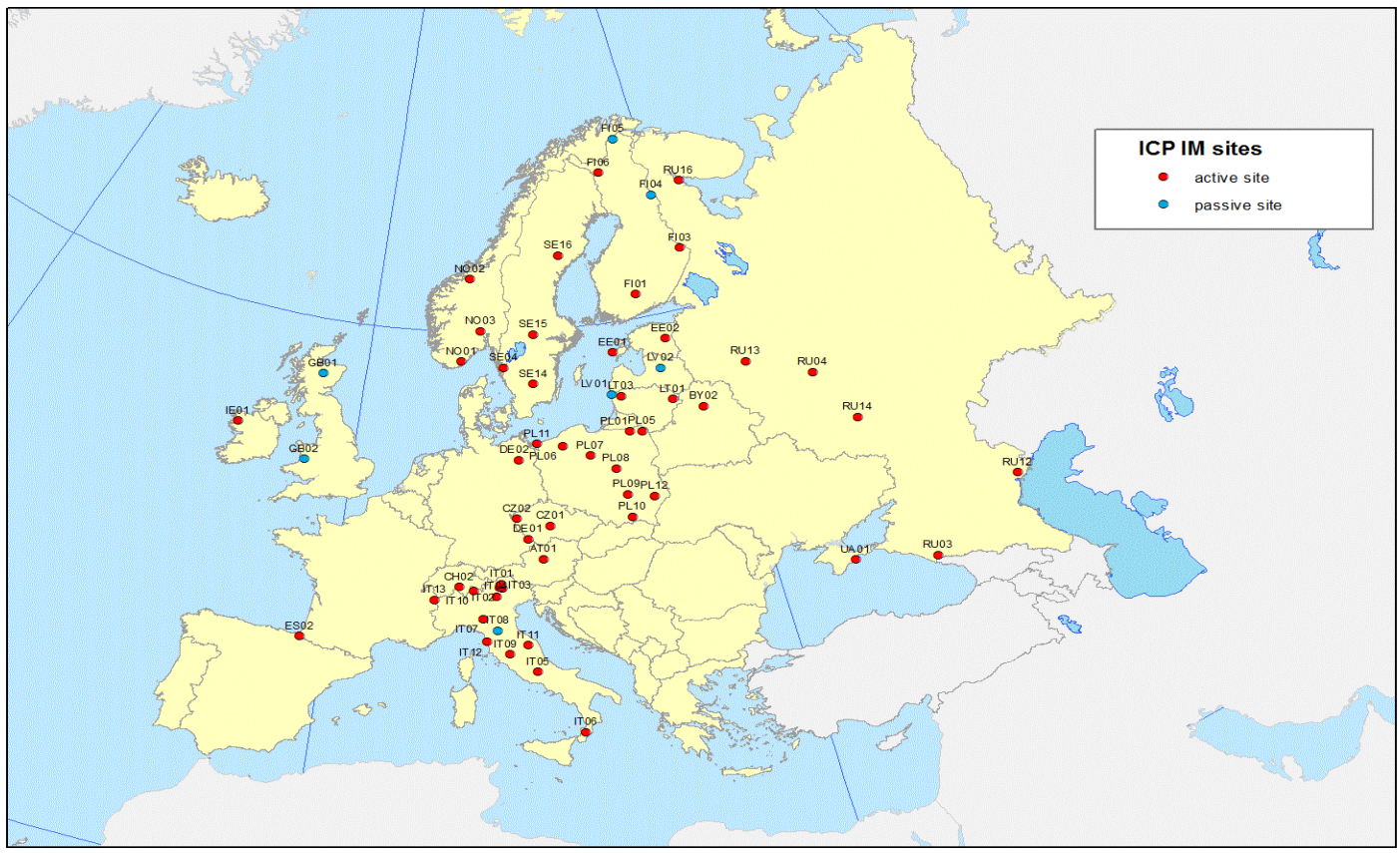
# IM data submission and database status

Sirpa Kleemola, SYKE  
ICP IM Task Force meeting  
7-9 May 2018, Warsaw, Poland



# ICP IM network

- data submission for at least part of the ‘data period’ 2012–2016: Austria, Belarus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, the Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and site on Crimean peninsula.
- Poland has included several sites to the network, part of the data is not yet stored.
- Total 44 sites from 16 countries.
  - Canada, Latvia and United Kingdom have not reported data for recent years





# Data reported in 2017/2018

## - for data year 2016

- 14 countries have reported 2016 data so far
  - Austria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, the Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland.
  - Some sites/subprogrammes missing from above mentioned countries
- For details please see Draft Annual Report 2018

# Data reporting in 2018

- Deadline 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2018 for 2017 values
- No changes in reporting formats
- Some changes to biological data reporting done in 2010, raw data, not averages, examples and reporting guidelines available
- For new Input programme data per area+subprogramme, e.g. FI01\_RW\_2017.txt or FI01\_RW\_2017.xls

Thank you for your attention!