

# Harmonisation and standardisation of sediment assays and monitoring strategies

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**WFD from the view of:**

**Sediment assays**

**Standardisation and  
Harmonisation**

**Terminology ISO TC147/SC5**

**Monitoring and Quality Standards**

**Convenor: ISO TC147/SC5/WG9**

## **Sediment – Biota - Watermatrix**

### **1. Biological components:**

Flora, Benthic Organism, Fishfauna and Population

### **2. Hydromorphological components**

### **3. Physico-chemical components**

### **4. Pollution by priority Substances: pressure (Annex II, 1.4) – AMPS/PHS and impact (Annex II 1.5) – effects (biota)**

**AMPS = Analysis and Monitoring of Priority Substances**

**PHS = Priority Hazardous Substances (33) – cf.2455/2001/EC**

- **Goal:**

- Present ideas how organismic, suborganismic tests / sediment bioassays can be used within a European Framework Directive
- Share existing standards operating procedures for bioassays
- Discuss which approach for sediment bioassays will be most successful

- **Contents:**

1. The inventory on the possible use of bioassays within the WFD
2. ISO/DIN standards operating procedures for sediment bioassays
3. Use of sediment bioassays in Germany
4. Biological components: Fish Population
5. Sediments and good ecological status
6. Chemical Monitoring and Bioassays .... Bioanalysis
7. Conclusions

# Possible use of sediment-bioassays within the WFD

The WFD describes:

- **Surveillance monitoring**

The assessment and description of long-term ecological trends and an overall description of the waters to determine whether a good status has been or will be achieved.

- **Operational monitoring**

The assessment of the status of the water mass of which it has become evident that it may not meet the environmental objectives and/or to assess the changes in the status of this water mass resulting from the programme of measures.

- **Investigative monitoring**

The identification of the cause of the failure to achieve a “good ecological-status”.

# Possible use of bioassays within the WFD

Bioassays are NOT mentioned in the WFD!

## **“Eco-assay”:**

a test that helps to determine what the cause is of a failing ecological status in a waterbody. The cause can be chemical, physical, hydromorphological, ecological, or a combination of these factors.

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# Possible use of bioassays within the WFD

## Types of eco-assays:

- In vivo* bioassays (whole-organism, lab)
- In vitro* bioassays (cellular, lab)
- In situ* bioassays (whole organism, field)
- Biomarkers (molecular, morphological, histopathological responses within organism)
- Toxic Identification Evaluation (TIE) / Effect Directed Analysis (EDA)
- Micro-mesocosm studies (semi-field experiments)
- Biomaniipulation studies (manipulation of ecosystem)
- Models

# Possible use of bioassays within the WFD

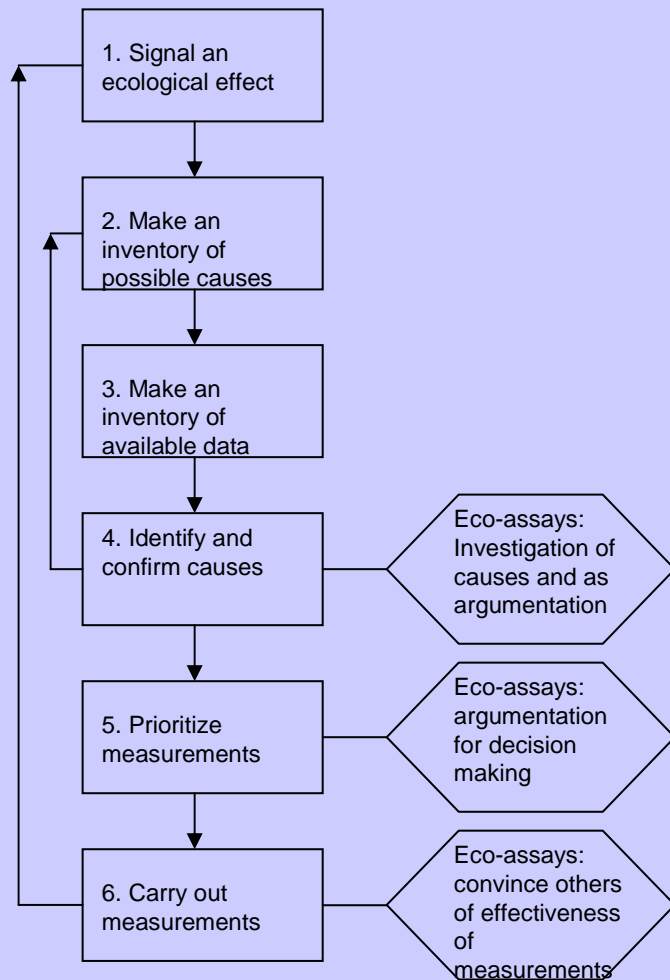
## Eco-assays as diagnostic tool to:

1. Identify causes
2. Confirm causes
3. Prioritize measurements
4. Convince others of the effectiveness of measurements

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## Diagnostic decision tree

Steps:

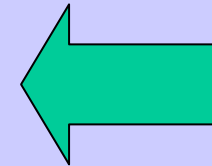
1. Ecological effect
2. Inventory of causes (theoretical)
3. Inventory of available data
4. Identification/confirmation of causes
5. Prioritization of measurements
6. Realization of measurements

# Are Standards for Water- and Sediment- Quality Testing available?

Standards under ISO EN OECD ASTM

**ISO = International Organisation for Standardisation**

**EN = European Organisation for Standardisation**



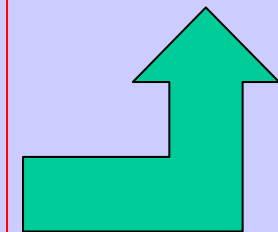
**National Standards:**

**AFNOR = Association Francaise de Normalisation**

**BSI = British Standard Institute**

**DIN = German Organisation for Standardisation**

**..... etc**



**OECD = Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development**

**ASTM = American Society for Testing Materials**

## **ISO and CEN Members:**

**Austria, Belgium, Czech Rep., Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxemburg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom**

## **ISO Members outside Europe**

**Japan, Russia, South Africa, Turkey, USA, Canada, Chile, Korea etc.**

# Implemented and validated Standard protocols:

**ISO / CEN - Bioassays, Sediments**

**National Standards - DIN, AFNOR, BSI etc.**

**OECD - Bioassays**

**ASTM - Bioassays, Sediments**

**PARCOM / OSPARCOM - Sediments**

# ISO Standards for Sediment testing:

- **whole sediment** - pore water - elutriate

## Sediment contact biotests

**Bacteria:** *Athrobacter globiformis* (ISO NWI)

**Nematoda:** *Caenorhabditis elegans* (ISO NWI)

**Fish egg test** (ISO 15088)

**Higher plant test:** *Lemna minor* (ISO 20079)

**Genotoxicity, umu assay** *Salmonella typhemurium* (ISO 13829)

**Sediment exposure with Flatfish: biochemical response –  
EROD** (ISO 23893-2/AWI)

**ISO-TC 147-SC5 / CEN-TC 230 Standards for sediment testing: pore water and elutriate**

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**Bacteria:**

- 1. Luminescent bacteria test ISO 11348** (Determination of the inhibitory effects of water samples on the light emission of *Vibrio fischeri*)
- 2. Growth inhibition test ISO 10712** (cell multiplication inhibition test with *Pseudomonas putida*)
- 3. Kinetic luminescent bacteria test – determination of the inhibitory effects of sediments and other solids – ISO NWI/AWI with *Vibrio fischeri***

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**Invertebrates:**

**Determination of the inhibition of the mobility of *Daphnia magna* (Cladocera, Crustacea) - ISO 10706**

**Determination of acute toxicity of marine or estuarine sediment to amphipods – acute immobilisation test - ISO/DIS 16712**

**Voting on an ISO Standard (marine or estuarine sediments to amphipoda...) between the delegates of the ISO memberstates and to include their technical comments into the standard**



Date 2004-01-15	Reference number ISO/TC 147/SC 5 N 447
Supersede document	

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<b>ISO/TC 147/SC 5</b>  Title: Water quality – Biological methods  Secretariat: AFNOR - FRANCE	<b>REQUESTED ACTION</b> Circulated to P- and O-members, and to technical committees and organizations in liaison for:  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> information <input type="checkbox"/> discussion at (see whole of meeting) <input type="checkbox"/> comments by (date) <input type="checkbox"/> voting (P-members only (ballot form attached) by (date)  P-members of the technical committee or subcommittee concerned have an obligation to vote.
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**Title:** Result of vote and comments received on ISO/DIS 16712 "Water quality – Determination of acute toxicity of marine or estuarine sediment to amphipods"

**Source:**

**Project(s):**

**Other:** The enclosed comments are sent to ISO/TC 147/SC 5WG 2 for discussion.

A revised text will be produced. The Chairman and the Secretariat recommends that this revised text is registered as a FDIS in accordance with clause 2.6.4 a) of the ISO Directives (2001) part 1.

**Additional information:**



ISO/DIS 16712  English Title: **Water quality – Determination of acute toxicity of marine or estuarine sedi-  
amphipods**French Title: **Qualité de l'eau – Détermination de la toxicité aiguë des sédiments marins et  
estuariens vis-à-vis des amphipodes**Document reference: **ISO/DIS 16712** Committee: **ISO/TC 147/SC 5**

Start date: 2003-08-08 End date: 2004-01-08

Opened by ISO/TC on: 2003-08-08 00:41 Closed by ISO/TC on: 2004-01-10 00:39

Status: Closed Voting stage: Enquiry

Vote in parallel with: Version: 1

Role: Correspondent Organization: AFNOR

Note:

**Result of voting**

P-Members voting: 16 in favour out of 17 = 94.11% (requirement &gt;= 66.66%)

*(P-Members voting abstained are not counted in this vote.)*

Member bodies voting: 1 negative votes out of 21 = 4.76% (requirement &lt;= 25%)

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**Vertebrates:**

**Fish eggs - determination of the non-acute toxicity to fish eggs – ISO/AWI 15088**

**Algae and aquatic plants:**

**Fresh water algal growth inhibition test with *Desmodesmus subspicatus* and *Selenastrum capricornutum* – ISO 8692**

**Duckweed (*Lemna minor*) growth inhibition test – ISO/DIS 20079**

**Estuarine and marine sediments:**

**Algae *Phaeodactylum tricornutum* – ISO/CD 10253**

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Title: Water quality - Biological methods

Secretariat: AP502

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Task: Vote and comments received on ISO/CD 21427-2 "Water quality - Evaluation of genotoxicity by measurement of the induction of micronuclei - Part 2 : Mixed population method using the cell line V79"

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Additional information:

**VOTES OF ISO/TC 147/SC 5 MEMBERS ON ISO/CD 21427-2**

P-MEMBER	MEMBER	YES	NO	ABST.	No reply	Comments (enclosed)
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Canada	P	X				
Czech Republic	P	X				
Denmark	P	X				
Finland	P	X				
France	P	X				X
Germany	P	X				
Italy	P	X				
Japan	P				X	
Netherlands	P	X				
Norway	P				X	
Poland	P			X		
Portugal	P				X	
Russian Federation	P				X	
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FR	Scope		te	As per resolution 21 taken by ISO/TC 147/SC 5 at Cardiff on 2003-10-09 (see document ISO/TC 147/SC 5 N 413) and for consistency with Part 1 of the standard	Add the following terms to the scope : "The described method is applicable to : - aqueous effluents, aqueous leachates and eluates of soils, industrial waste or sewage treatment sludge ; - surface and ground water ; - water-soluble and water-miscible substances."	
FR	4		te	Out of the scope of the standard	Delete the last paragraph of clause 4 ("The test facility ..... have been tested")	
FR	5		te	The sentence in the middle of clause 5 ("therefore, test items, .....under test conditions.") needs to be clarified		
FR	6.2.2		ed	Explanation and consistency	Give the meaning of NADP	
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FR	6.5.1		ed	To avoid ambiguity	Change "it should also be prepared" to "it shall have been prepared"	
FR	7 and 8.1		te	For completeness	Add a sub-clause for " 0,22 µm sterile filter" in 7 and add reference to this sub-clause in 8.1 (into the last but one sentence, after "sterile filters")	
FR	8.1		te	The harmonisation of the storage conditions defined in both the parts of the standard shall be considered.	Put the sentence "if this not possible ...respectively." in a note.	
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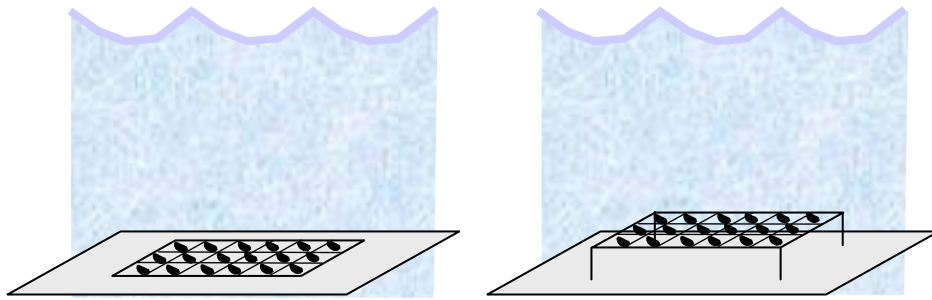
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# Monitoring Strategies

**Salazar, M.H., Salazar, S.M. 2001. Standard guide for conducting in situ Field bioassays with marine, estuarine and freshwater bivalves. In: Annual book of ASTM standards. West Conshohocken, PA: American Society for Testing and Materials**



Directly on Sediment Above Sediment using Legs



**Fixed Bottom Placement**





**Ecotoxicological Sediment Classification (HABAB-WSV 2000,  
Directive for Dredged Inland Material Management in Federal Inland Waterways  
HABAK-WSV 1999, Directive for Dredged Inland Material Management in Federal Coastal  
Waterways )**

Highest dilution factor without effect	Toxicity class	Designation of toxicity class
Original sample	0	Toxicity not detectable
1:2	I	Very low toxicity
1:4	II	Slightly toxic
1:8	III	Moderately toxic
1:16	IV	Elevated toxicity
1:32	V	High toxicity
≤ (1:64)	VI	Very high toxicity

**The toxicity derived from the bioassay is characterized by how many times a sample has to be diluted in a ratio of 1:2 to render it no longer toxic (dilution factor)**

**By using more than one bioassay, the toxicity class of sediments is determined by the most sensitive organism within the test series**

As a standard, the following procedures are used:

Algae test

Luminescent bacteria test

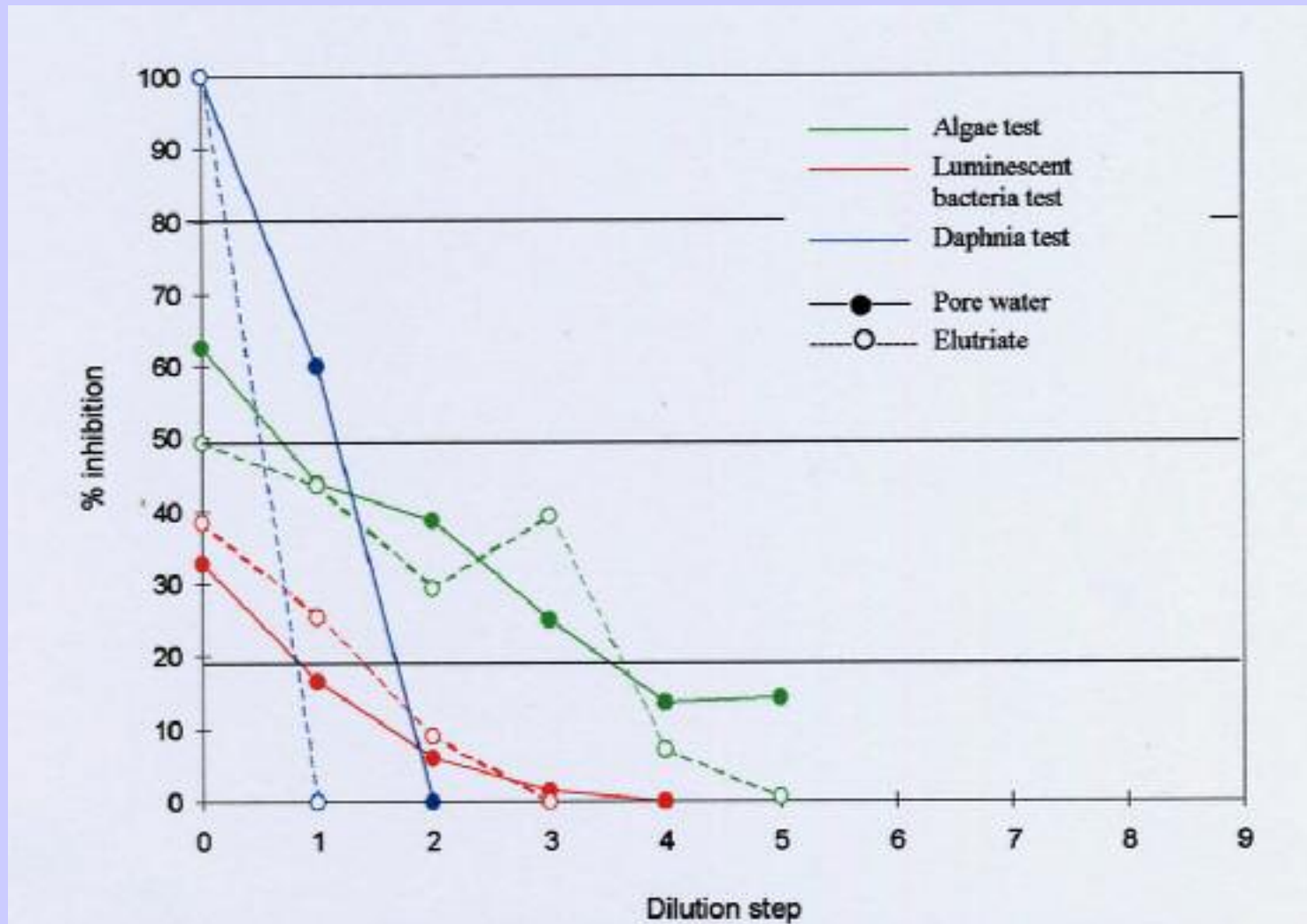
Daphnia test

This characterizes a toxicity, assumed by an environment sampling of a model organism, by how many times a sampling must be diluted in a ratio of 1:2 in order that it is no longer toxic. For a numerical designation of the determined toxicity the pT value is used.

Biochemical tests (oxygen and nutrients)

**HABAB-WSV Directive for the Handling of Dreged Material**

## Ecotoxicological examination of sediment samples from the River Saar, Krebs 2000 (Geometric dilution series with the factor 2)



**Toxicity classes used by the Federal Institute of Hydrology in sediment assessment and ecotoxicological management categories - The ecotoxicological analyses are made with pore water and elutriate (Krebs 1988, 2000, 2004, HABAB-WSV 2000)**

Highest dilution level without effect	Dilution factor	pT-value	Toxicity classes		Management categories	
			7-level system	Designation	4-level assessment	Colour coding
Original sample	$2^0$	0	0	toxicity non-detectable	<b>unpolluted</b>	<b>0</b>
1:2	$2^{-1}$	1	I	very slightly toxic	<b>uncritically polluted</b>	<b>I</b>
1:4	$2^{-2}$	2	II	slightly toxic		<b>II</b>
1:8	$2^{-3}$	3	III	moderately toxic	<b>critically polluted</b>	<b>III</b>
1:16	$2^{-4}$	4	IV	distinctly toxic		<b>IV</b>
1:32	$2^{-5}$	5	V	highly toxic	<b>hazardous</b>	<b>V</b>
$\leq (1:64)$	$\leq 2^{-6}$	$\geq 6$	VI	extremely toxic		<b>VI</b>

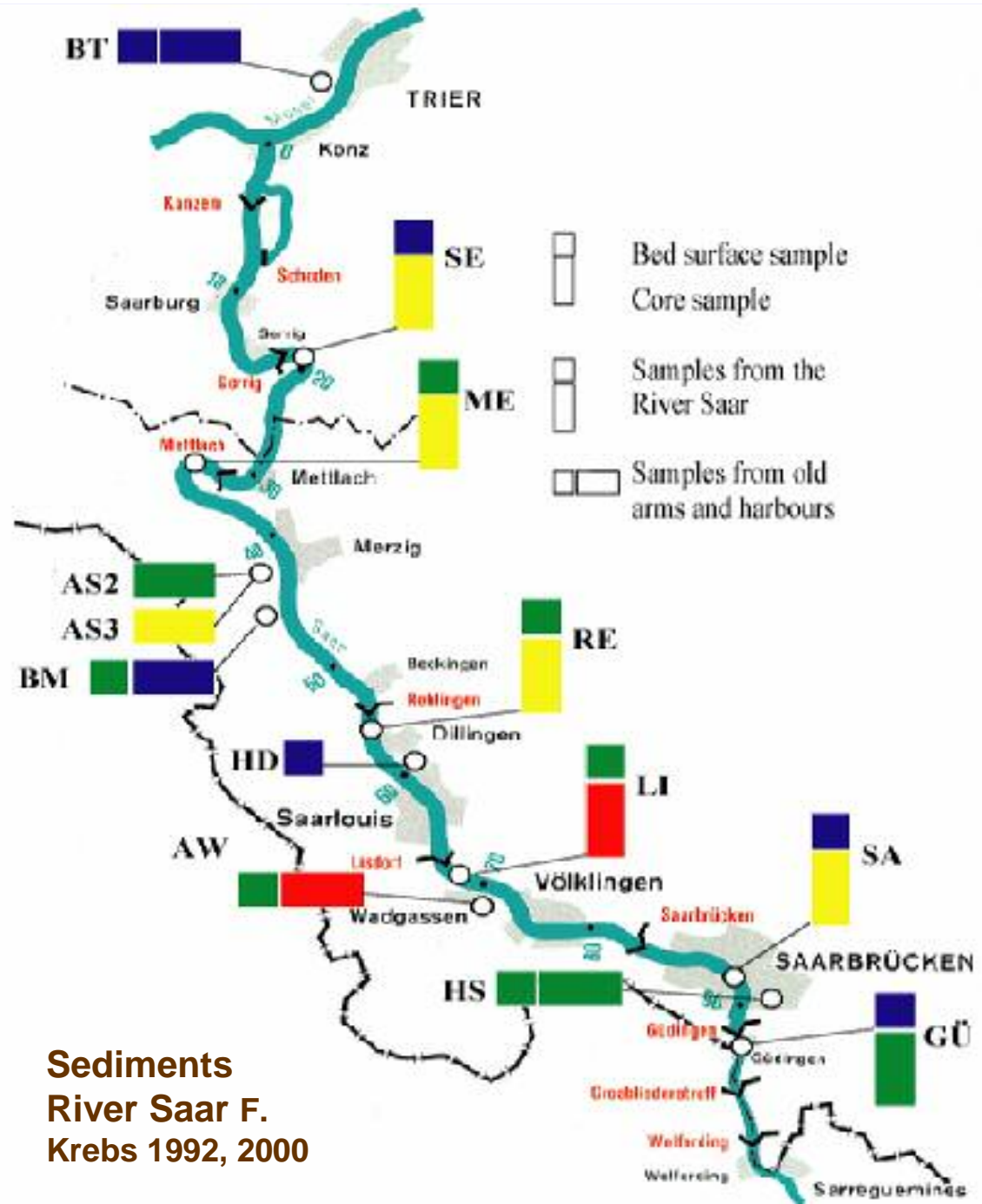
## Colour coding and Managementcategories:

blue = unpolluted

Green = uncritically polluted

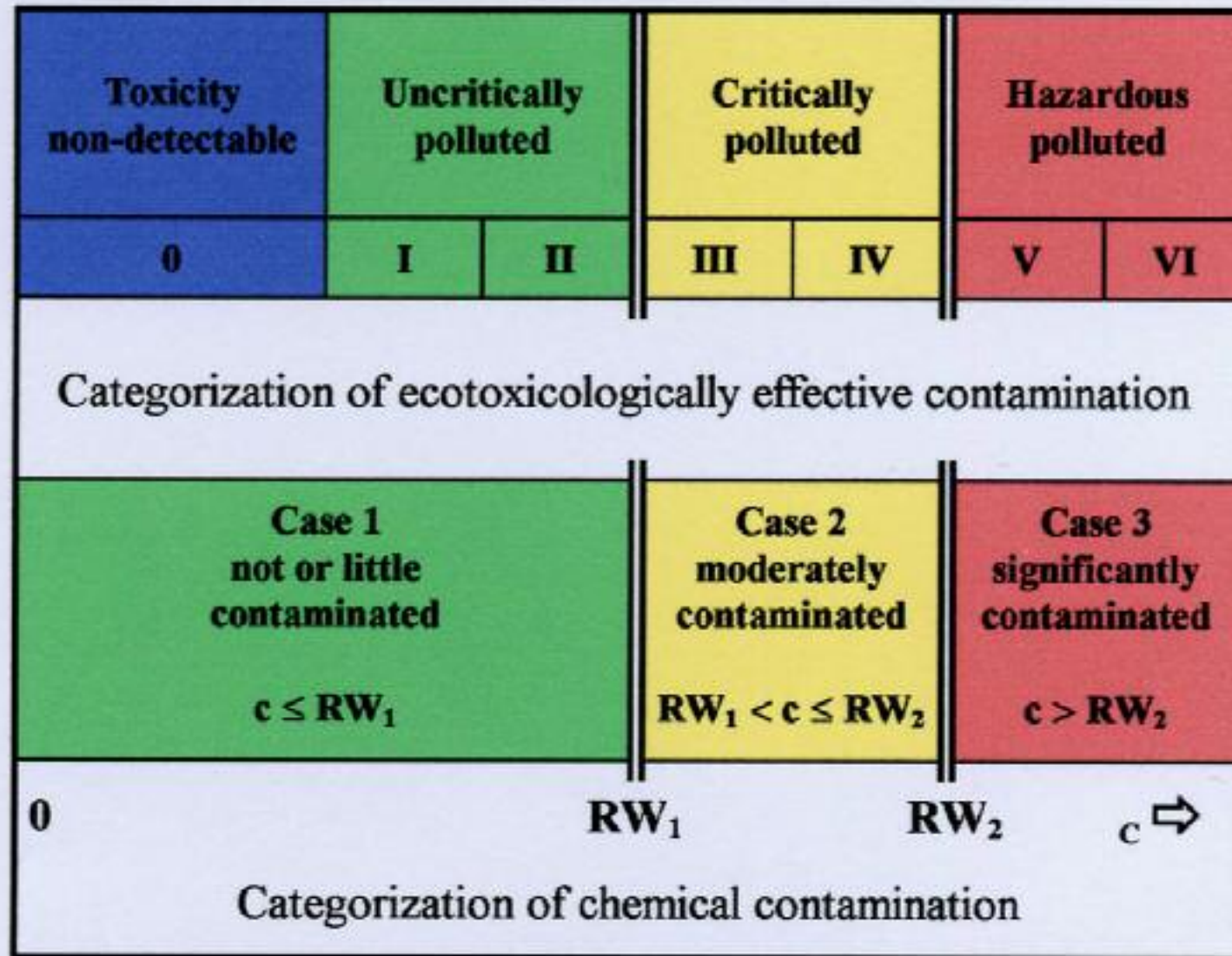
Yellow = critically polluted

Red = hazardous





**Management categories for sediments used by the Federal Institute of Hydrology. Chemical and ecotoxicological criteria according to HBAB-WSV (2000) and HABAK-WSV (1999) – c=contaminant concentration**



## **“water bodies at risk“**

**(inland and transitional waters)**

**Implies that there is are significant consequences:**

**Operational monitoring (cf. Annex V)**

**Follow-up steps –**

**Report to the EC March 2005**

Water QS, EQS, AA-EQS, MAC-EQS

AA-EQS = anual average environmental quality standard

MAC-EQS = maximum allowable concentration  
environmental quality standard

## Monitoring strategies

### Testbattery fresh water sediments (HABAB):

Algae test

Luminescent bacteria test

Daphnia test

### Testbattery estuarine and marine sediments (HABAK, OSPARCOM):

- chronic sediment contact test
- biomarkes, and
- microcosm and mesocosm test

-the structure of benthos

- the contamination of marine organisms (bioaccumulation)
- the ecotoxicological properties of the sediment
- the eutrophication



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**New emerging ISO Standards**

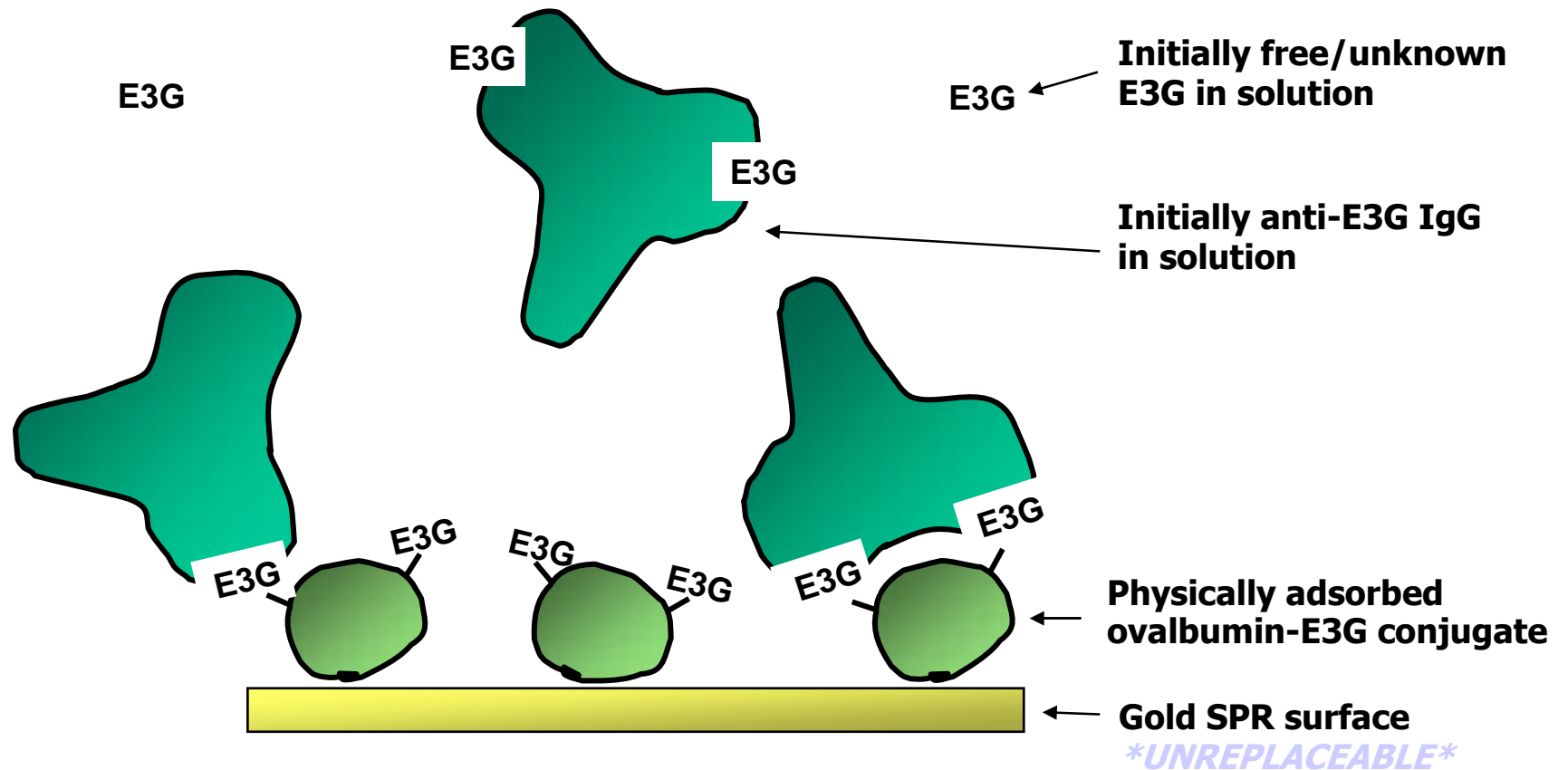
**Biomarkers**

**Sediment exposure with bottom living fish: biochemical response – EROD (ISO 23893-2/AWI)**

**Sediment exposure and endocrine effects: hER and hAR receptor assays – New Work Item under ISO**



# Experimental Protocol: simple competition assay



IgG = 150 kDa, ovalbumin = 46 kDa, E3G (estrone-3-glucuronide) = 468 Da  
monoclonal anti-E3G IgG supplied by Unilever PLC

**For sampling and evaluating sediments:**

**Use the advantages of the existing international Monitoringstations (IKSR,IKSE,IKSO,IKSD).**

**Use validated tools and historical data**

## **Summary**

**There is a broad variety of water and sediment biotests standardized after ISO, CEN, available of the different trophic levels**

- (1) The protocols of the bioassays includes the sampling and preparation steps of water and sediments prior to the test procedures**
- (2) Harmonisation of ISO Standards are progressed in the working groups by the participants from the ISO member states**
- (3) A new emerging protocol on endocrine effects will come up in the near future as an New Work Item for an ISO Standard**
- (4) Management tools under the HABAB (Freshwater sediments) and the HABAK (estuarine and marine sediments) directive demonstrates that only a certain set of Standards is needed and these are harmonized and contributed by ISO and CEN**
- (5) Bioassays will be implemented with the chemical monitoring: quality norm (QN)**
- (6) Monitoring in 2004 - impact assessment in 2006**



**Thank you very much for your attention!**

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**Water Quality Objectives (QO) for the protection of inland waters against dangerous substances [n.r. = not relevant; r = relevant, but no data available; [dw = dry weight]**

	Aquatic communities	Fishery	Drinking Water supply	Sediments	Water Quality Objectives
	[µg/l]	[µg/l]	[µg/l]	[µg/kg dw]	[µg/l]
2-Chloroaniline	0.1	n.r.	1.0	n.r.	0.1
4-Chloroaniline	0.01	n.r.	0.1	n.r.	0.1
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	10	r.	1	n.r.	1
Hexachlorobenzene	0.001	0.001	0.1	40	0.001
Hexachlorobutadien	0.01	r.	1	n.r.	0.01

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**Derivation of Water Quality Objectives for the Protection of Inland Surface Waters against Heavy Metals. Use and Aquatic communities; use and Commercial and Sport Fishing; use and drinking watersupply; use and sediments (n.r. = not relevant).**

	Aquatic communities		Fisheries	Drinking Water supply	Sediments (susp. solids)
	[mg/kg dry weight]	[µg/l]	[µg/l]	[µg/l]	[mg/kg dry weight]
Pb	100	3.4	5	40	100
Cd	1.2	0.07	1	5	1.5
Cr	320	10	n.r.	50	100
Cu	80	4	n.r.	50	60
Ni	120	4.4	n.r.	50	50
Hg	0.8	0.04	0.1	1	1
Zn	400	14	n.r.	3,000	200

# Endocrine effects Standards, OECD –ISO

**National Standard DIN UA 7 / ISO**

**Sediment, pore water, elutriate:**

**Receptor Assays**

**ELRA-, Yes-, Callux-Assay, Sumpter  
hER, hAR, Mc Donnell hER, hAR**

**Cell-proliferation: MCF7**

**Organismic Assays:**

**Vitellogenin-Synthesis-Assay: Fish**

**Imposex Molluscs, Crustaceans**



**pT-value -Sumpter/McDonnell/ELRA: 5a Dihydrotestosteron (hAR);  
17 $\beta$  Estradiol (hER)**

Sediment-Sample	Sumpter		MC Donnell		ELRA
	hER	hAR	hER	hAR	
36	1	3	0	1	4
37	0	0	3	0	4
38	2	3	4	2	4
39	3	2	3	2	5
40	4	2	3	1	2
41	3	3	2	2	3
42	1	0	4	1	3
43	2	2	4	1	2