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# Water quality in distribution: the latest developments



# Q21-project: Water quality for the 21<sup>st</sup> century



- **Ambition Dutch Water Companies Q21**
  - Preserve the customer trust in drinking water by supplying water of impeccable quality at all times
  - Systematically research all relevant areas
- **Goal distribution research Q21 Distribution**
  - Asses the relation between water quality at the pumping station and water quality at the customers tap
  - Is it possible to manipulate the water quality at the pumpingstation to avoid problems in the network.
- **Goal Microbiology Q21:**
  - Understanding *Legionella* in networks
  - Understanding the biofouling of membranes



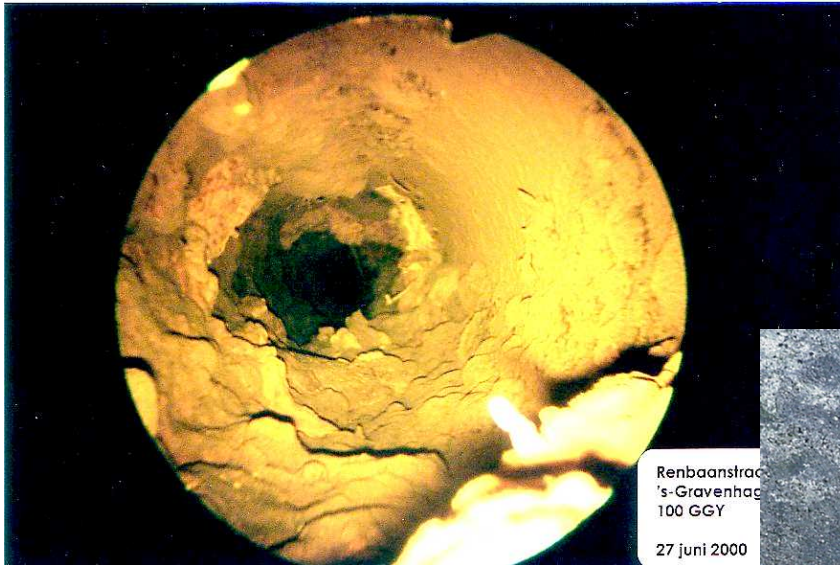
# Q21-distribution: A network of projects and researchers

- **BTO forms the base, both vision and funding**
- **TU Delft adopted the ambitions of program → MSc and PhD students, national and international**
  - **Delft Cluster is co-financing research, based on BTO ambition and financing → cream on top and scientific enhancement**
  - **NOM-project opens new opportunities for extension and enhancement**

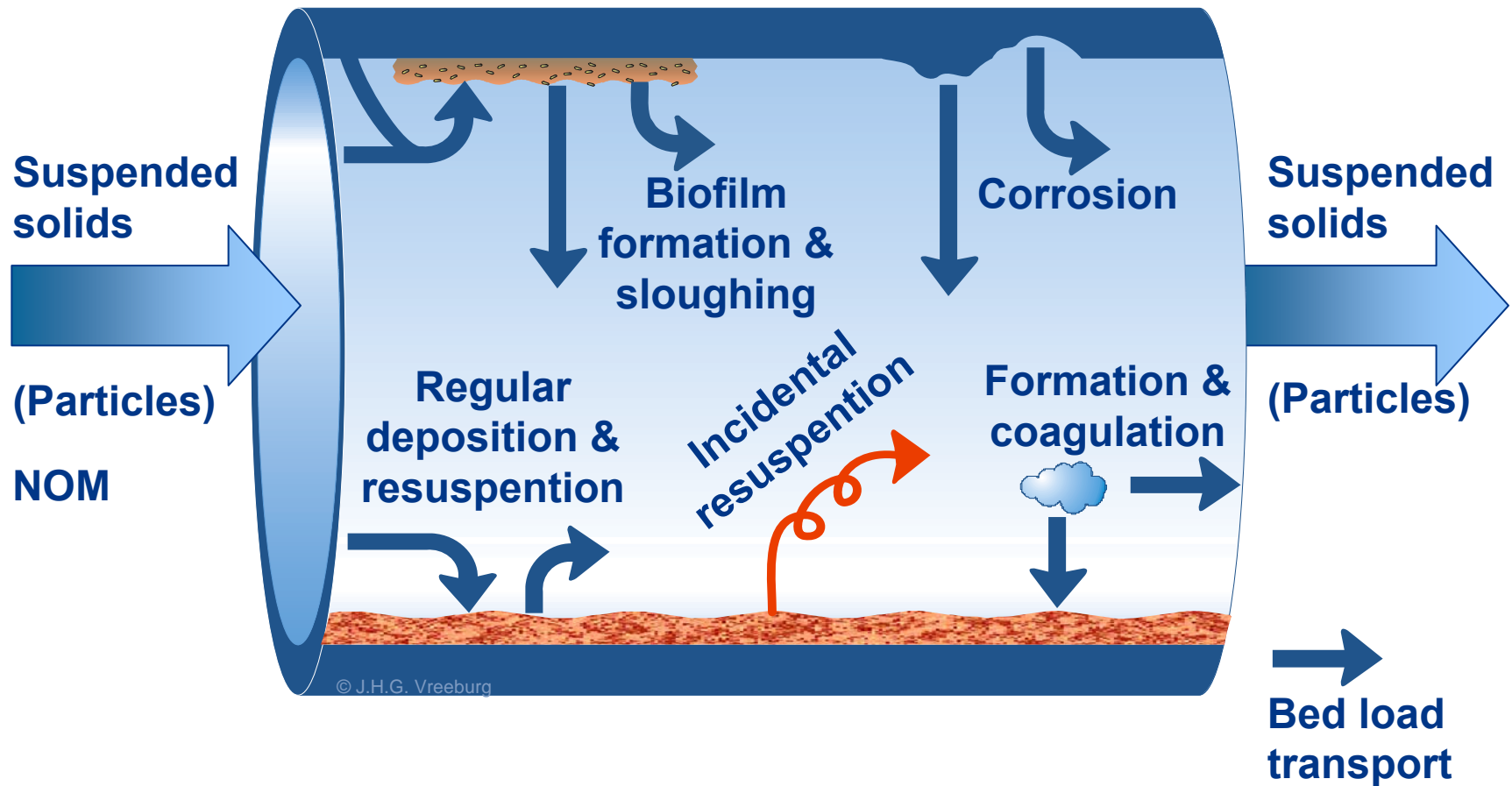
# Consequences of particles in the network



## Biological activity !



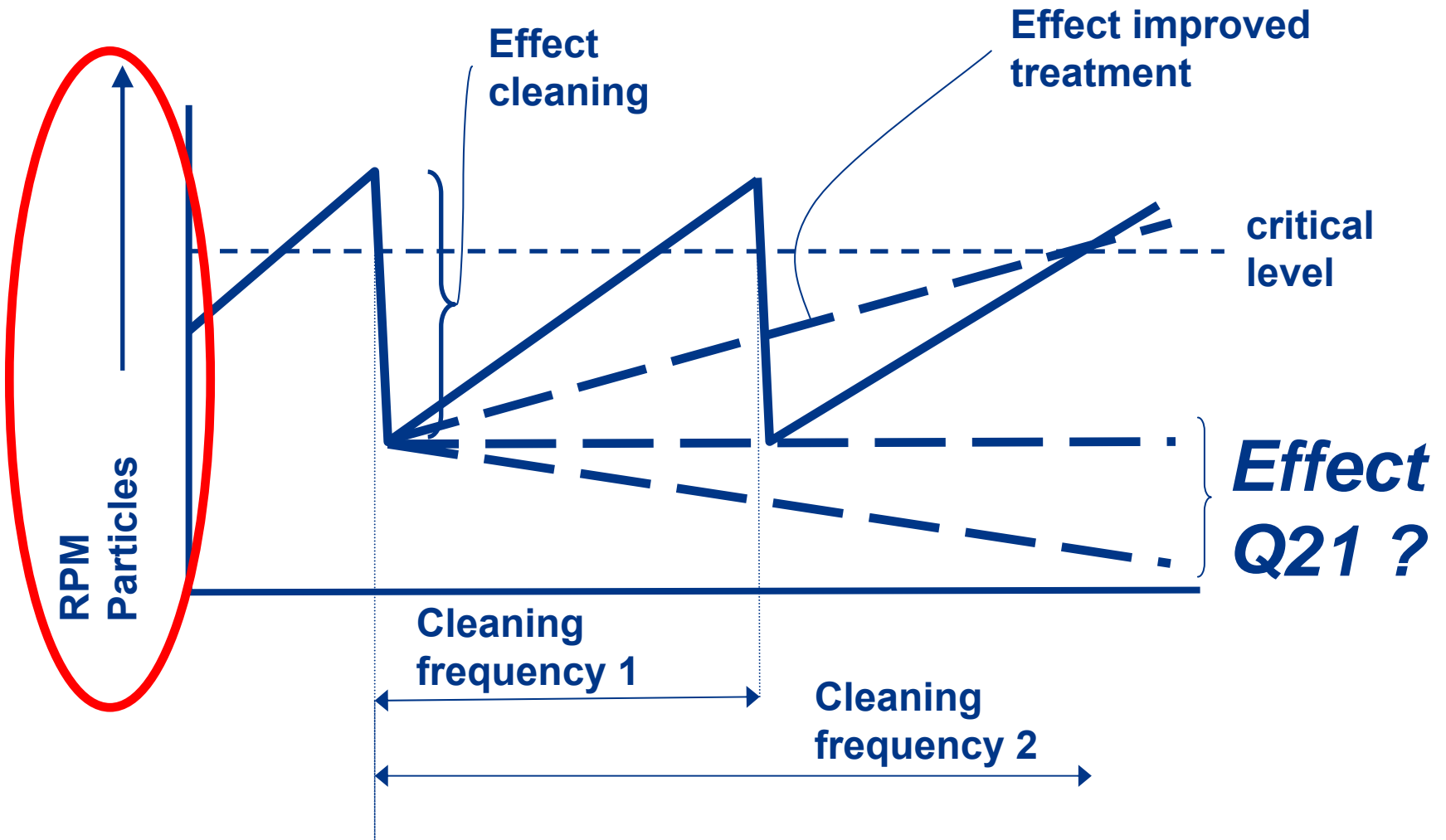
# Mass balance in a network



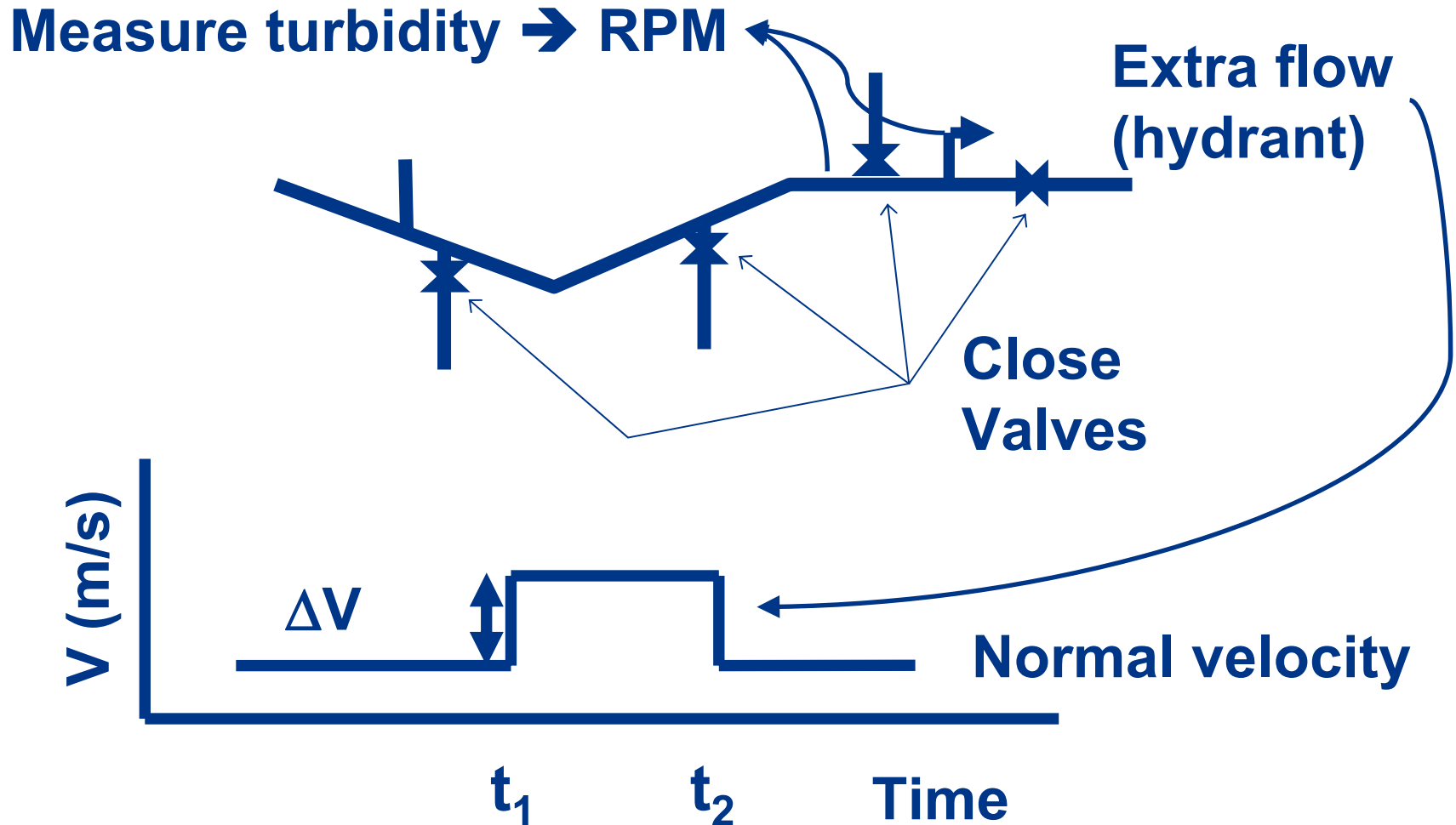
# Particles in the distribution network

- **Particles in the network are the most important cause for discolouration problems**
- **Research up till now resulted in the three-stage approach:**
- **Fundamental**
  1. **Prevent particles from entering the network or prevent formation of particles (Influence NOM?)**
- **Operational**
  2. **Prevent particle accumulation → Clean the network**
  3. **Prevent particle sedimentation/settling → High velocities in the pipes**

# Stage 1: Hypothesis effect particle load



# Resuspension Potential Measurement





# Pictures monitor connection



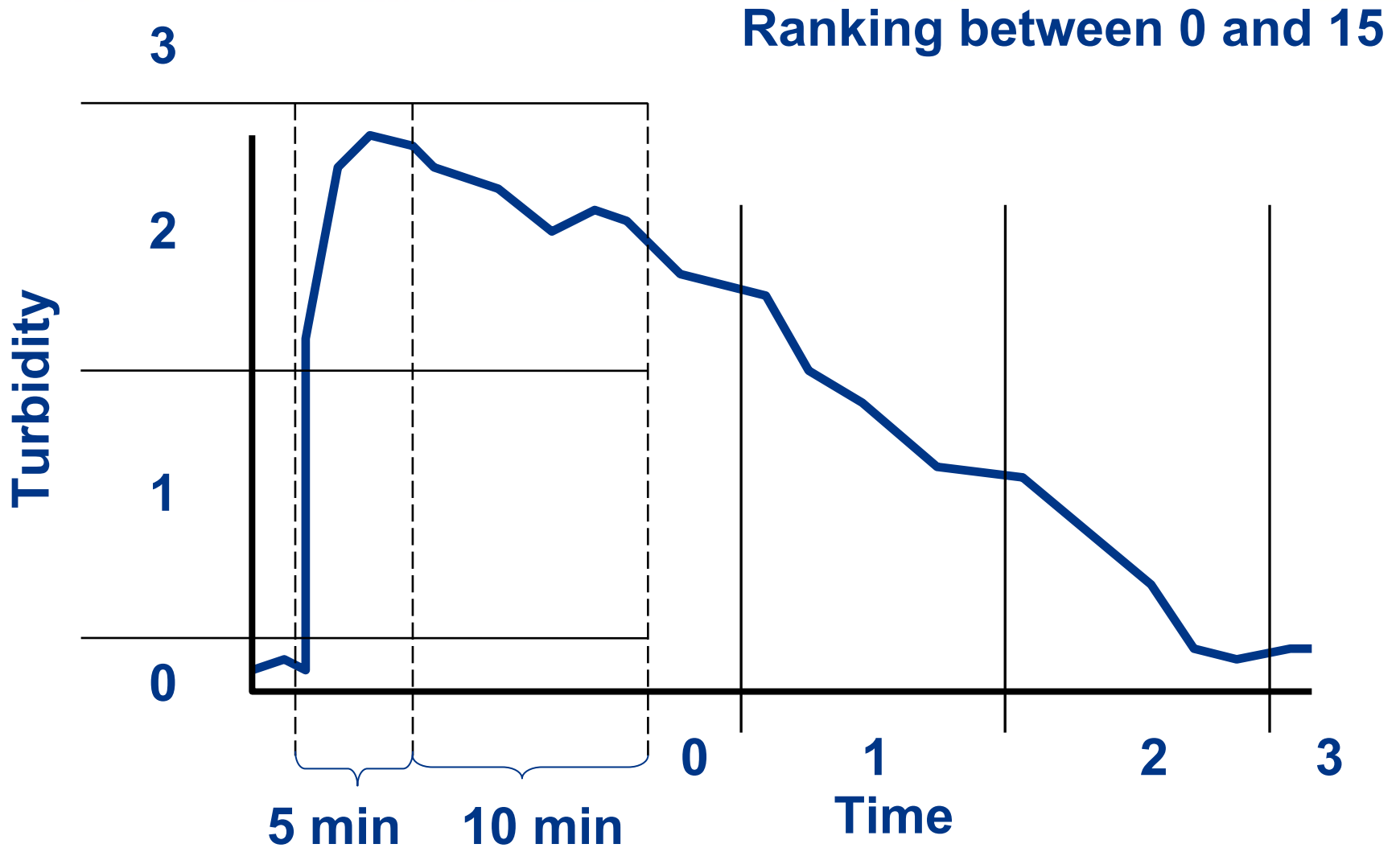
# Resuspension Potential Method



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# Ranking standard RPM (315 m; 0,35 m/s; 15 minutes)



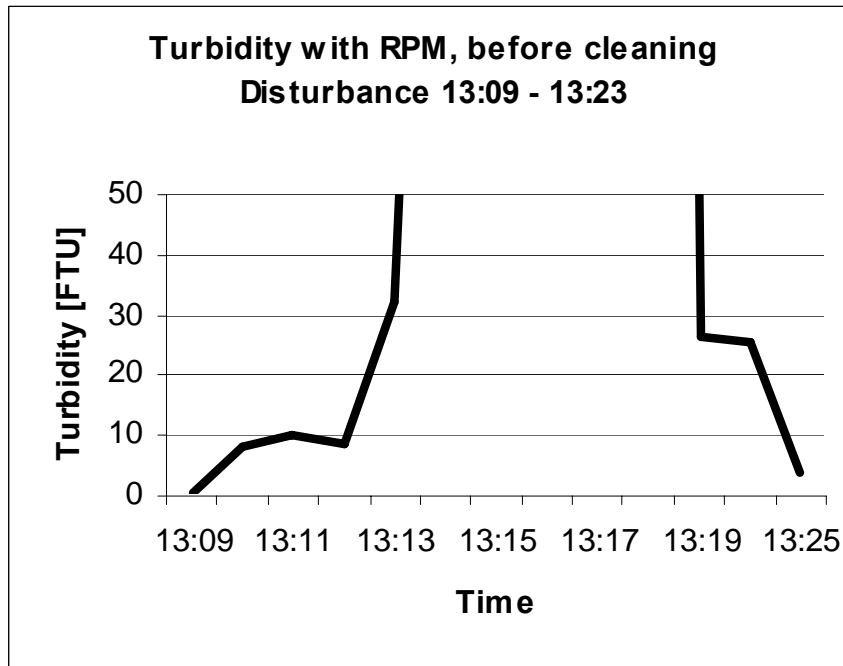
# Ranking RPM

## Turbidity Dr Lange, Hydrant measuring

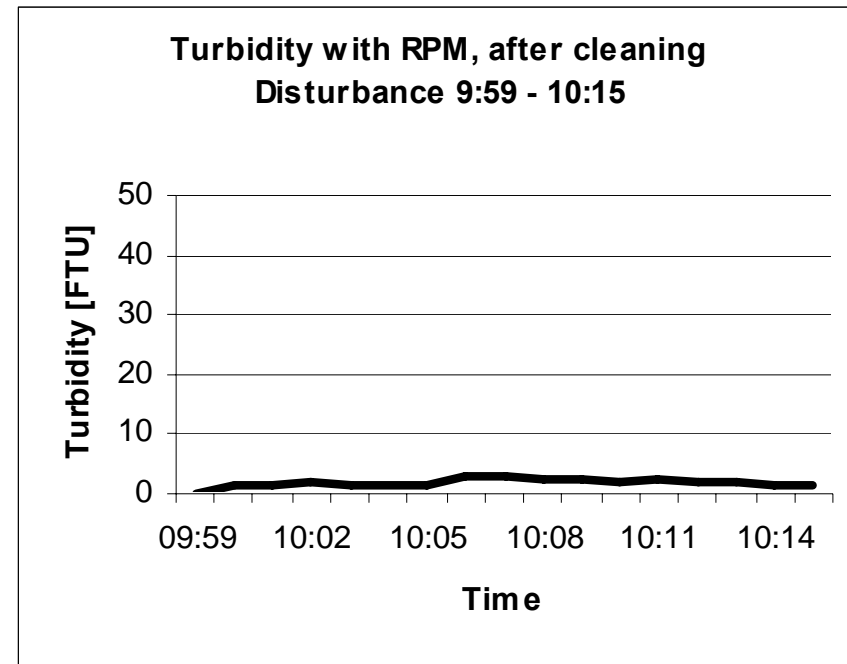
<b>Category \ points</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Absolute max first 5 min</b>	<b>&lt;3 ftu</b>	<b>3 –10 ftu</b>	<b>10-40 ftu</b>	<b>&gt;40 ftu</b>
<b>Average first 5 min</b>	<b>&lt;3 ftu</b>	<b>3 –10 ftu</b>	<b>10-40 ftu</b>	<b>&gt;40 ftu</b>
<b>Absolute max last 10 min</b>	<b>&lt;3 ftu</b>	<b>3 –10 ftu</b>	<b>10-40 ftu</b>	<b>&gt;40 ftu</b>
<b>Average max last 10 min</b>	<b>&lt;3 ftu</b>	<b>3 –10 ftu</b>	<b>10-40 ftu</b>	<b>&gt;40 ftu</b>
<b>Time to clear</b>	<b>&lt; 5 min.</b>	<b>5-15 min</b>	<b>15-60 min</b>	<b>&gt;60 min</b>

# Typical RPM results

## Pre and Post cleaning: Evaluation tool!

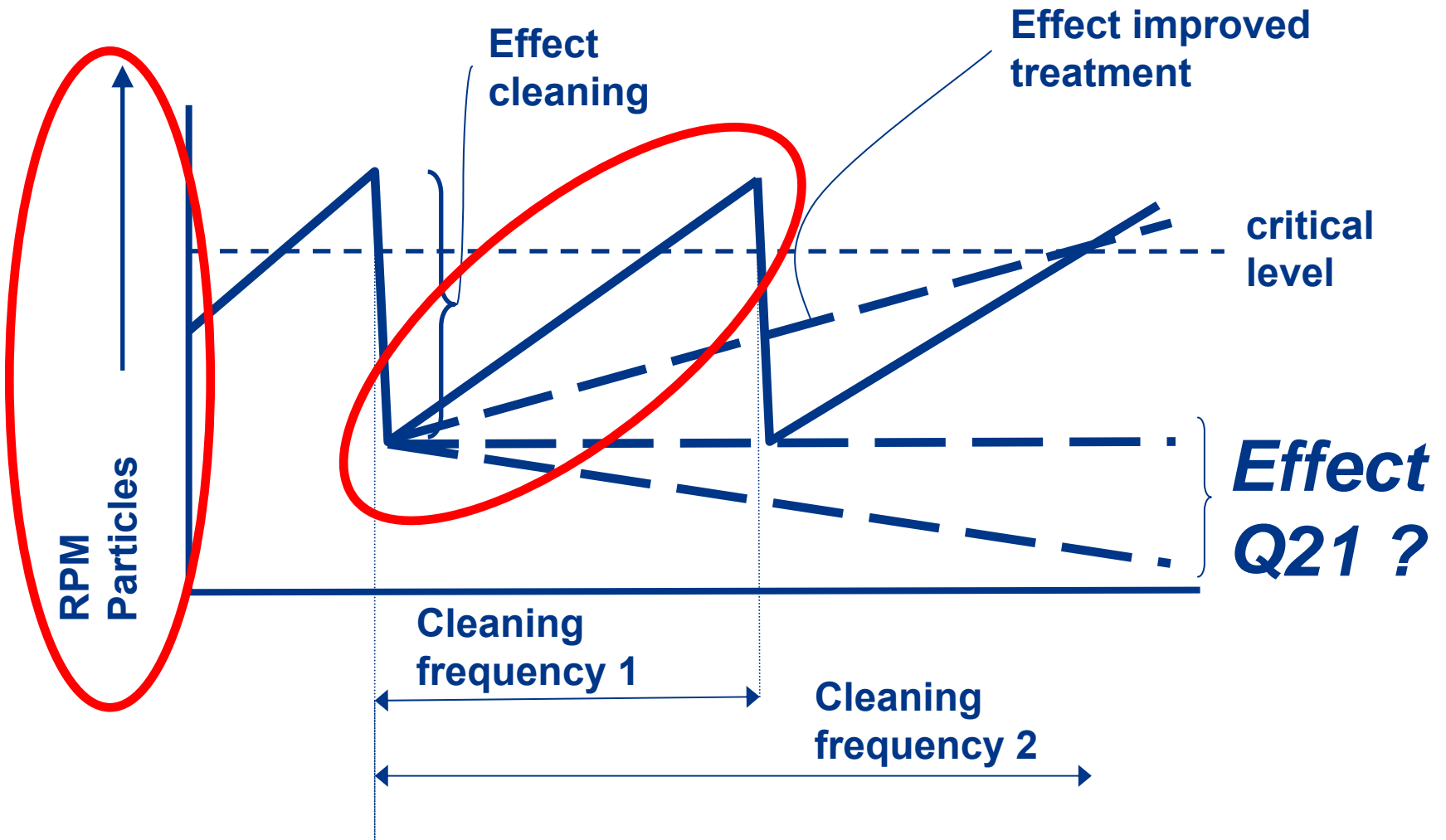


**Score 14**

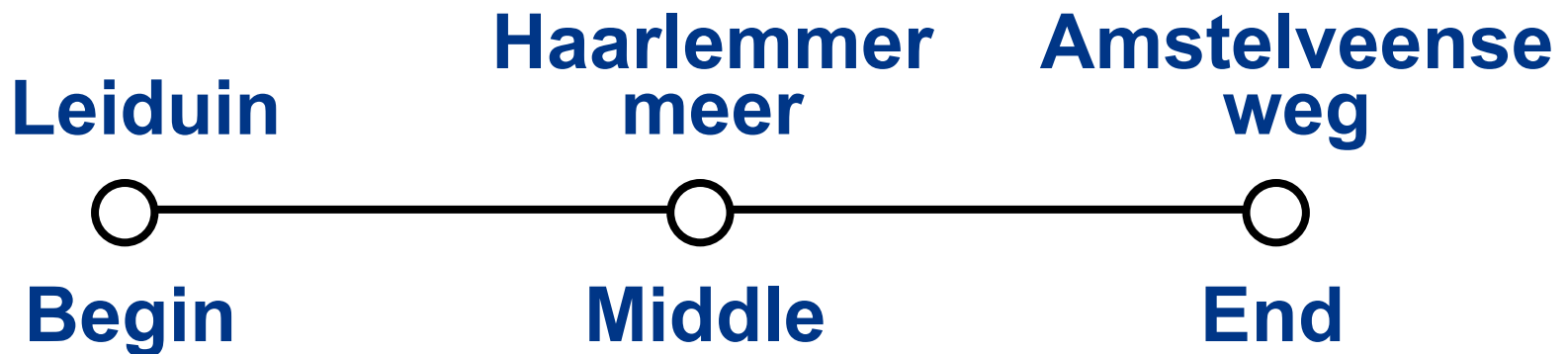
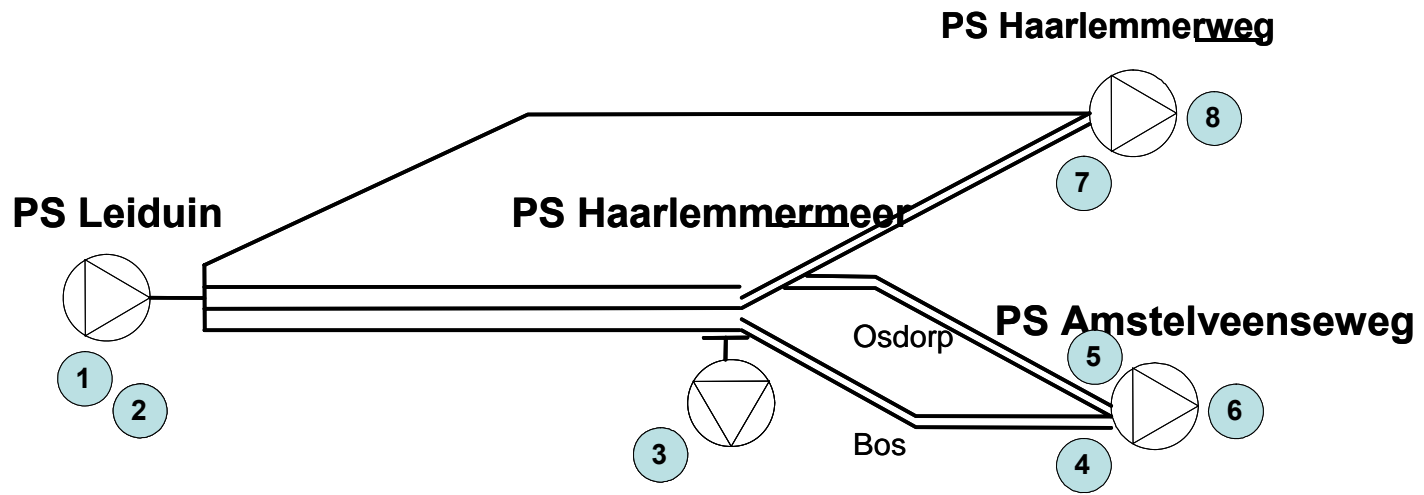


**Score 1**

# Stage 1: Hypothesis effect particle load

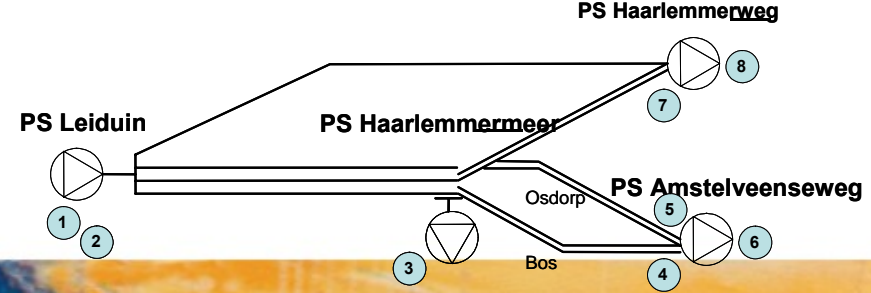


# Application particle counters

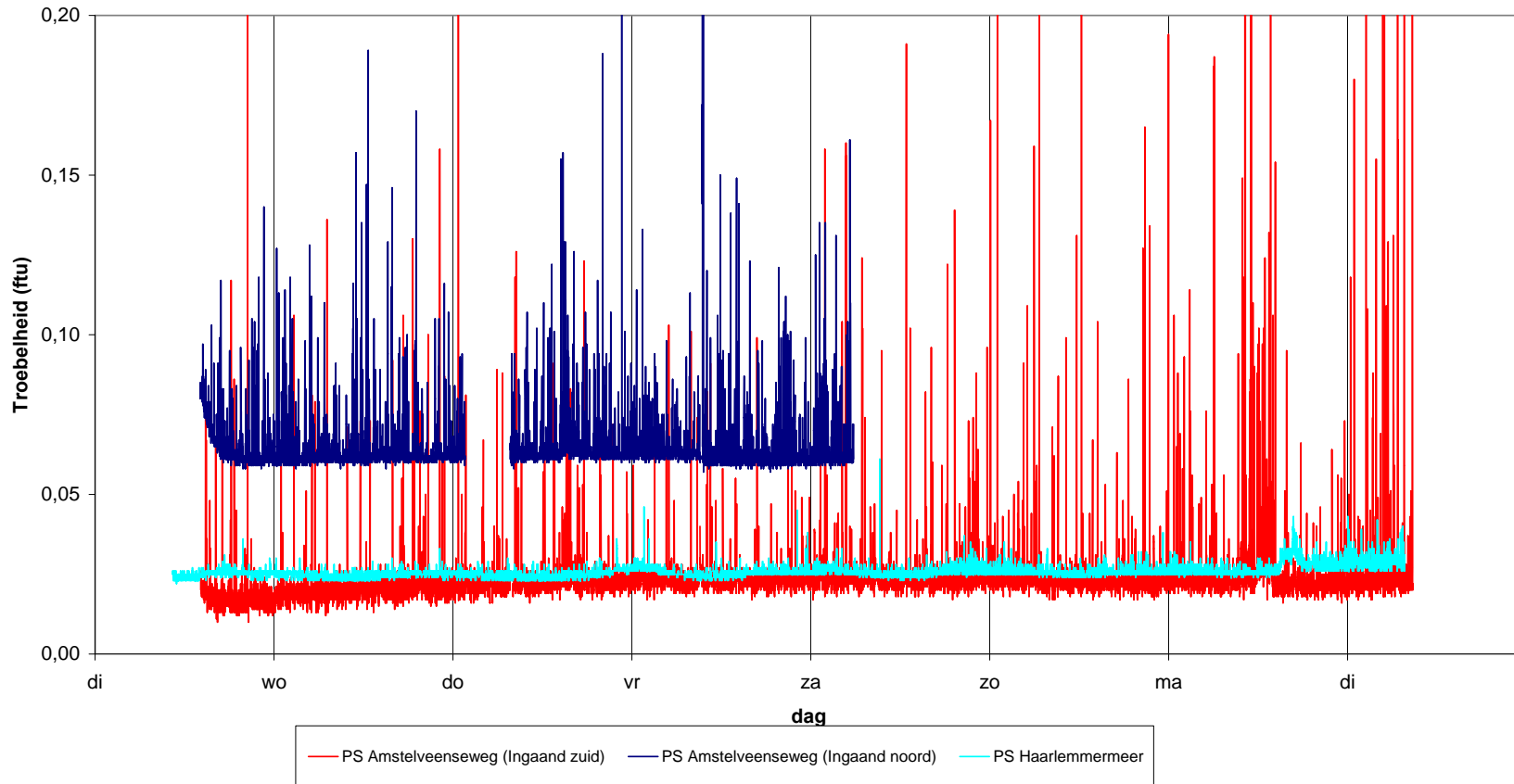




# Track 3 → 4, 5 → 6 14 june – 21 june

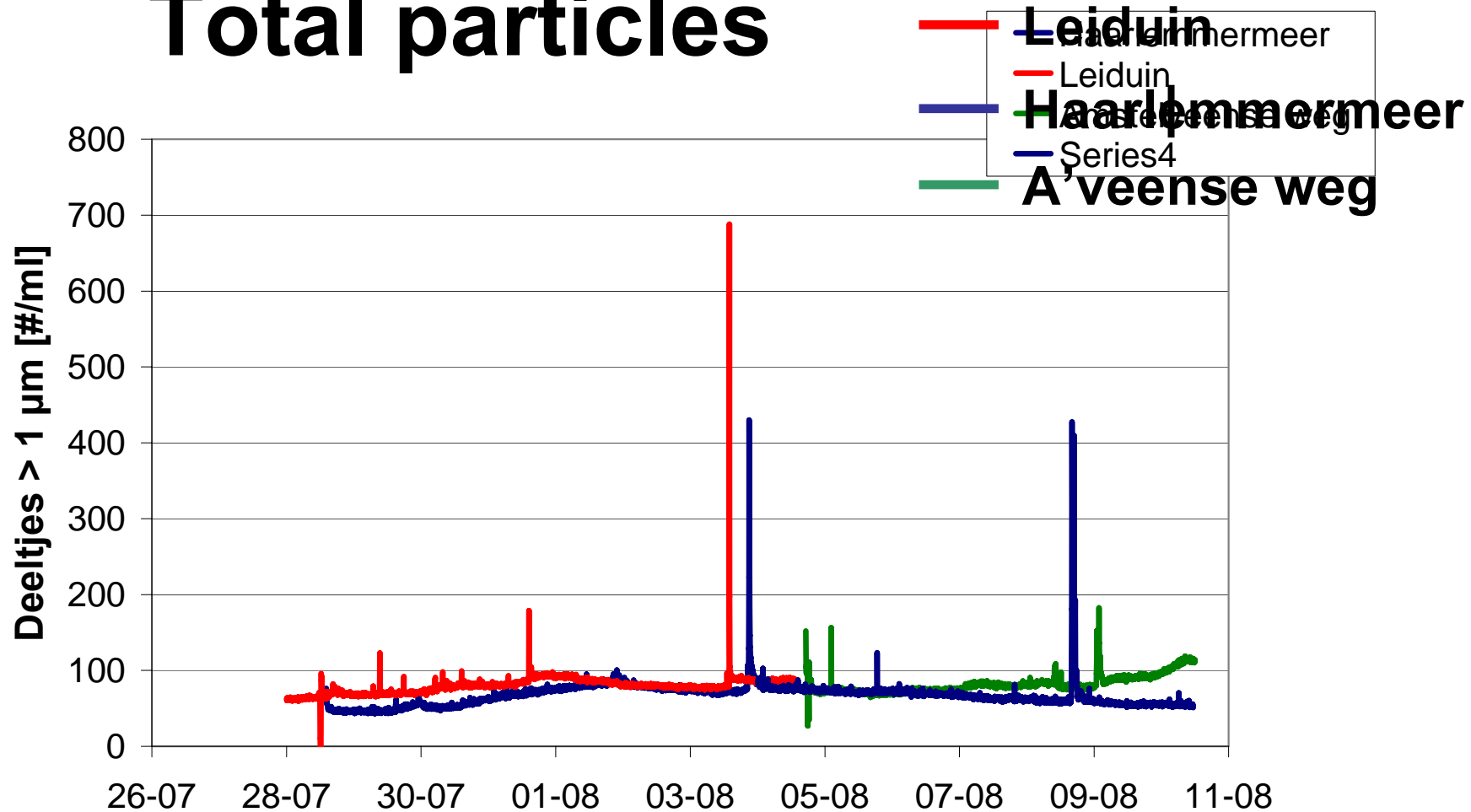


WLB  
14 Juni - 21 Juni 2005



# Results: a bit more nuance compared to turbidity

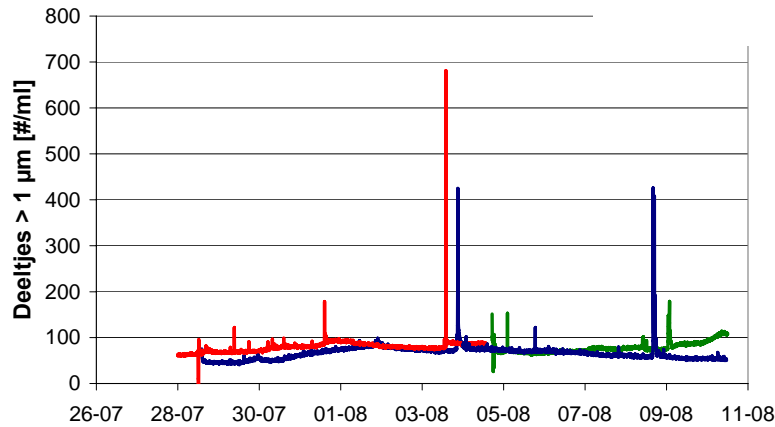
## Total particles



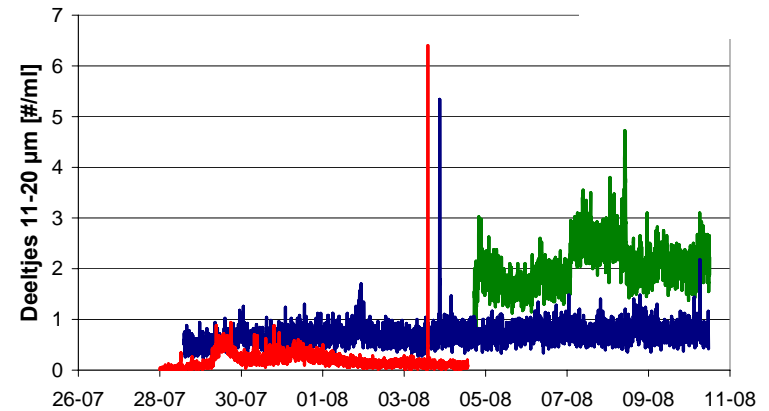
# Distribution of particles: more information



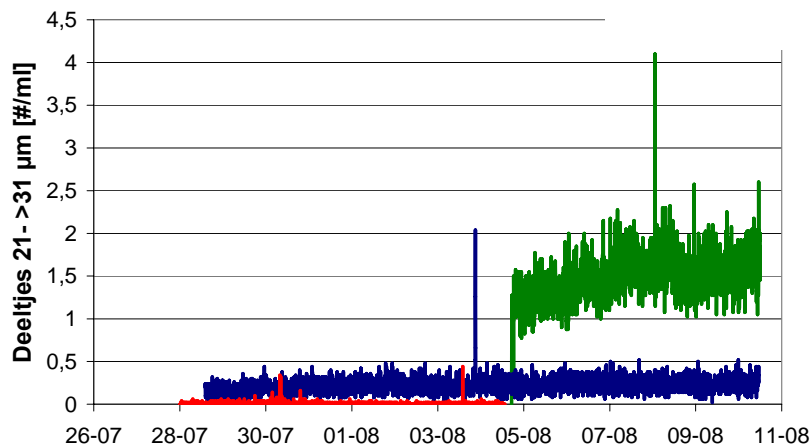
## Small particles 1-10 $\mu\text{m}$



## Middle particles 11-21 $\mu\text{m}$



## Large particles 20- >31 $\mu\text{m}$



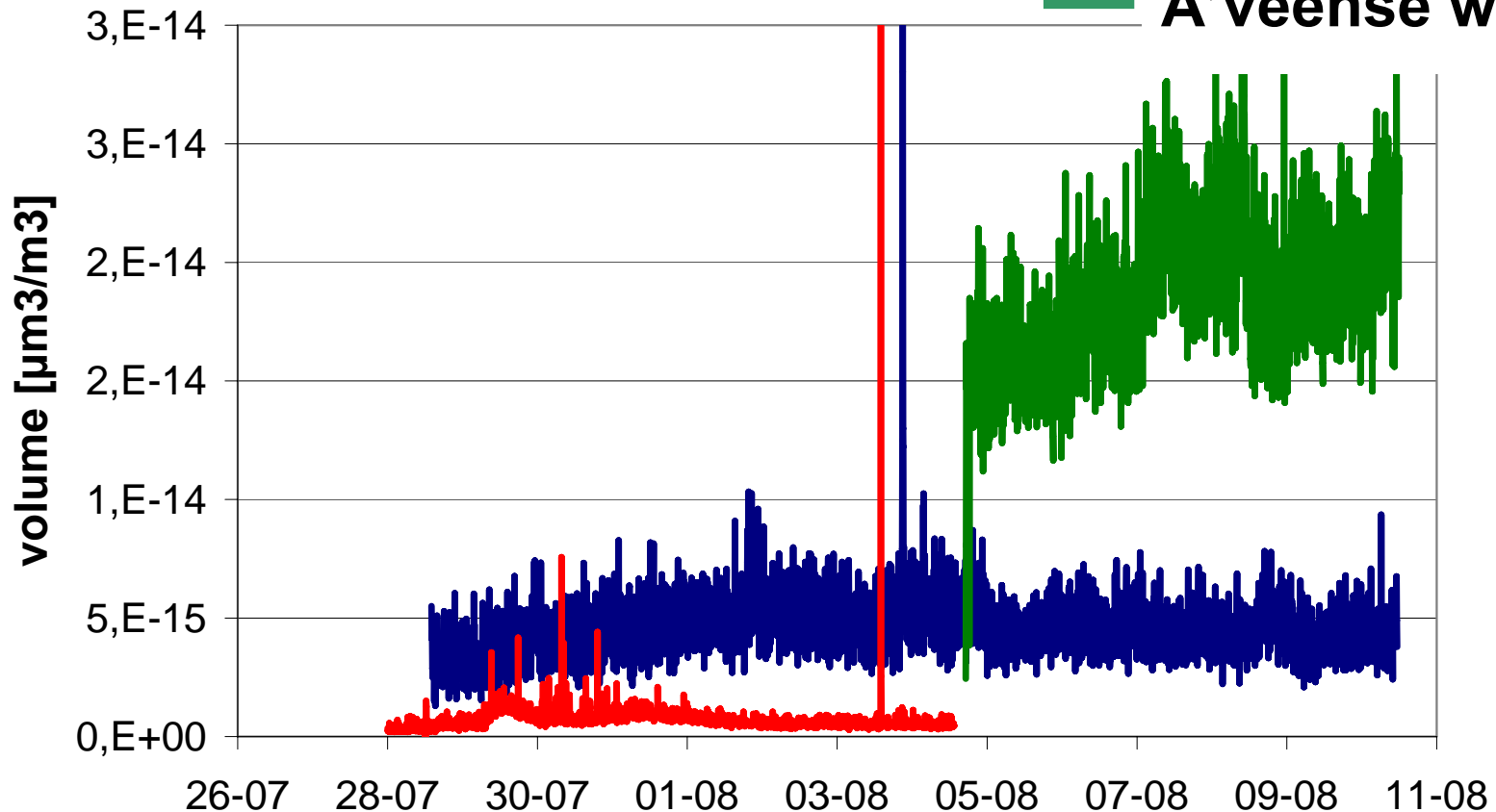
- Leiduin**
- Haarlemmermeer**
- A'veense weg**

# Particles in diameter ranges → volume



## Volume particles

- Leiduin
- Haarlemmermeer
- A'veeense weg



# Volume → mass and composition: Time Integrated Large Volume Sampling, TILVS



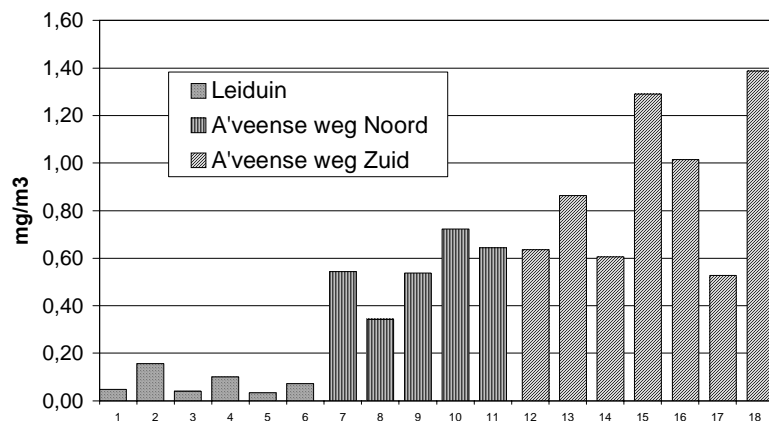
# TILVS and particle counting Cooperation illustrated



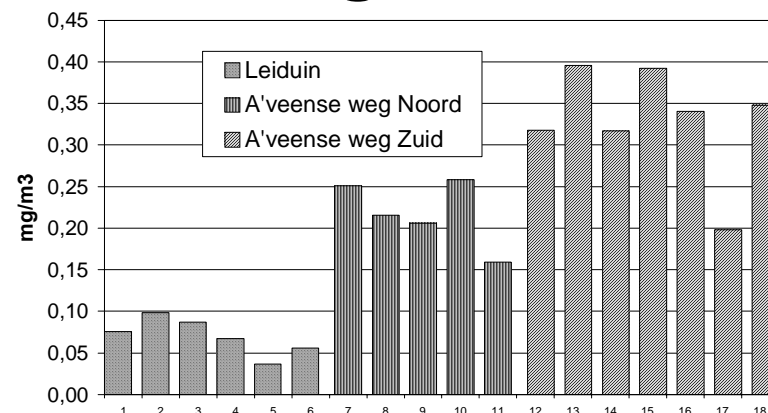
# Analysis inorganics TILVS



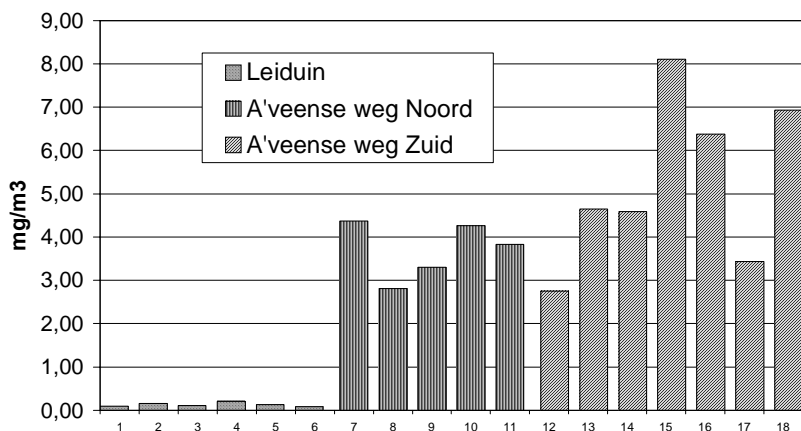
## Aluminium



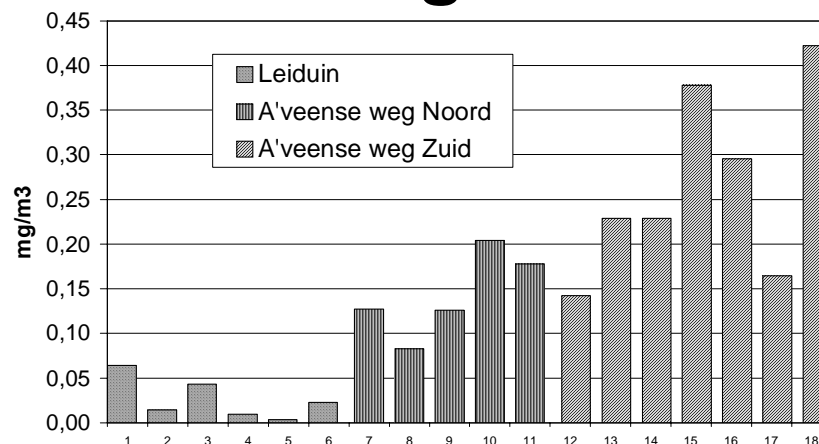
## Magnesium



## Iron



## Manganese

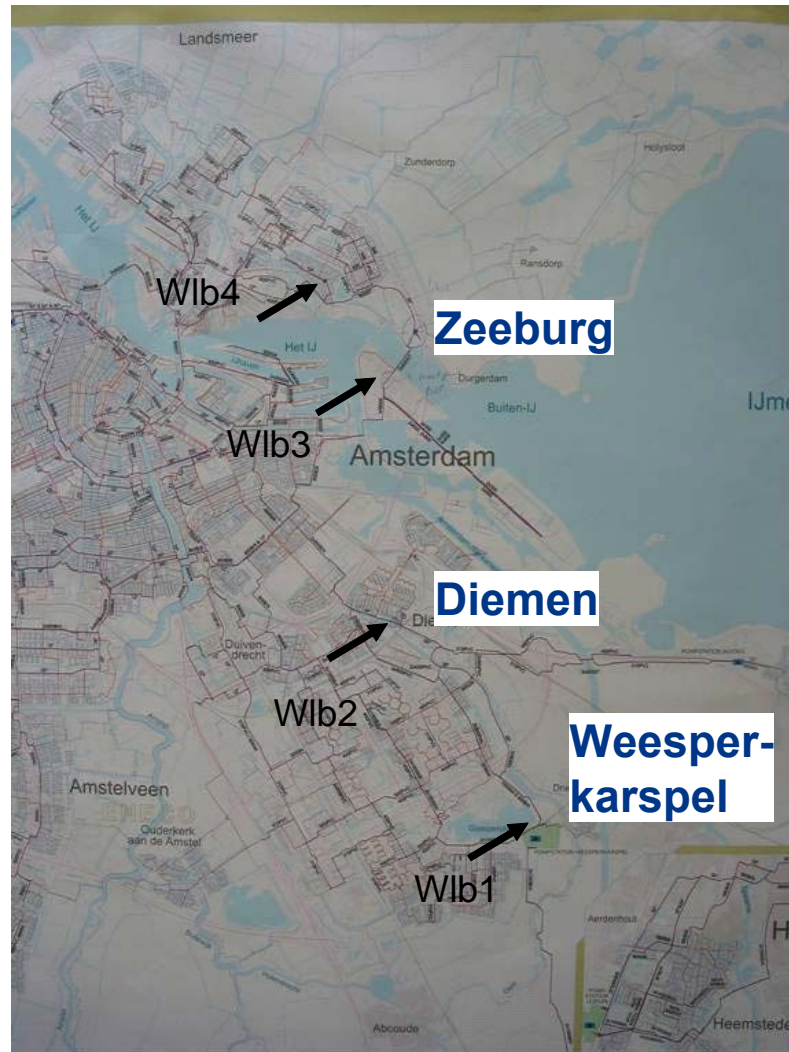


# Analysis mass TILVS

- Increase organic fraction to 15 - 55%
- Increase 'leaching elements' factor 4-10
- Increase iron factor 30-40
- Increase manganese factor 5-10
- Enhance TILVS protocol

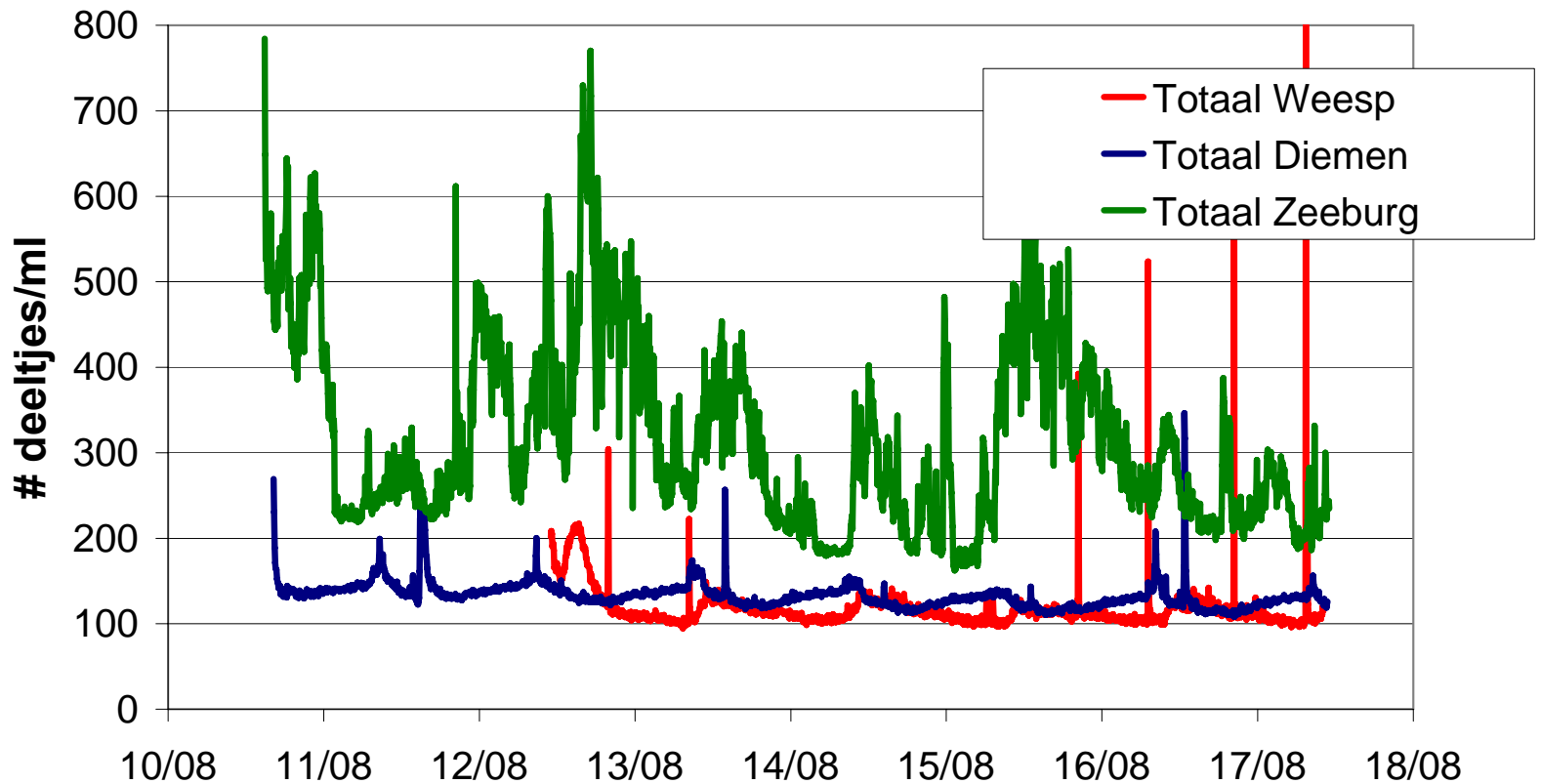


# Measuring locations particle counting



# Particle counts Weesperkarspel, Diemen, Zeeburg

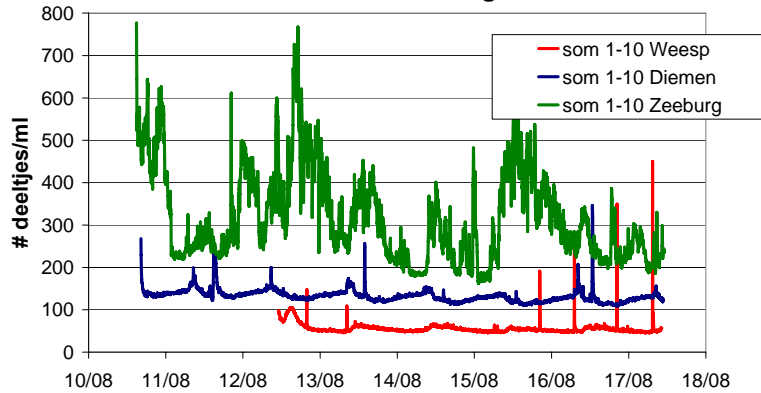
## Deeltjes tellingen Weesperkarspel, Diemen en Zeeburg



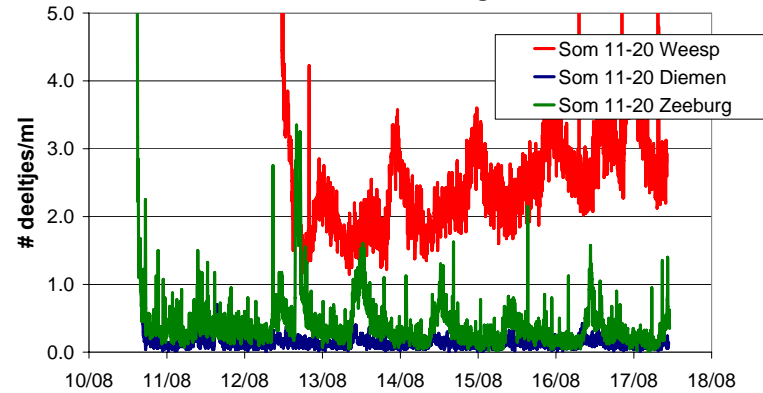
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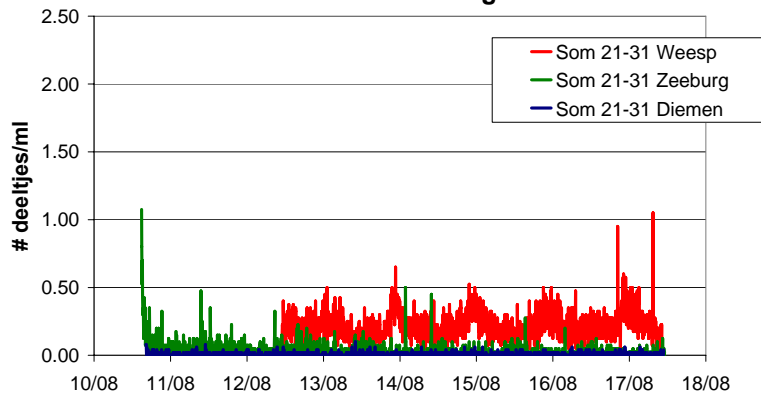
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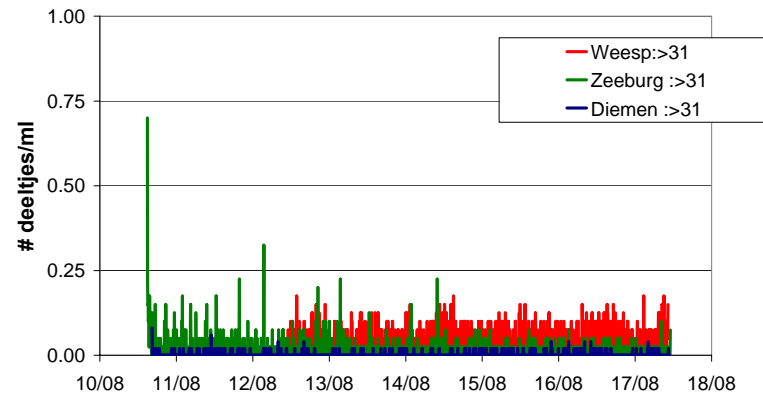
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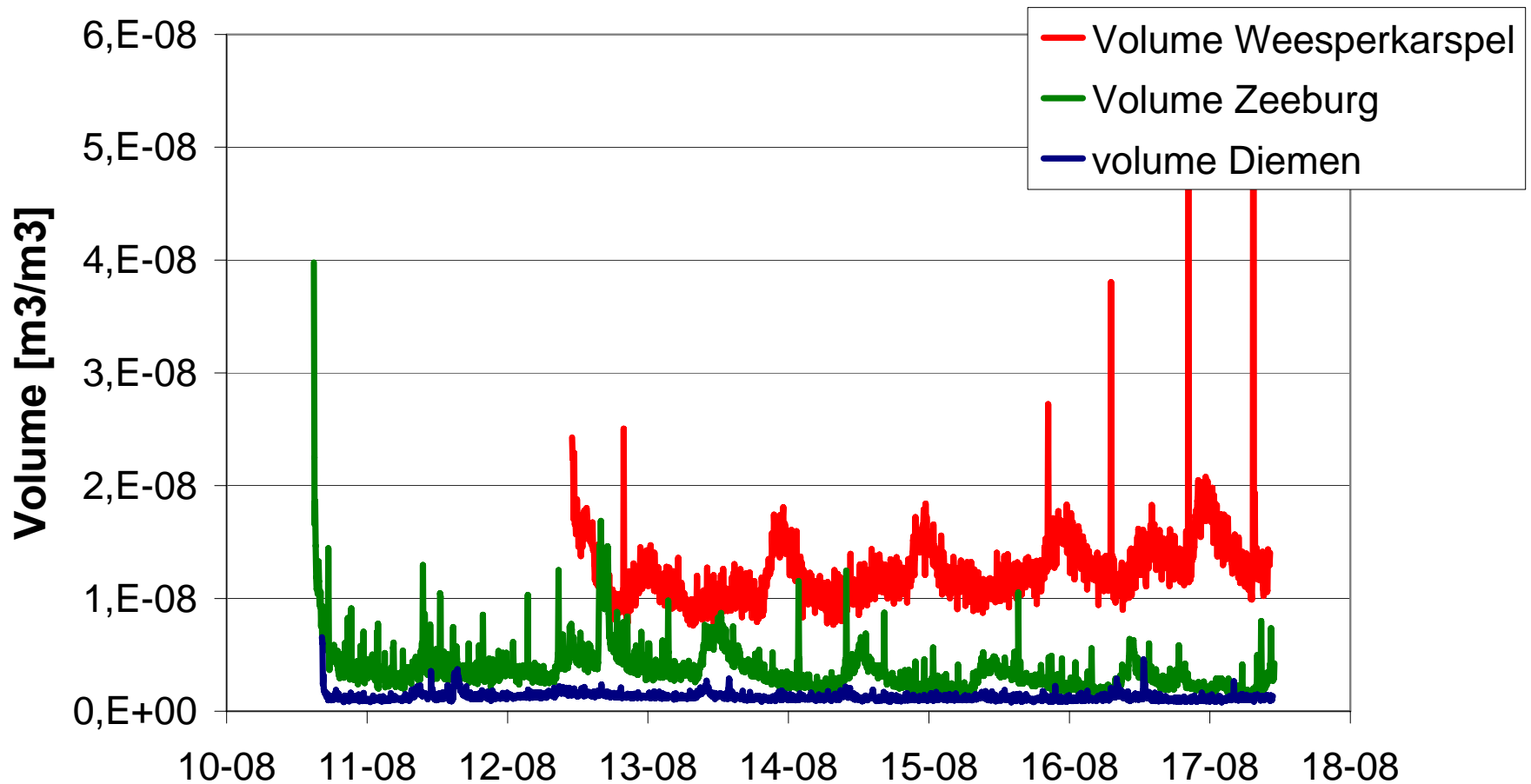


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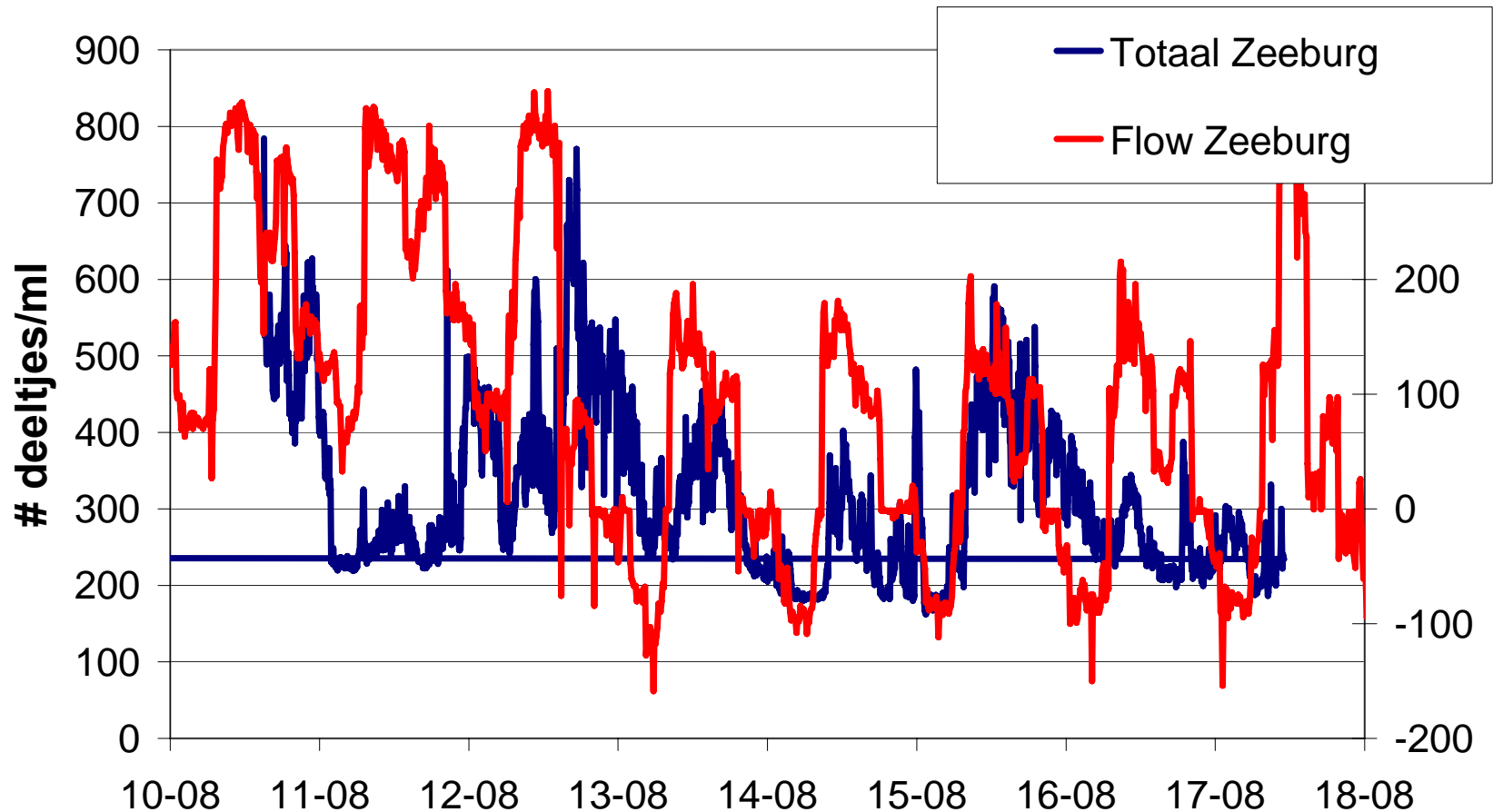
# Volume particles: Volume decreases and increases

## Volume Weesperkarspel, Diemen, Zeeburg



# Total particles en flow → resuspension?

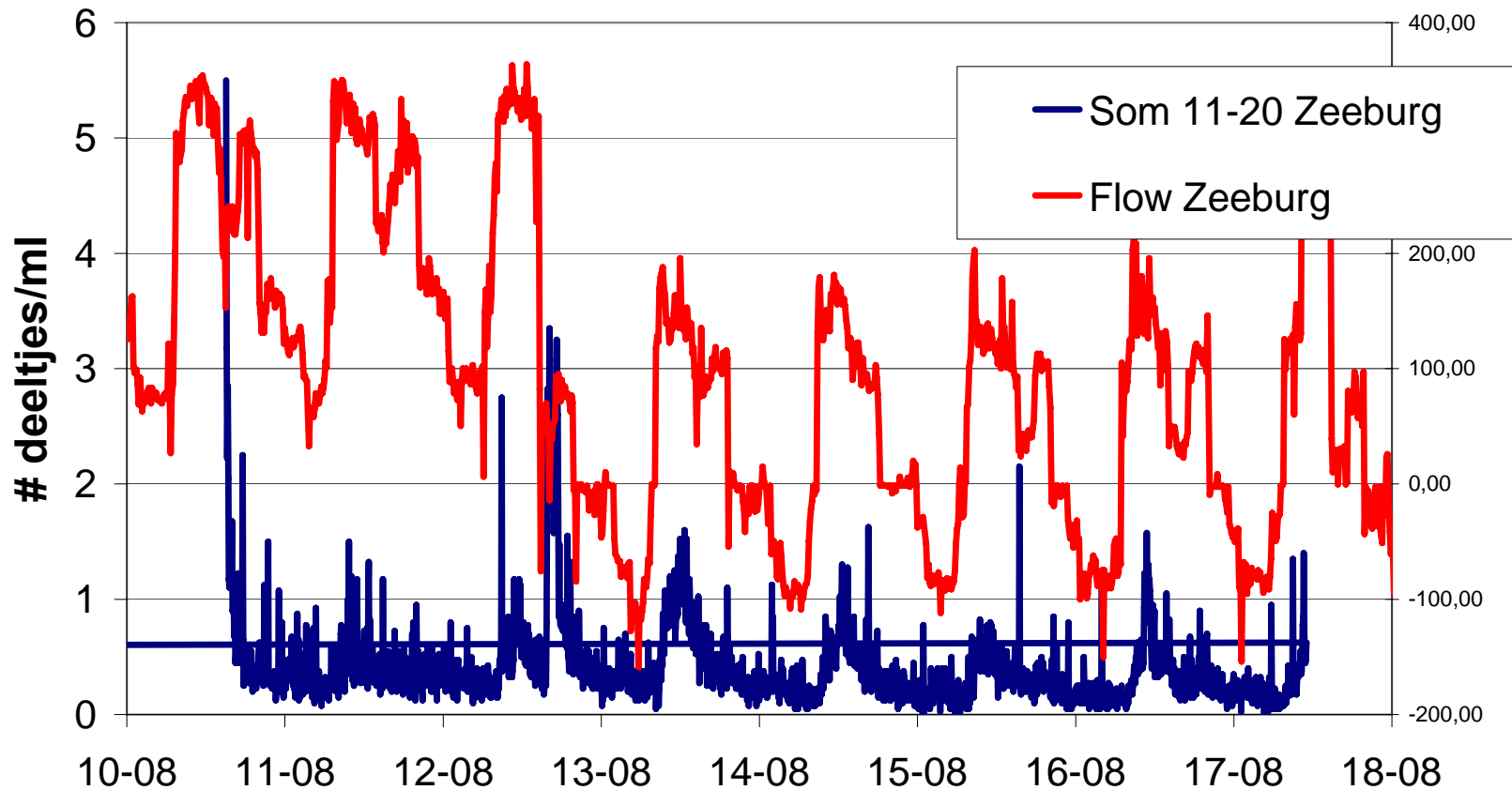
## Deeltjes tellingen Zeeburg en flow



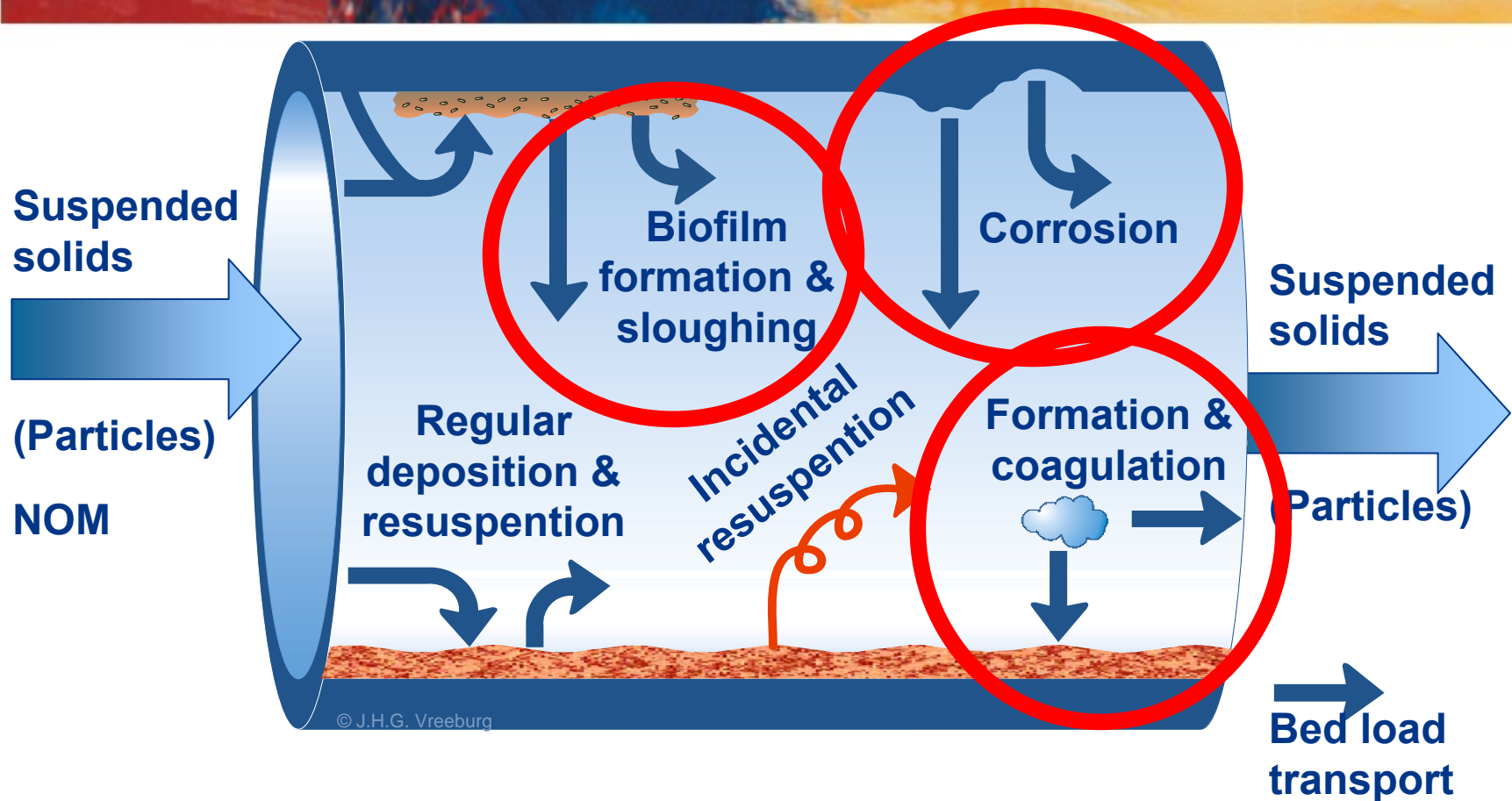
# Resuspension middle size particles



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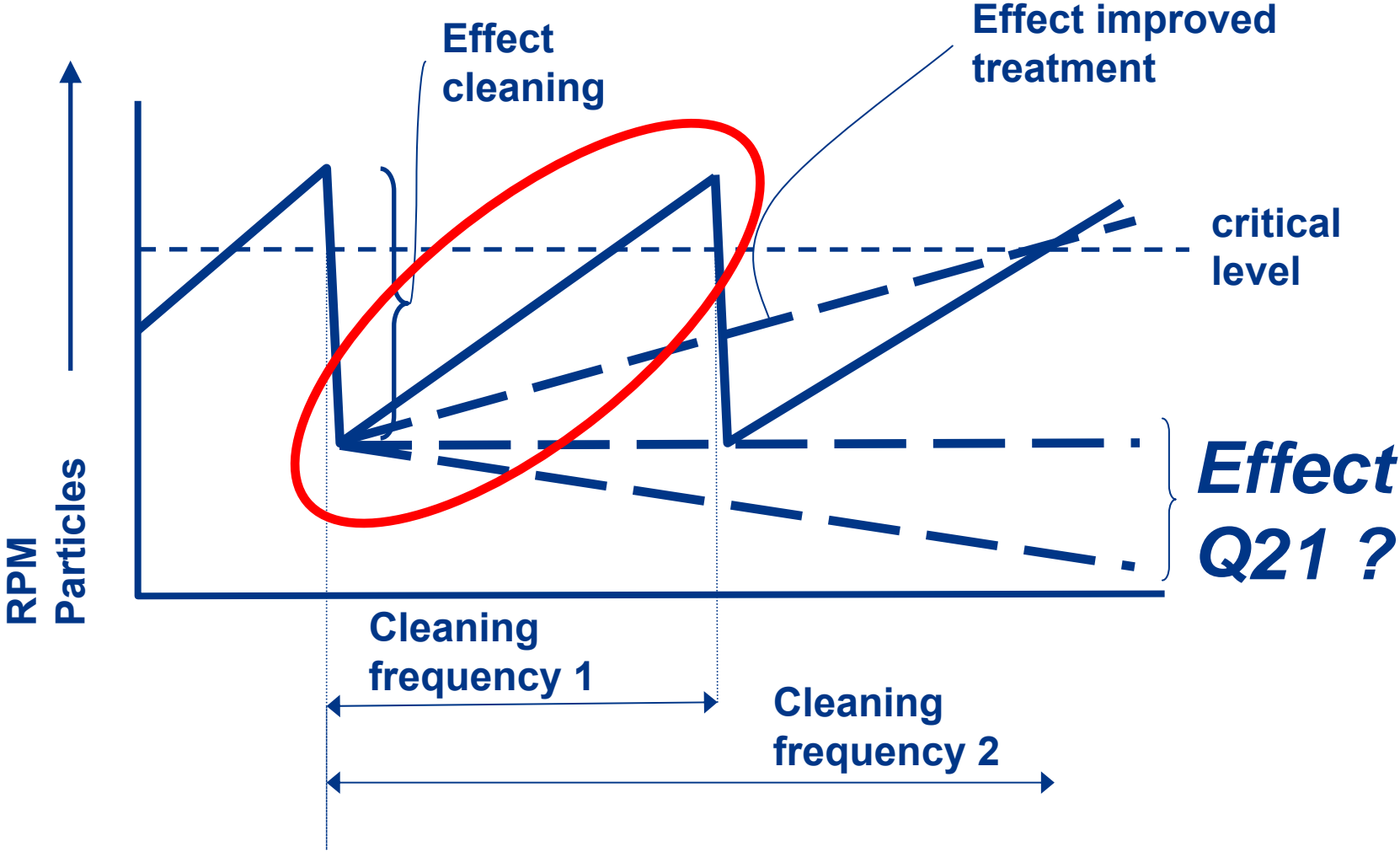


# Conclusions particle counting and TILVS: three processes indentified



Further development interpretation particle counts:  
Ramiro Rodriguez

# Stage 1: Hypothesis effect particle load developing a measuring method

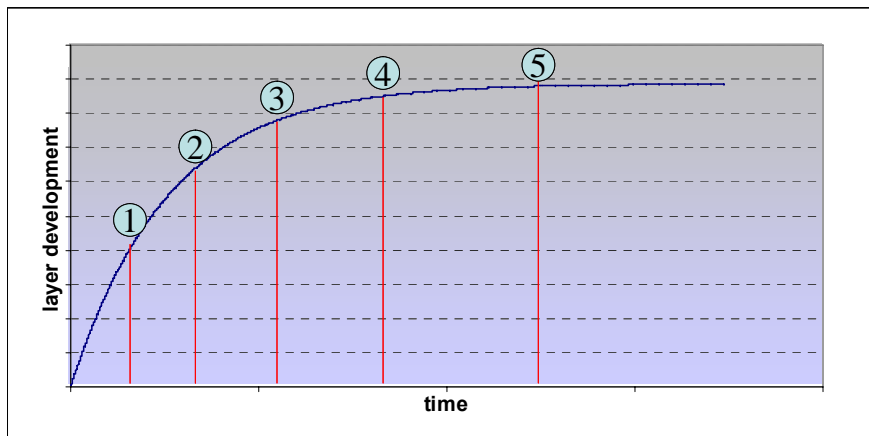




# Test rig particle load

## ■ Test rig research

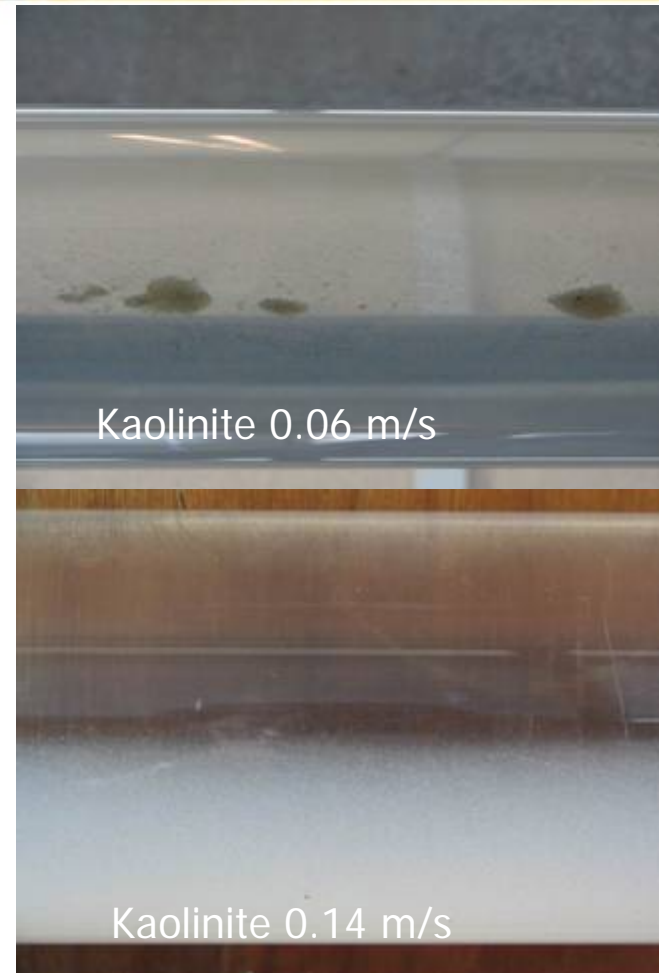
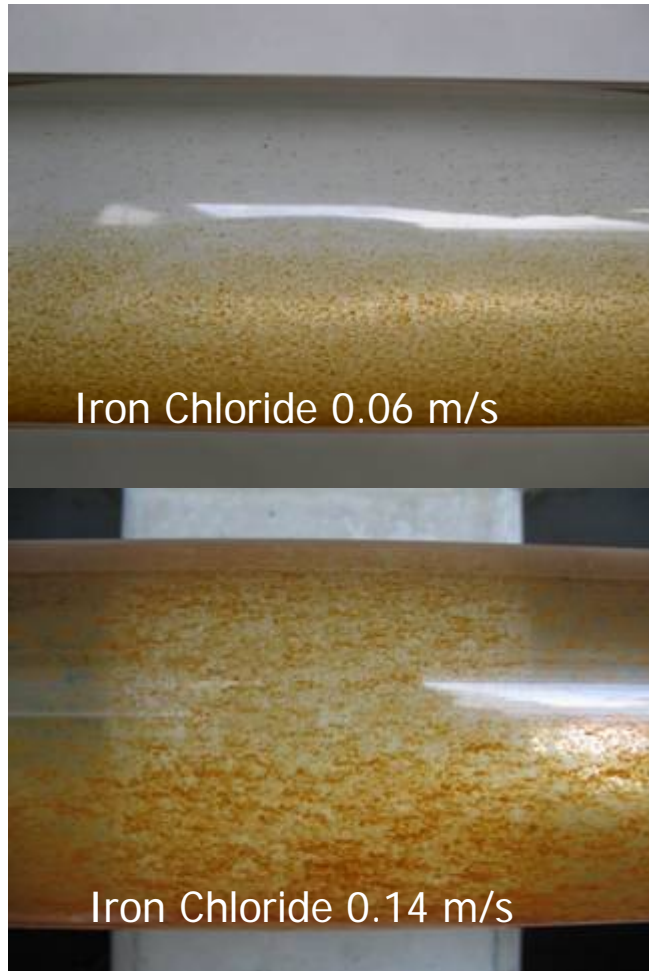
- Feasibility → MSc student Maarten Lut
- Further development → MSc Student Anke Grefte
- Practical application → MSc and PhD students



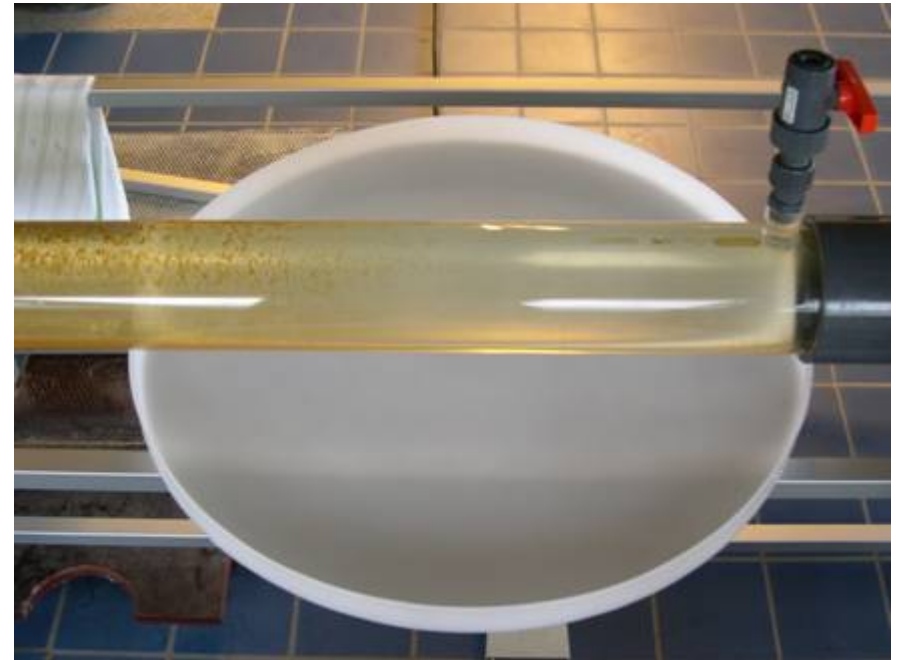
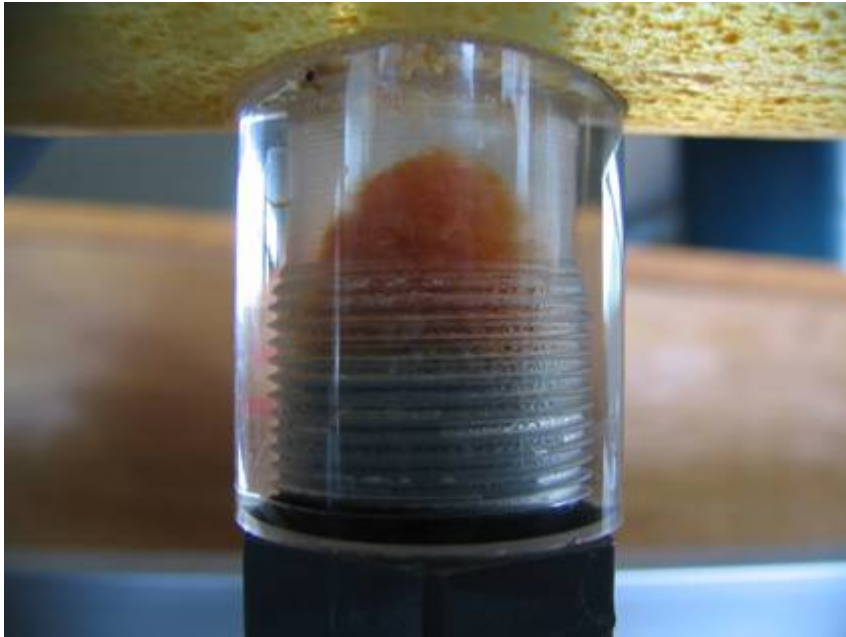
# Test pipe rig Ø100



# Gravitational settling is not the only process Turbophoresis can explain this



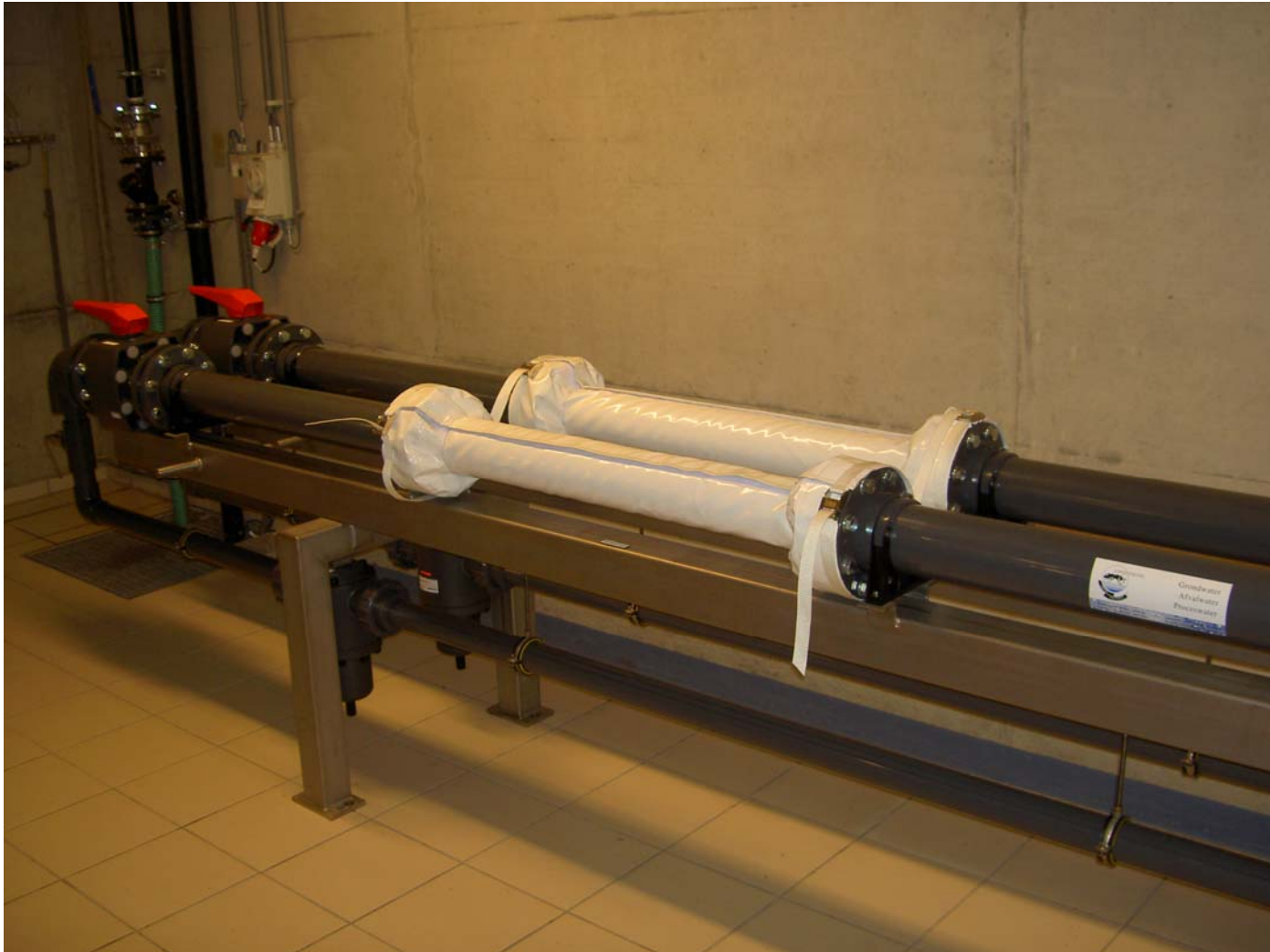
# Bed load transport and influence 'bend turbulence'



# 'Old' and 'new' water



# The test pipes



# The test pipes uncovered after three (!) months



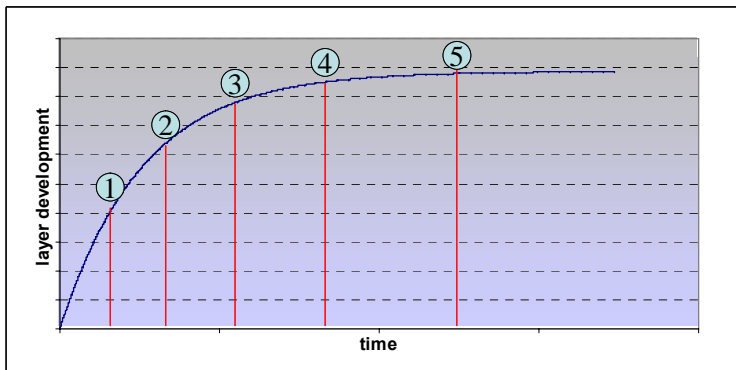
# And after six months



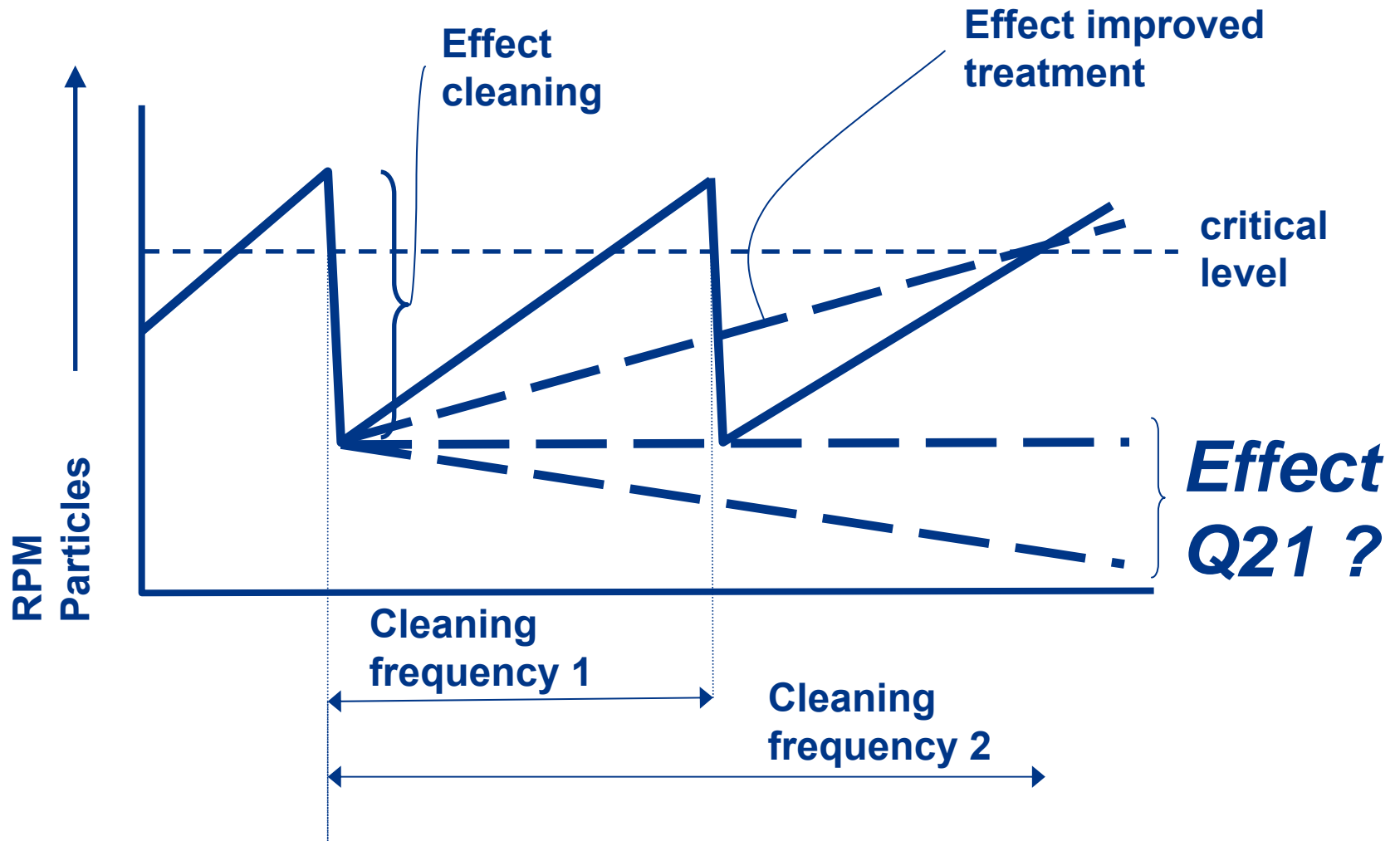


# Conclusions

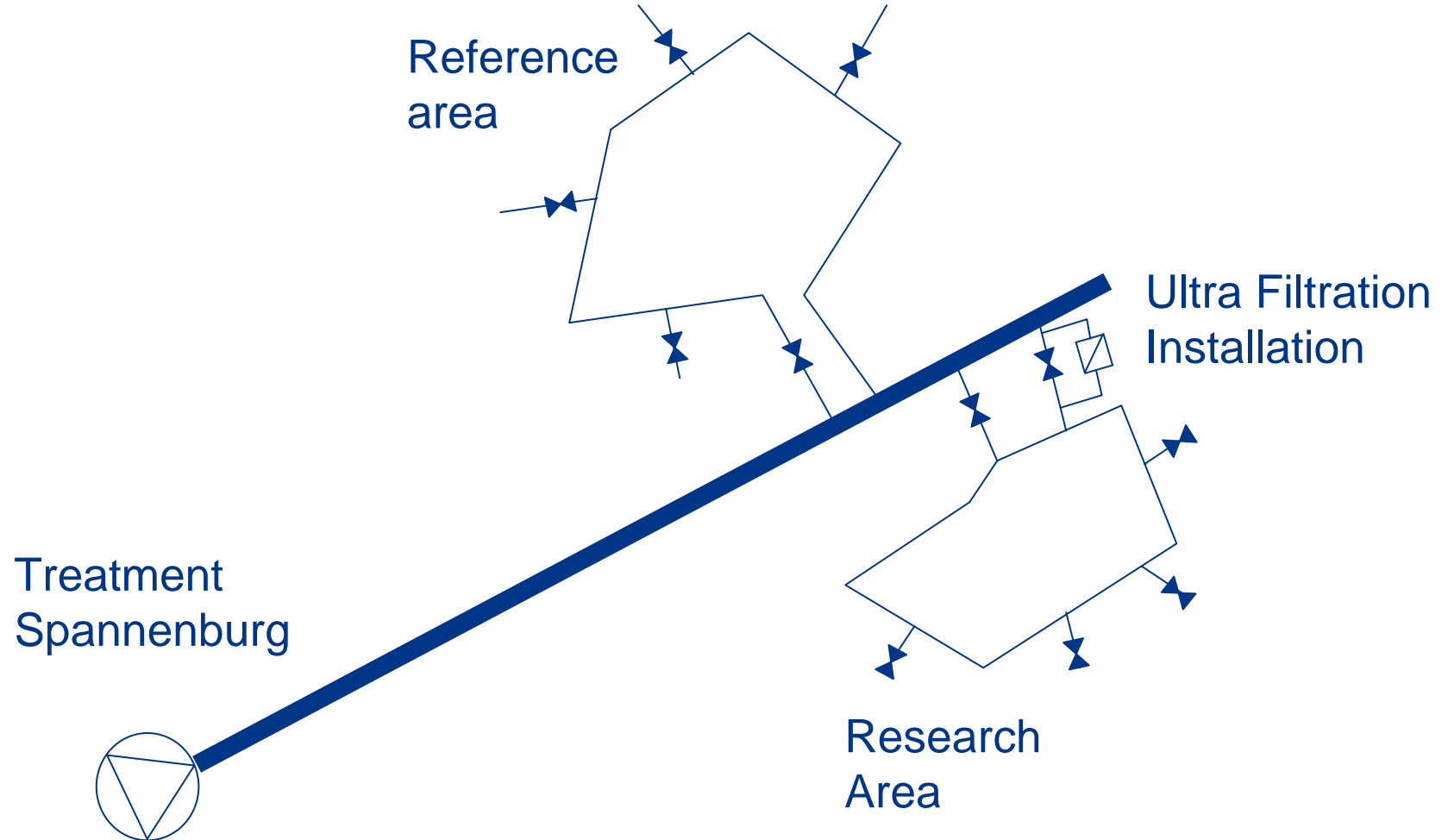
- The concept might work: (biofilm monitor laid down)
- The smaller pipes concept is hydraulically representative
- Work out the concept in a flow through system with small pipes and test it



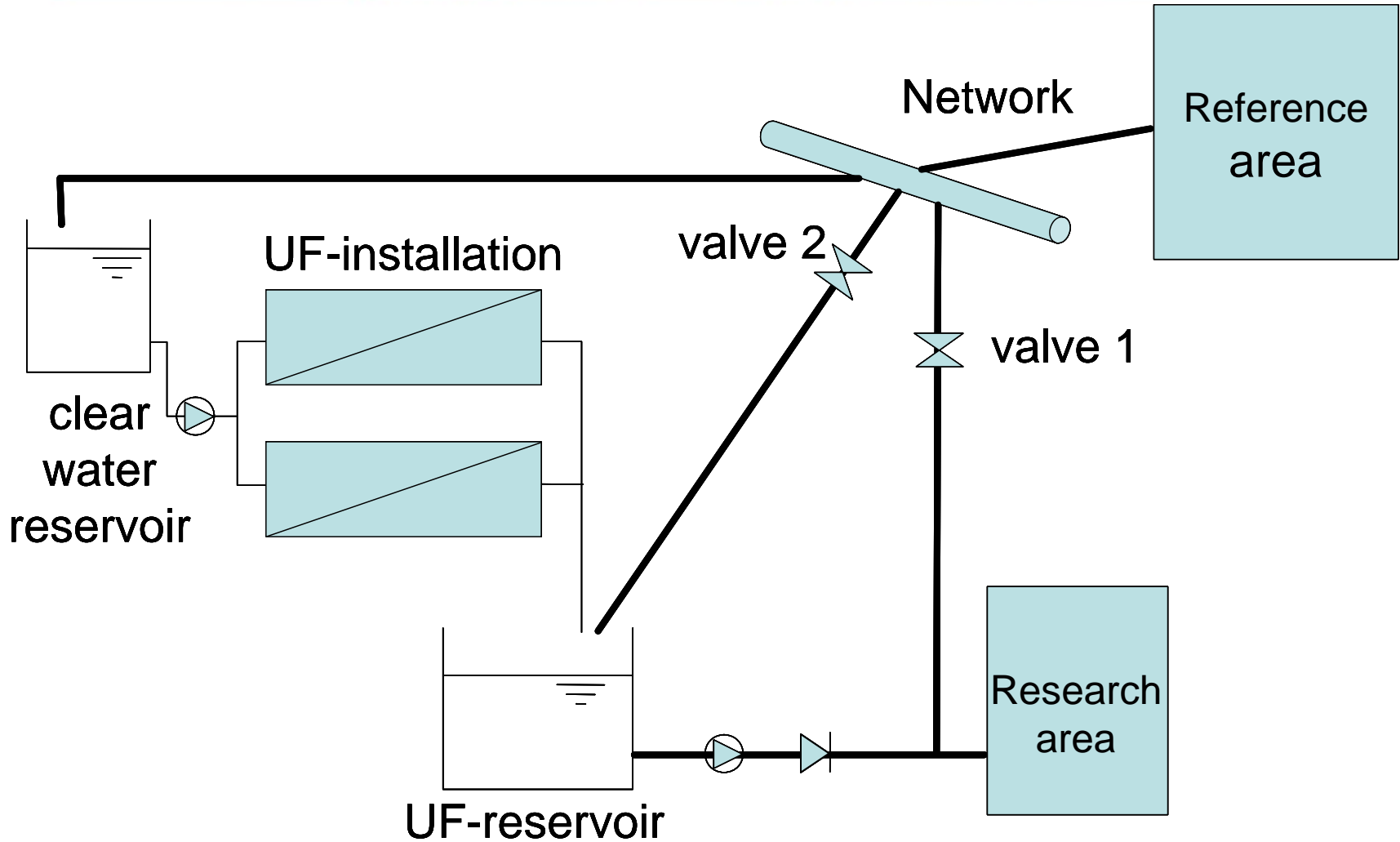
# Full scale test in Franeker: What happens if particel free water is supplied to a network



# The experiment with particle free water

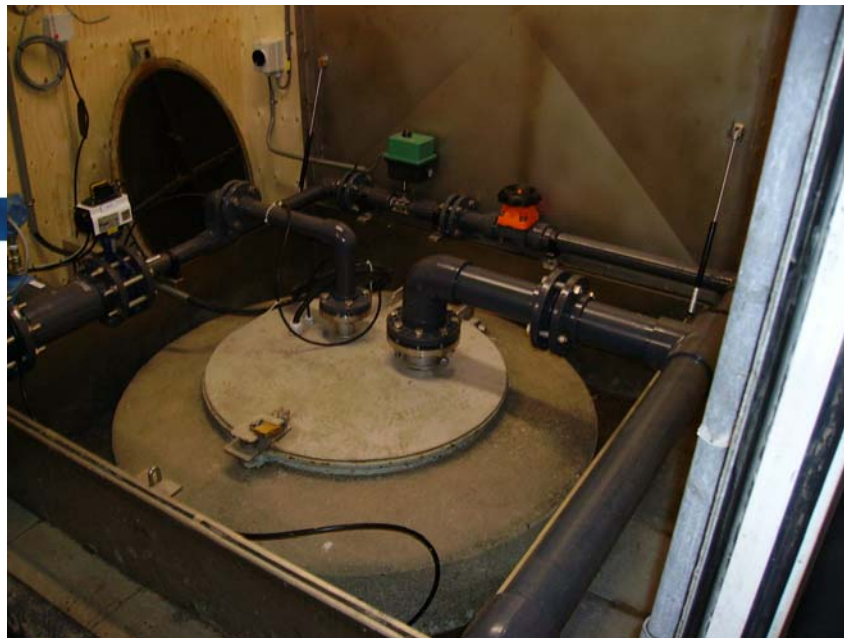


# Detail connection research area



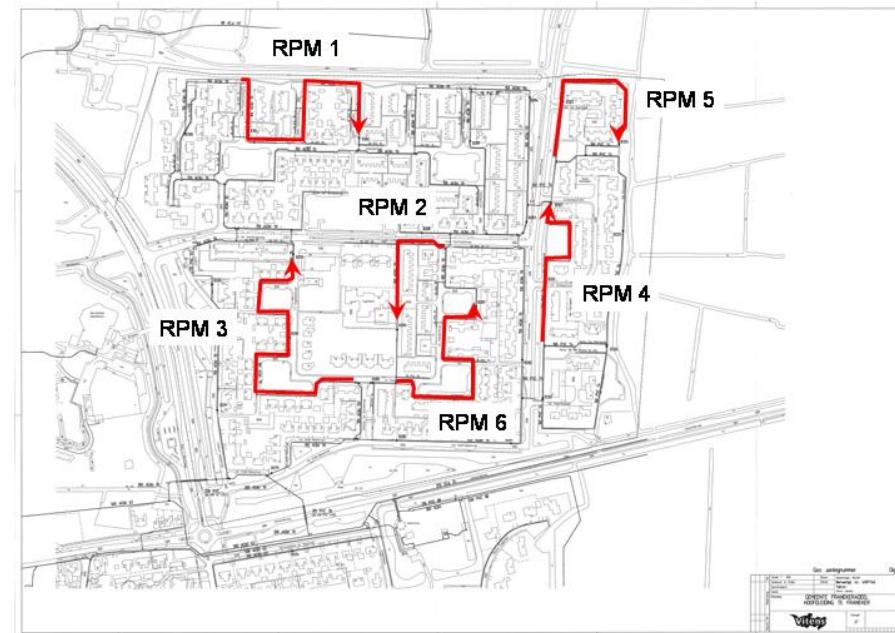
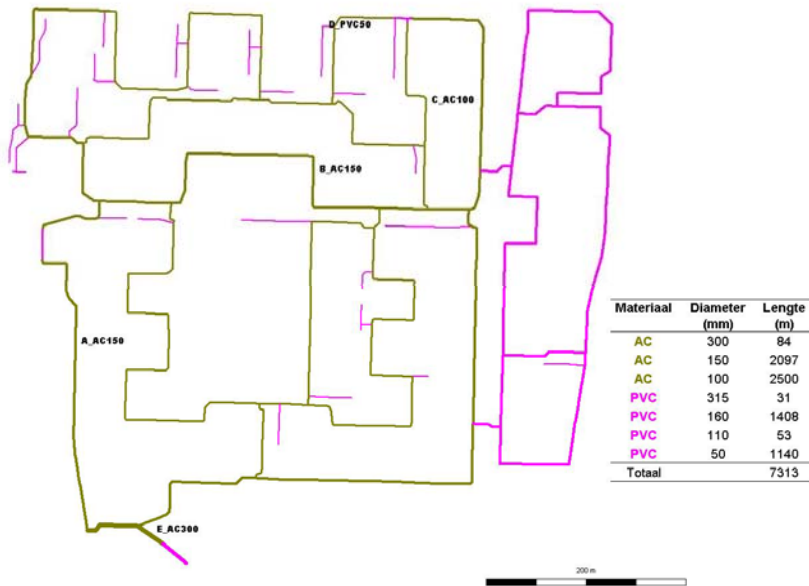
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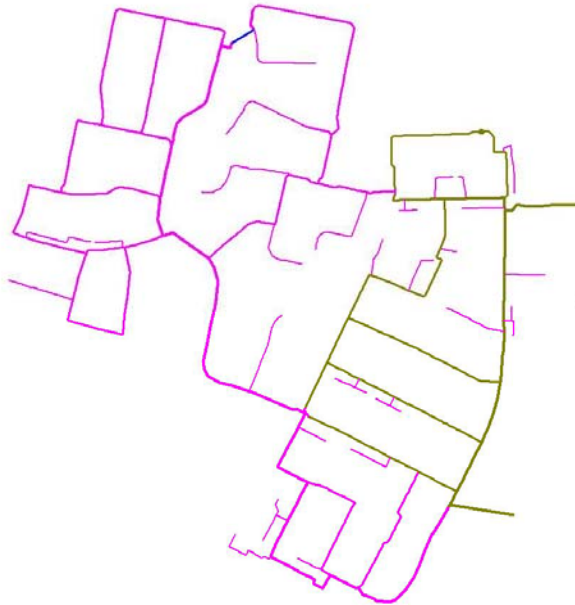
# The Reserach area



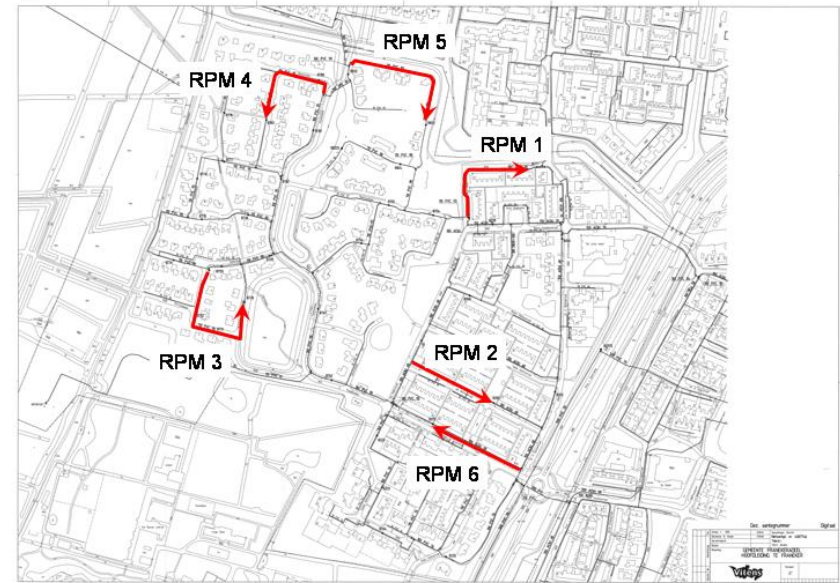
- 550 connections à 2,6 persons using 122 Ippd (2004)
- 1970 AC part; PVC part 1974



# The Reference Area



Materiaal	Diameter (mm)	Lengte (m)
AC	300	3
AC	150	611
AC	100	1273
HPE	160	31
PVC	160	1174
PVC	110	2291
PVC	75	86
PVC	50	1684
		7152

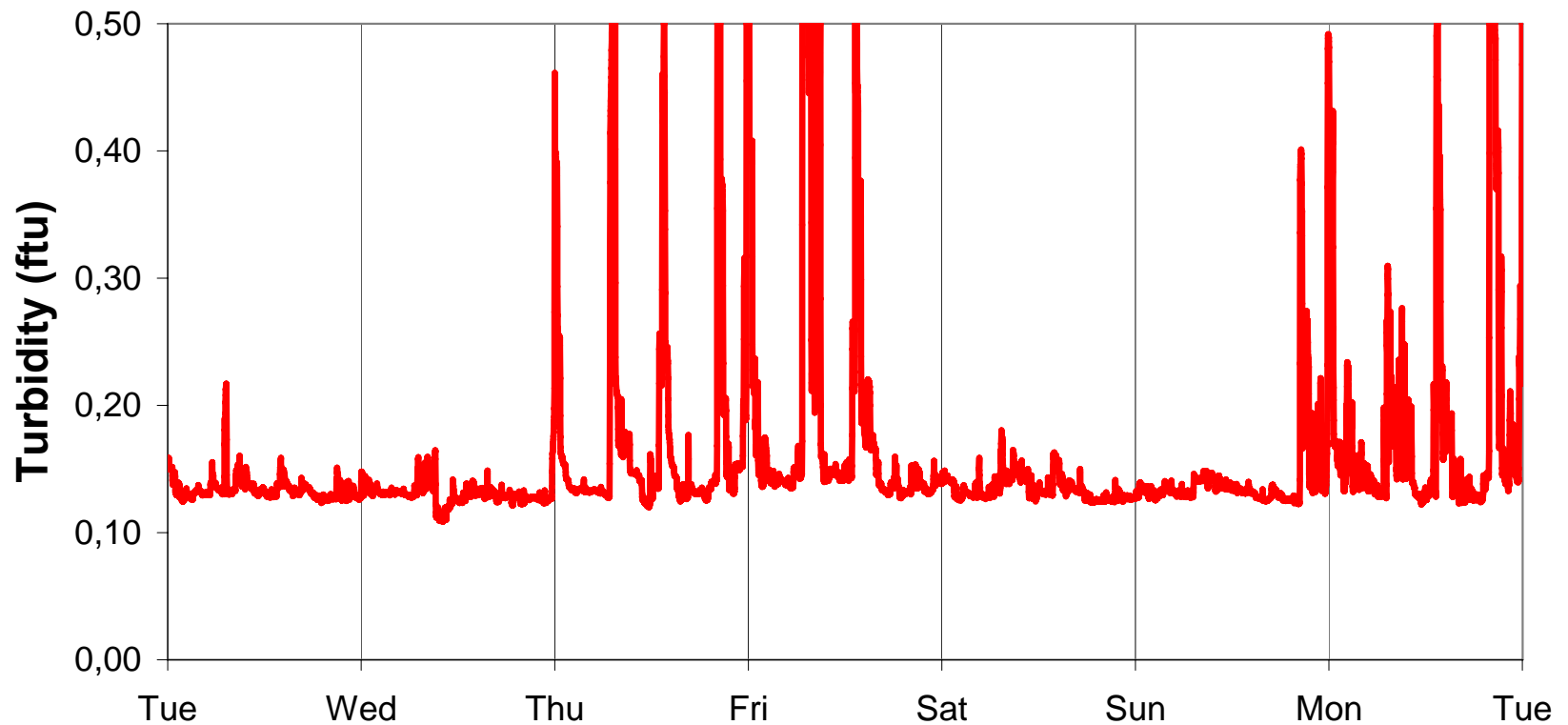


- 520 connections à 2,7 persons using 118 lppd (2004)
- 1968-1969 AC part; 1<sup>st</sup> PVC part 1974; 2<sup>nd</sup> PVC part 1995-1999

# Spannenburg



## Treated water Spannenburg 14 - 20 December 2004



# Measuring activities

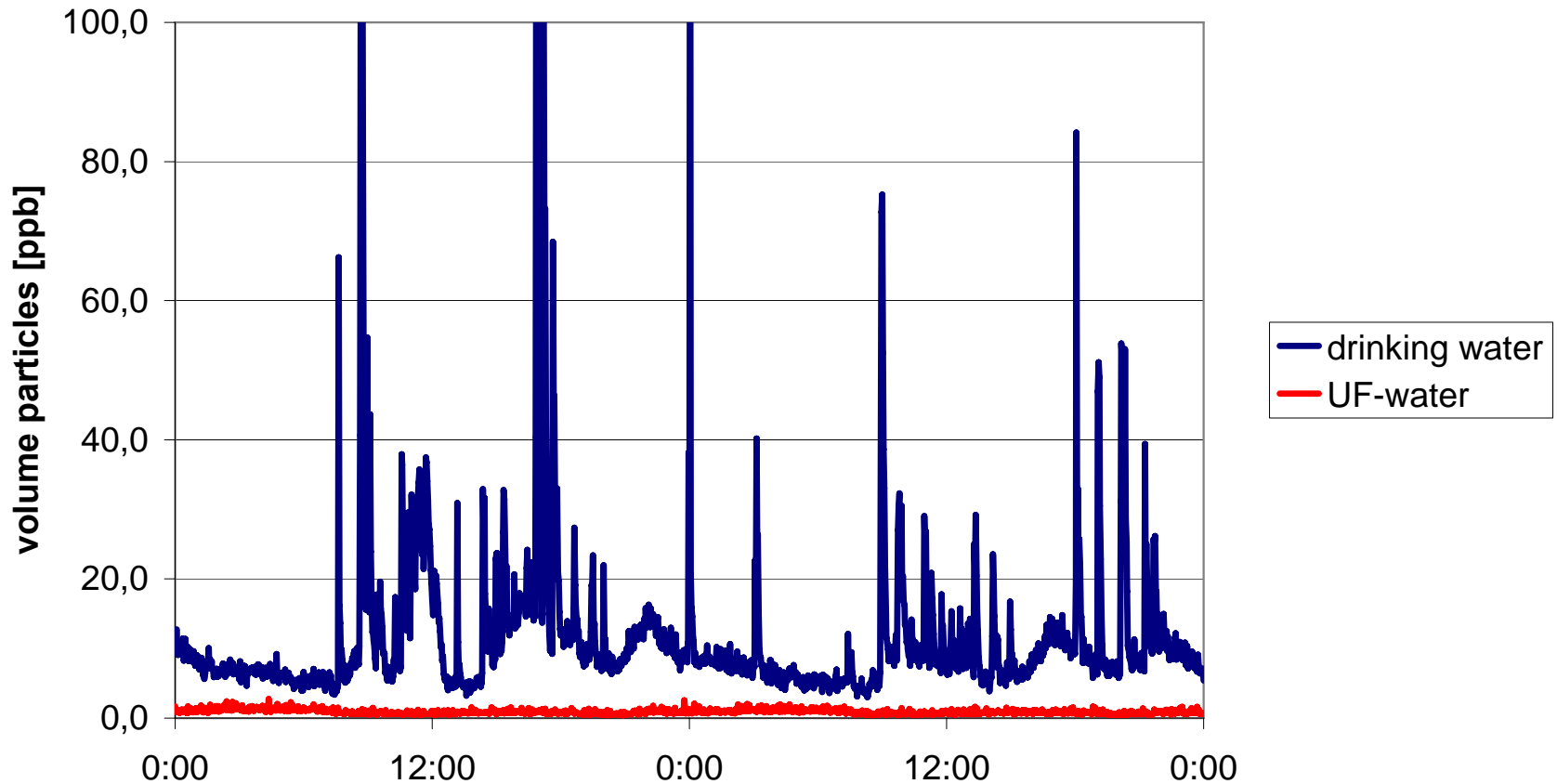


	Research Area						Reference Area					
	Loc 1		Loc 2		Loc 3		Loc 1		Loc 2		Loc 3	
Part count												
First period	14-3-06 / 30-3-06		21-3-06 / 30-3-06		14-3-06 / 30-3-06		30-3-06 / 10-4-06		30-3-06 / 10-4-06		30-3-06 / 10-4-06	
Second period	12-10-06 / 18-10-06		12-10-06 / 20-10-06		12-10-06 / 20-10-06		30-10-06 / 10-11-06		30-10-06 / 4-11-06		30-10-06 / 10-11-06	
Turbidity							Input UF installation 21-03-06 / 10-4-2006					
Hemoflow												
21-11-06 / 27-11-06							2-11-06/3-11-06; 3-11-06/6-11-06; 6-11-06/10-11-06; 10-11-06/13-11-06					
Resuspension Potential Method (RPM)												
	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6
-1 (2005)	24-6	27-6	24-6	24-6	24-6	24-6	22-6	22-6	22-6	22-6	23-6	23-6
0 (2005)	13-7	13-7	13-7	14-7	14-7	14-7	7-7	7-7	7-7	7-7	8-7	8-7
1 (2006)	14-3	14-3	-	14-3	-	-	14-3	14-3	-	14-3	-	-
2 (2006)	6-11	6-11	6-11	6-11	7-11	7-11	6-11	7-11	7-11	7-11	7-11	7-11
Cleaning period												
Initial	5 October 2005						24 June 2005					
End	9 and 10 November 2006						13 and 14 November 2006					

# Input particle volume



## Total volume particles

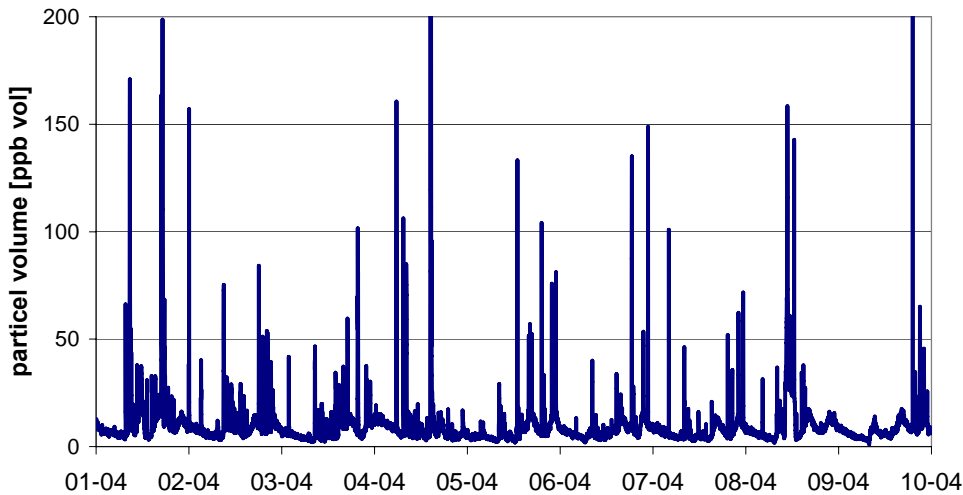


# Particle count/volume data

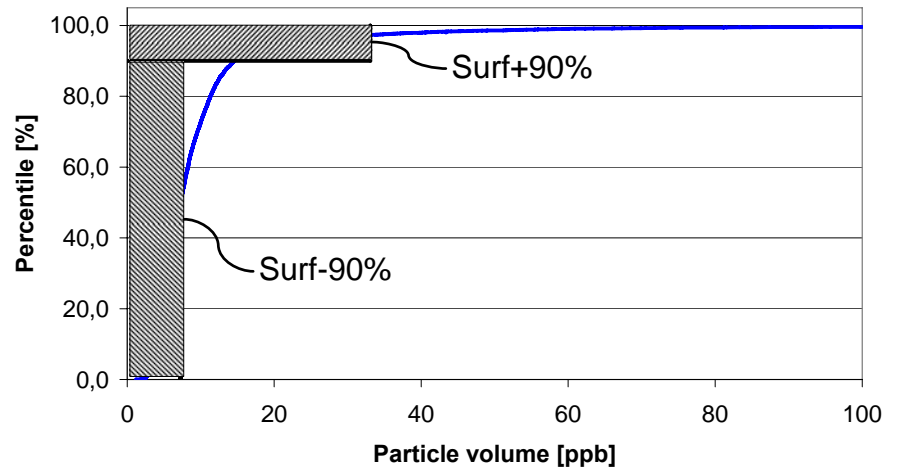


Frequency percentile [%]	[ppb]	
90,0	14,57	
95,0	21,80	
98,0	40,18	
99,0	58,39	
99,5	84,15	
99,9	160,58	
ratio 90/99,5		0,17
average [ppb]		9,85
surf -90 [%]		66,4%
surf +90 [%]		33,6%

Calculated particle volume



Frequency distribution calculated particle volume

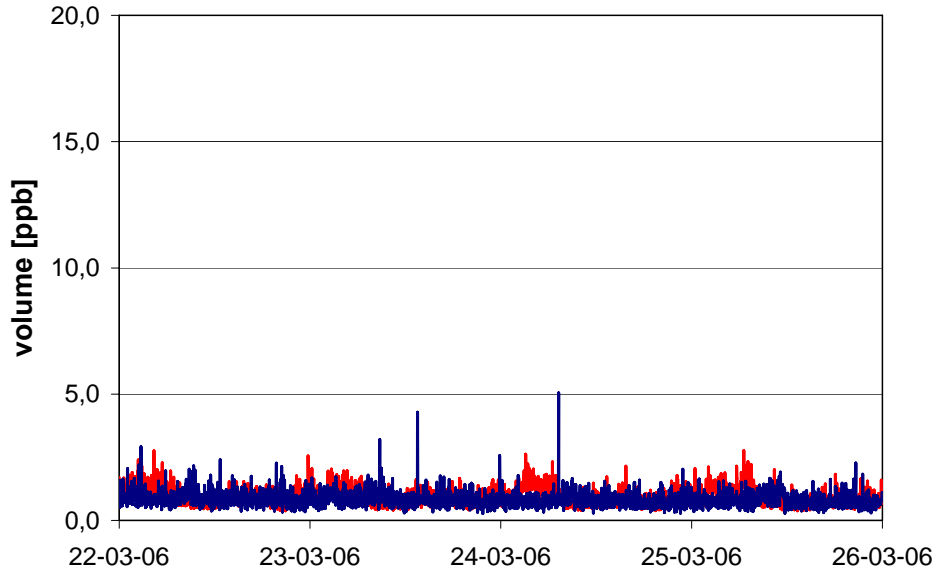


# Research area first period

22-3-2006 to 26-3-2006

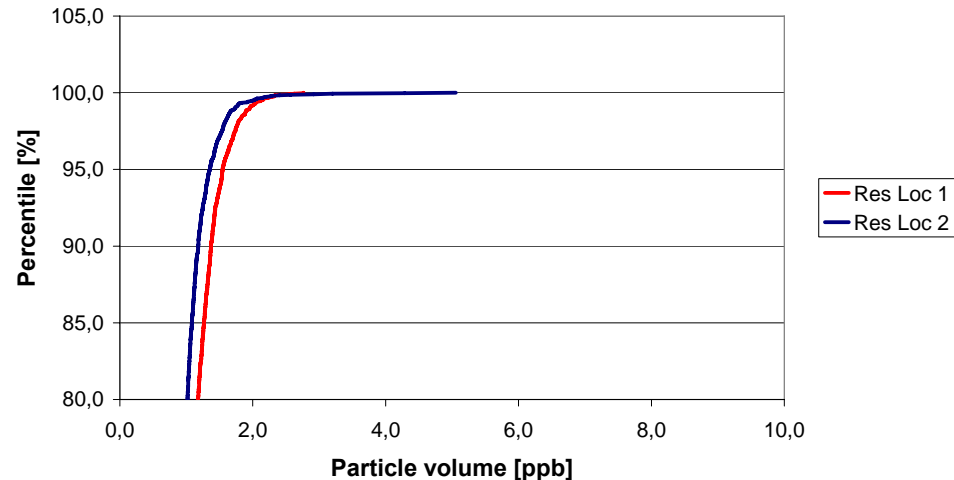
Frequency percentile [%]	Res Loc 1 [ppb]	Res Loc 2 [ppb]
90,0	1,37	1,18
95,0	1,55	1,35
98,0	1,78	1,57
99,0	1,95	1,73
99,5	2,12	1,99
99,9	2,55	2,92

Volume particles Research Area



ratio 90/99,5	0,65	0,59
average [ppb]	0,92	0,83
surf -90 [%]	82,3%	82,5%
surf +90 [%]	17,7%	17,4%

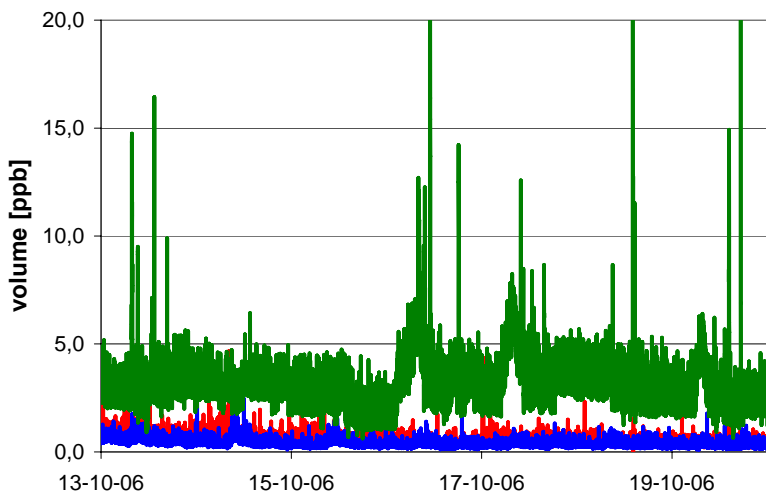
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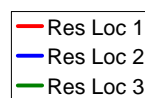
# Research Area second period



Volume particles Research Area

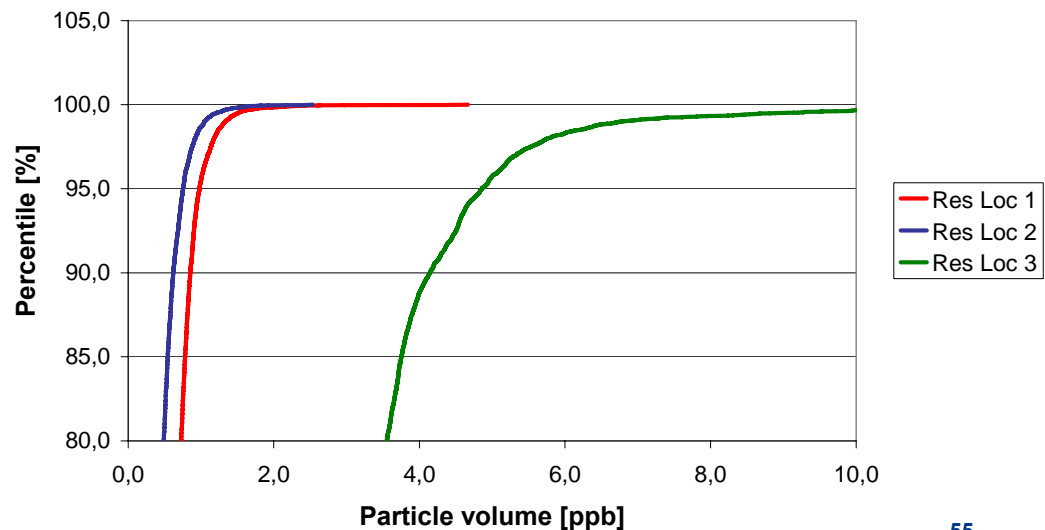


Frequency percentile [%]	Res Loc 1 [ppb]	Res Loc 2 [ppb]	Res Loc 3 [ppb]
90,0	0,85	0,62	4,15
95,0	0,98	0,75	4,86
98,0	1,18	0,92	5,76
99,0	1,33	1,05	6,78
99,5	1,51	1,21	8,90
99,9	2,17	1,62	16,39



ratio 90/99,5	0,56	0,51	0,47
average [ppb]	0,55	0,38	2,93
surf -90 [%]	80,7%	78,7%	80,9%
surf +90 [%]	19,3%	21,3%	19,1%

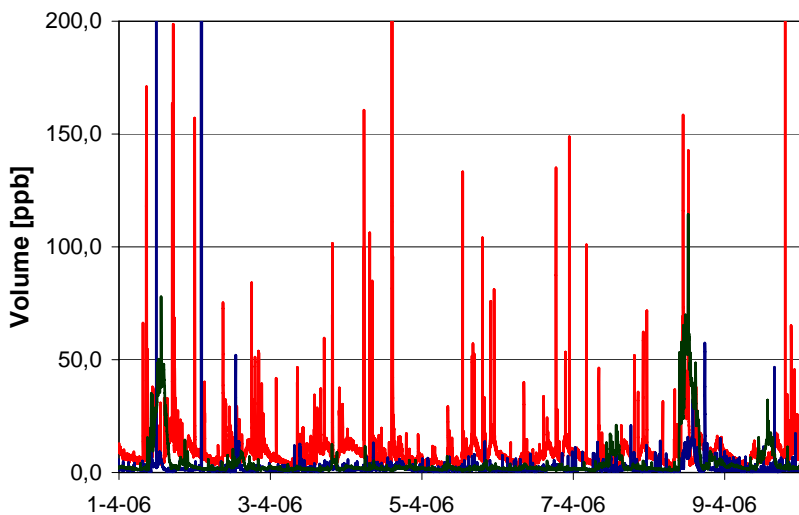
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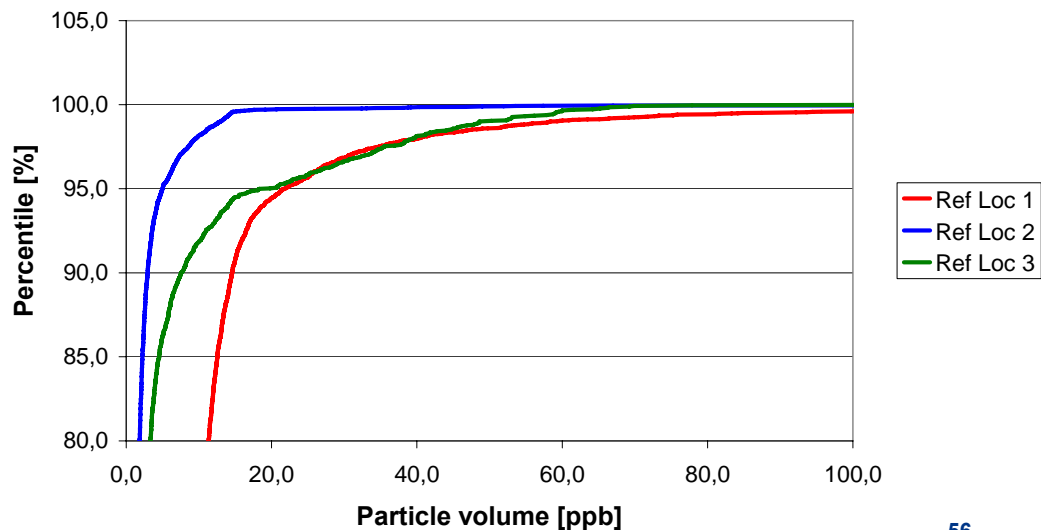


Volume particles Reference Area



Frequency percentile [%]	Ref Loc 1 [ppb]	Ref Loc 2 [ppb]	Ref Loc 3 [ppb]
90,0	14,57	2,95	7,55
95,0	21,80	5,00	18,32
98,0	40,18	9,56	39,45
99,0	58,39	12,94	48,60
99,5	84,15	14,42	59,09
99,9	160,58	49,01	69,25
ratio 90/99,5	0,17	0,20	0,13
average [ppb]	9,85	1,98	4,49
surf -90 [%]	66,4%	56,6%	43,8%
surf +90 [%]	33,6%	43,4%	54,9%

Freq. distr. Reference area 1-4-06 / 10-4-06



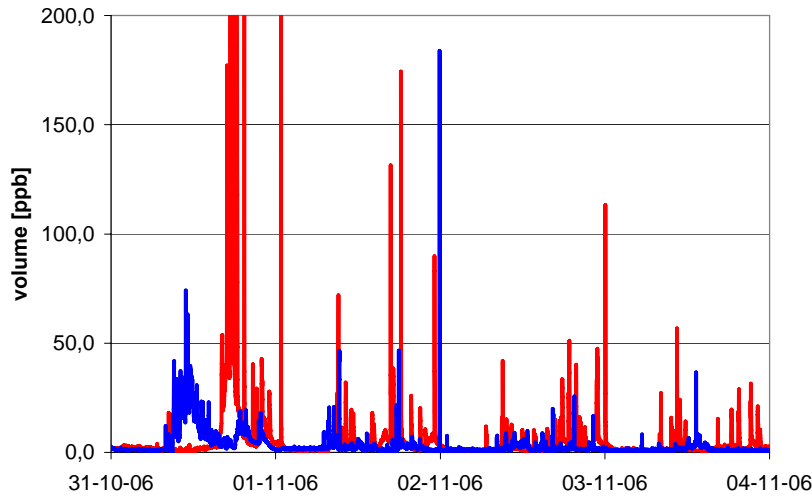


# Reference Area second period

31-10-2006 to 4-11-2006

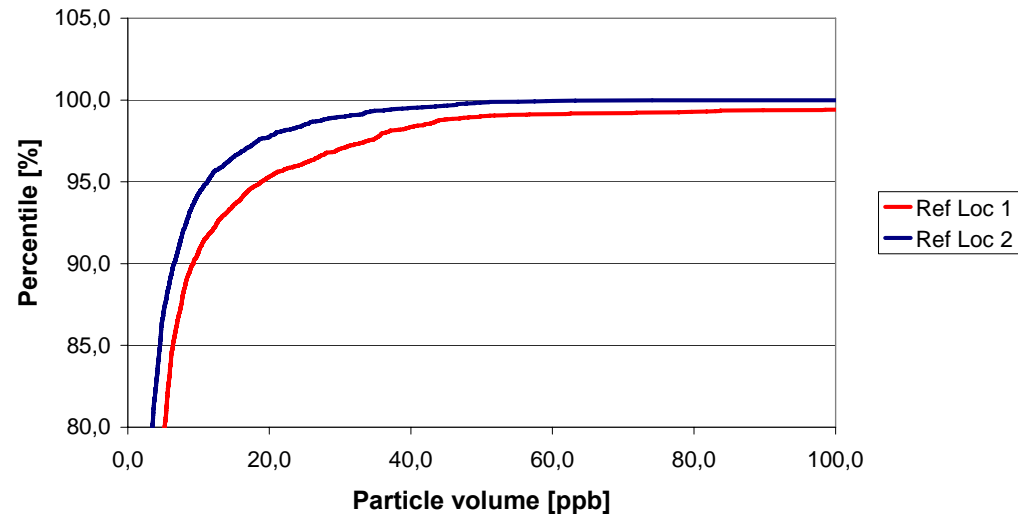
Frequency percentile [%]	Ref Loc 1 [ppb]	Ref Loc 2 [ppb]
90,0	9,25	6,53
95,0	18,77	11,25
98,0	36,26	20,94
99,0	49,77	30,71
99,5	117,97	39,57
99,9	307,70	55,12
ratio 90/99,5	0,08	0,16
average [ppb]	5,77	3,11
surf -90 [%]	38,2%	49,2%
surf +90 [%]	61,8%	50,4%

Volume particles Reference Area



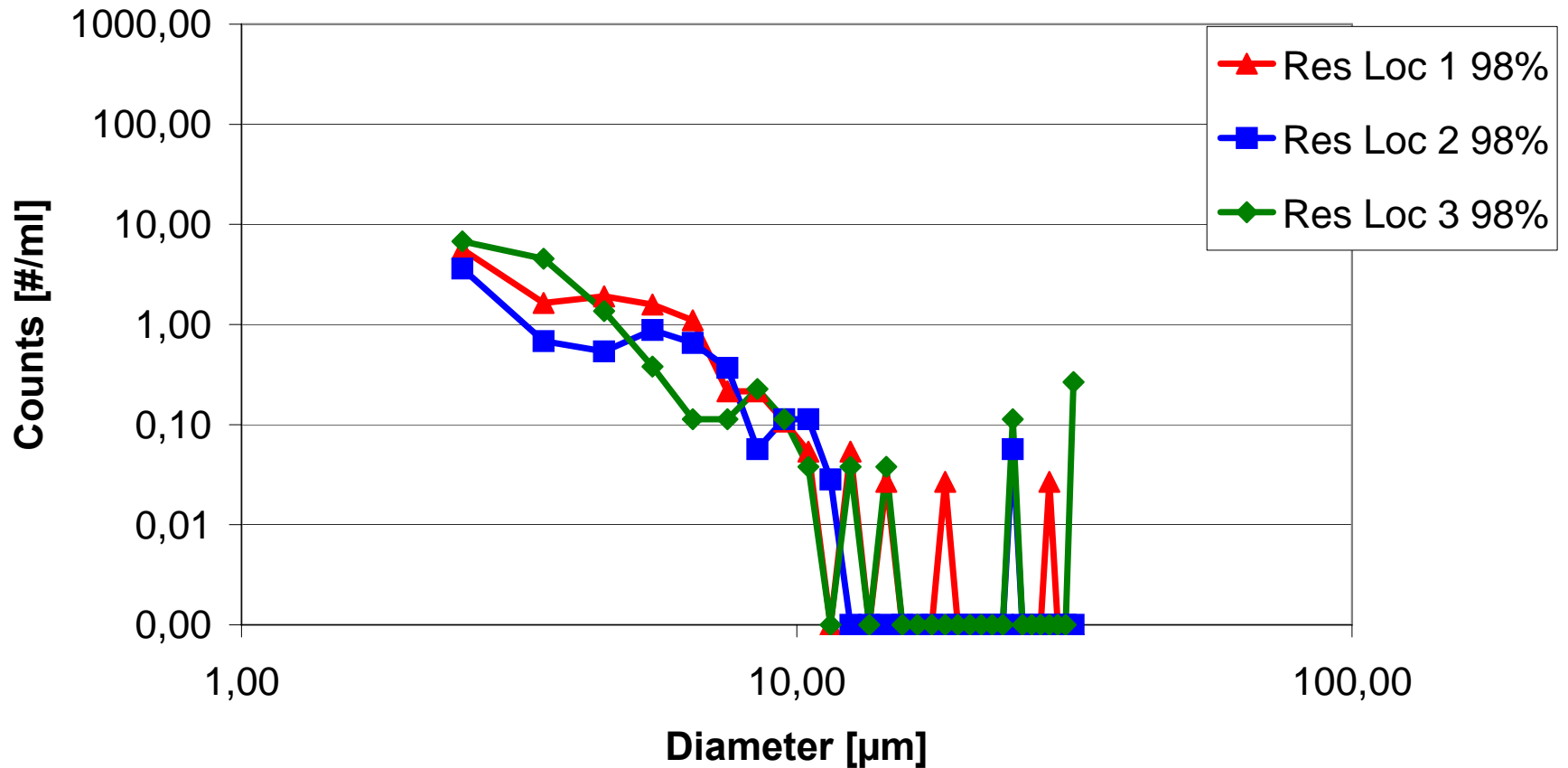
— Ref Loc 1  
— Ref Loc 2

Freq. Distr. Reference Area 31-10-06 / 4-11-06



# What are the particles made of

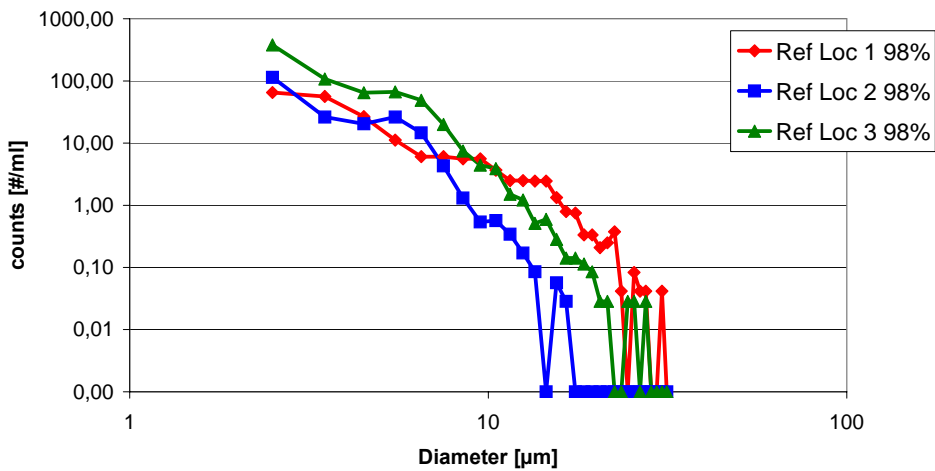
## Particle distribution Research Area



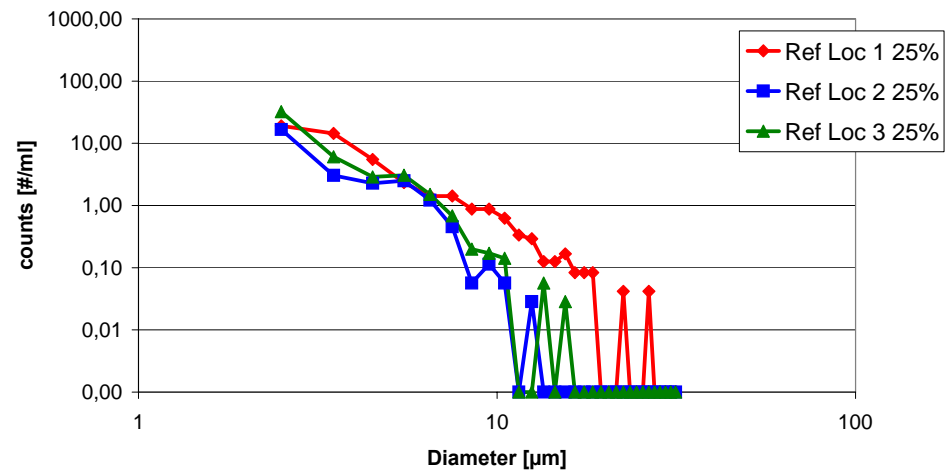
# Reference Area



### Particle size distribution Reference Area 98%

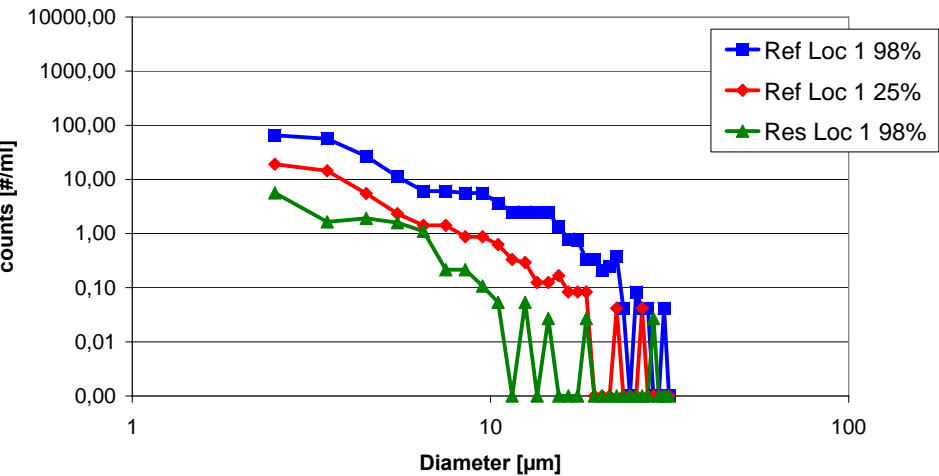


### Particle size distribution Reference Area 25%

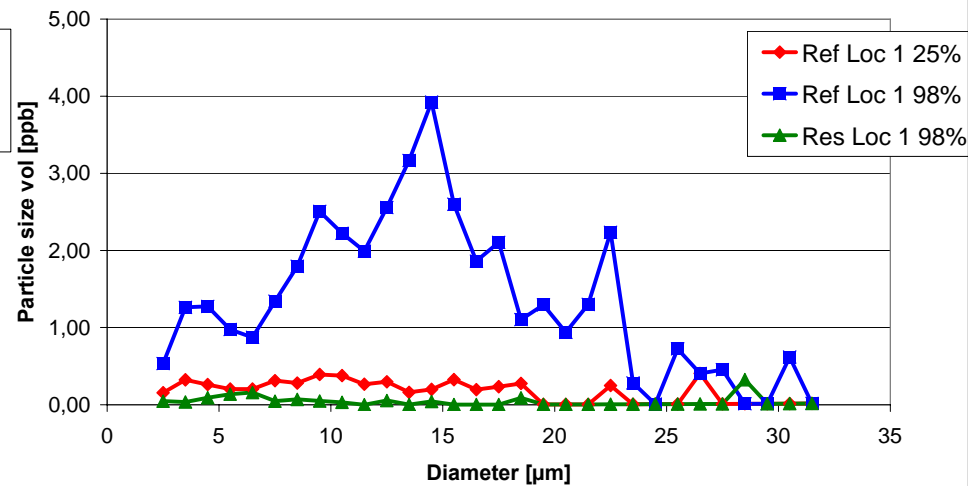


# Particle size distribution and volume distribution

Comparison particle size distribution

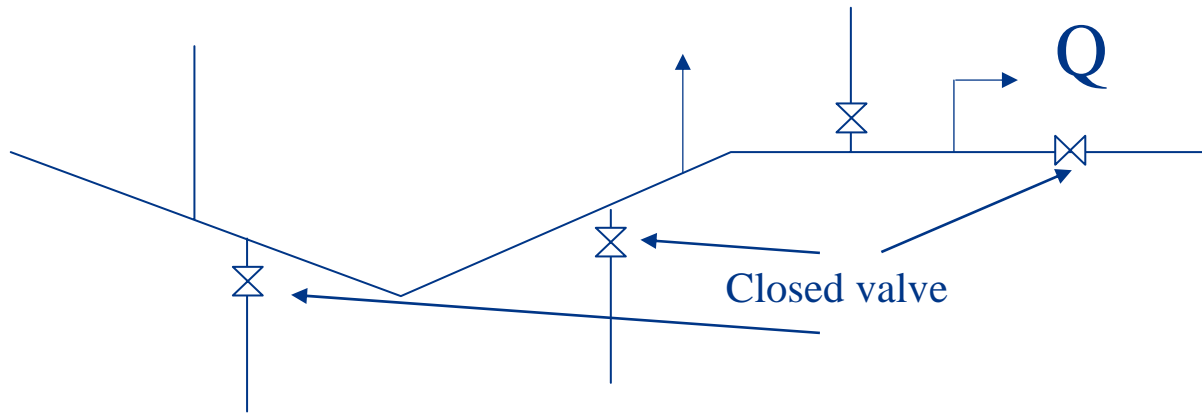


Particle volume per size range

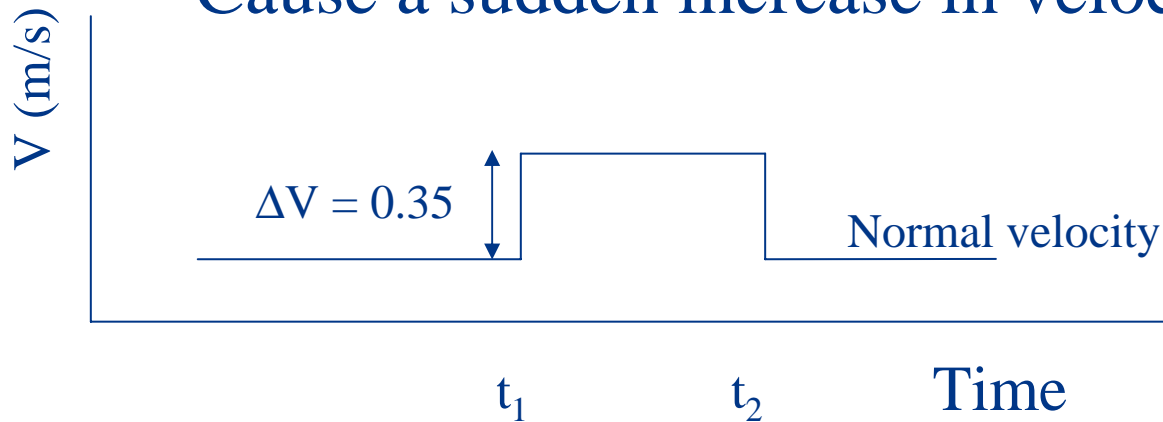


	volume particles [ppb]
Ref Loc 1 98%	40,41
Ref Loc 1 25%	5,23
Res Loc 1 98%	1,30

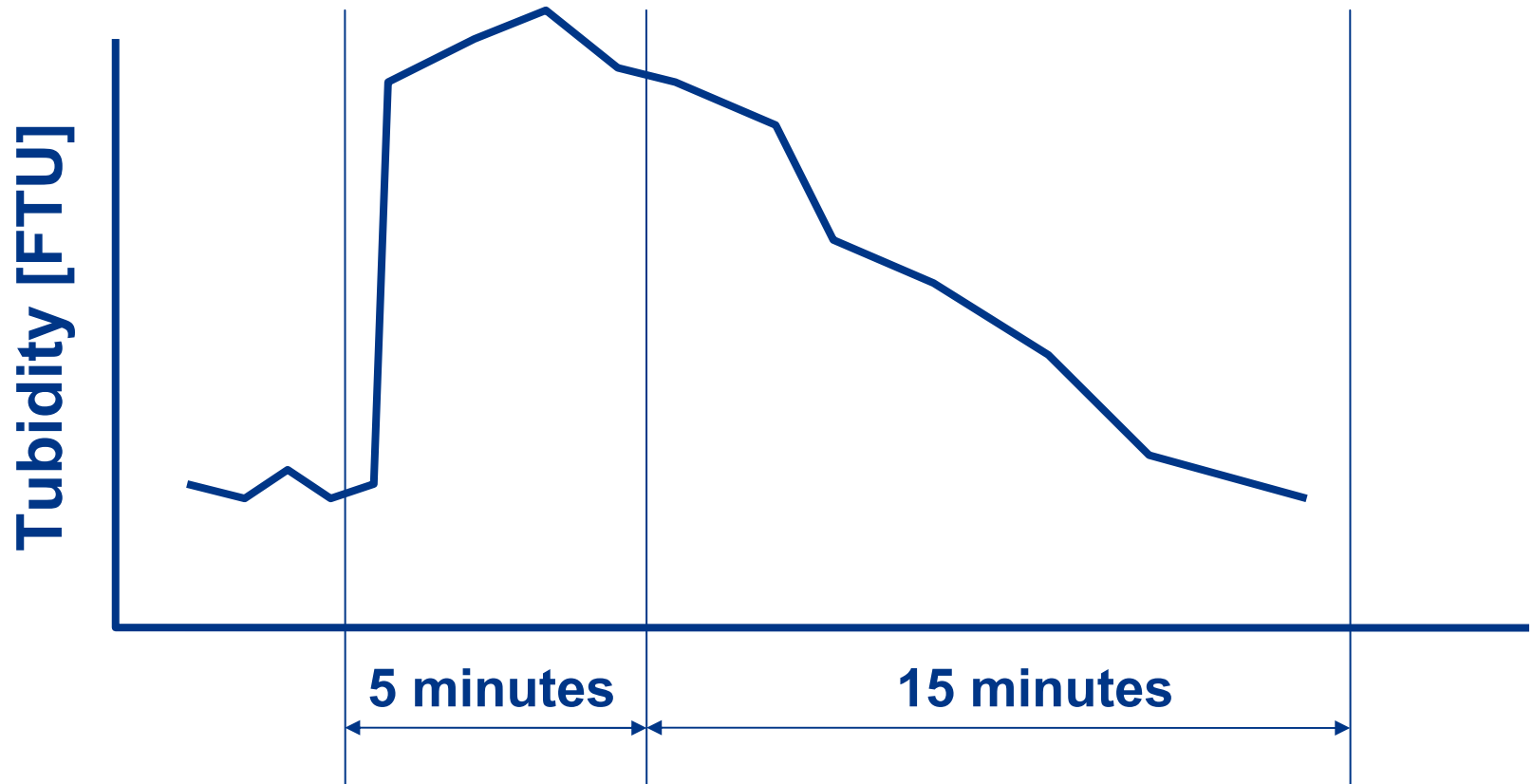
# Resuspension Potential Measurement



Cause a sudden increase in velocity



# Adjusted RPM: shorter disturbance



# Resuspension Potential Measurements

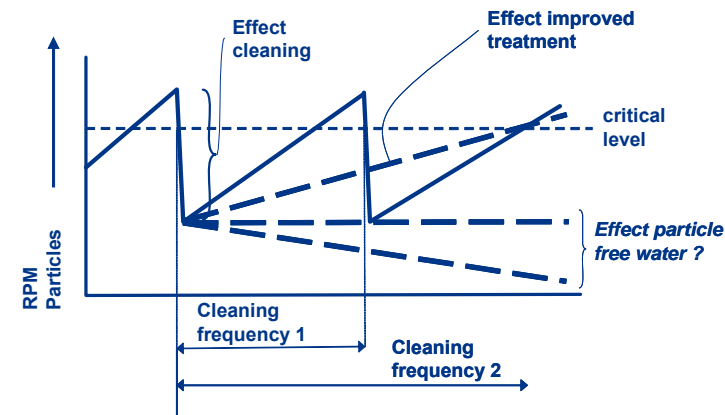
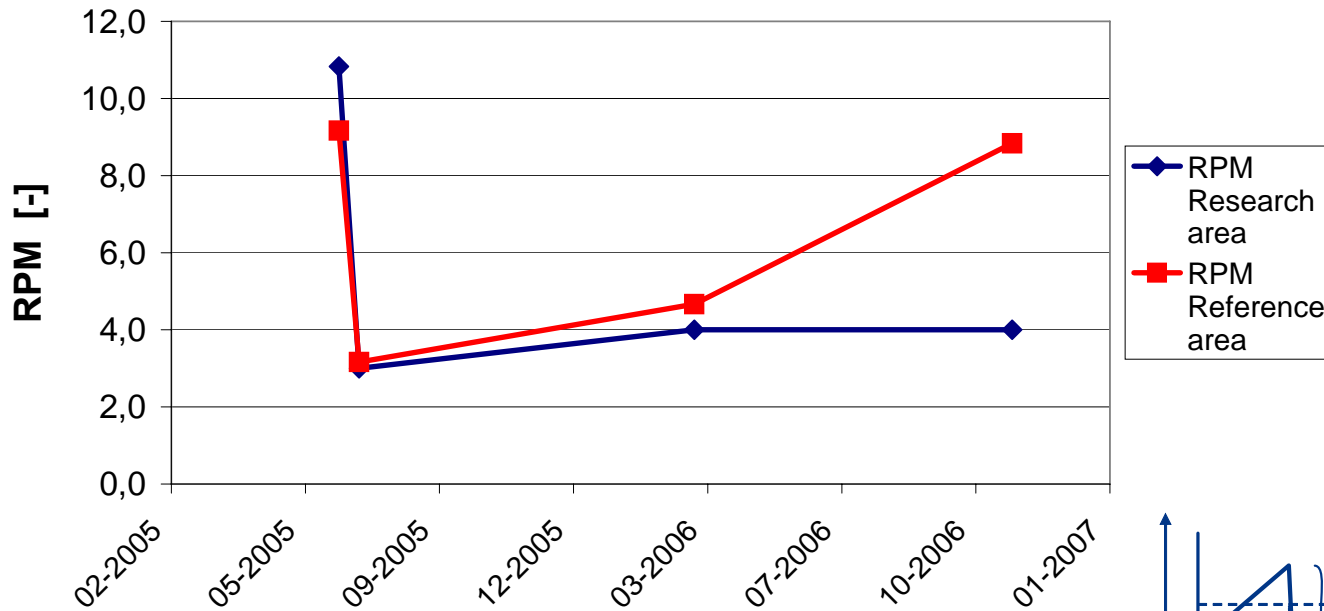
Points	0	1	2	3	4
Max during disturbance [FTU]	<1	1-3	3-5	5-10	>10
Average during disturbance [FTU]	<1	1-3	3-5	5-10	>10
Resettling time [min]	<1	1-5	5-10	10-15	>15

Research area	-1 measure				0-measure				1-measure				2-measure			
Date	24-6-2005				13-7-2005				14-3-2006				6-11-2006			
location				tot				tot				tot				tot
Res loc 1	4	4	3	11	1	1	1	3	2	1	0	3	3	3	2	8
Res loc 2	4	4	4	12	1	1	1	3	4	3	0	7	2	1	0	3
Res loc 3	4	4	3	11	1	0	1	2				0	2	1	0	3
Res loc 4	4	4	2	10	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	1	0	2
Res loc 5	4	4	3	11	2	1	2	5				0	1	1	0	2
Res loc 6	4	4	2	10	3	1	1	5				0	4	2	0	6
Average	10,83				3,00				4,00				4,00			

Reference area	-1 measure				0-measure				1-measure				2-measure			
Date	22-6-2005				7-7-2005				14-3-2006				6-11-2006			
location				tot				tot				tot				tot
Ref loc 1	3	2	2	7	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ref loc 2	4	4	3	11	2	1	1	4	4	4	2	10	4	4	3	11
Ref loc 3	4	4	4	12	2	1	1	4				0	4	4	2	10
Ref loc 4	3	3	1	7	4	3	1	8	3	1	0	4	4	4	3	11
Ref loc 5	4	3	3	10	0	0	0	0				0	4	4	2	10
Ref loc 6	4	3	1	8	0	0	0	0				0	4	4	3	11
Average	9,17				3,17				4,67				8,83			

# RPM graphical

## Average Resuspension Potential Measurement

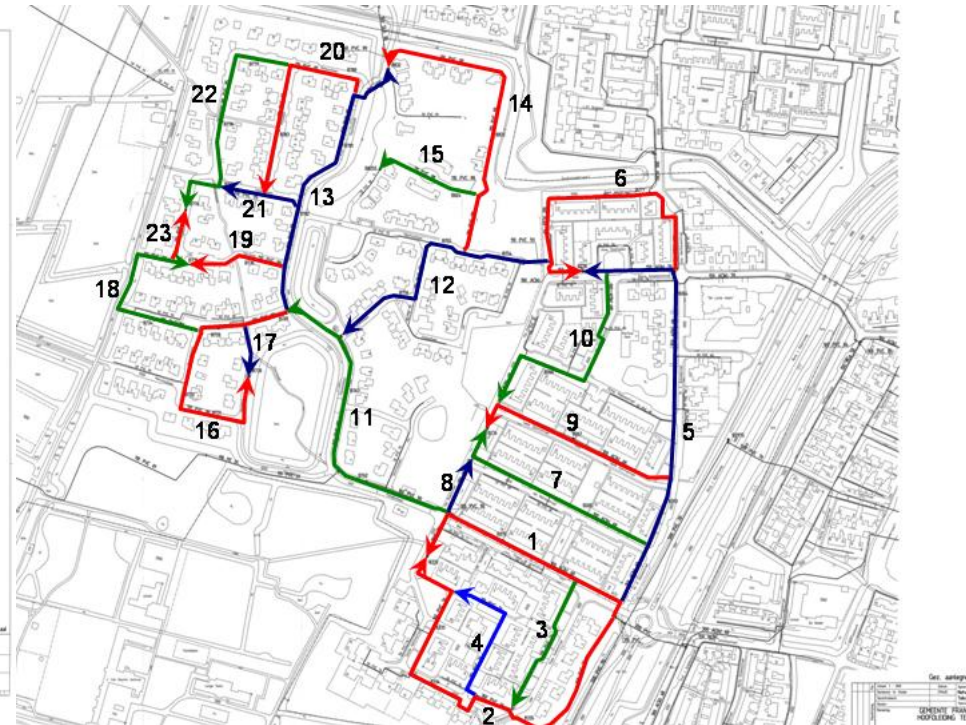
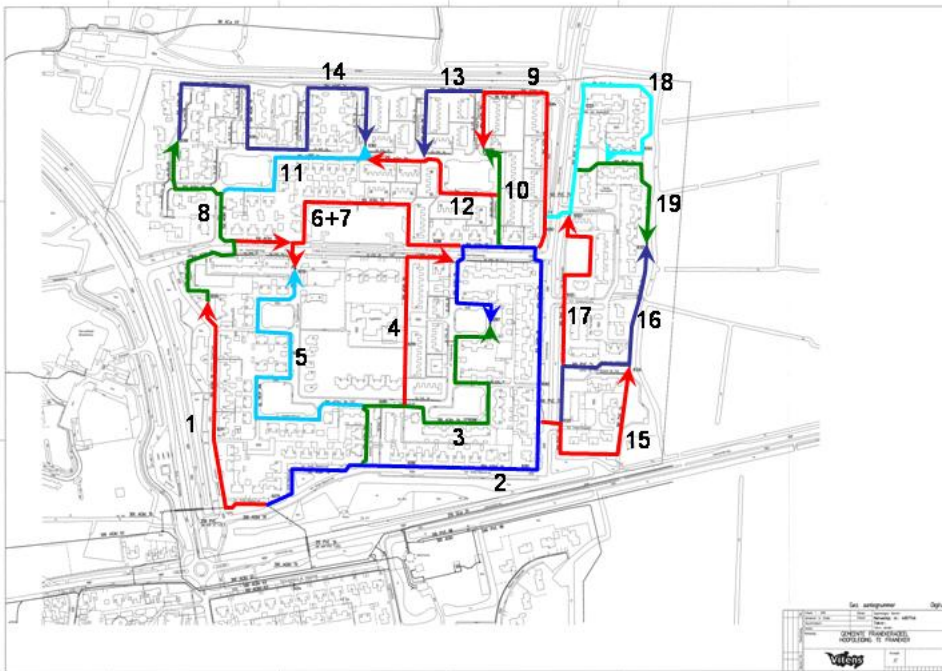




# Cleaning both the areas

- **Dedicated flushing program (1,5 m/s, uni-directional flow, clear water front)**
- **Continuous monitoring turbidity of flushed water**
- **Samples in first turn over flushed water**
- **Analysis samples for calibration curve TSS-FTU**

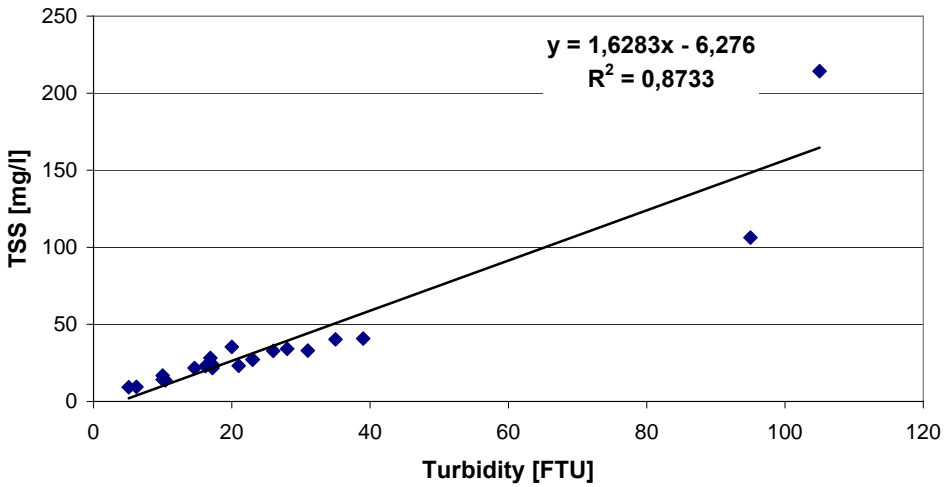
# Flush plans Research Area and Reference Area



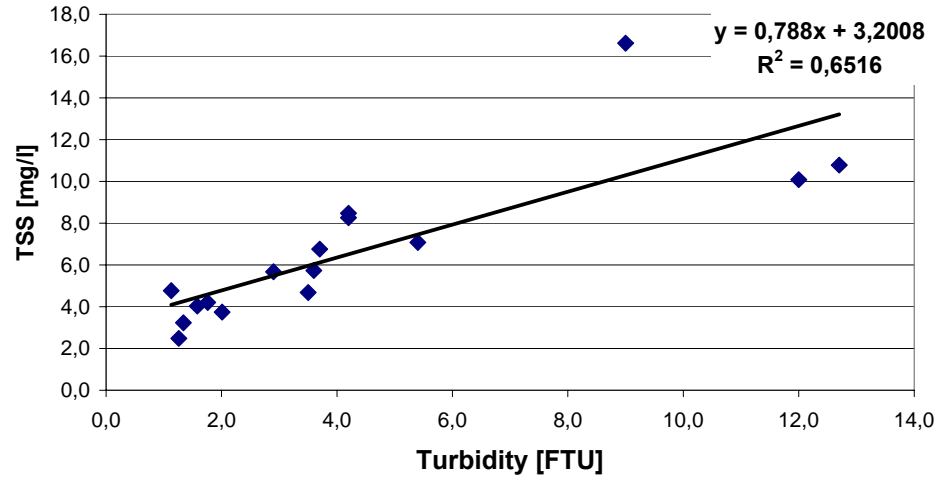
# Relation TSS-Turb



### Turbidity - TSS Reference area



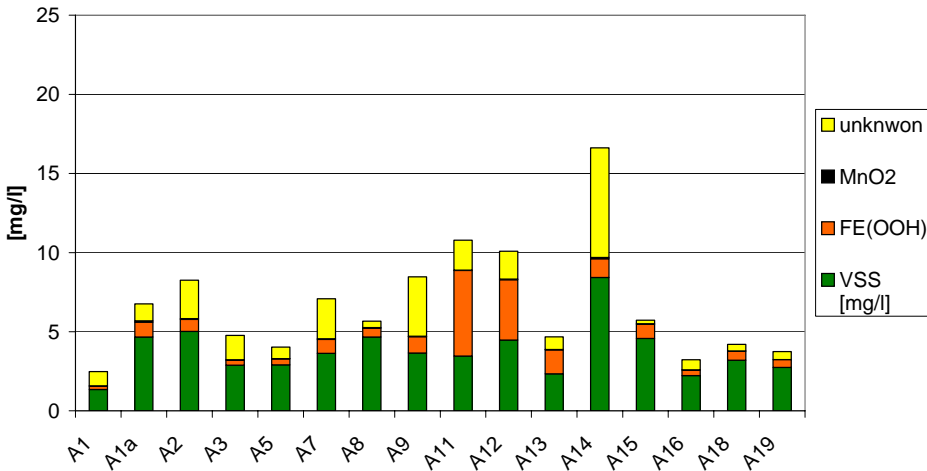
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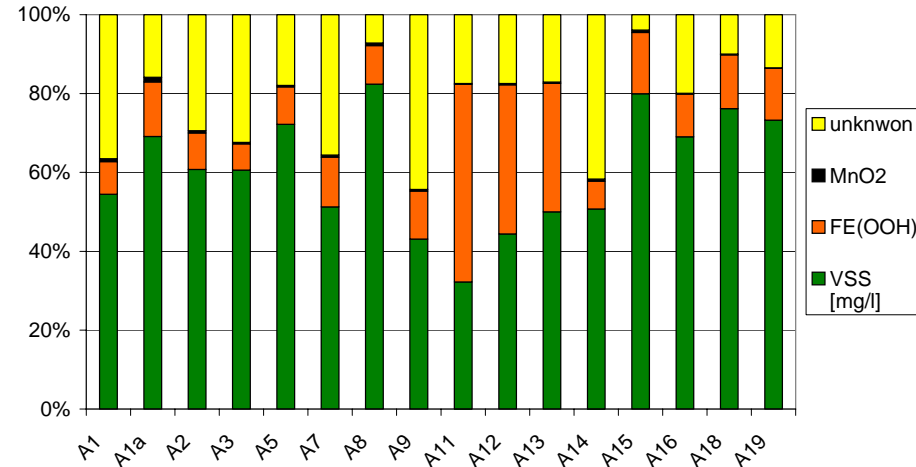
# Sample analyses



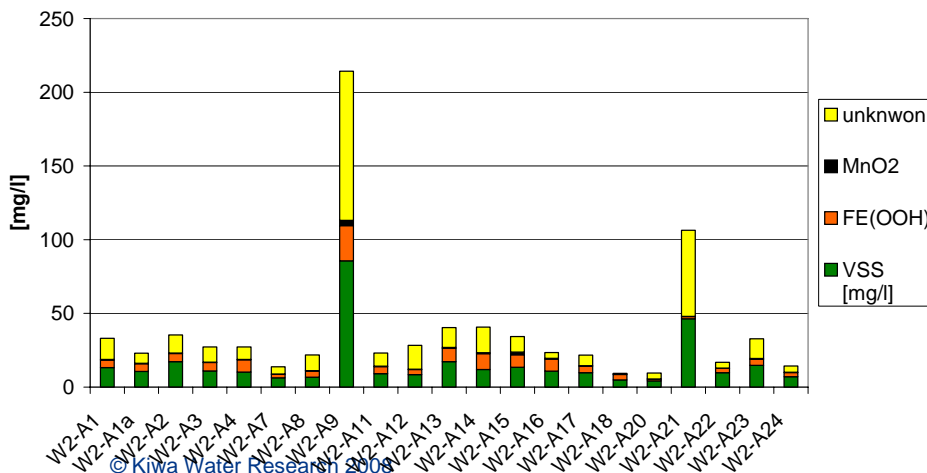
## Composition flush samples Research Area



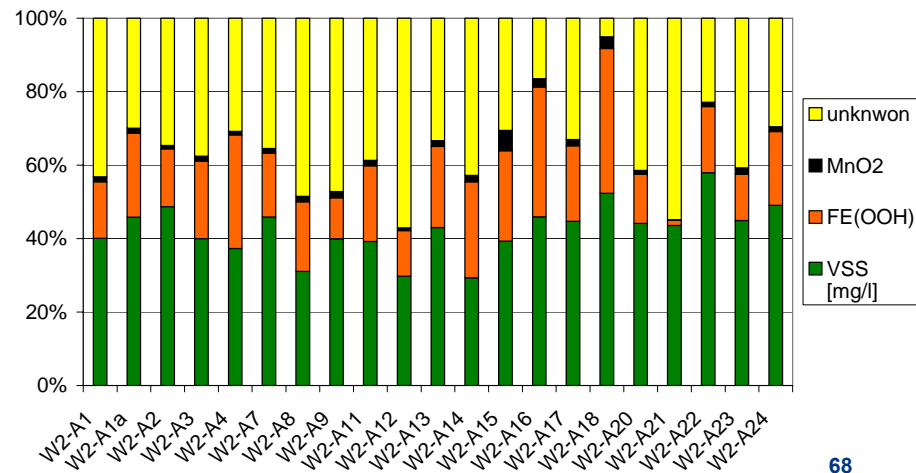
## Relative comp. flush samples Research Area



## Composition flush samples Reference Area



## Relative comp. flush samples Reference Area



# Removed TSS during flushing



	Total length flushed [m]	Removed TSS [gr]	Removed TSS per meter [mg/m]
Research	5840	525,08	89,9
Reference	5370	5752,52	1071,2

# Hemoflow results



Sample	Filtered volume [l]	Sample volume [l]	Damp rest [mg]	corr [mg]	TSS absolute [mg]	VSS Absolute [mg]	TSS [µg/l]	VSS [µg/l]	VSS % TSS
2/11/2006 - 3/11/2006	1926	0,91	359,45	243,99	115,46	43,17	59,95	22,42	37,39
3/11/2006 - 6/11/2006	3613	0,695	302,33	208,76	93,56	20,61	25,90	5,71	22,03
6/11/2006 - 10/11/2006	1942	0,96	364,80	274,87	89,93	19,34	46,31	9,96	21,50
10/11/2006 - 13/11/2006	6897	0,645	364,43	194,06	170,36	44,49	24,70	6,45	26,11
Total	14378				469,31	127,61	32,64	8,88	

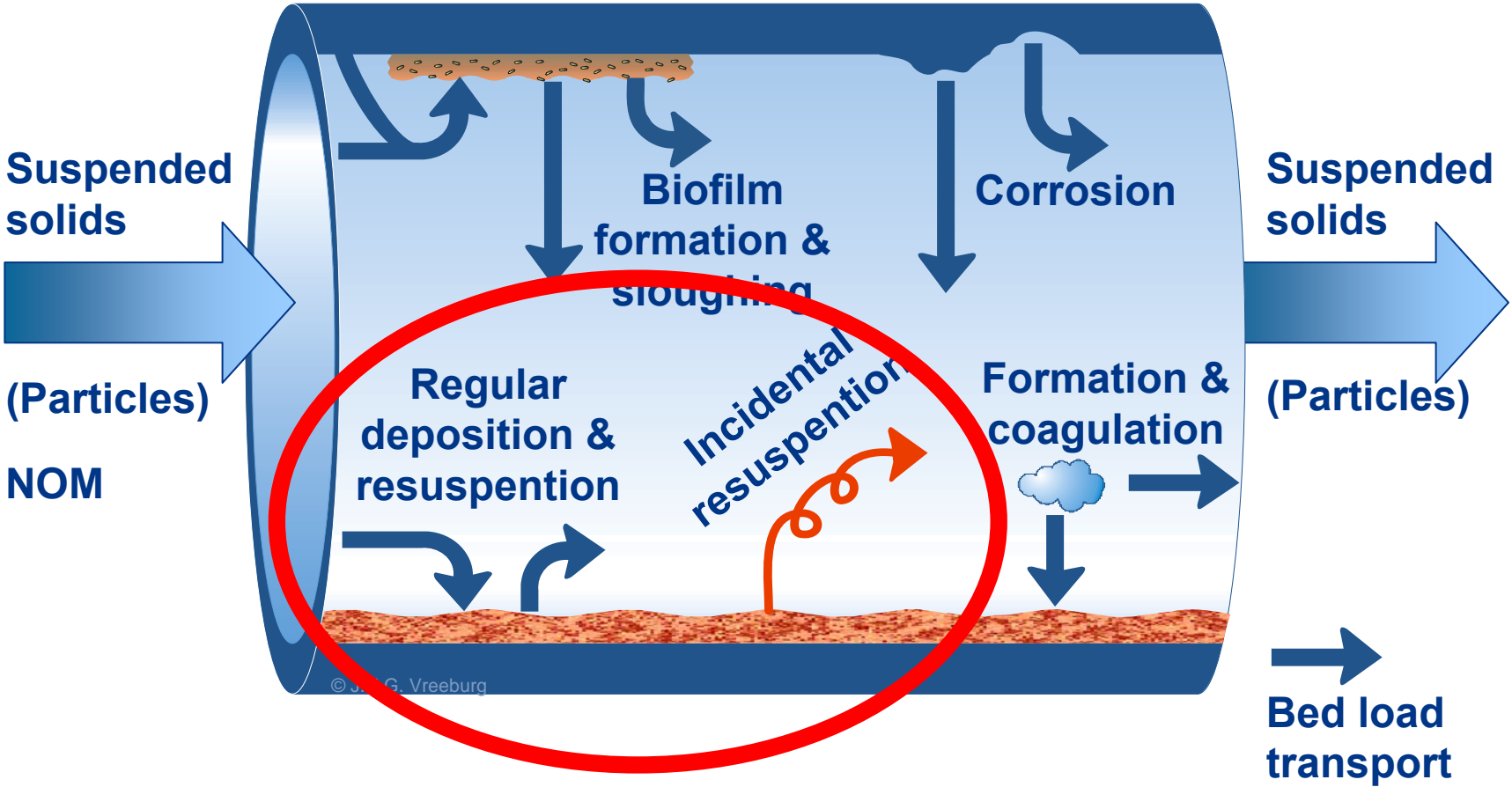
**Total loaded : 2743 gr**  
**Total removed: 5753 gr**



# Conclusions

- **Sediment primarily originates from treatment**
- **Particle load in Reference Area reloads the system in one-and-a-half year to starting level**
- **Large part of the sediment is of organic nature**
- **Formation of sediment in the network?**
- **Particle free water increases cleaning frequency with factor 5-10**
- **Avoiding peaks will decrease the particle load significantly**

# Stage 2 and 3 are mainly aimed at operation of the network





# Stage 2: Prevent accumulation → cleaning

## ■ Crude rules → Water Flushing

- 1,5 m/s
- Clear water front
- 2 à 3 turnover pipe volume

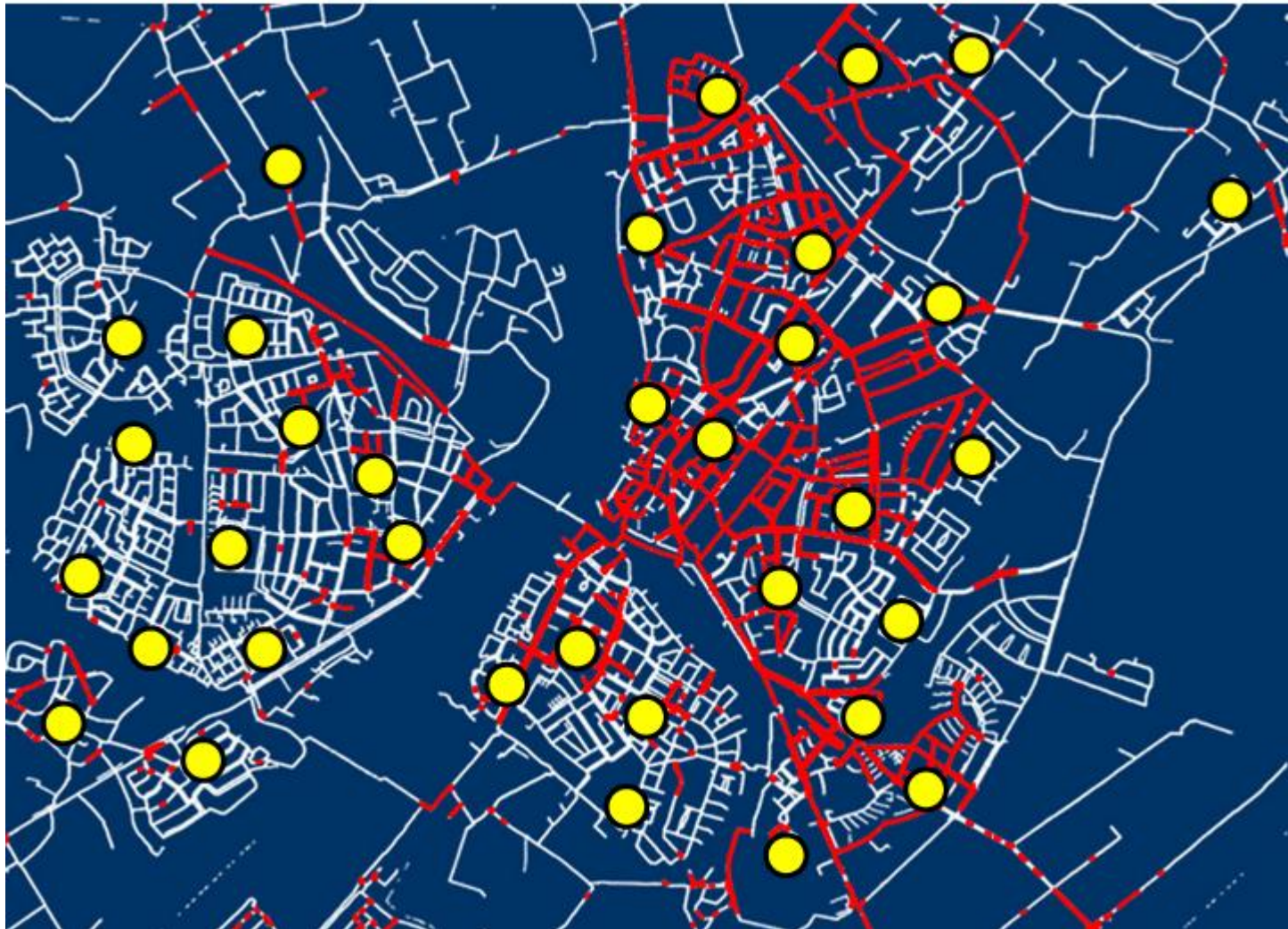
## ■ The operational eye opener: It is almost always possible

## ■ Room for further improvement

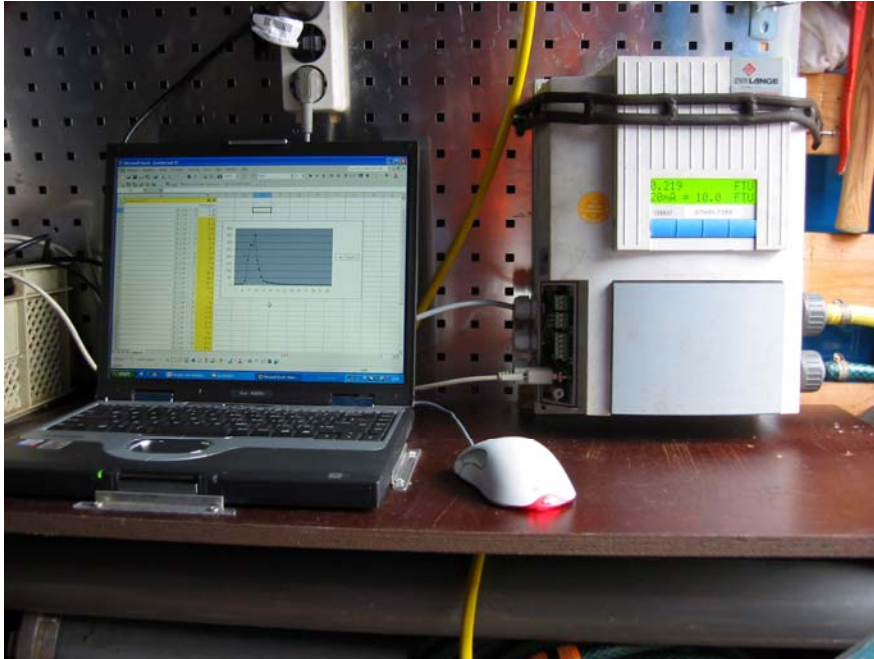


# Test case Venlo: RPM locations

blue: PVC/Ac; red: CI



# Measuring equipment

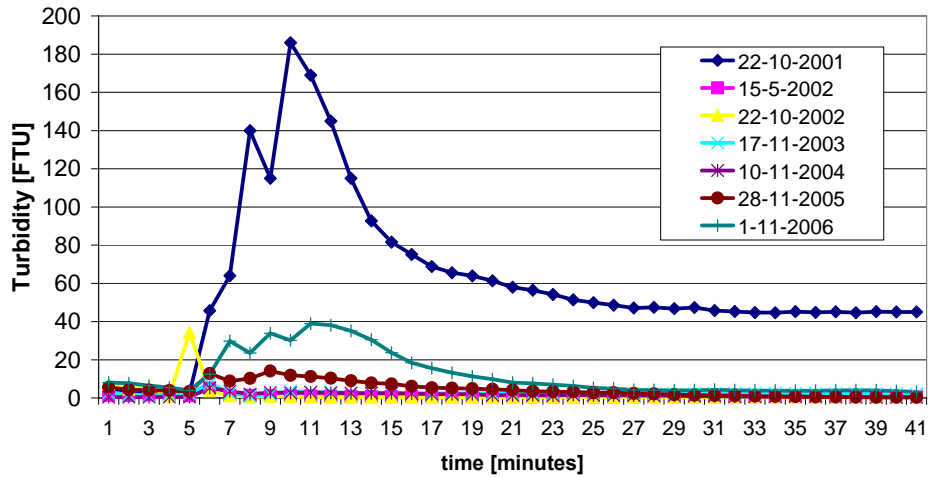


Points	0	1	2	3	4
Max 5 minutes [FTU]	<2	2-10	10-25	25-50	>50
Average 5 minutes [FTU]	<2	2-10	10-25	25-50	>50
Resettling time [min]	<5	5-15	15-25	25-30	>30

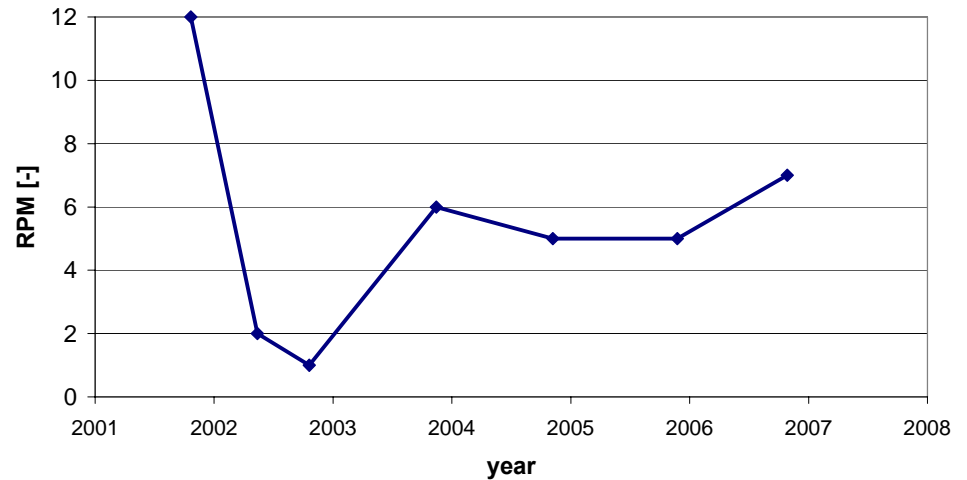
# Results AC pipe



## Turbidity data RPM 100 mm AC



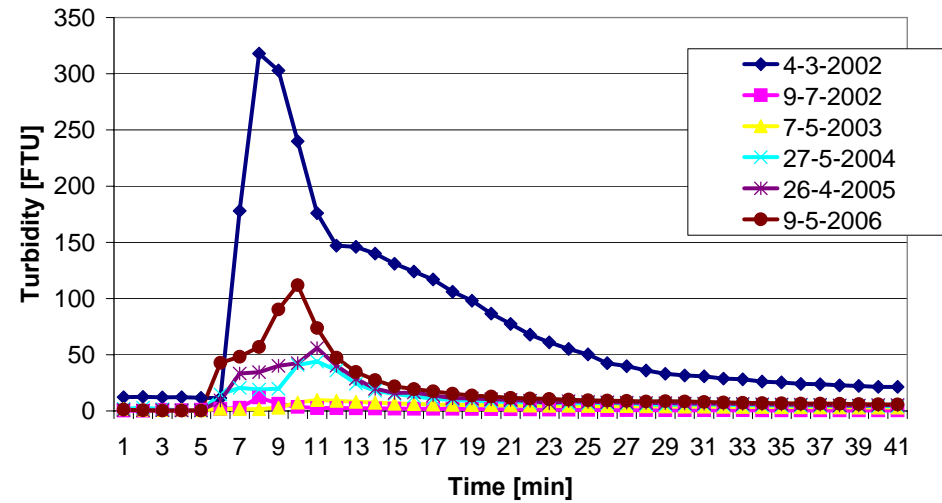
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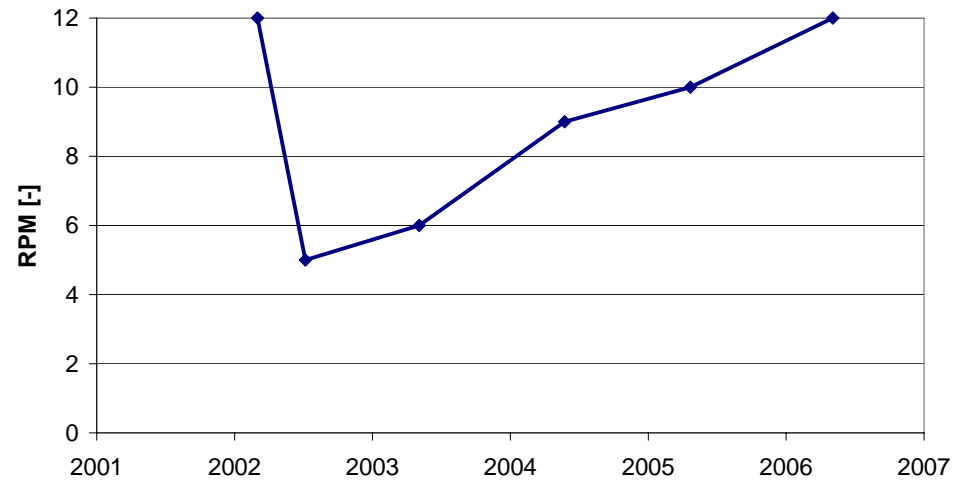
# RPM results CI pipe



## Turbidity data 4" CI



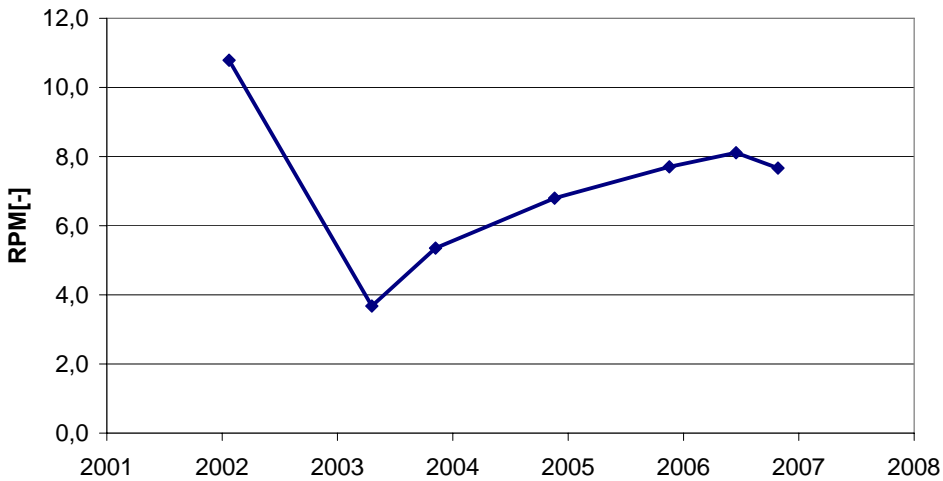
## RPM data 4" CI



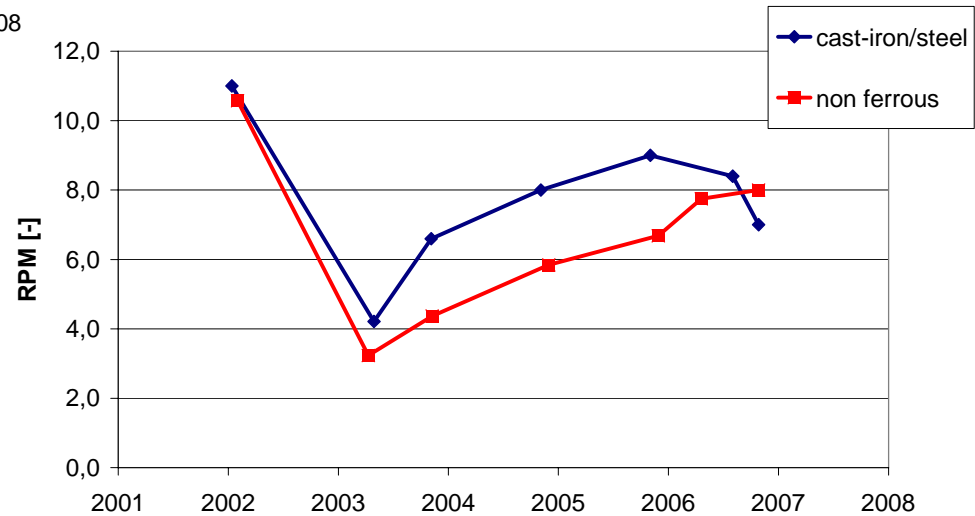
# Average RPM's



Average RPM

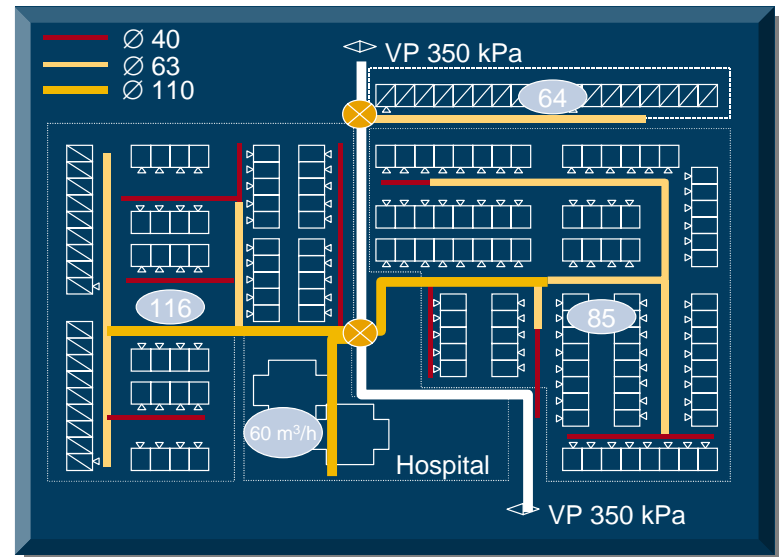
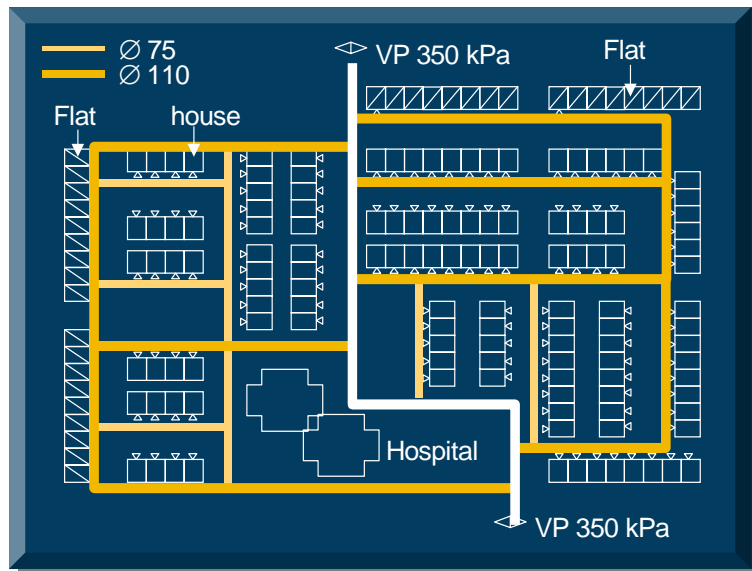


Average RPM

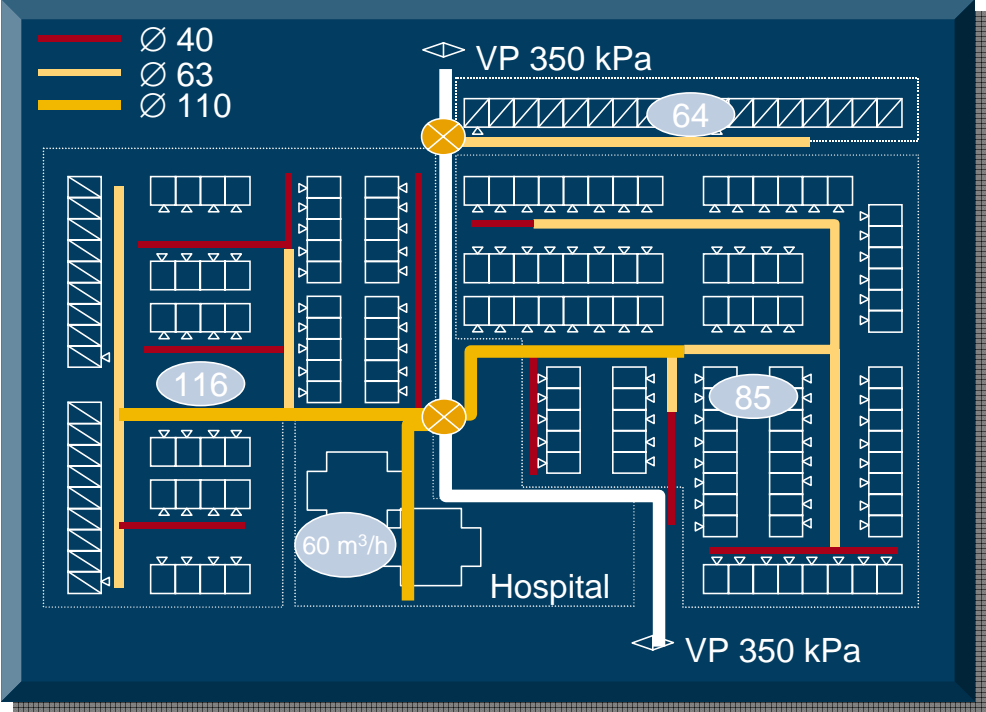
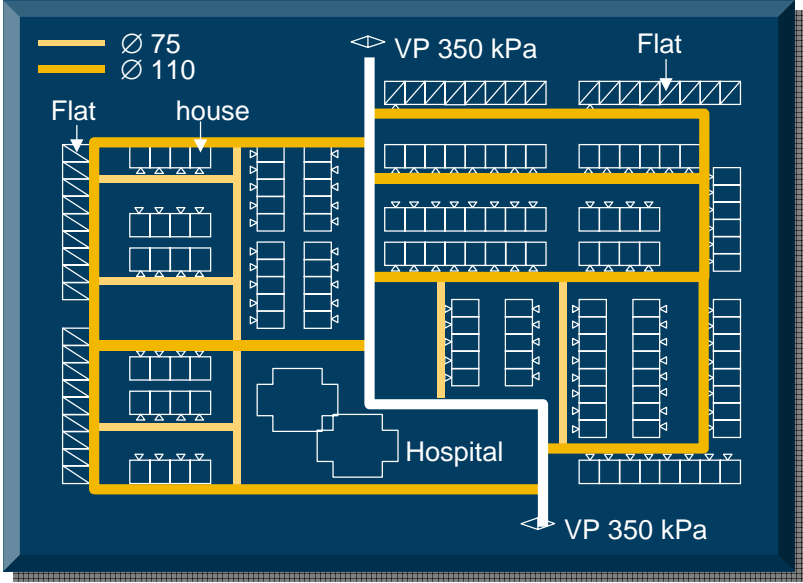


# Stage 3: Prevent settling

- **New design rules for distribution networks**
  - Looped main structure
  - Branched and streamlined distribution pipes
  - 20% cheaper



# Self cleaning networks: the principle



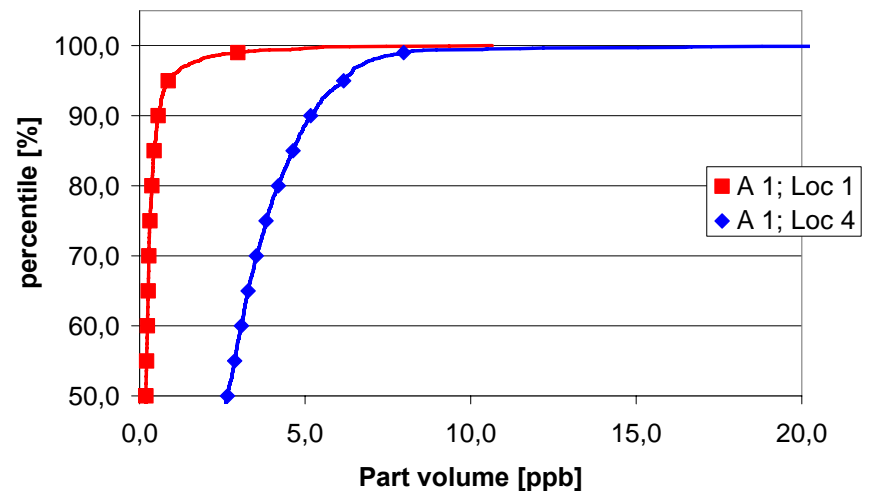
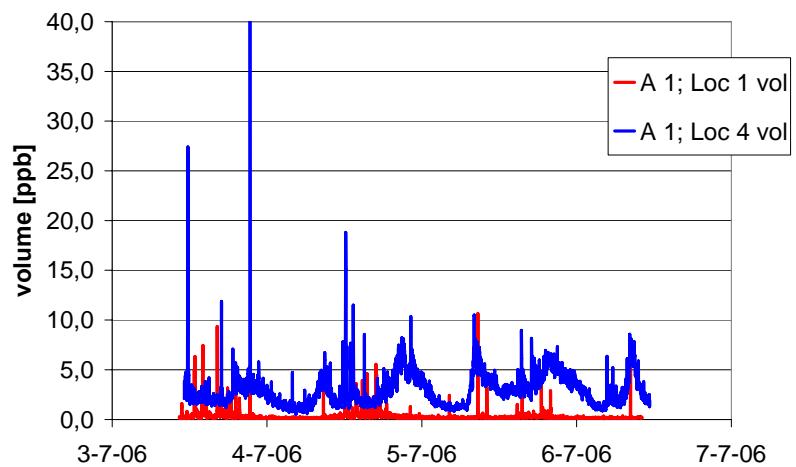
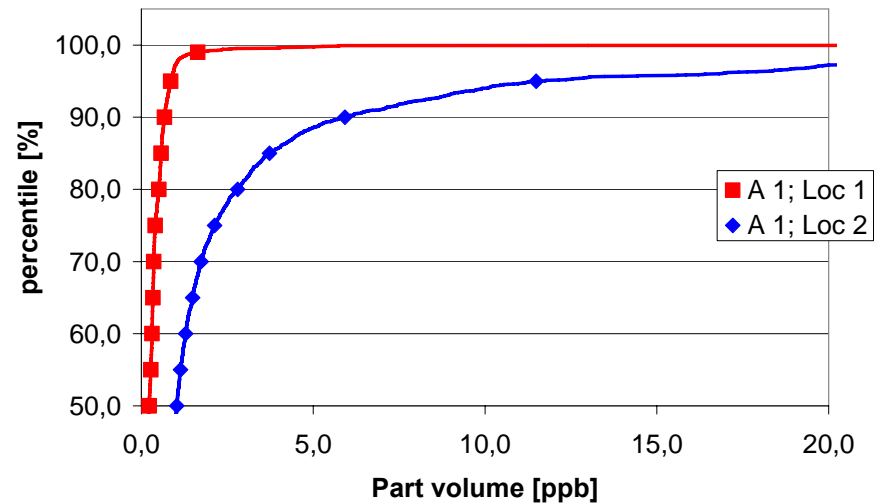
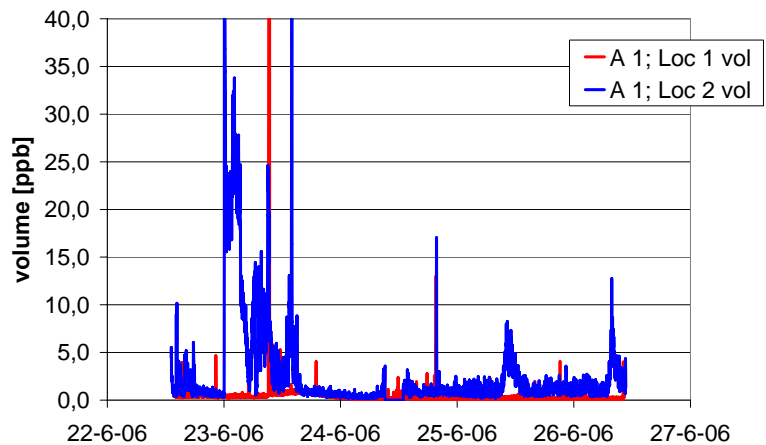




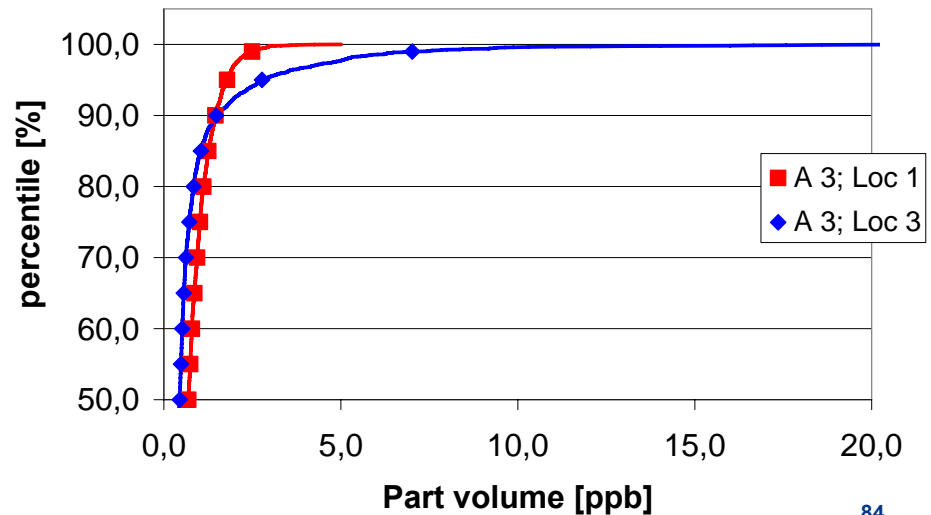
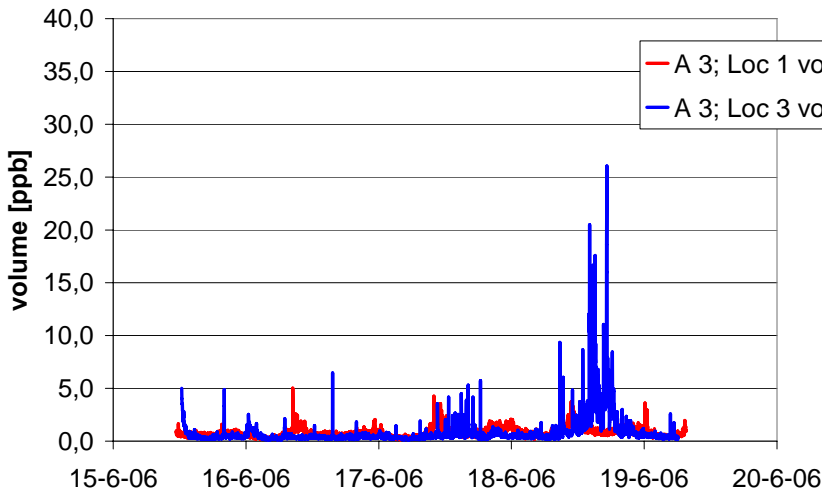
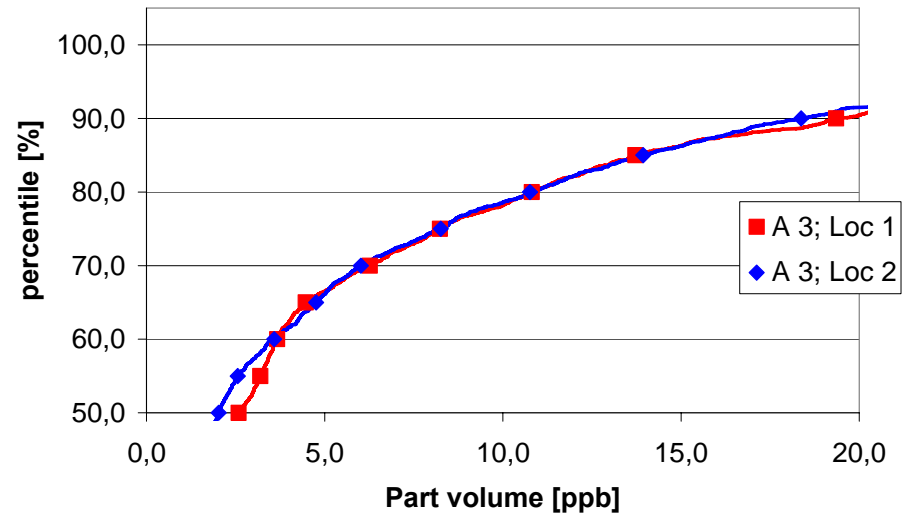
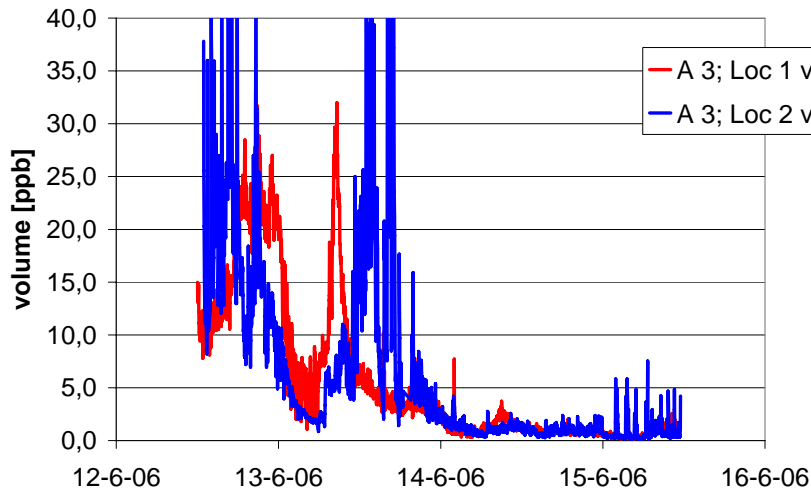
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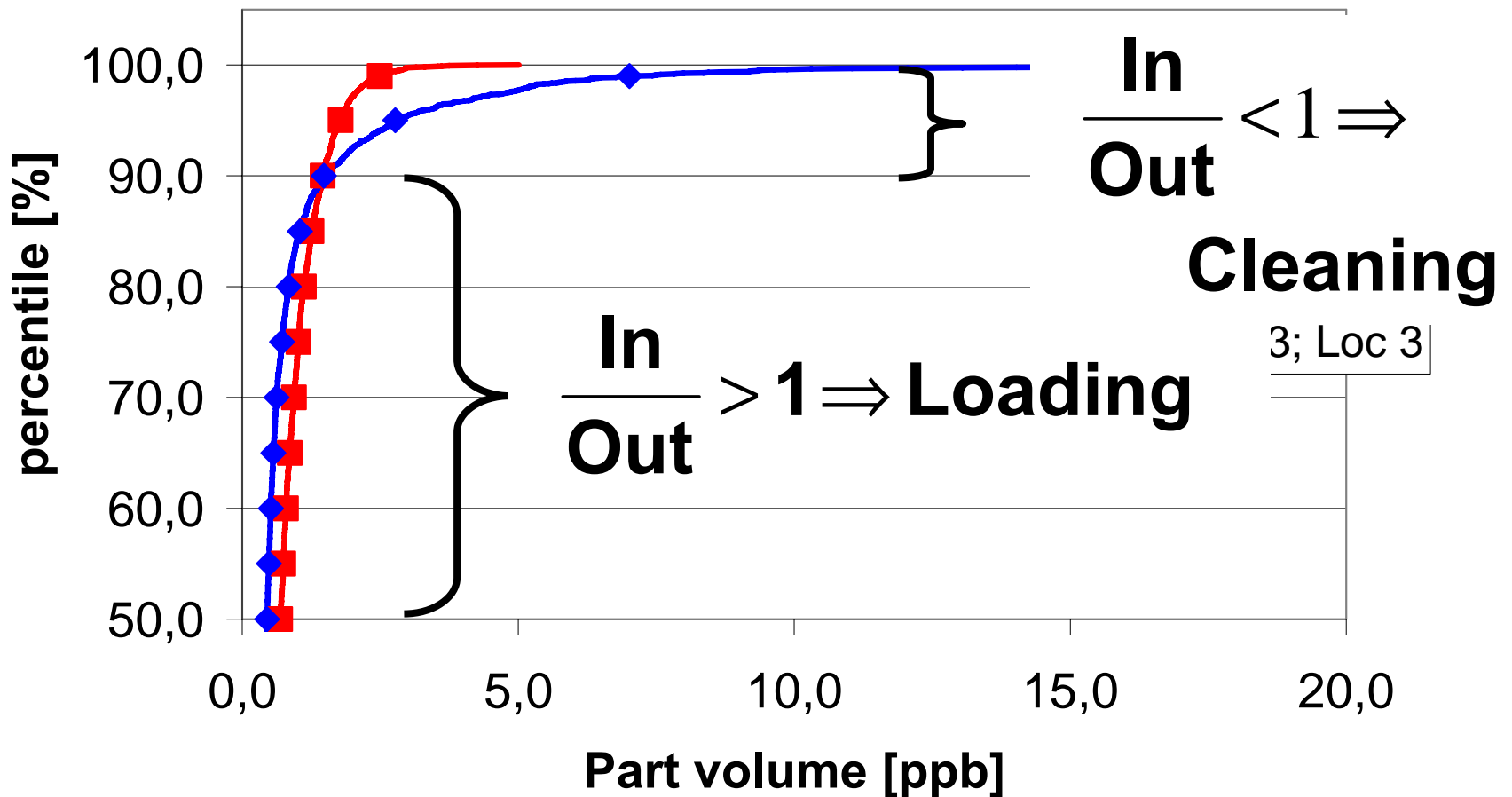
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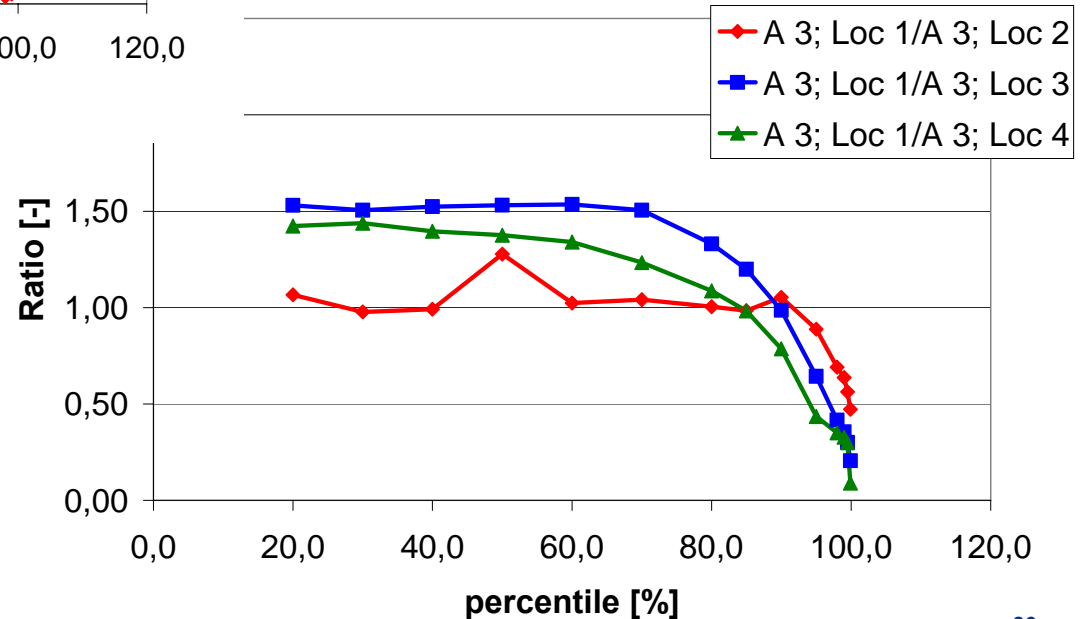
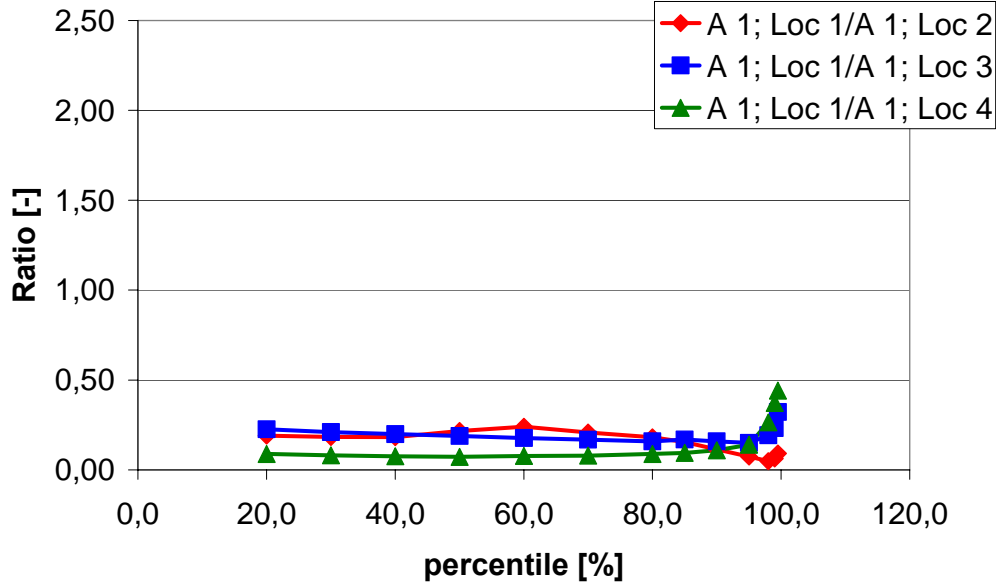
# Area 3: self cleaning



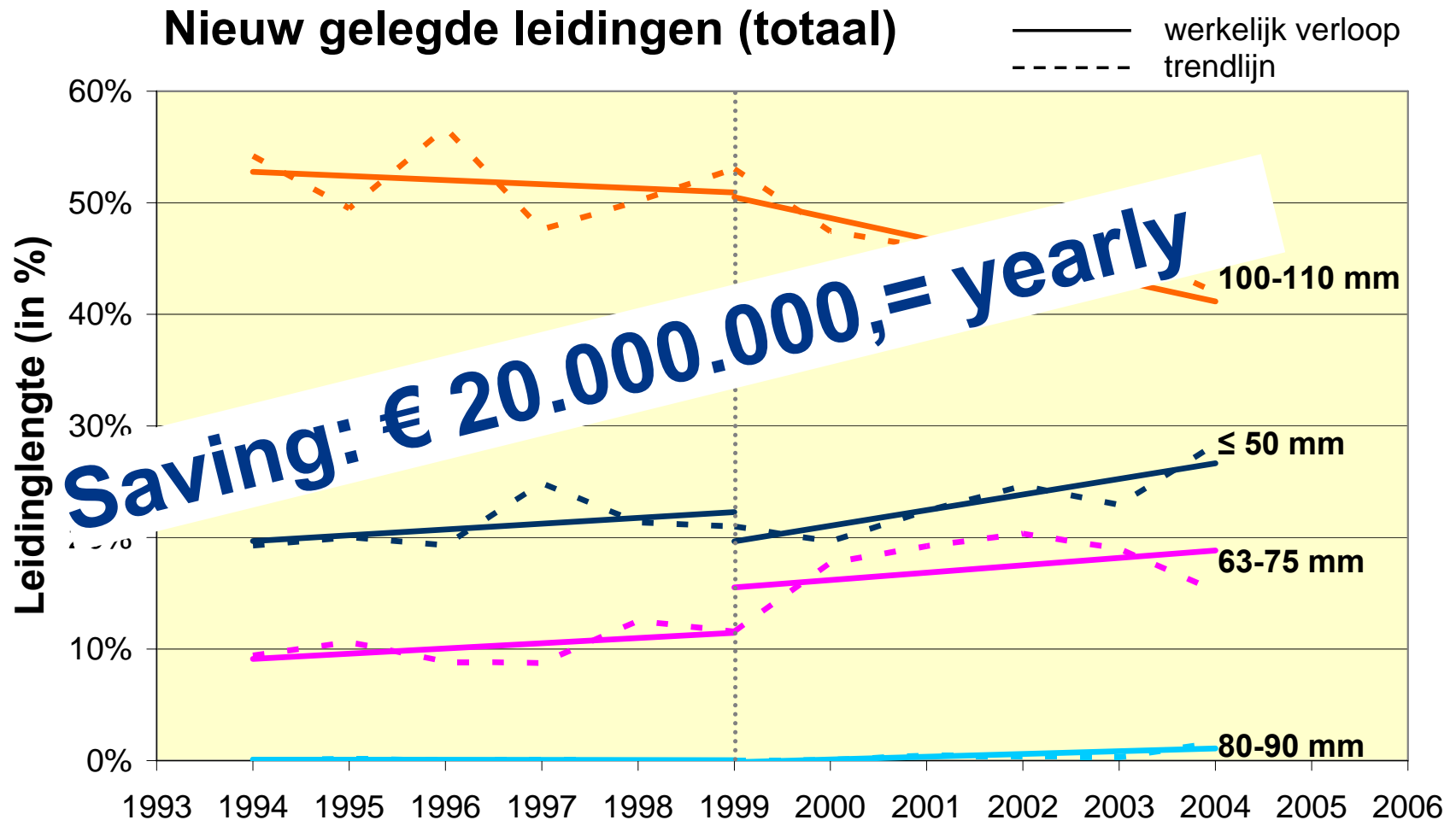
# Ratio in going / out going



# Comparison conventional $\leftrightarrow$ Self cleaning Ratio In/Uit in different locations



# It takes time to implement an innovation



# Recapitulation

- Operational measures to control discolouration available → further development and (international) implementation
- Fundamental knowledge about particle load, NOM and particle behavior in the network still lacking
- Measuring methods as RPM, Particle counting and TILVS must be further developed
- Test rig for quantifying effect treatment on distribution is promising
- Challenges enough!



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# Water quality in distribution: the latest developments

