



Assessment of the Share of Sediments in the Eutrophication of Reservoirs: Case Study from the Czech Republic

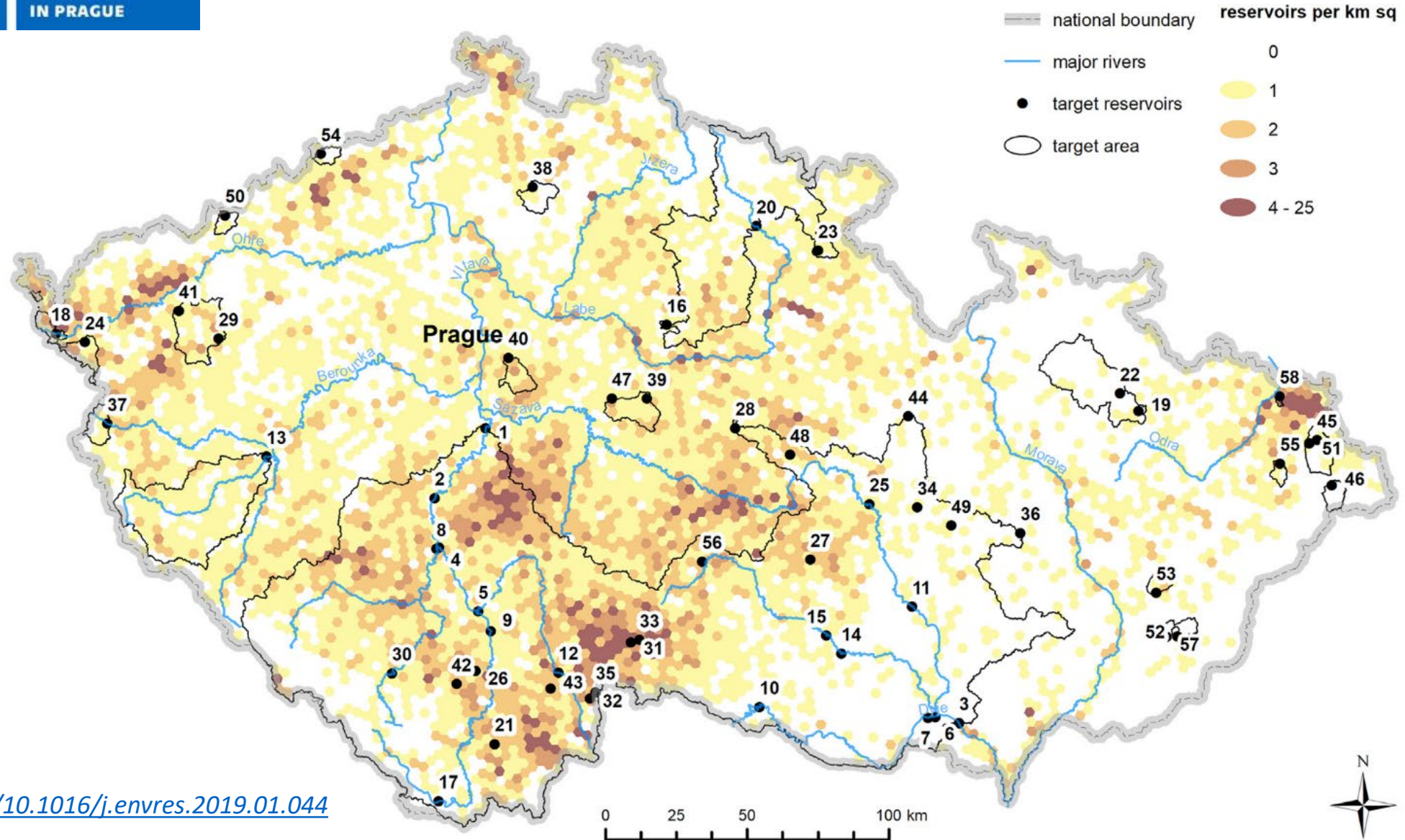
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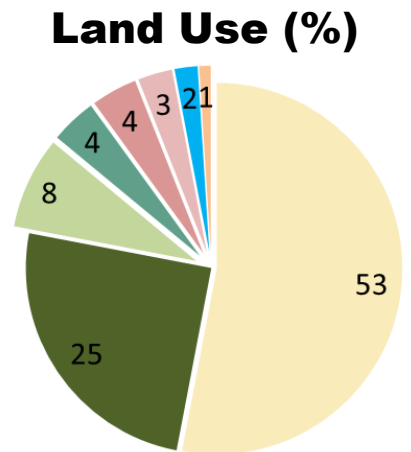
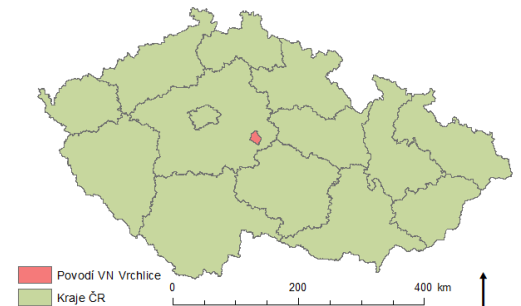
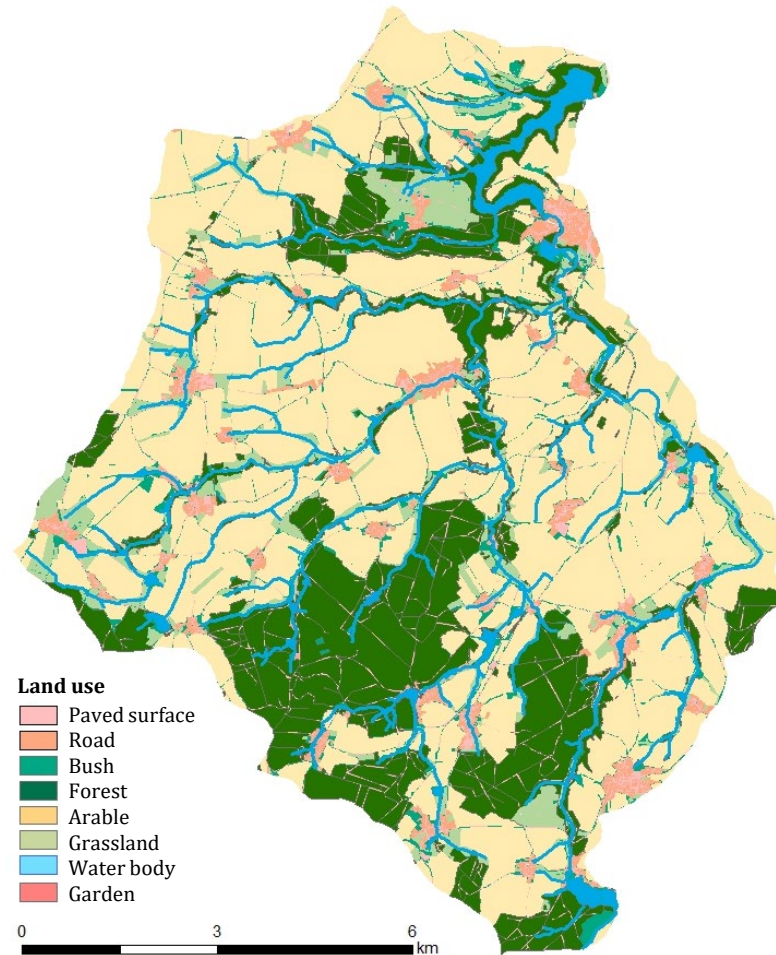
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Czech Republic has about 75 000 water bodies - example → Vrchlice watershed

Introduction to the landuse

- **Vrchlice Watershed**
 - Middle Bohemia, Elbe tributary, Kutná Hora town
 - Area 98 km²
 - Ca 150 reservoirs and fish ponds
- **Vrchlice Reservoir**
 - Arch dam
 - Storage capacity ca 8 million m³
 - Drinking water for ca 50 000 inhabitants
- **Soil erosion by water**
 - Release, transport, deposition
 - Connectivity issues – silting of streams and reservoirs in the area





March 2021

June 2021



September 2021



Prosík pond 2008



Prosík pond 1953






0.3 km

GOALS

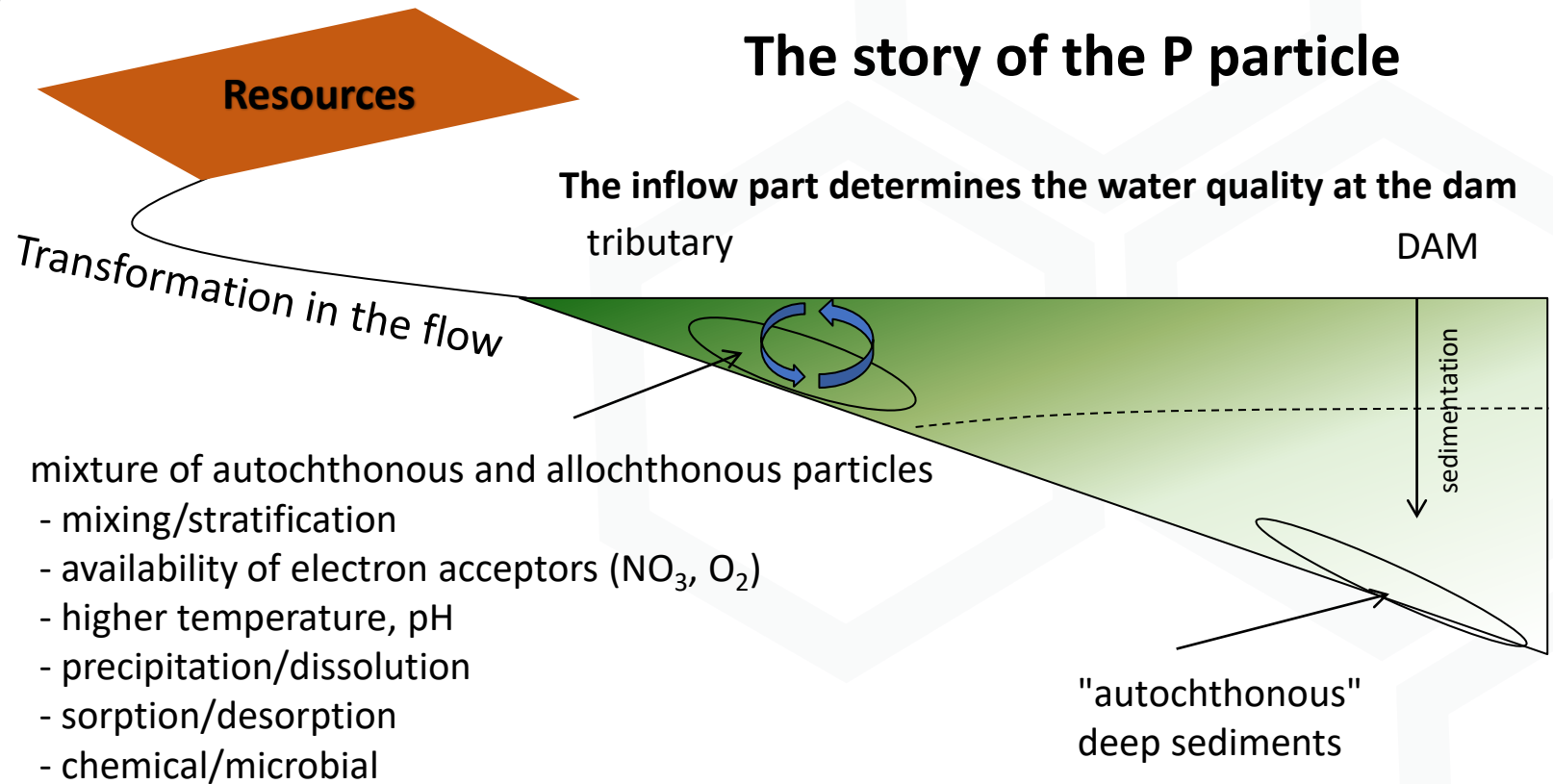


Determine significance of the impact of sediments deposited in tributary parts of reservoirs on water quality

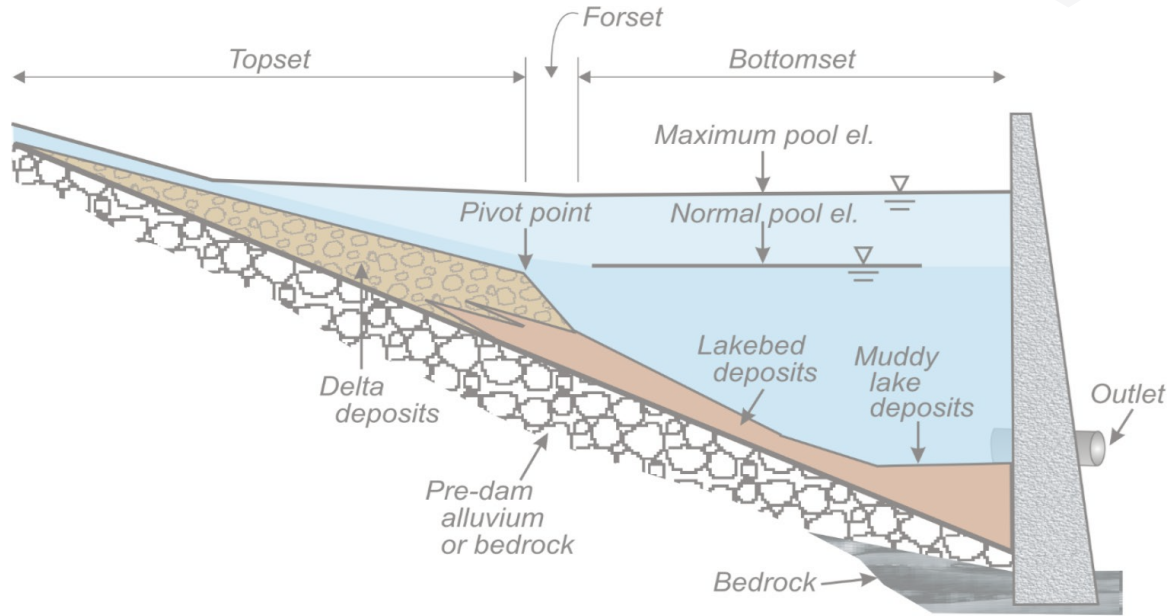
-  Description of the current situation
-  Generalization of the information obtained on the assumed gradient of reservoirs
-  Remediation proposal and outline of scenarios of possible behavior

RESERVOIRS

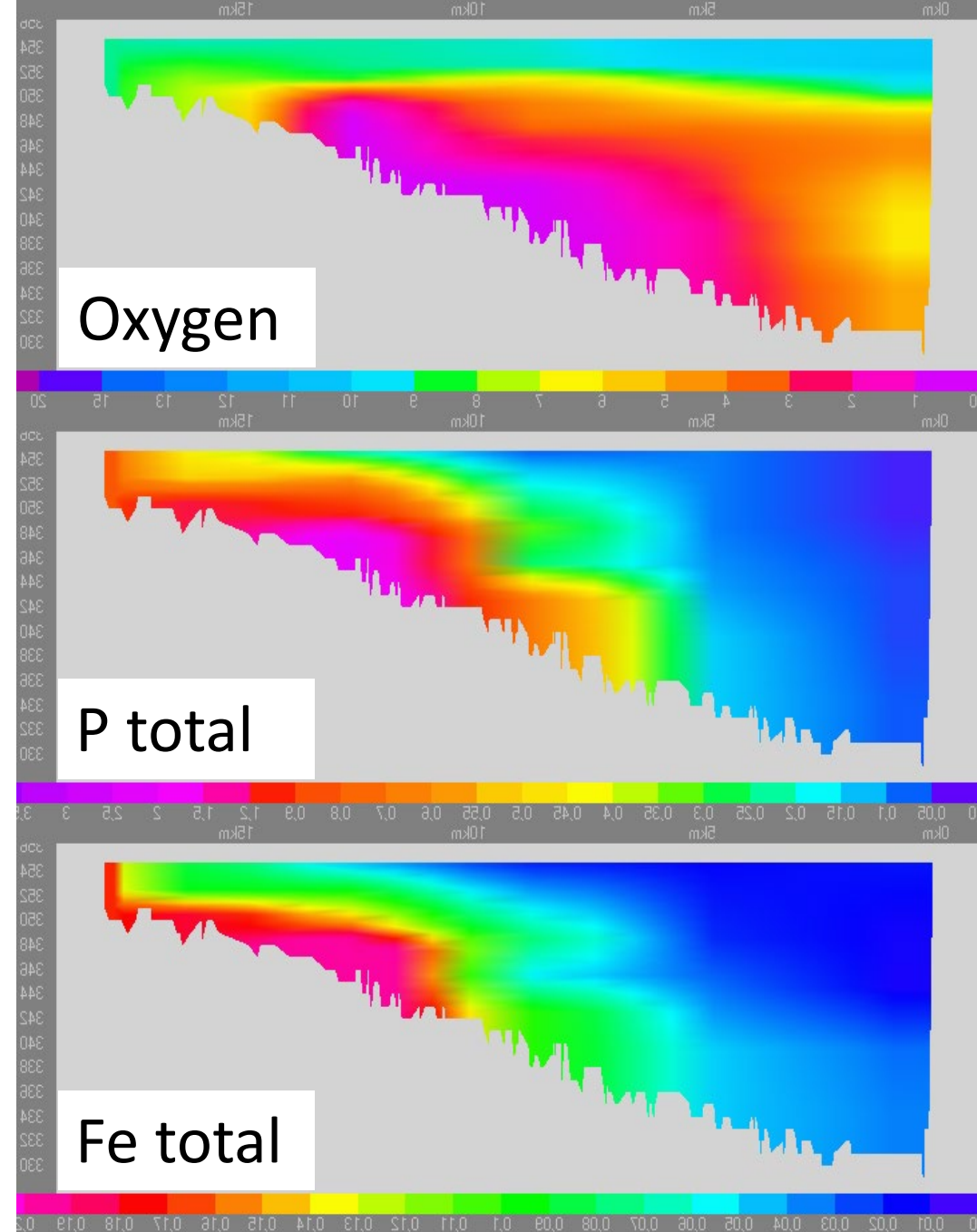
The story of the P particle



Model example of the Hracholusky reservoir
Longitudinal profile, June 2015



Randle and Bounry (2017)

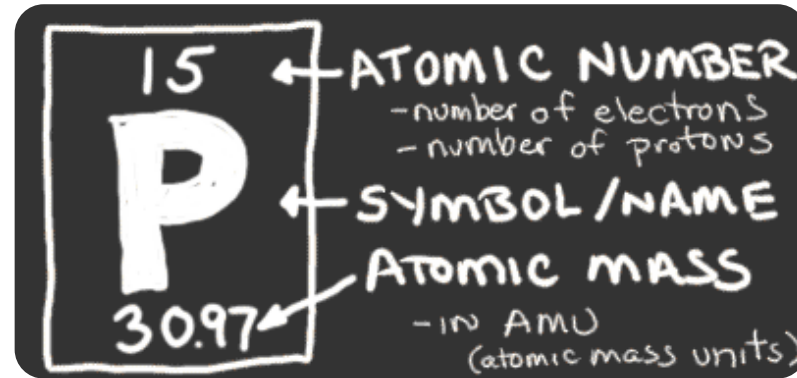


J. Duras (Unpublished data)

PHOSPHORUS



Key nutrient



We need to connect the theory of P chemistry with real conditions in different types of reservoirs
P – Fe – Al – Ca – organic matter, molar ratios, properties of compounds, microbial utilization, lability

We have to connect different variables – geology, land use, point sources, reservoir morphology, seasonal influences...

We need to uniformly describe the risk assessment of the release of P from the sediment into the water

Agrochemické zkoušení zemědělských půd 2011 - 2016

Agrochemical soil testing 2011 - 2016

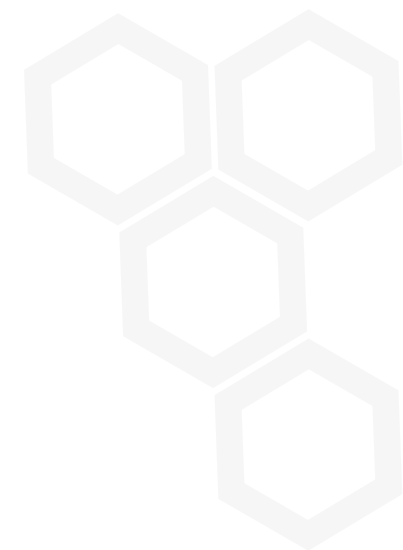
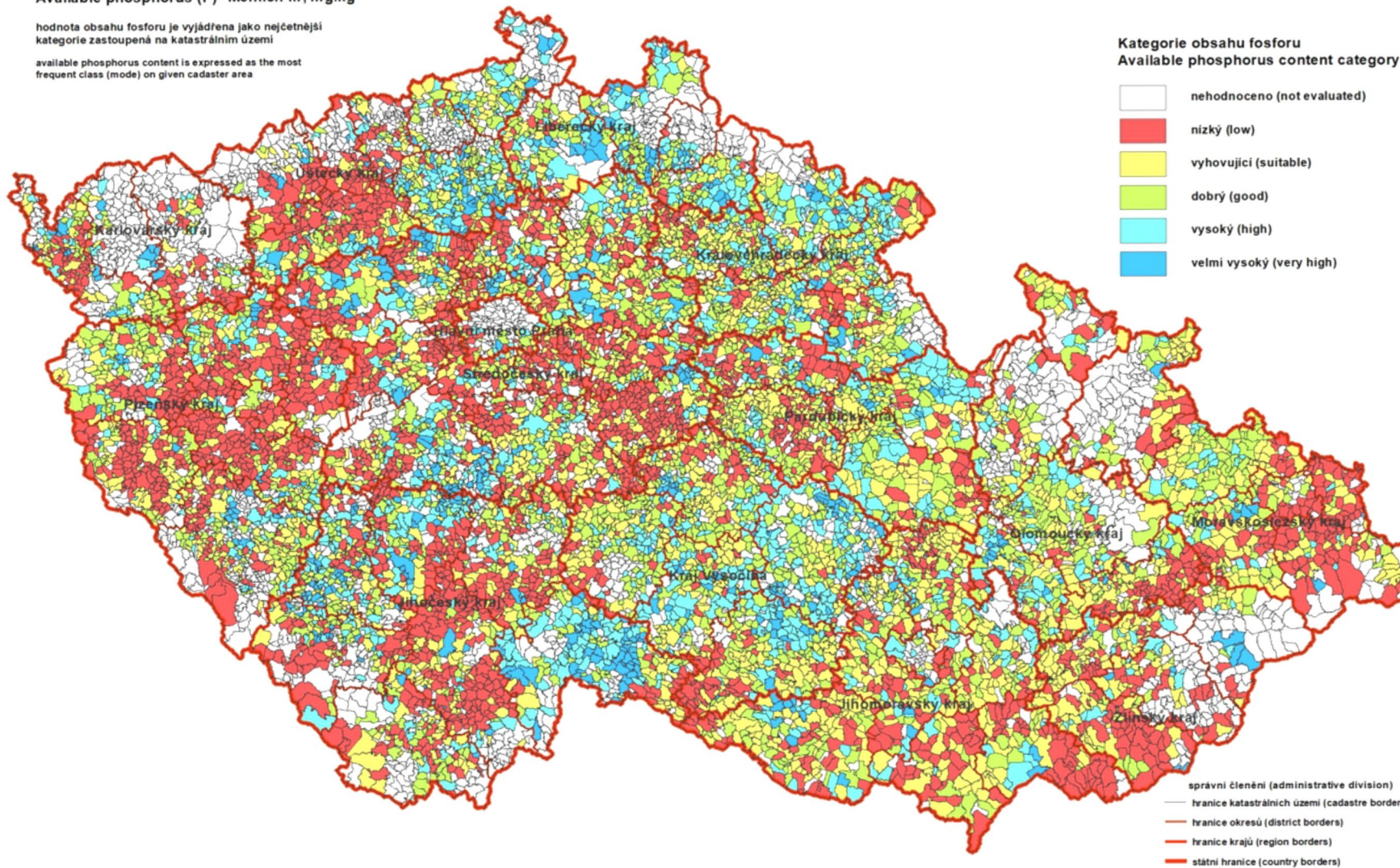
Fosfor (P) Mehlich III, mg.kg⁻¹

Available phosphorus (P) Mehlich III, mg.kg⁻¹

hodnota obsahu fosforu je vyjádřena jako nejčetnější kategorie zastoupená na katastrálním území

available phosphorus content is expressed as the most frequent class (mode) on given cadaster area

P



RESERVOIRS

Heterogeneity

Reservoir	pH	Ca	Altitude	Theoretical residence time
		ug/g	masl	year
Seč I	5,2	1393	487	0,21
Hamry	5,3	1275	580	0,06
Lučina	5,4	1520	533	0,13
Stanovice	5,5	1588	513	0,24
Vír I	5,5	1606	465	0,42
Římov	5,5	1498	471	0,23
Boskovice	5,6	1758	430	0,63
Hracholusky	5,6	1599	354	0,14
Vranov	5,7	1773	349	0,42
Žlutice	5,7	1840	507	0,29
Vrchlice	6,0	1928	324	0,59
Ludkovice	6,0	1977	284	0,31

pH

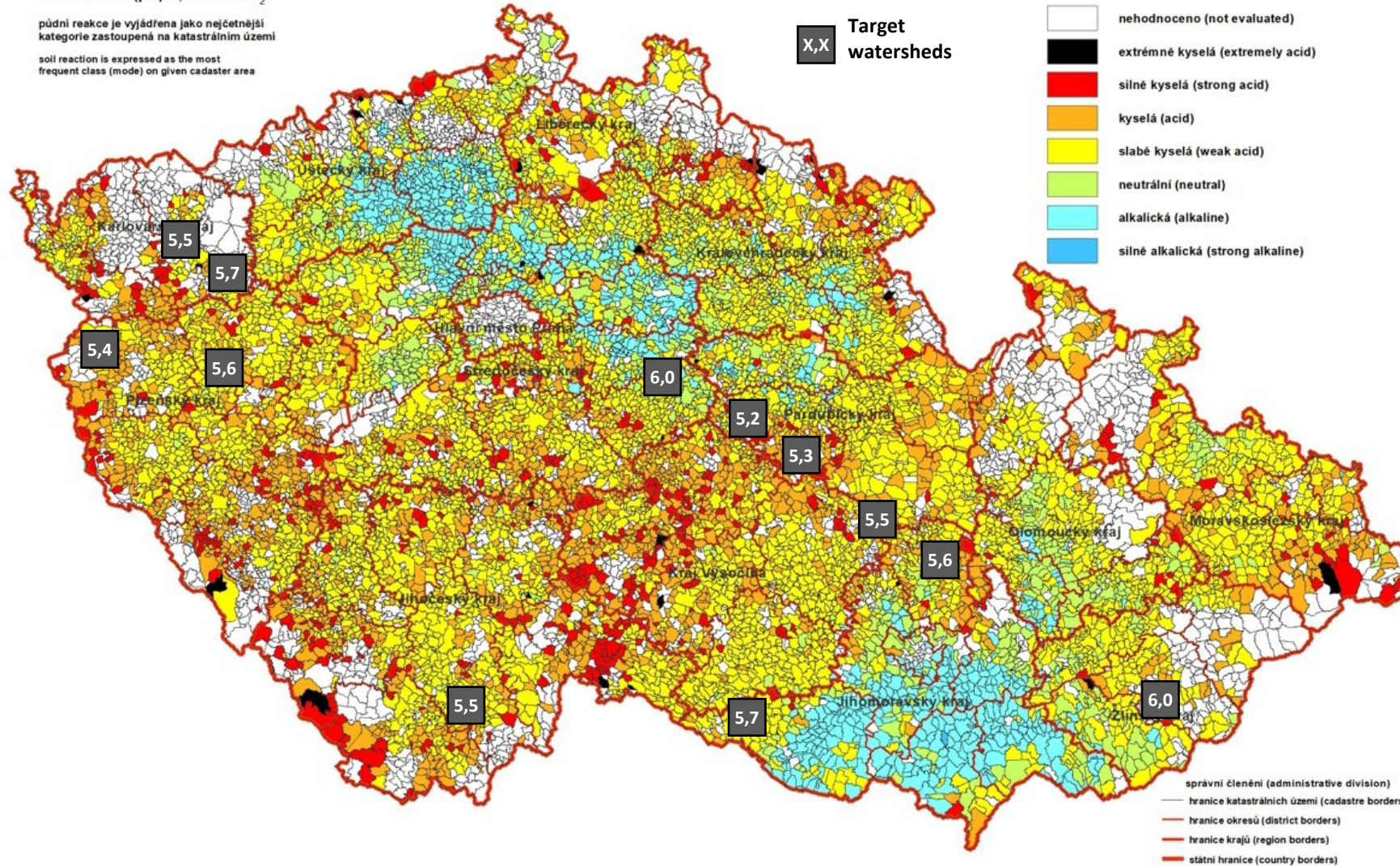
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Půdní reakce (pH) 0,01 M CaCl₂
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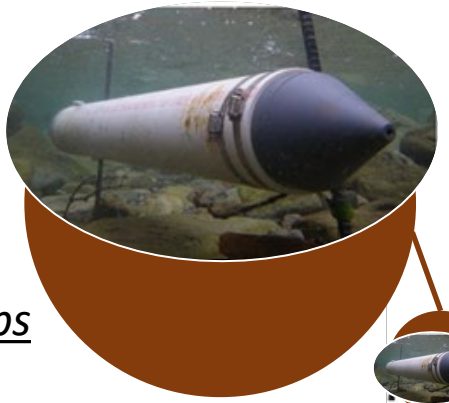
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Quality of flowing particles
Phillips traps



Quantity of sedimenting particles
Quantitative traps



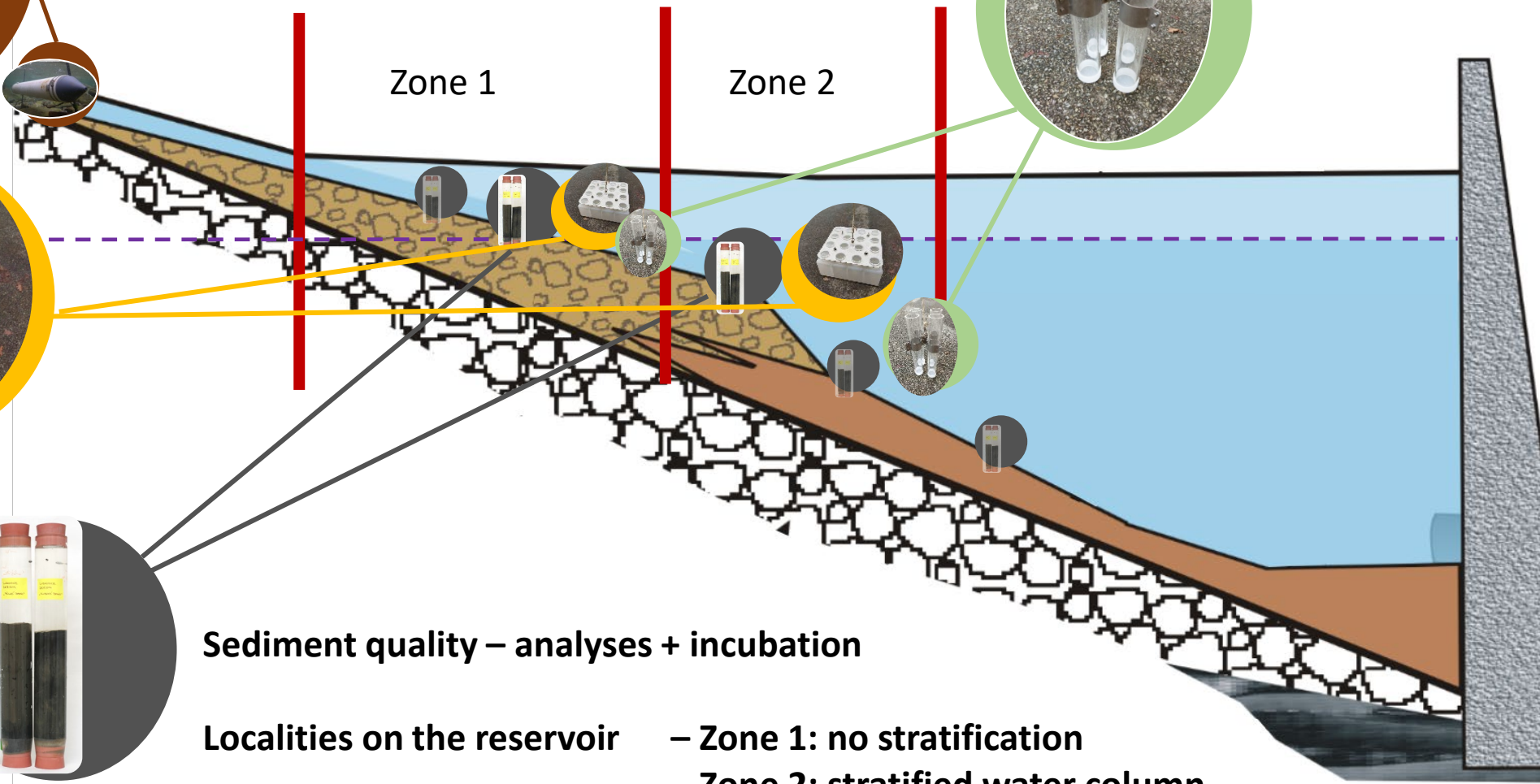
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Sediment quality – analyses + incubation

Localities on the reservoir – Zone 1: no stratification
– Zone 2: stratified water column

* Sonar survey of sediments + site inspection (multiple samples)



Change in particle composition in time/space gradient

SOURCE / Field



TRANSFORMATION / river



SEATING / tank

1

Changes in the vertical profile of sediments

PARTICLE
PORE WATER

2

Incubation experiments of intact cores

release/consumption RATES
SIMULATION of possible situations

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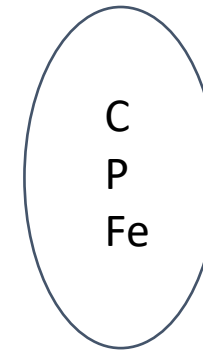
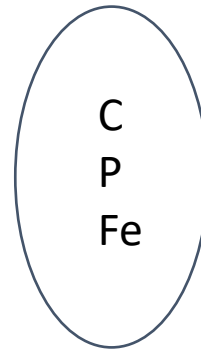
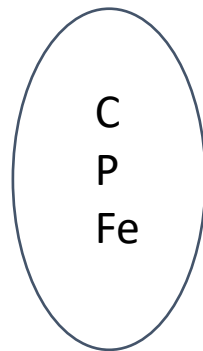
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Water/Particle Composition

ICP-MS: Fe, P, Ca, ...

IC: NH₄-N

TOC-L: DOC

extraction – aqueous, reducing,
sequential

- sorption properties for P

Fluorescence Spectroscopy of Organic Compounds (OL)

Excitation: 250 – 550 nm / Emission: 250 – 280 nm

Peaks: ratio of excitation maximum/emission maximum at specific wavelengths

A, M, C – peaks of organic substances such as humic substances

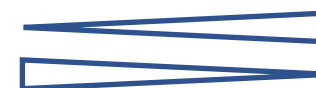
B, T – protein peaks, microbial decomposition processes

HIX – humification index, OL aromaticity

BIX – OL Biological Index

UV-VIS Spectroscopy

- SUVA₂₈₀
- Sr („slope ratio“)



Aromaticity

Molecular Weight

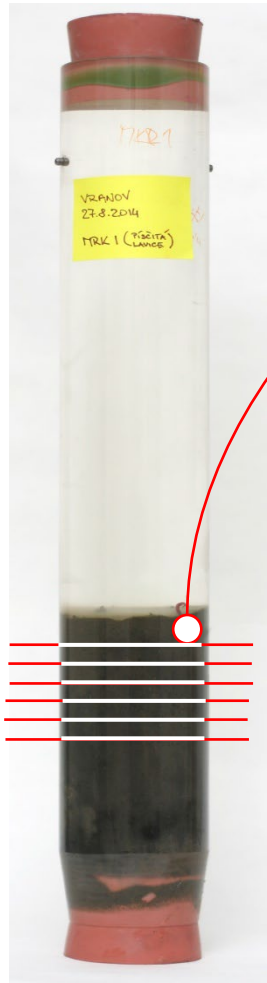


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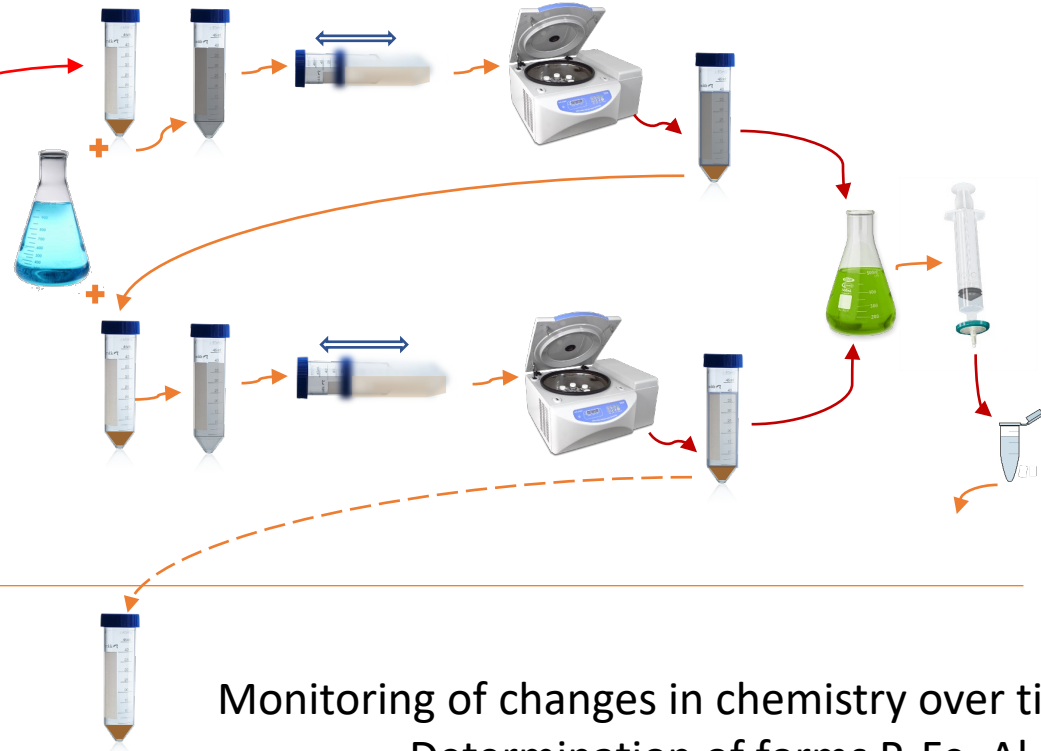
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Sequential 6 step extraction (fractionation)



Step 1

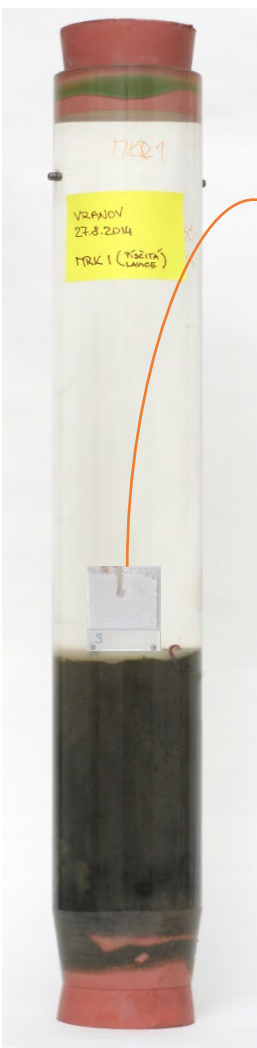
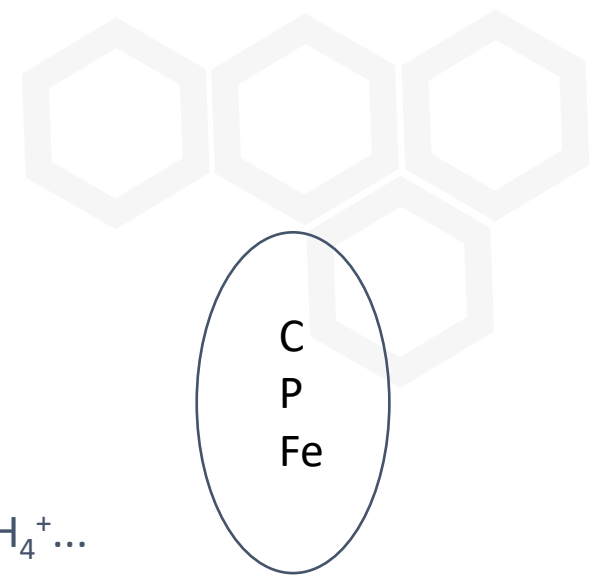


P
Fe
Al
DOC
FTIR
UV/VIS

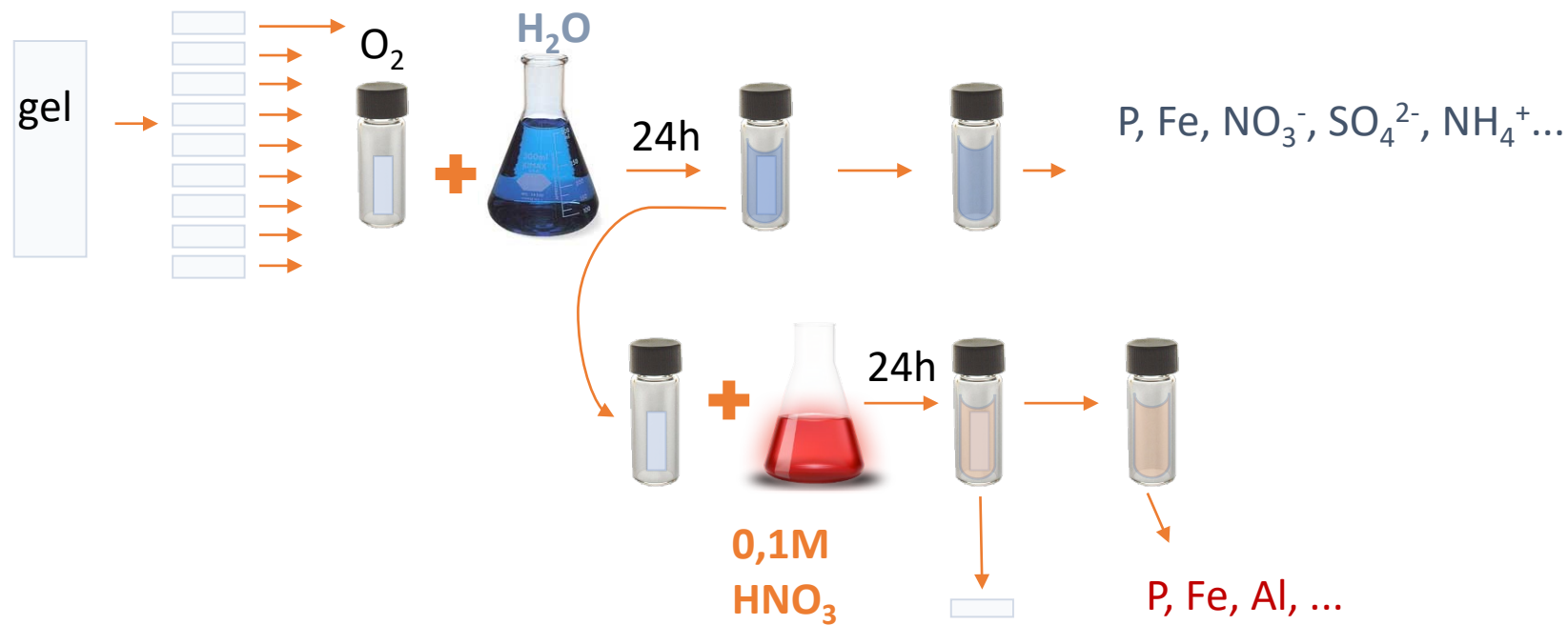
C
P
Fe

Monitoring of changes in chemistry over time – release of P from sediment
Determination of forms P, Fe, Al + mutual molar ratios
Quality contained org. masses
P-release potential under certain environmental conditions

Pore Water Analysis (DET)



24h



H_2O – Simulation of oxygenation of pore water - precipitation formation

Calculation of the diffusion release rate P at a given moment
Availability of electron acceptors, decomposition processes



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Incubation experiments of intact corals

release/consumption RATES
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Incubation of intact sediment cores

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P
Fe

Determination of the rate of release/consumption of substances (in-situ conditions)
Changes in concentrations of substances above sediment + DET

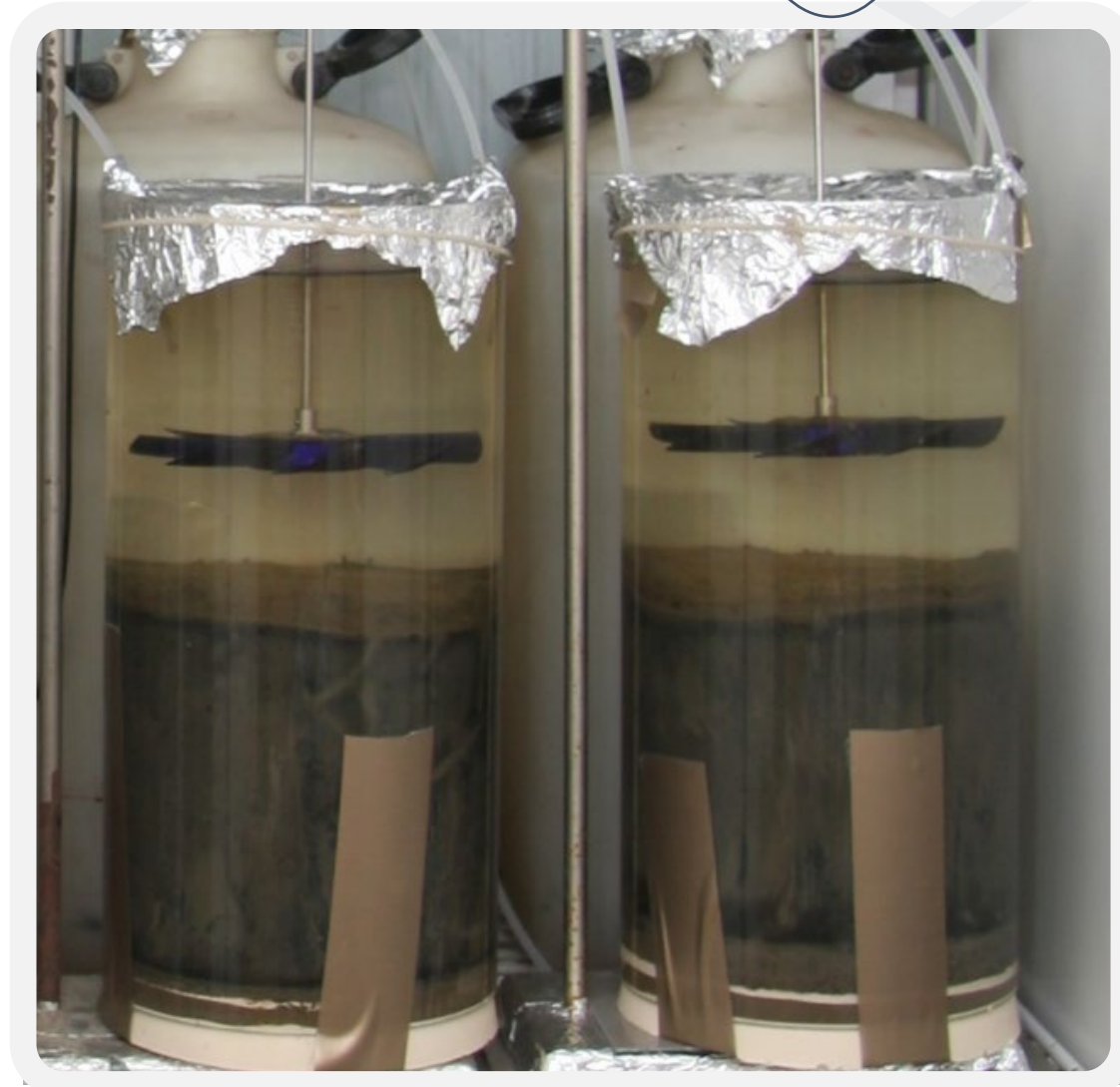
Manipulative experiments

3rd year of the project

- oxygen/nitrate depletion
- desiccation
- proposal to increase P retention and sediment stability (Fe input, electron acceptors)

Sediment selection

- sediments with the highest enrichment P compared to soils
- sediments with a predominance of aliphatic OM bound to Fe





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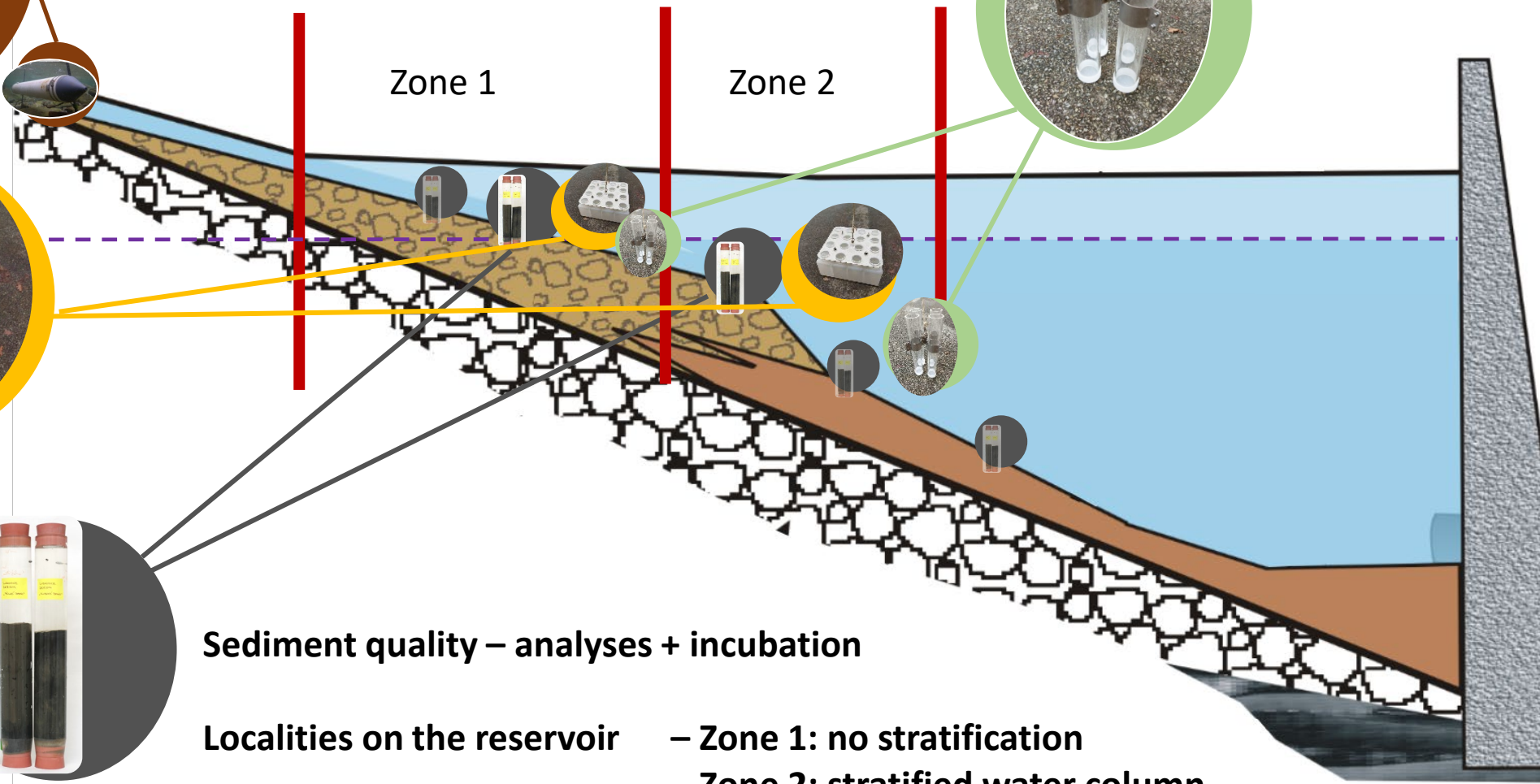
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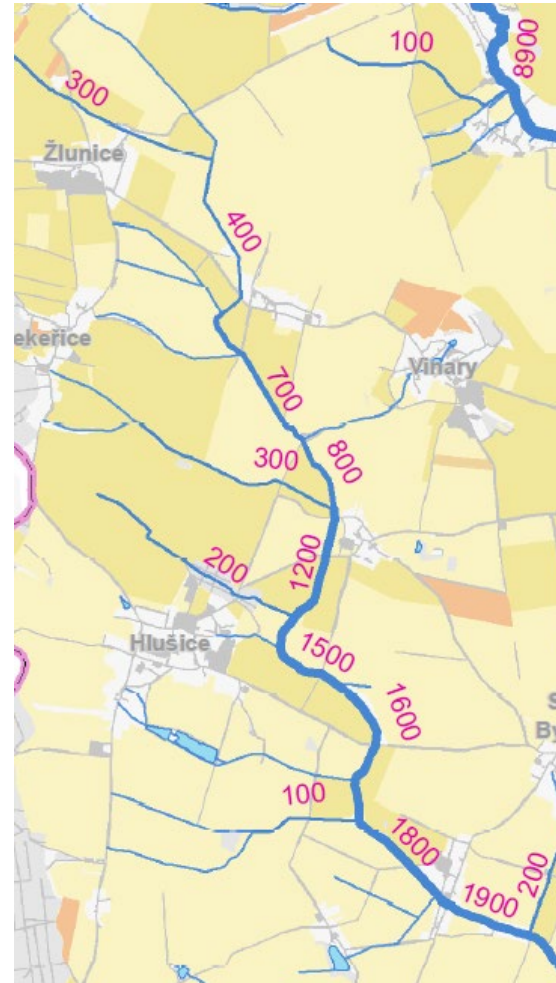
WATEM/SEDEM model: erosion x deposition for each element
(10x10 m, 5x5 m) – Long-term average inputs

- sediment
- Total P

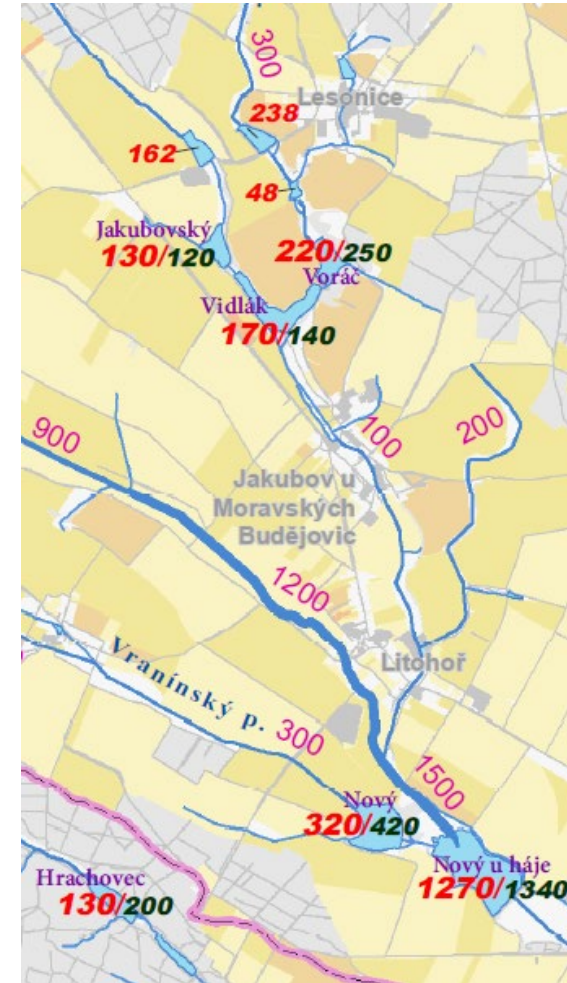
1. Parcel based source



2. River transport



3. Reservoir trapping



WATEM/SEDEM model uncertainty – reservoir trap efficiency

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envres.2019.01.044>

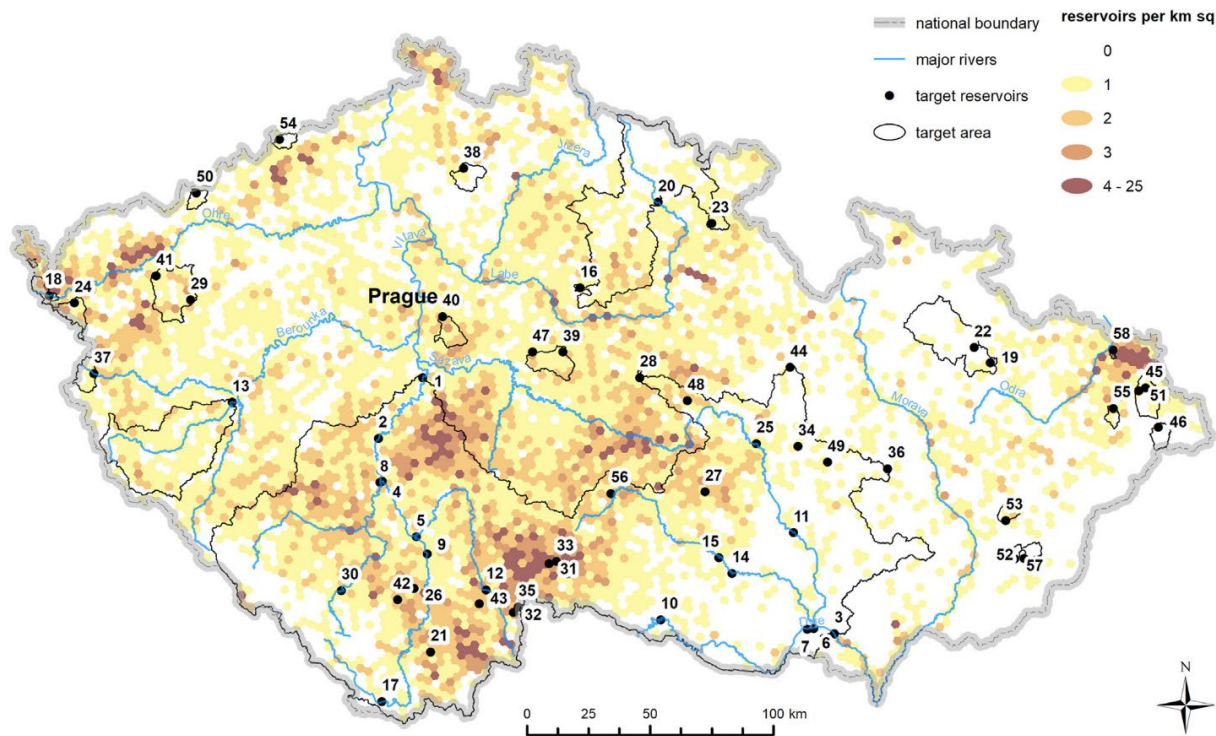


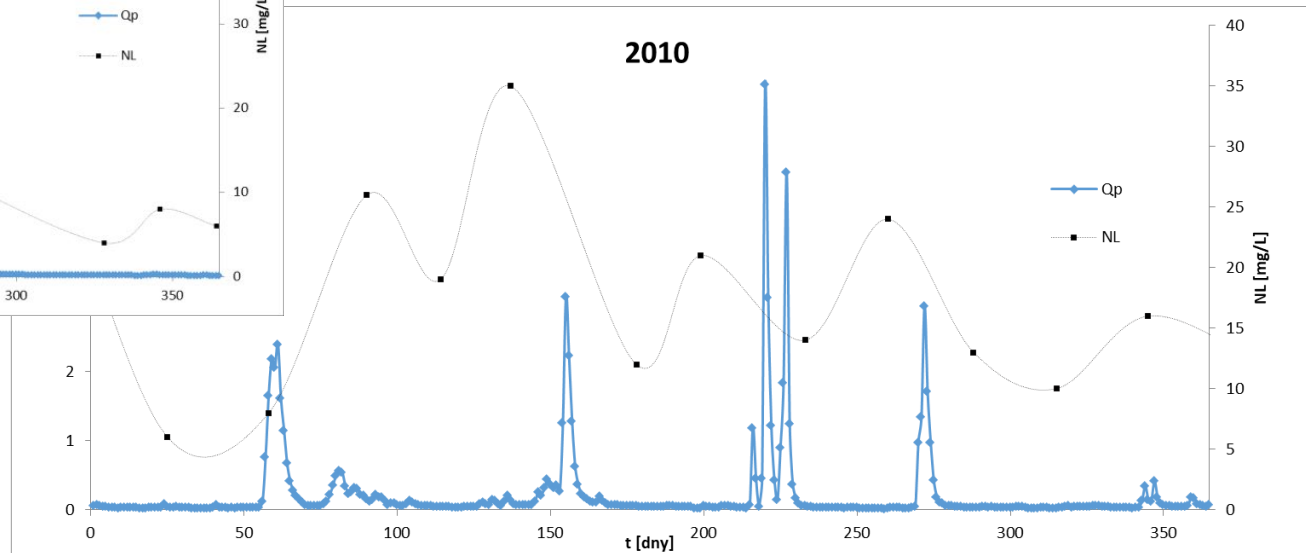
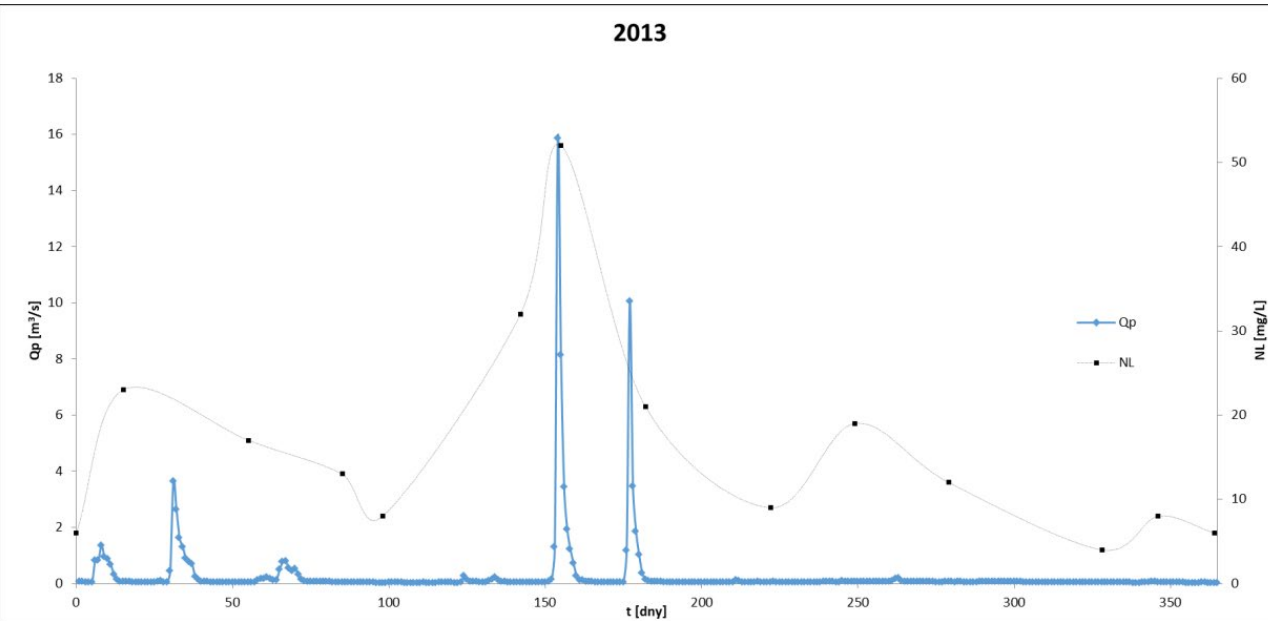
Fig. 1. Variability in reservoir density in the Czech Republic, the study area and the target reservoirs of the study.

Czech Republic has about 75 000 water bodies (20 477 water bodies > 0.25 ha). When we tried to find only reservoir volume data – 11.4% accessible. Outlet types, flow rates – generally not accessible at all.

	Reservoirs in evidence	Information on volume	Can be spatially linked	errors
DIBAVOD	20 477	200 1,0%	200 1,0%	2
Dop. ch. DIBAVOD	186	186 0,9%	186 0,9%	5
ISVS voda	9999	330 1,6%	37 0,2%	0
Povodí Vltavy	1681	1681 8,2%	1681 8,2%	25
TBD, a.s.	2048	1581 7,7%	743 3,6%	2
VHM 1 : 50 000	4761	1508 7,3%	1238 6,0%	**

WATEM/SEDEM model uncertainty – input data accuracy (Czech Republic)

Calibrations to suspended solids measured within watercourses usually do not provide sufficiently dense time series of measured concentrations.



Therefore, we usually rely on measured sediment in reservoirs

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WATEM/SEDEM model: erosion x deposition for each element (10x10 m, 5x5 m) – **Long-term average inputs** - **sediment**
- **Total P**

Preparation of the "C factor" data layer based on data on cultivated crops and catch crops in 2020 and 2021

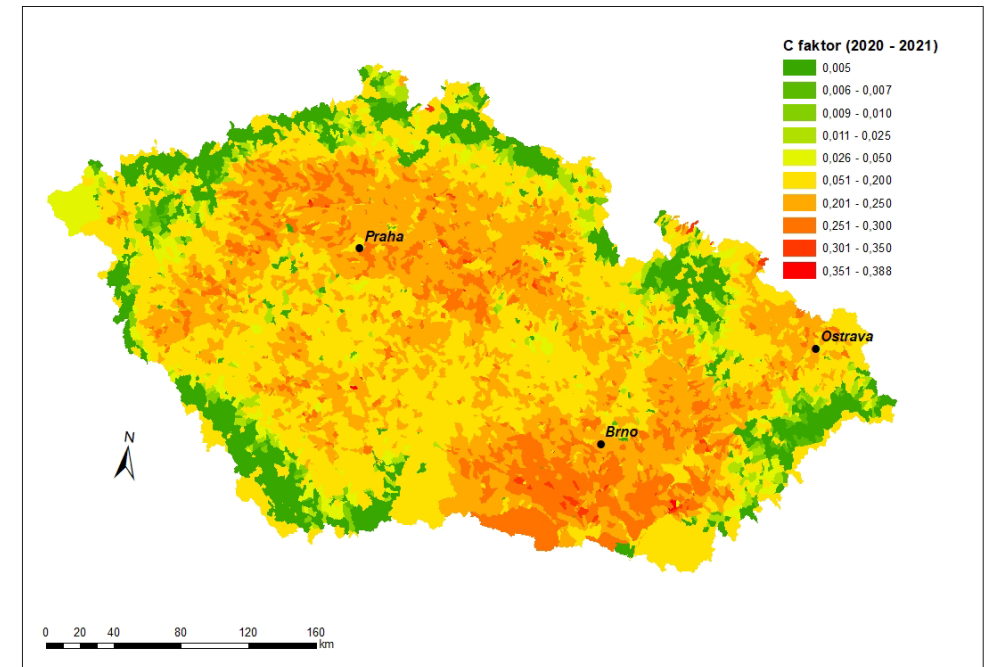
These are separate shp datasets containing polygons of cultivated crops, catch crops. Data on crops and catch crops were provided to the RIRV for 2020 and 2021. These data were analysed in order to find the most common "crop rotations" or biannual crop sequences. On the basis of nationwide statistics (for individual districts of the Czech Republic) it was found that 95% of the LPIS area is covered by 8 crops according to the following distribution:

Plodina	ČR
Sugar beet	2%
barley	10%
maize	10%
Oil rape	11%
wheat	24%
ray	2%
Fodder	6%
grass	31%
ON THE WHOLE	95%
other	5%

It was also found that about 71% of the inter- crop area is covered by 3 crops according to the following distribution:

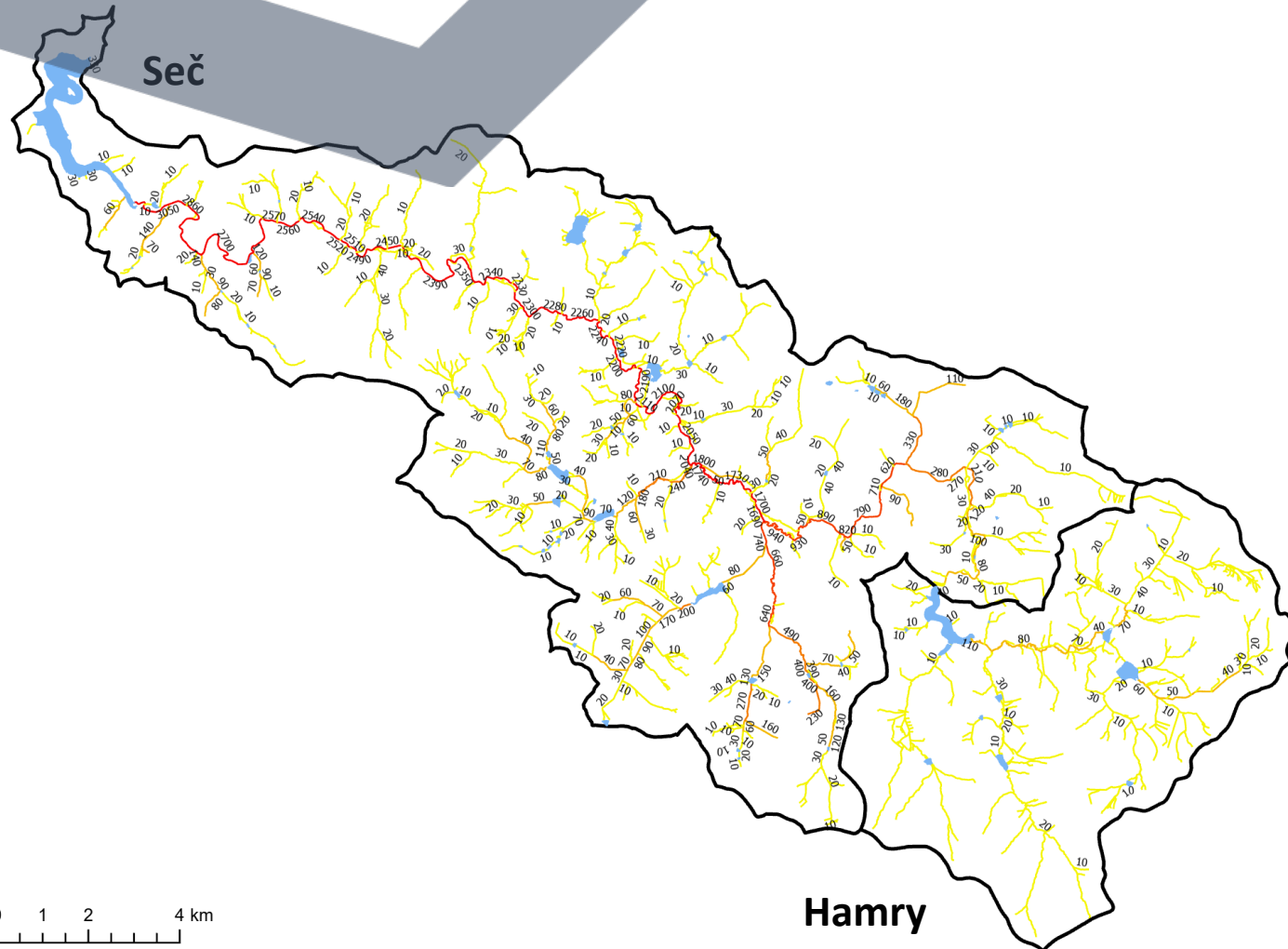
Inter-crop	ČR
Spring barley	8.78%
Winter wheat	53.52%
oilseed rape	8.30%
ON THE WHOLE	70.60%
other	29.40%

On the basis of statistical processing, 20 "crop rotations" (crop rotation in two consecutive years) were found, covering a total of 79% of the LPIS area. These crop rotations were assigned C factor values.



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- WATEM/SEDEM model: erosion x deposition for each element
- The problem of different scales of individual catchments
 - Necessity of distinguishing between "normal" and "significant" erosion episodes



Boskovice



Bojkovice

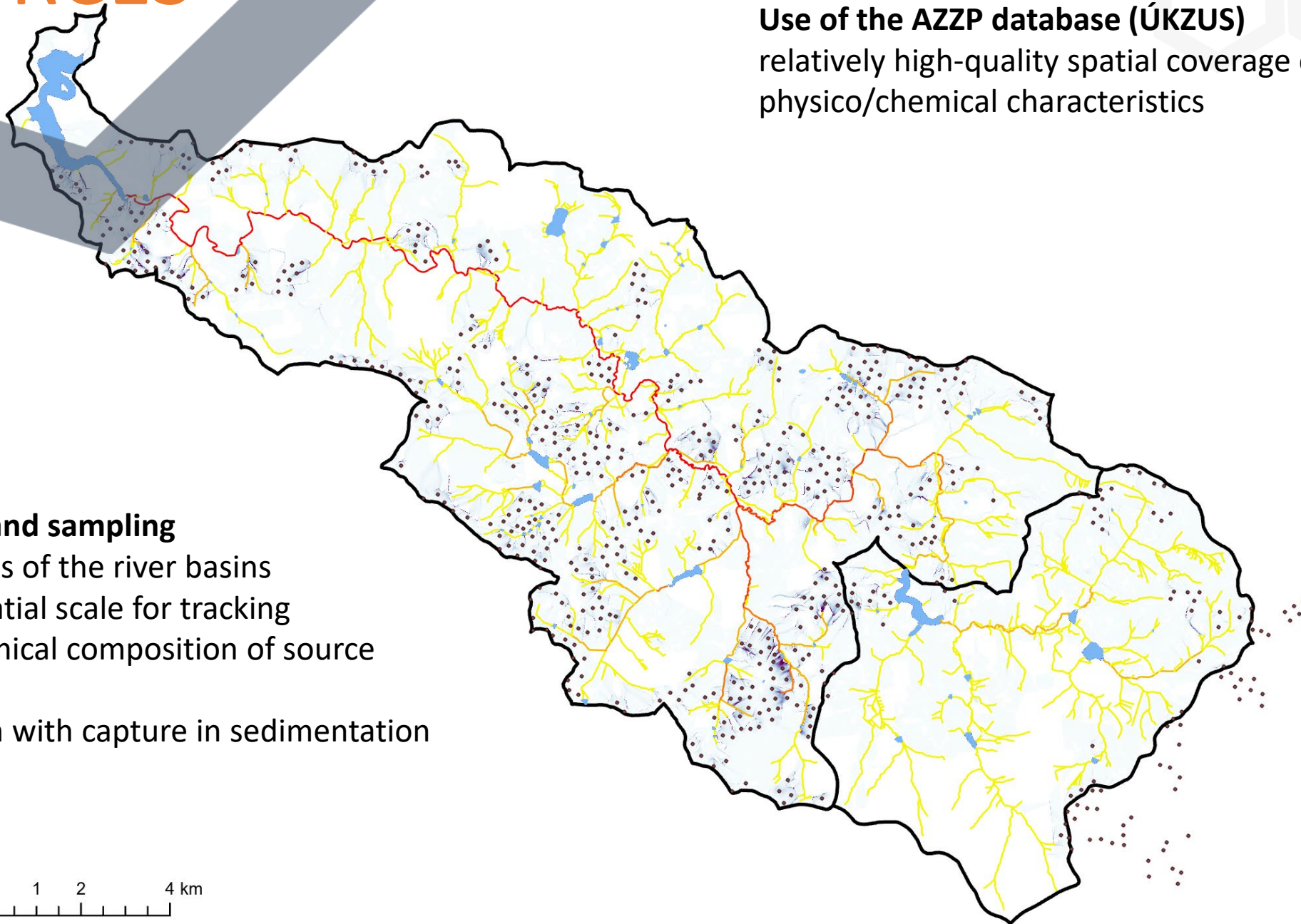
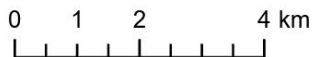


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Use of the AZZP database (ÚKZUS)
relatively high-quality spatial coverage of most
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- Source areas of the river basins
- Suitable spatial scale for tracking physico/chemical composition of source surfaces
- Comparison with capture in sedimentation traps



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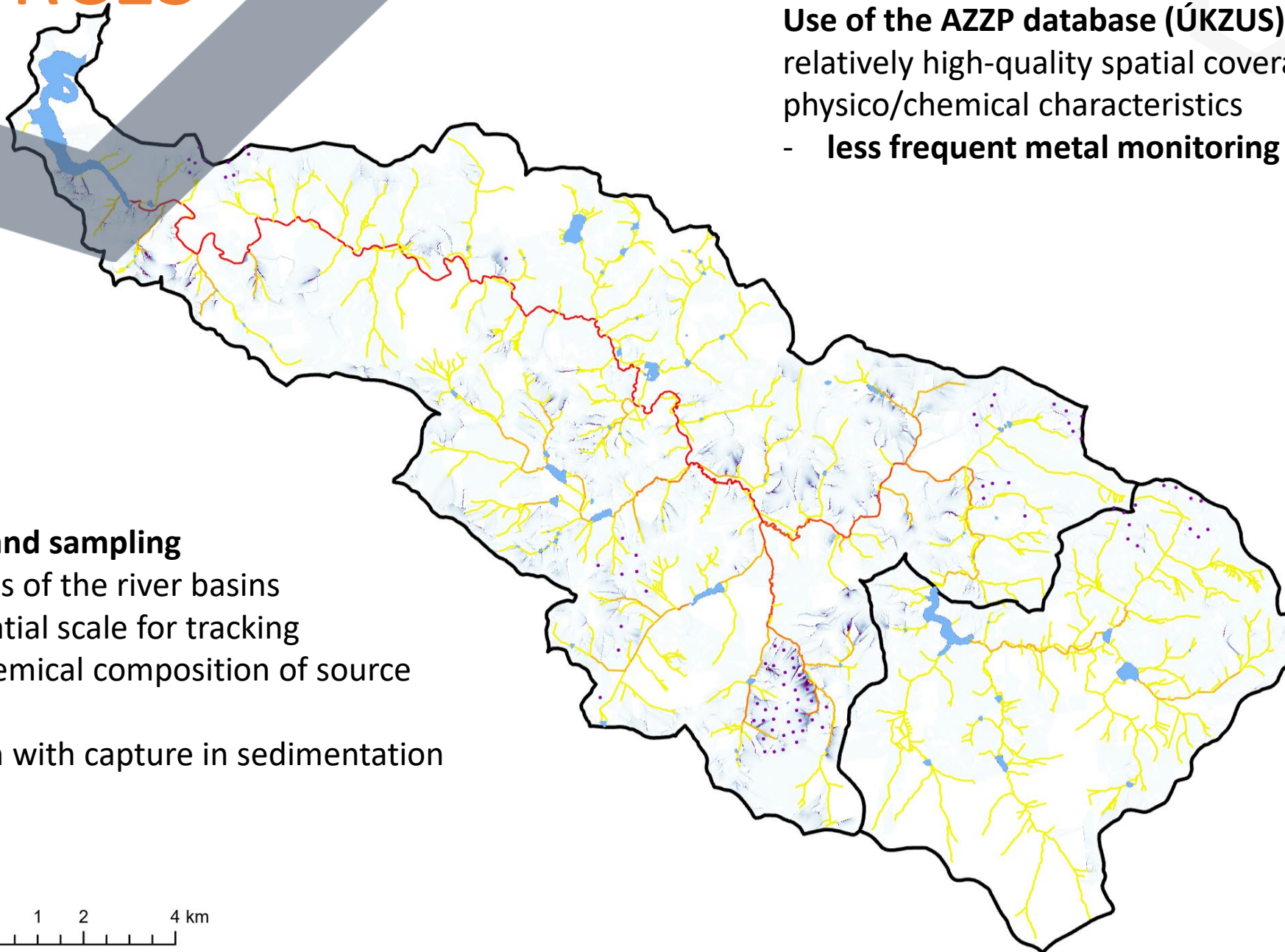
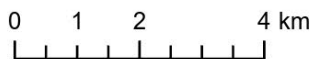
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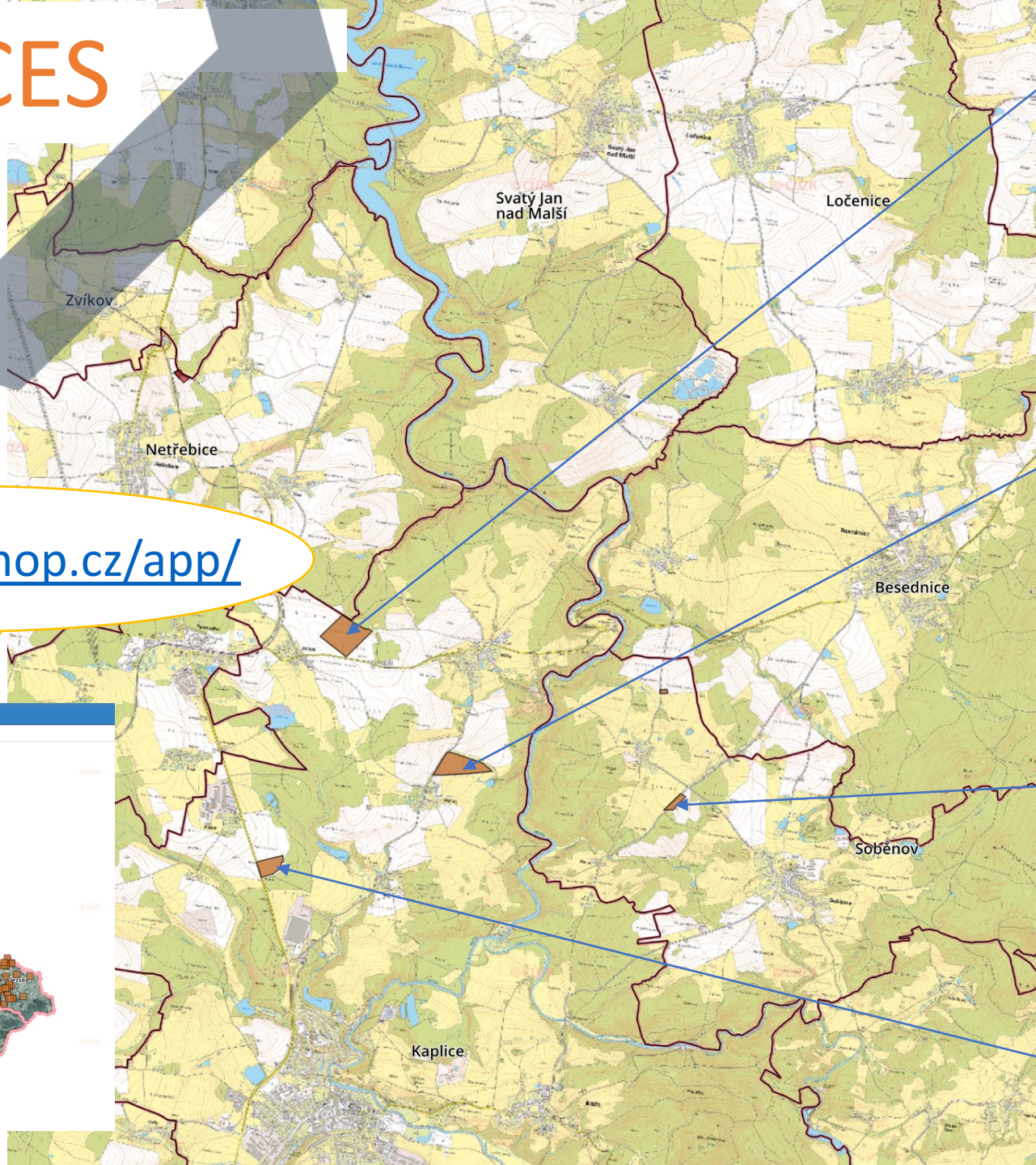
- less frequent metal monitoring (Fe, Al, Mn)

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Akcelerátory *neuvvedeno* eroze:

Hlášení: 19.07.2021

Okres: Český Krumlov KÚ: Pošešín

Vznik od: 18.7.2021 03:30 do: 18.7.2021 04:00

Plocha nákreсу: 9,32 ha Místní název: k.ú. Pošešín- Vodárna

Komentář:
Vlivem intenzivních srážek v časných ranních hodinách došlo ke vzniku erozní události na poli osázeném kukuřicí. Na poli vznikly erozní rýhy a došlo ke smyvu ornice k patě svahu. Žádné materiální škody nevznikly.

Typ eroze: rýhová - na hraně pozemku Akumulace sedimentů: na hraně pozemku [0 cm]

Akcelerátory *neuvvedeno* eroze:

Hlášení: 21.07.2021

Okres: Český Krumlov KÚ: Pošešín

Vznik od: 18.7.2021 03:30 do: 18.7.2021 04:00

Plocha nákreсу: 6,90 ha Místní název: Pošešinec

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Typ eroze: plošná - na hlavní ploše Akumulace sedimentů: *neuvvedeno*

Akcelerátory *neuvvedeno* eroze:

Hlášení: 02.07.2021

Okres: Český Krumlov

Vznik od: 29.6.2021 20:00

Plocha nákreсу: 1,10 ha

Typ eroze: rýžková - na hraně pozemku Akumulace sedimentů: na hraně pozemku [5 cm]

Akcelerátory *neuvvedeno* eroze:

Hlášení: 04.07.2022

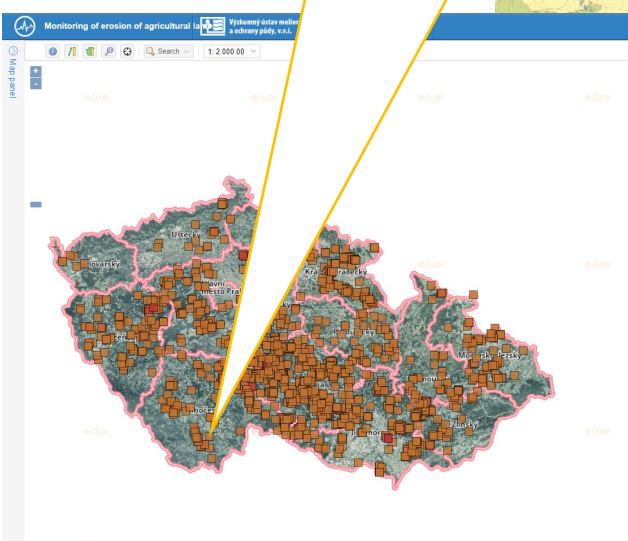
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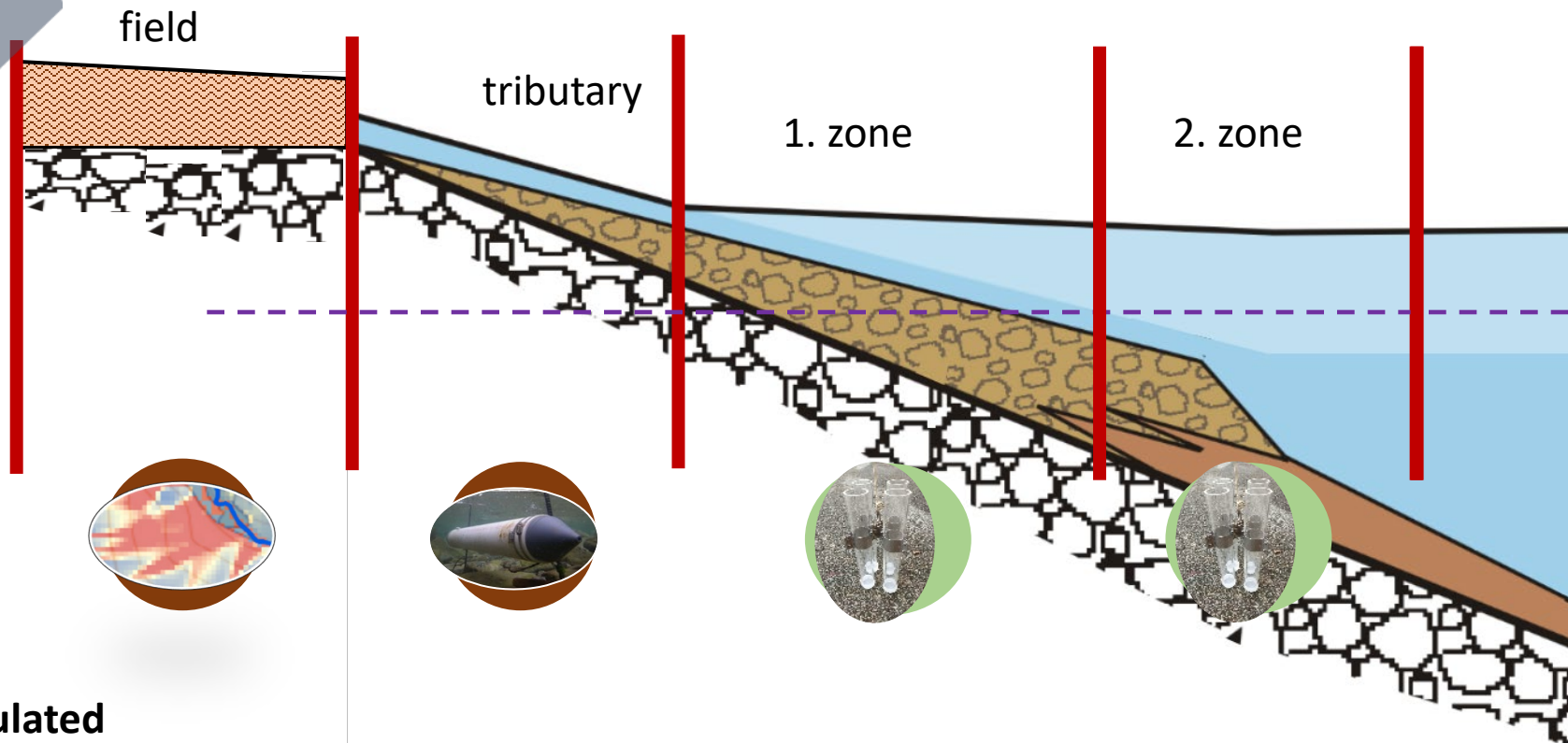
Plocha nákreсу: 3,21 ha Místní název: Žďár u Kaplice

Komentář:
Erozní událost byla zjištěna v souvislosti s několika opakujícími se silnými přívalemými deště od 27.6 do 1.7.2022. Na poli byla zjištěna plošná a rýžková eroze, na krajích pole byly zjištěny naplaveniny erodované ornice.

<https://me.vumop.cz/app/>



RESULTS



Only preliminary results can be formulated

- The sediment significantly changes characteristics from field to tributary and the reservoir
- It is hard to predict sorption/desorption capacities based on original soil sampling
- Wastewater has high potential to change sediment enrichment by phosphorus and make it potential P-sink
- Sediment further interacts with nutrients dynamically



Thank you for your attention!

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