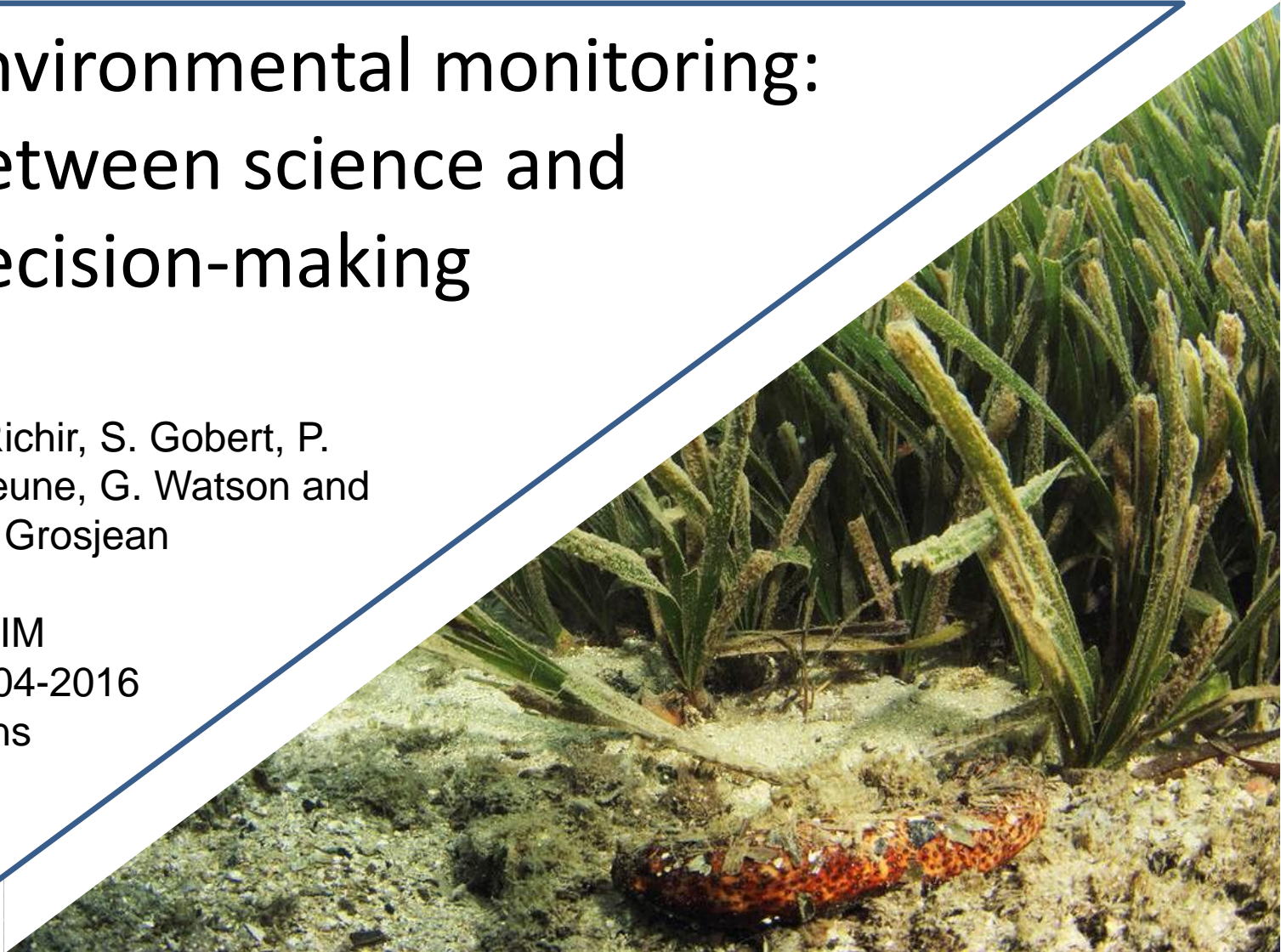


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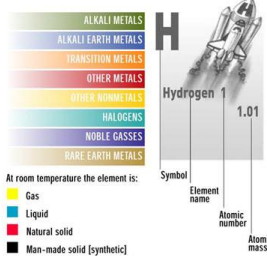
# PERIODIC TABLE of the ELEMENTS



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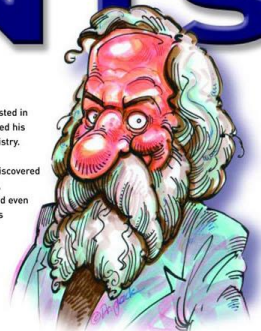


## DMITRI MENDELEYEV (1834 - 1907)

The Russian chemist, Dmitri Mendeleev, was the first to observe that if elements were listed in order of atomic mass, they showed regular (periodical) repeating properties. He formulated his discovery in a periodic table of elements, now regarded as the backbone of modern chemistry.

The crowning achievement of Mendeleev's periodic table lay in his prophecy of then, undiscovered elements. In 1869, the year he published his periodic classification, the elements gallium, germanium and scandium were unknown. Mendeleev left spaces for them in his table and even predicted their atomic masses and other chemical properties. Six years later, gallium was discovered and his predictions were found to be accurate. Other discoveries followed and their chemical behaviour matched that predicted by Mendeleev.

This remarkable man, the youngest in a family of 17 children, has left the scientific community with a classification system so powerful that it became the cornerstone in chemistry teaching and the prediction of new elements ever since. In 1955, element 101 was named after him: Md, Mendeleevium.



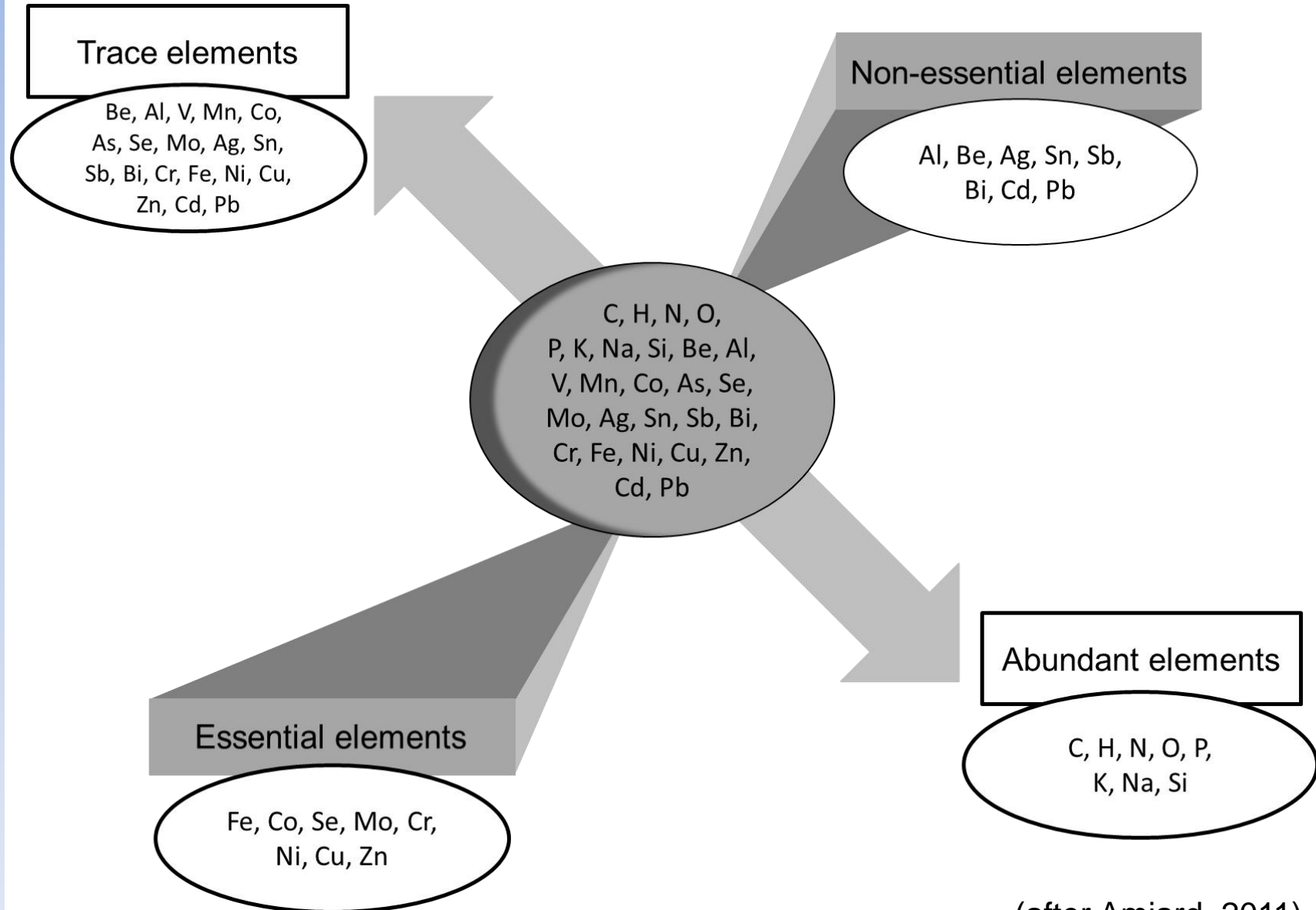
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# Trace elements



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# Bioindicator : *Posidonia oceanica*







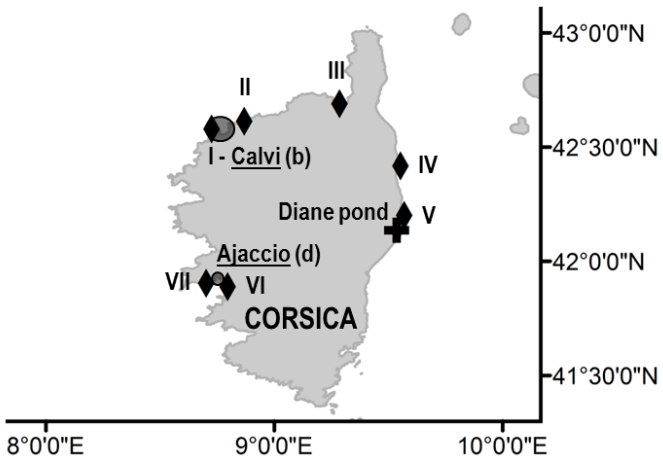
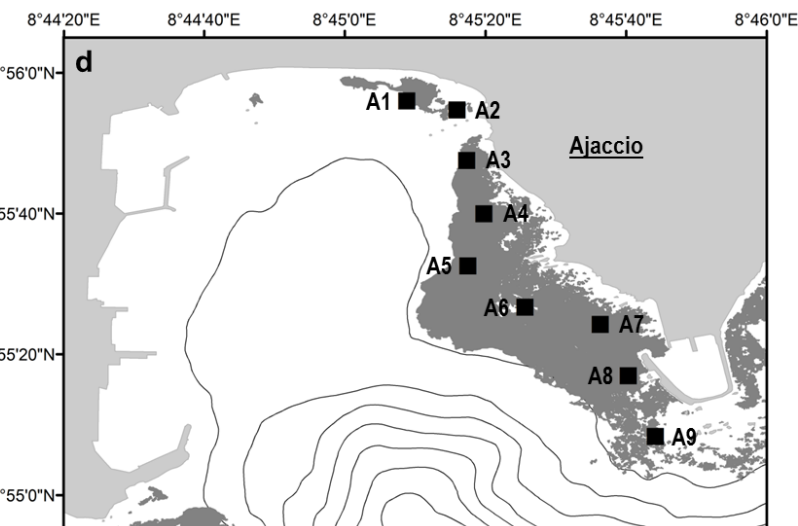
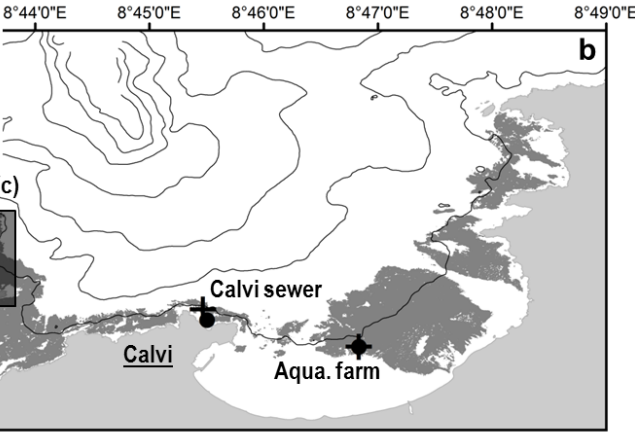
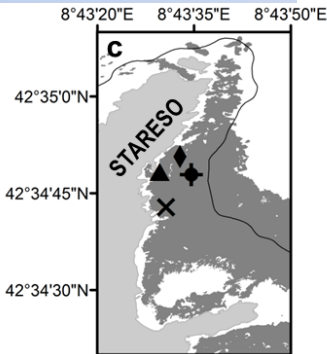
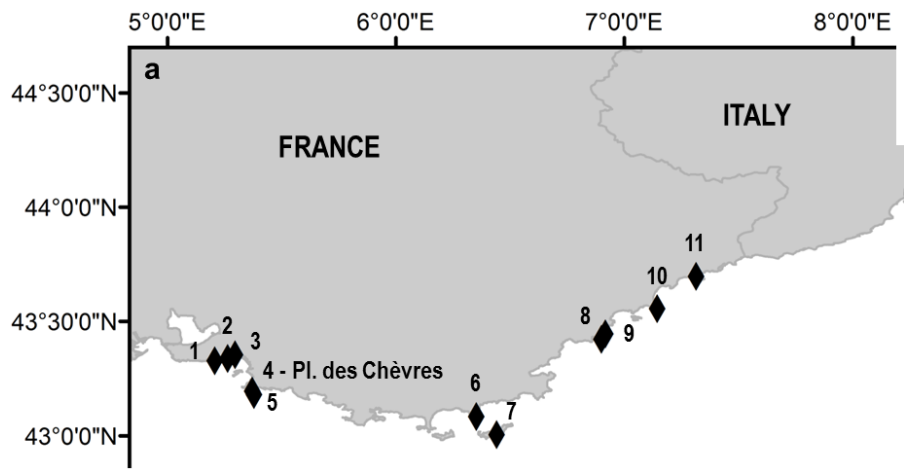




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TE accumulation in *P. oceanica* studied at different scales :

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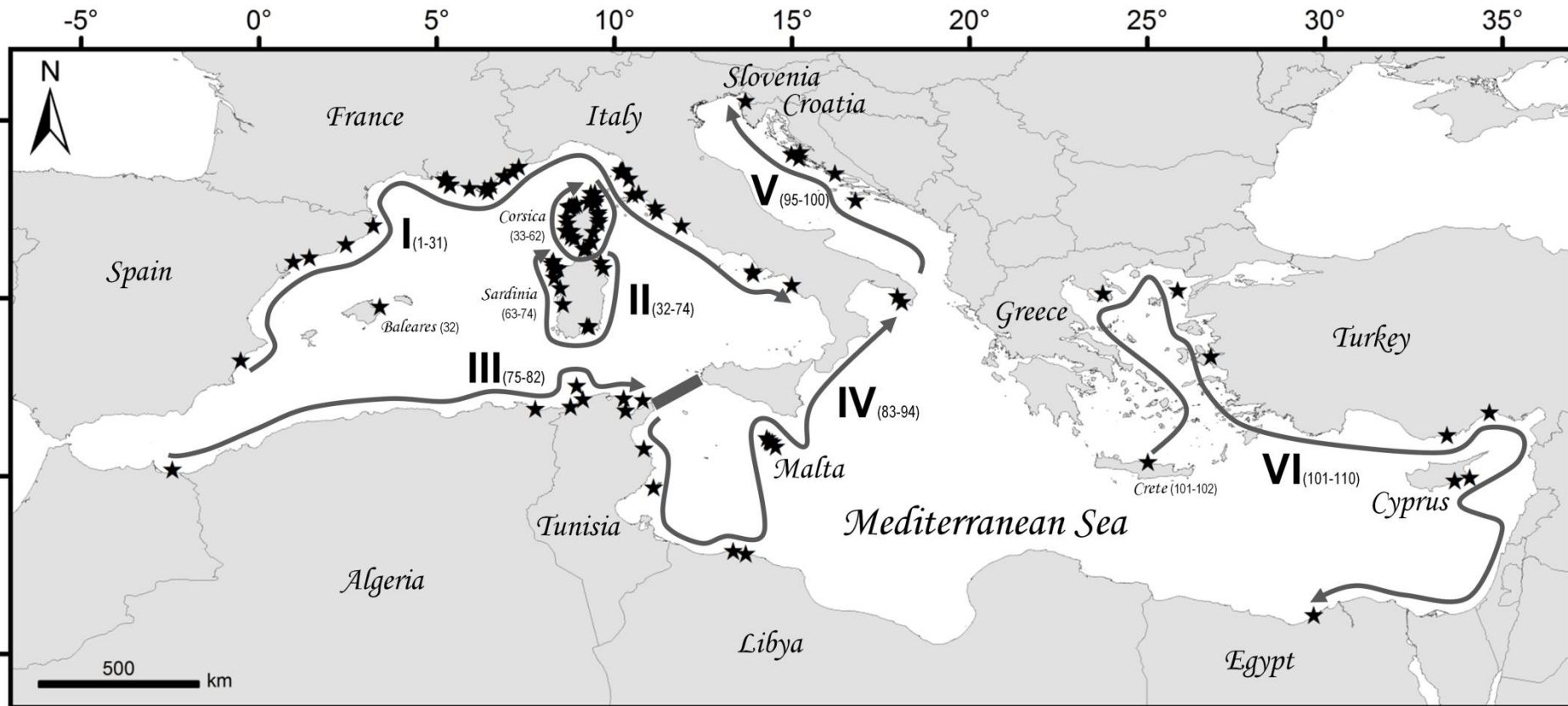
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1. Along a radial (100 m scale)



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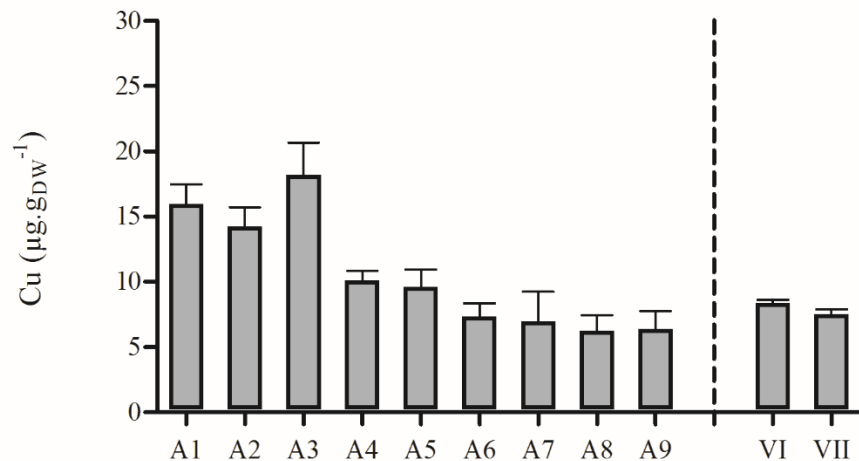


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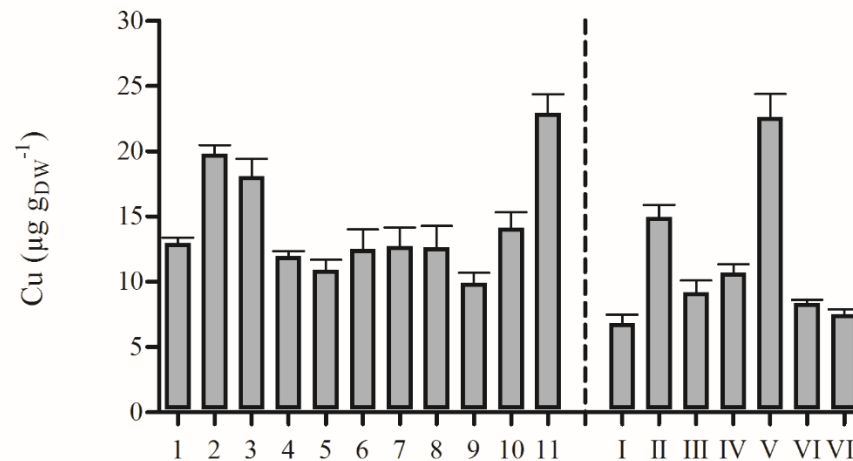


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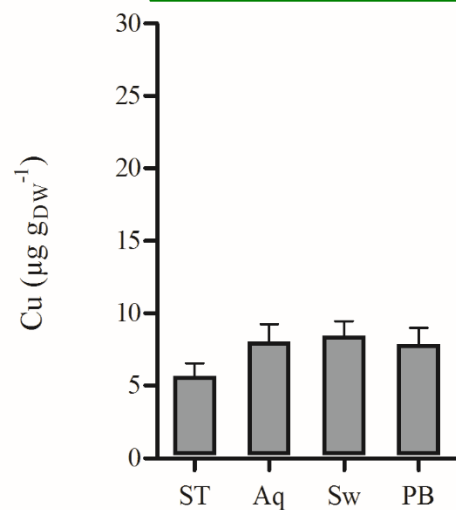
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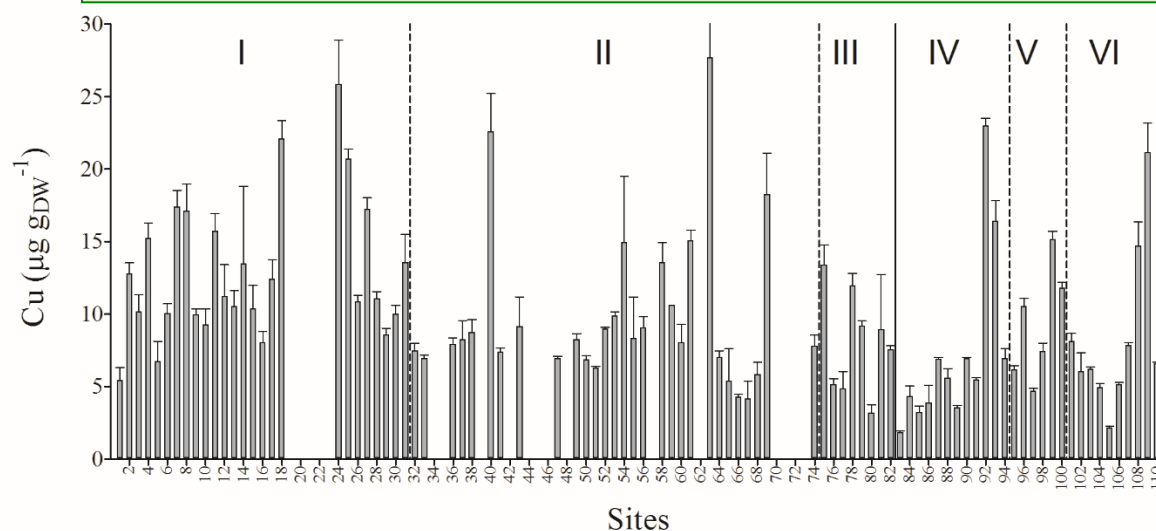
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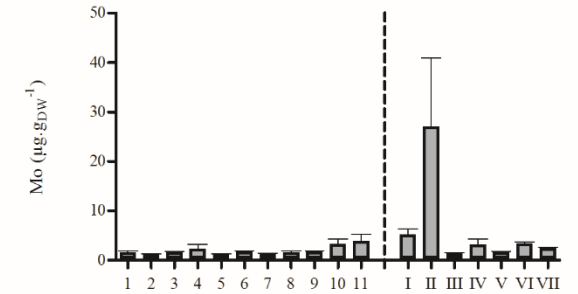
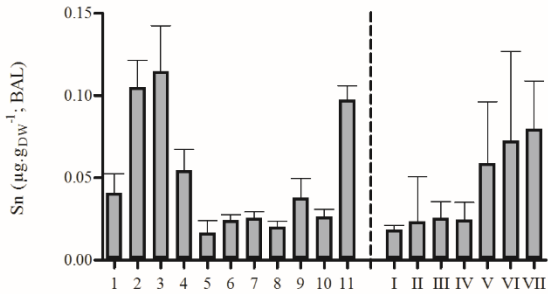
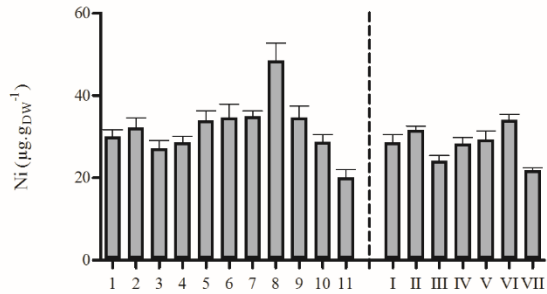
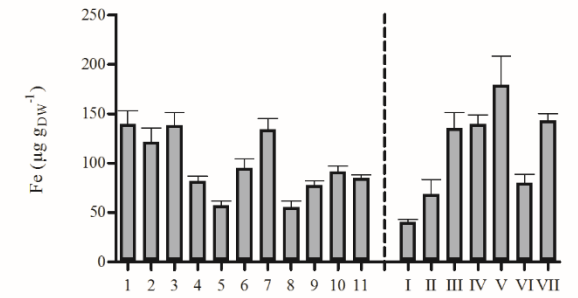
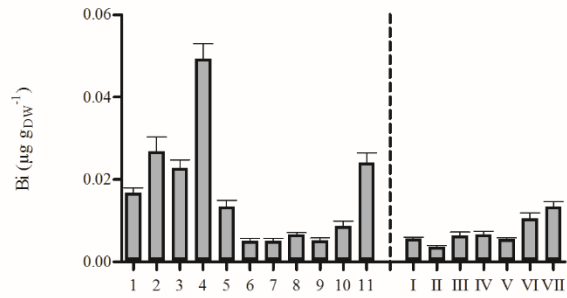
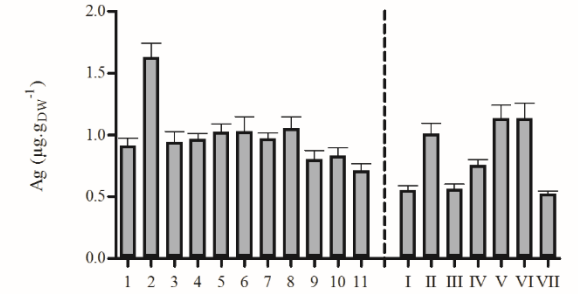
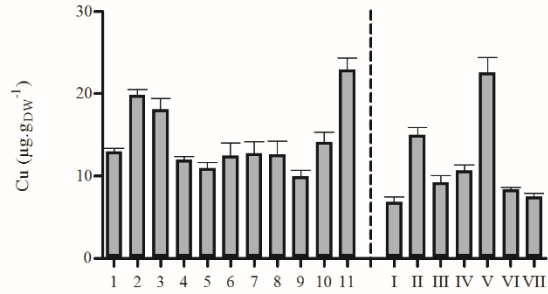
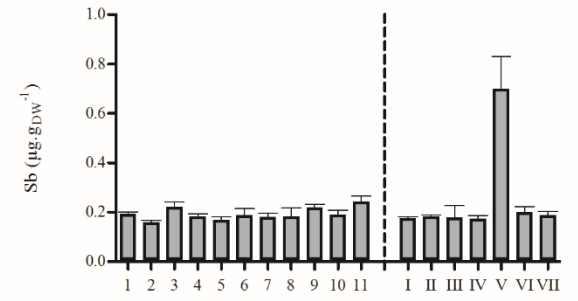
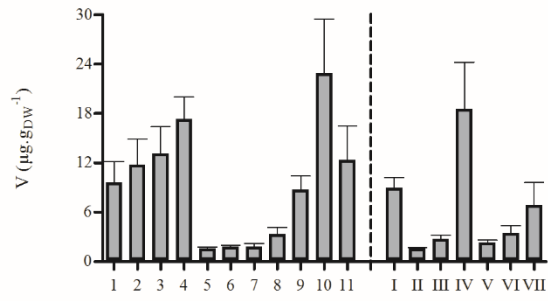
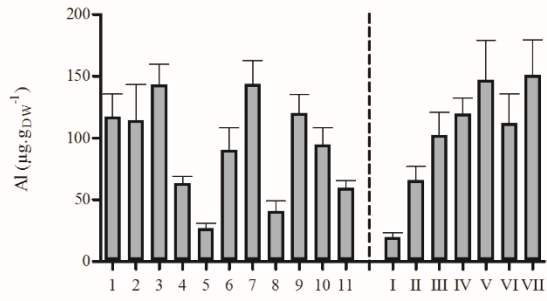
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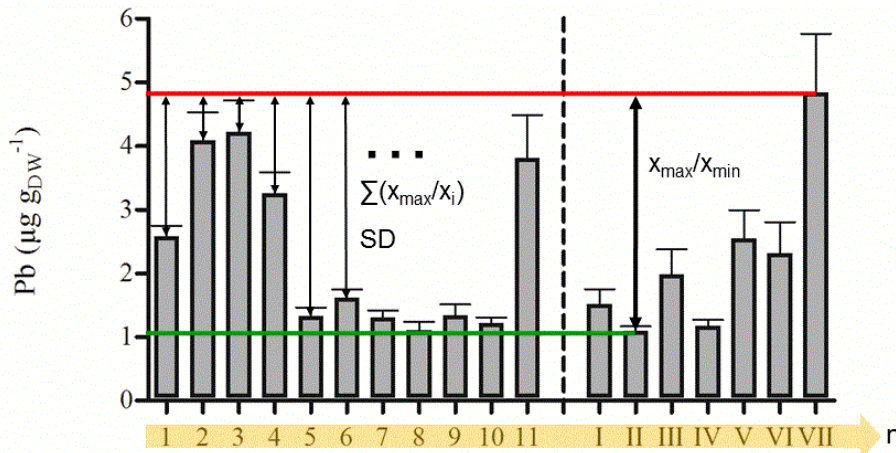




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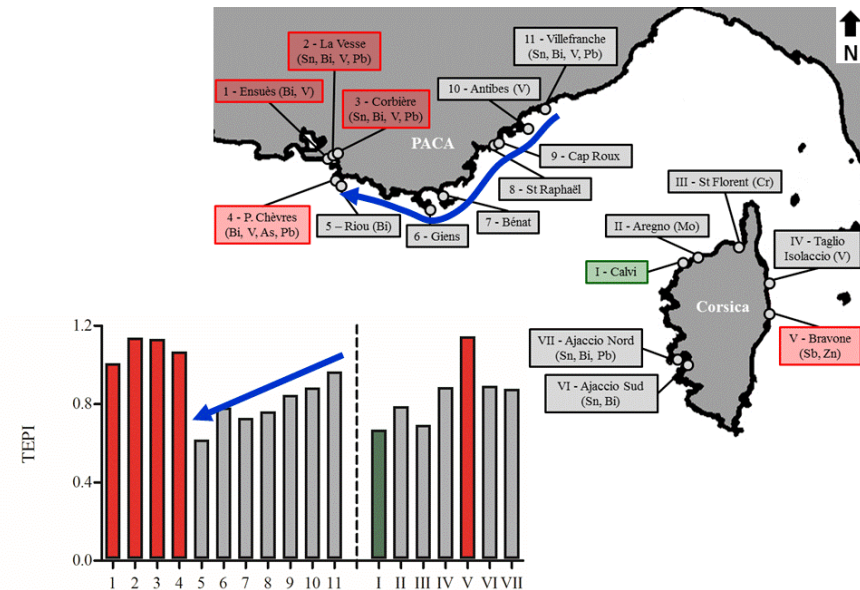
## Trace Element Spatial Variation Index

$$TESVI = [(x_{\max}/x_{\min}) / (\sum(x_{\max}/x_i)/n)] * SD$$



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$$TEPI = (Cf_1 * Cf_2 \dots Cf_n)^{1/n}$$

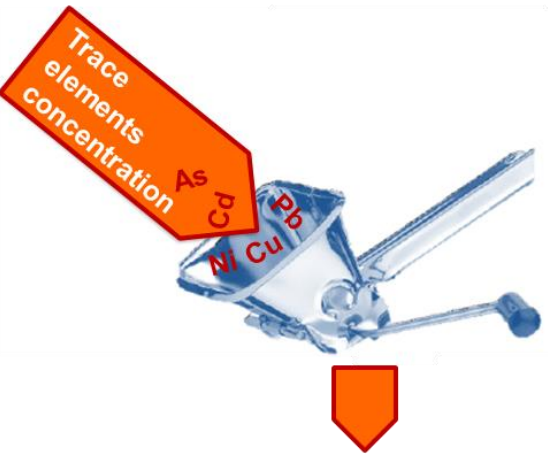


TESVI and TEPI efficient complementary indices to monitor the pollution by TEs. They successfully led:

- to the ordering of TEs according to the overall spatial variability of their environmental levels along the French Mediterranean littoral;
- to the quantification of the global pollution in TEs between monitored sites.



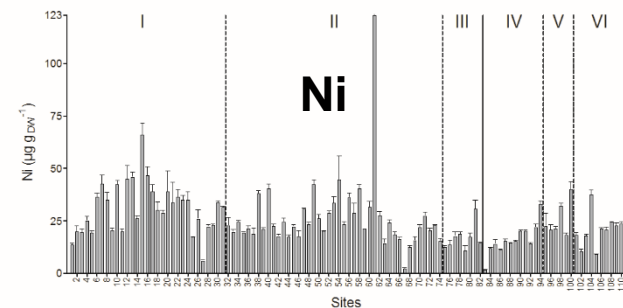
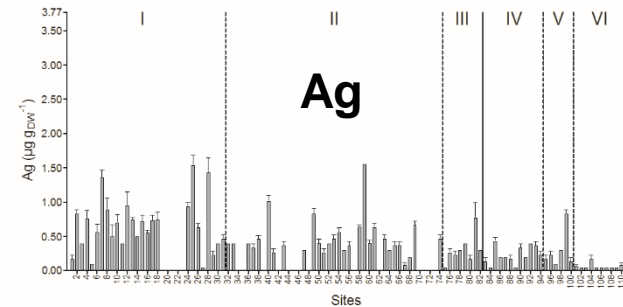
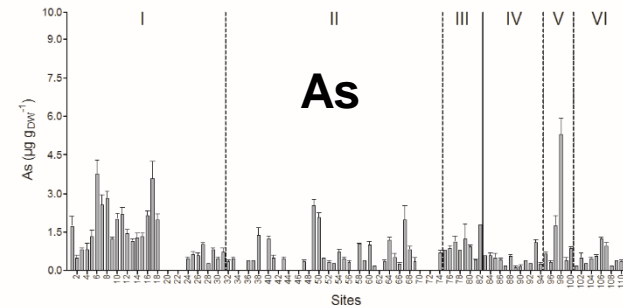
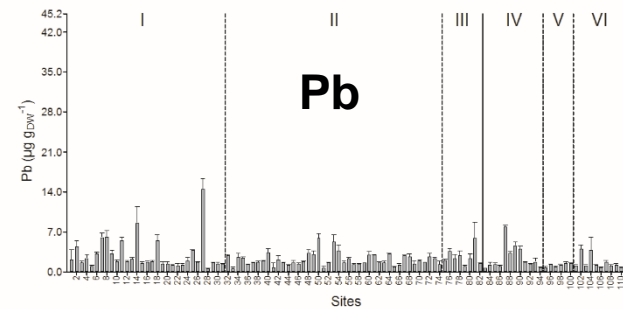
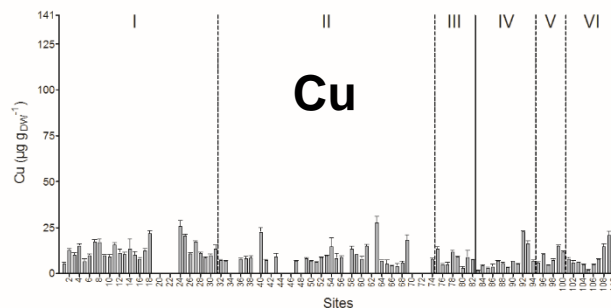
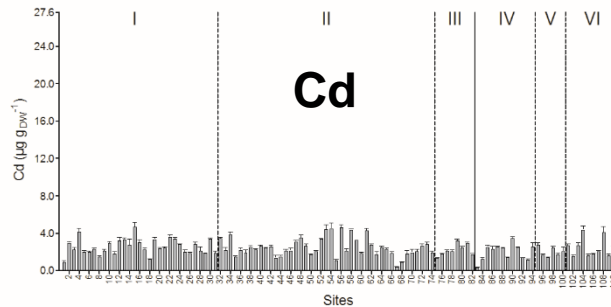
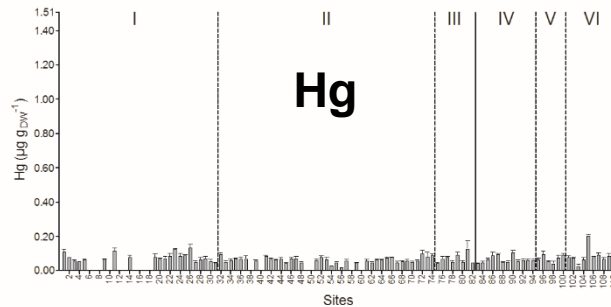
# Spatial variability



Index values

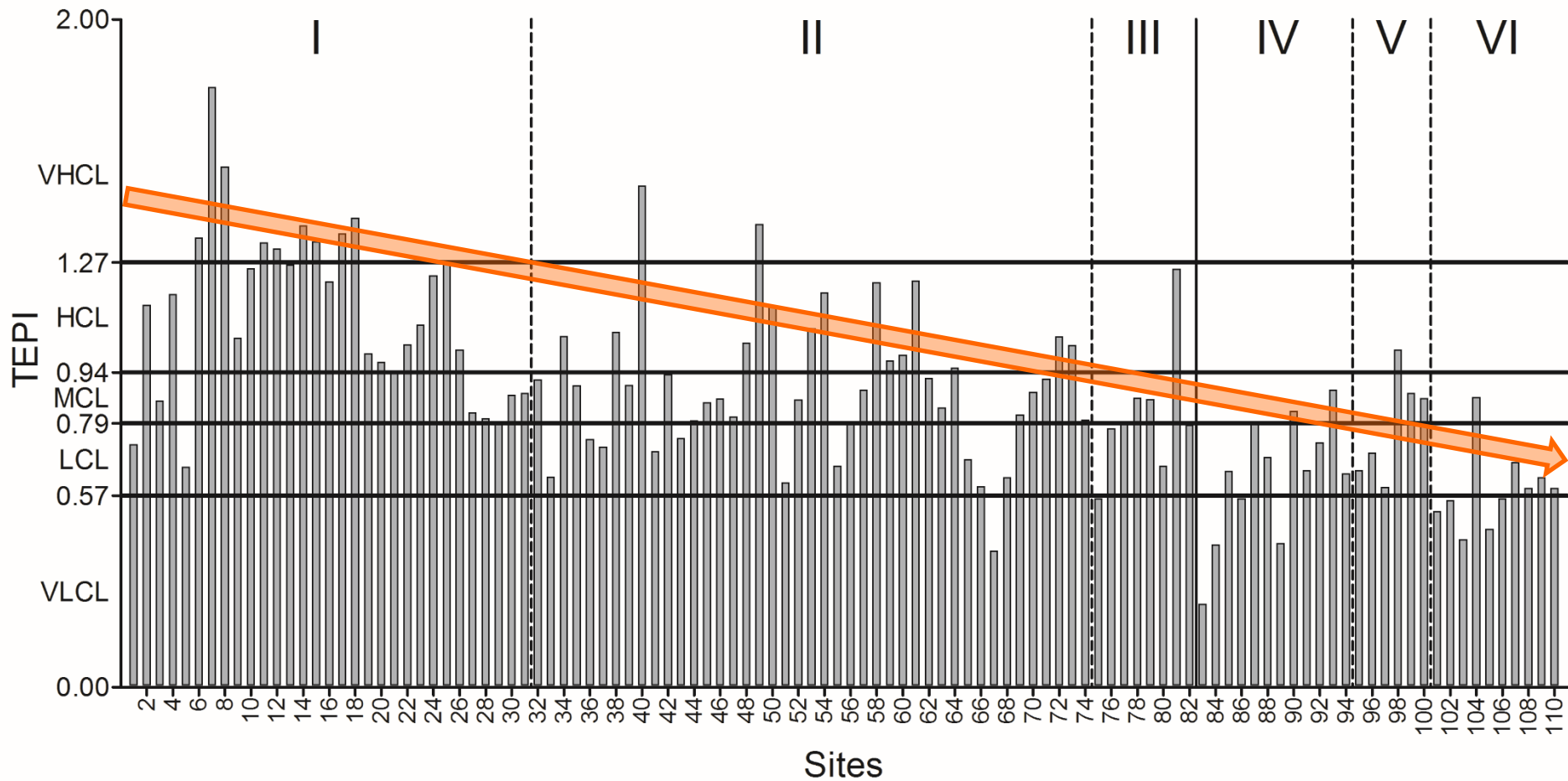
TE	TESVI
Hg	3.9
Cd	8.7
Cu	9.2
Pb	13.3
As	29.4
Ag	34.9
Ni	92.7

Proportional ordinate scaling between TEs:





# Global contamination





# 5-level water quality scale



qu. 1	qu. 2	qu. 3	qu. 4
0.6000	1.3333	1.7635	2.9333
0.6333	1.3333	1.7667	2.9667
0.6667	1.3667	1.7682	3.0012
0.7000	1.4000	1.8000	3.1253
0.7667	1.4000	1.8000	3.2113
0.8000	1.4000	1.8018	3.2333
0.8333	1.4333	1.8241	3.2333
0.8333	1.4333	1.8349	3.3667
0.8333	1.4333	1.8667	3.3667
0.8667	1.4511	1.9667	3.4705
0.9000	1.4667	1.9667	3.6000
1.0333	1.5000	2.0000	3.7667
1.0667	1.5000	2.0333	3.8000
1.0667	1.5180	2.1667	3.9000
1.1333	1.5667	2.2000	4.0667
1.1667	1.6000	2.2793	4.0667
1.1667	1.6000	2.3333	4.4333
1.1667	1.6333	2.3333	4.6000
1.2000	1.6333	2.3667	5.3333
1.2333	1.6333	2.4000	5.4790
1.2333	1.6667	2.4333	5.5667
1.2667	1.6667	2.5333	5.9129
1.2667	1.7000	2.6333	5.9250
1.2667	1.7000	2.6667	6.0751
1.2667	1.7000	2.7333	6.1230
1.2667	1.7333	2.9333	7.9000
1.3000	1.7333	2.9333	8.5667
1.3000			14.5000

Quartile means

Superior limit of  
quartiles

	Pb
quartile 1	1.3083
quartile 2	1.7484
quartile 3	2.9333
quartile 4	14.5000

## 5 contamination levels

< 1<sup>st</sup> qu. mean : very low CL

1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> qu. mean: low CL

2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> qu. mean: medium CL

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> 4<sup>th</sup> qu. mean: very high CL





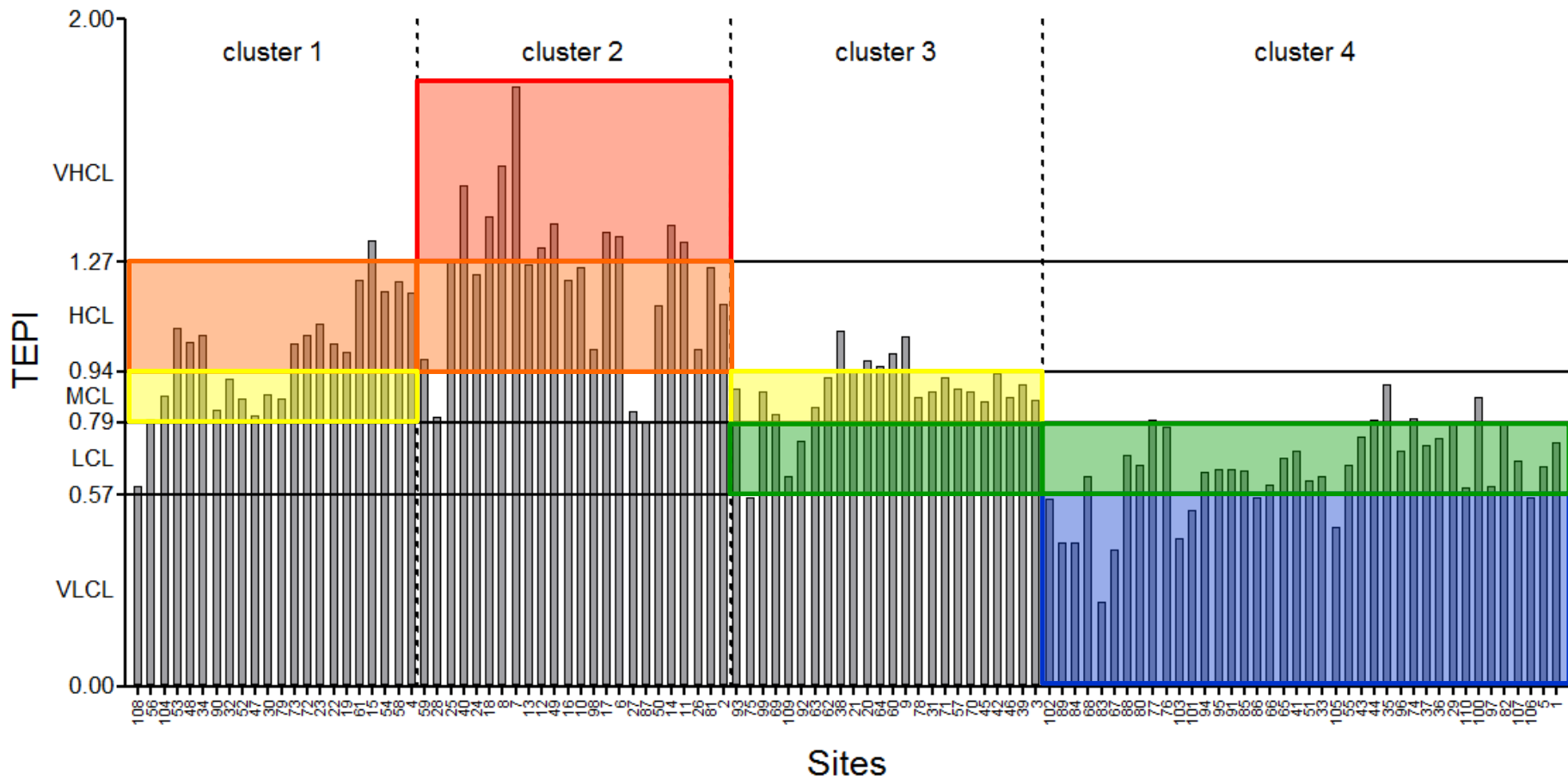


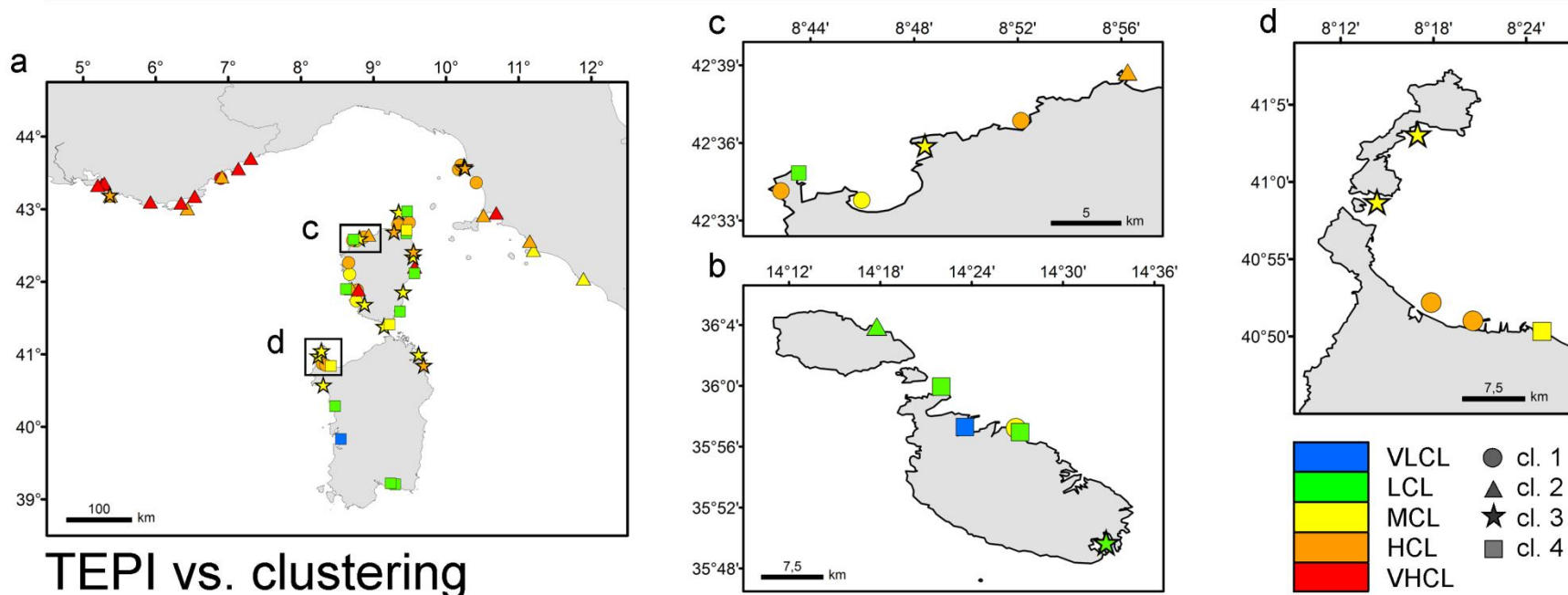
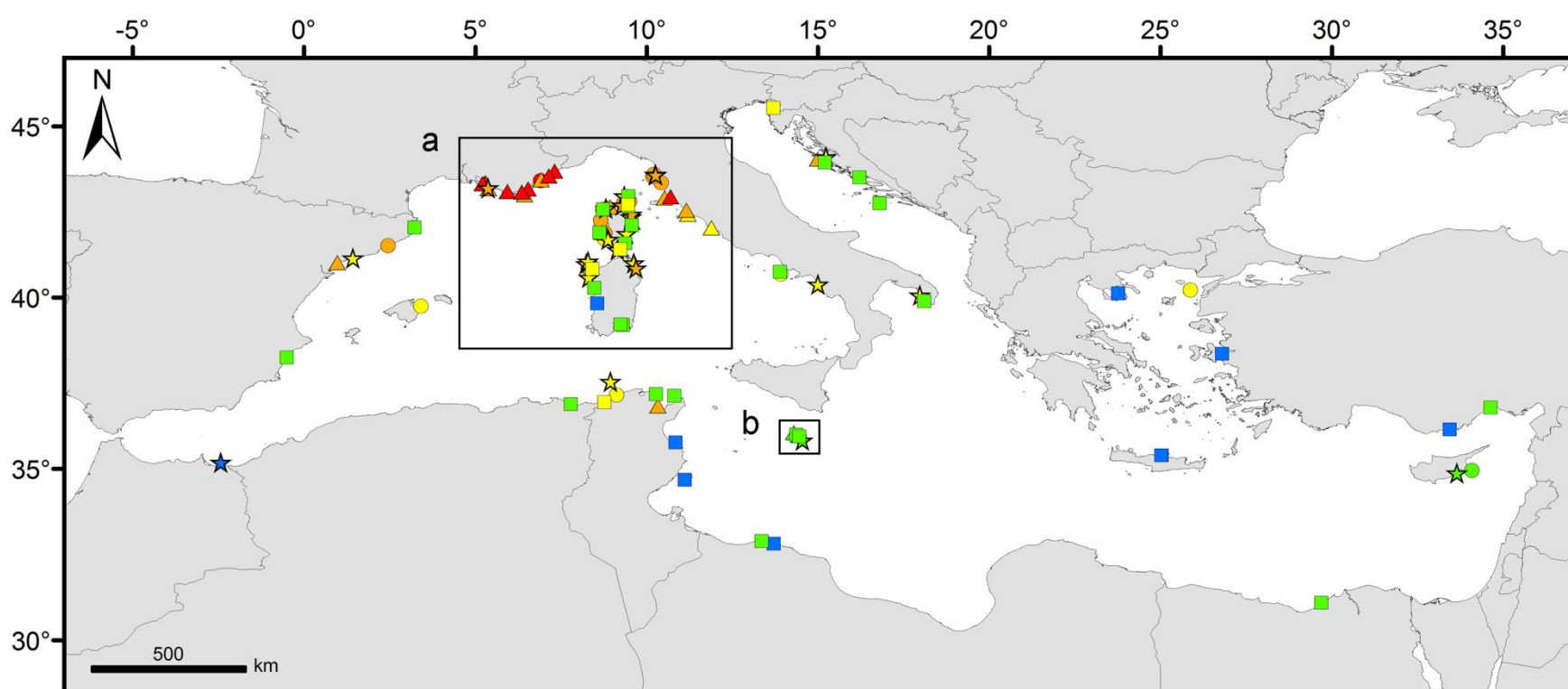
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HC by Cd, Ni;  
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HC by Ag,  
As, Pb

LC by TEs overall

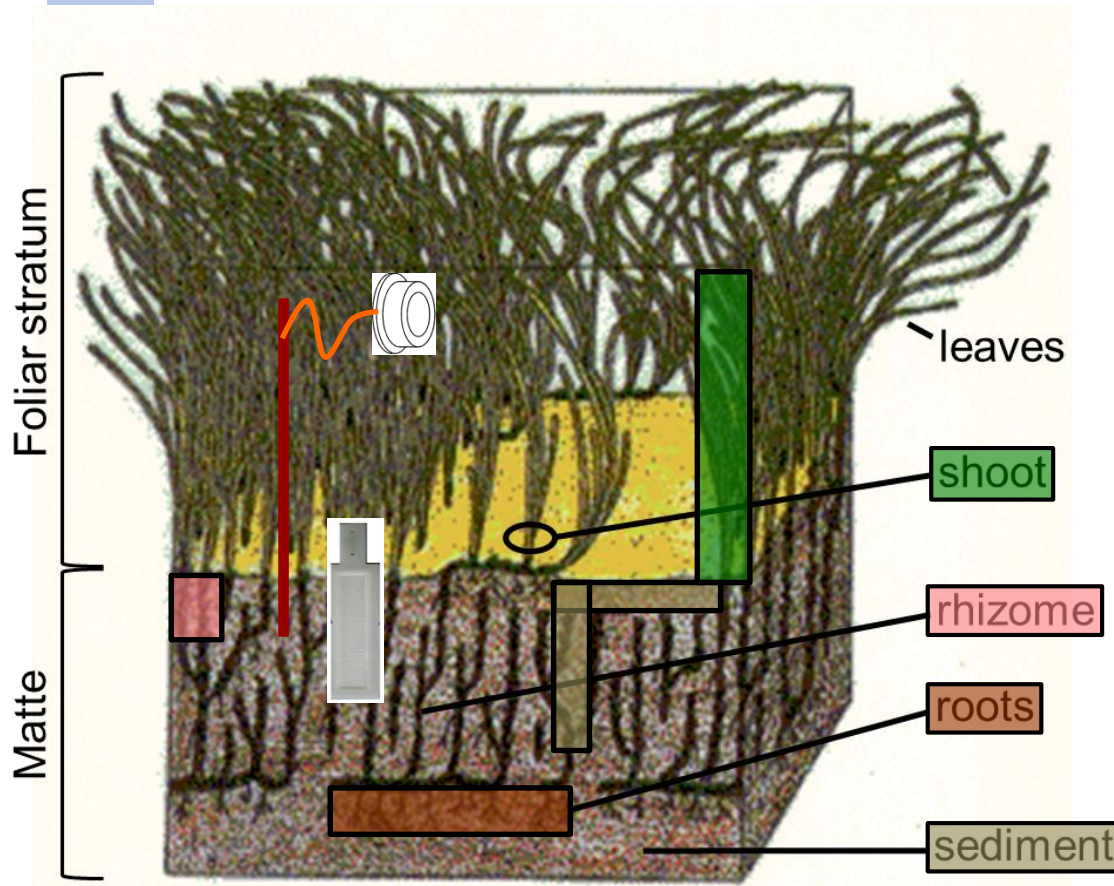






# *Posidonia oceanica* bed

- ❖ *Posidonia oceanica*: shoots, rhizomes and roots;
  - Foliar stratum ◀ water;
  - Matte ◀ sediments.







# Seagrass meadow components

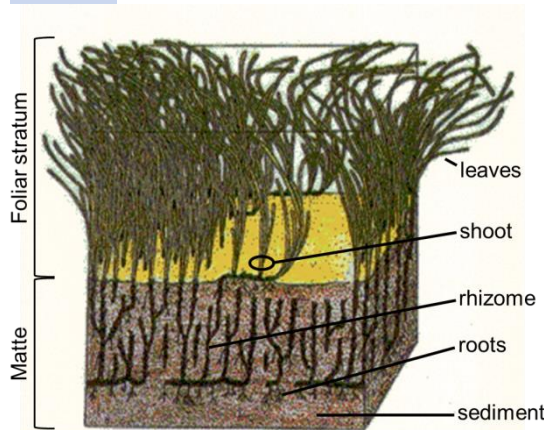
Seagrass meadows can be conceptualized as the juxtaposition of 5 separate components:

- seagrass shoots,
- epiphytes,
- associated algae and animals,
- detritus,

exchanging flows of TEs between themselves and with their environment:

- water,
- sediment.

(Schroeder and Thorhaug, 1980)



(After Boudouresque and Meinez, 1983)



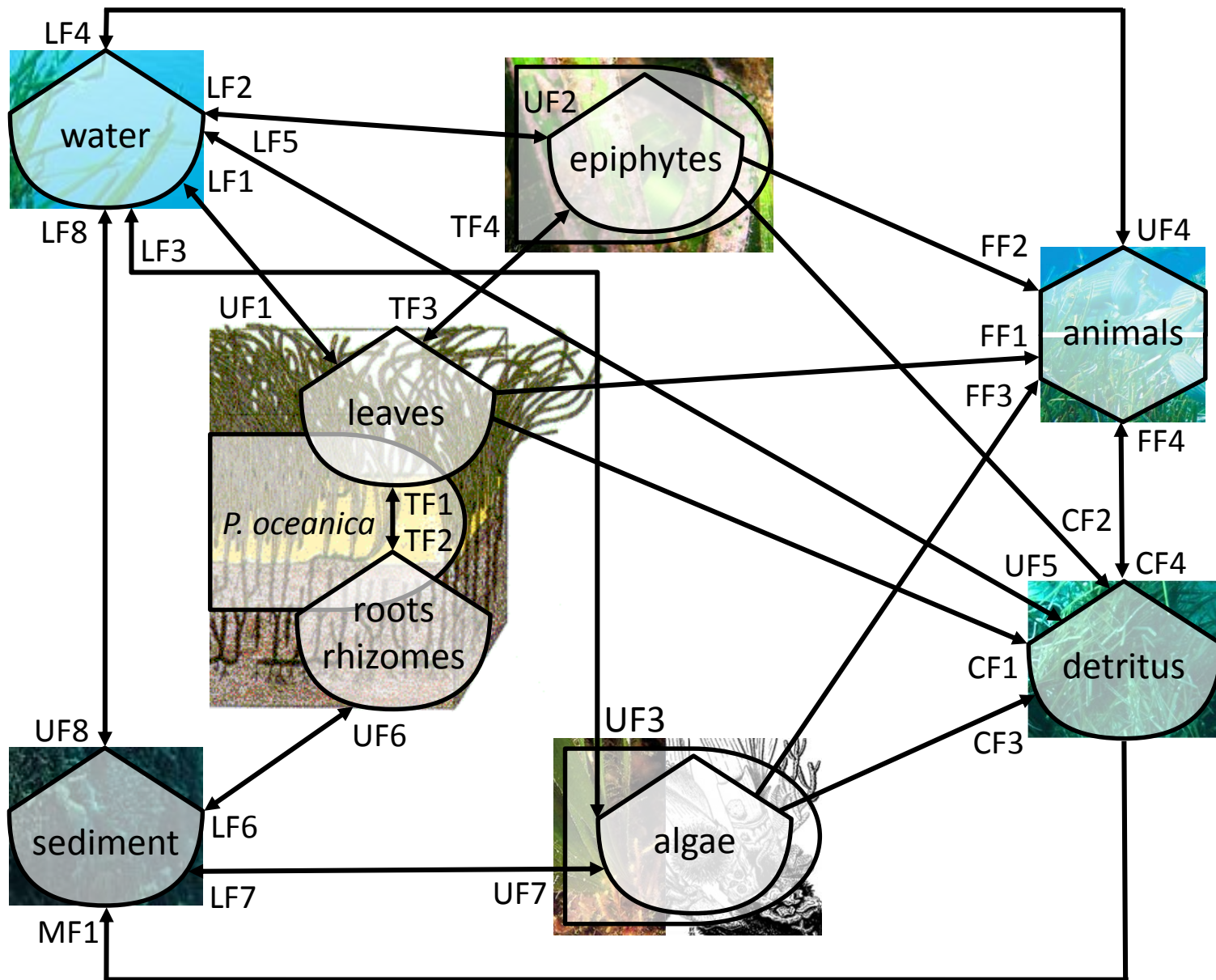
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# Diagram in energy circuit language



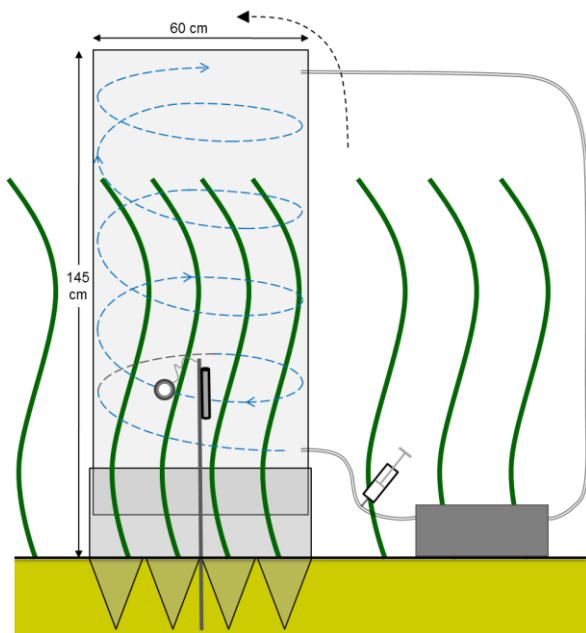
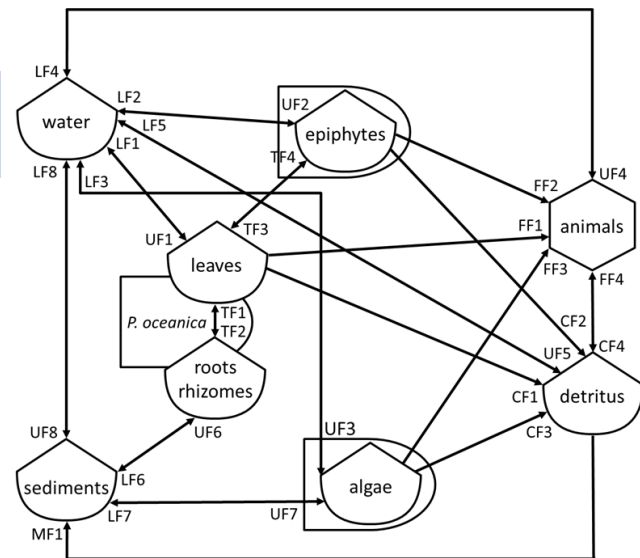
# Flows : experimental design

## Experimental exposure:

- In aquaria;
- *In situ*.

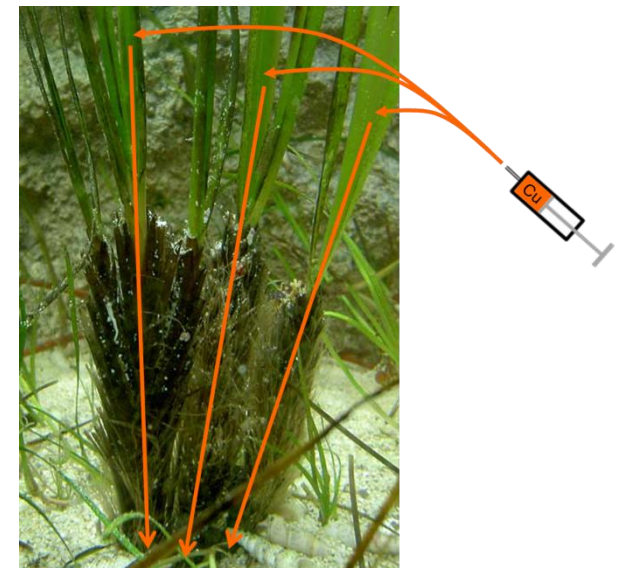
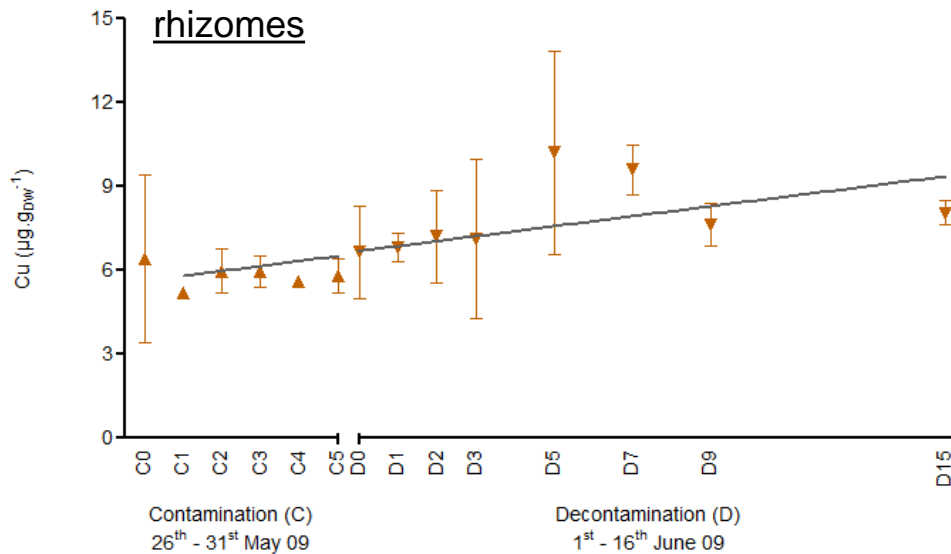
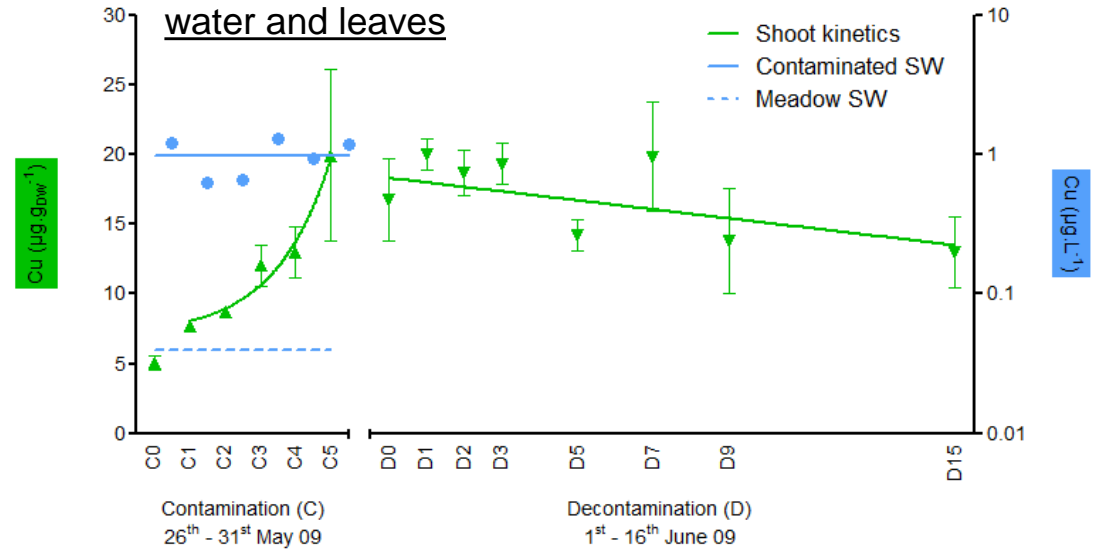
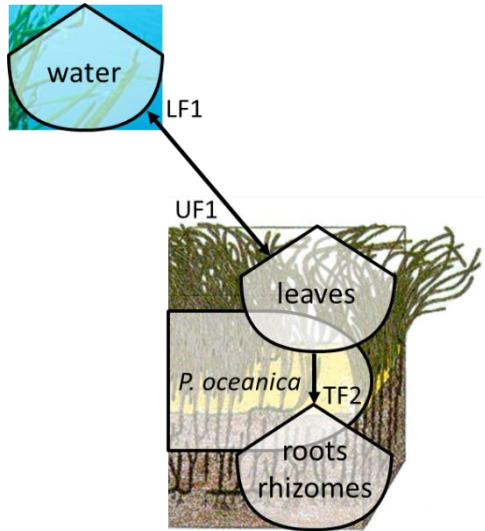
## Trace elements:

- Contamination with radionuclides;
- Enrichment of the less abundant stable isotopes;
- High relevant concentrations in pristine conditions.





# Flows : uptake and translocation

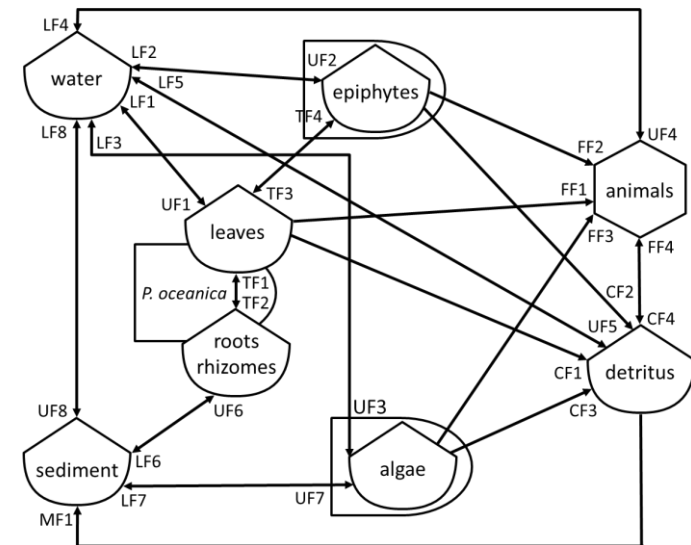






# TEs in seagrass meadows

- Data compilation for the different components of the model;
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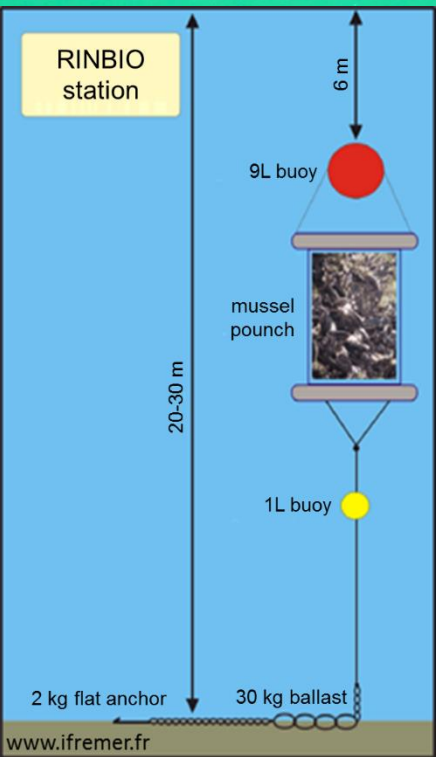


# *M. galloprovincialis* monitoring station

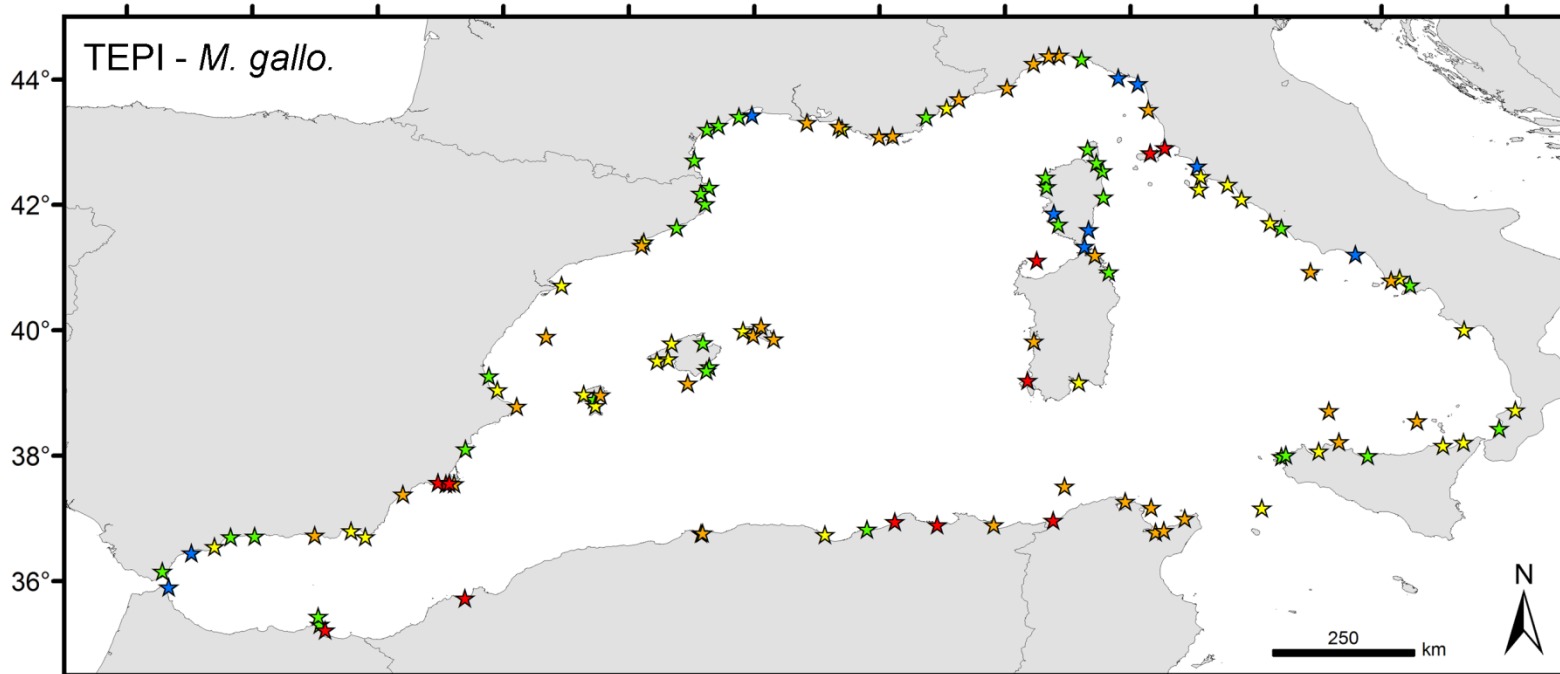
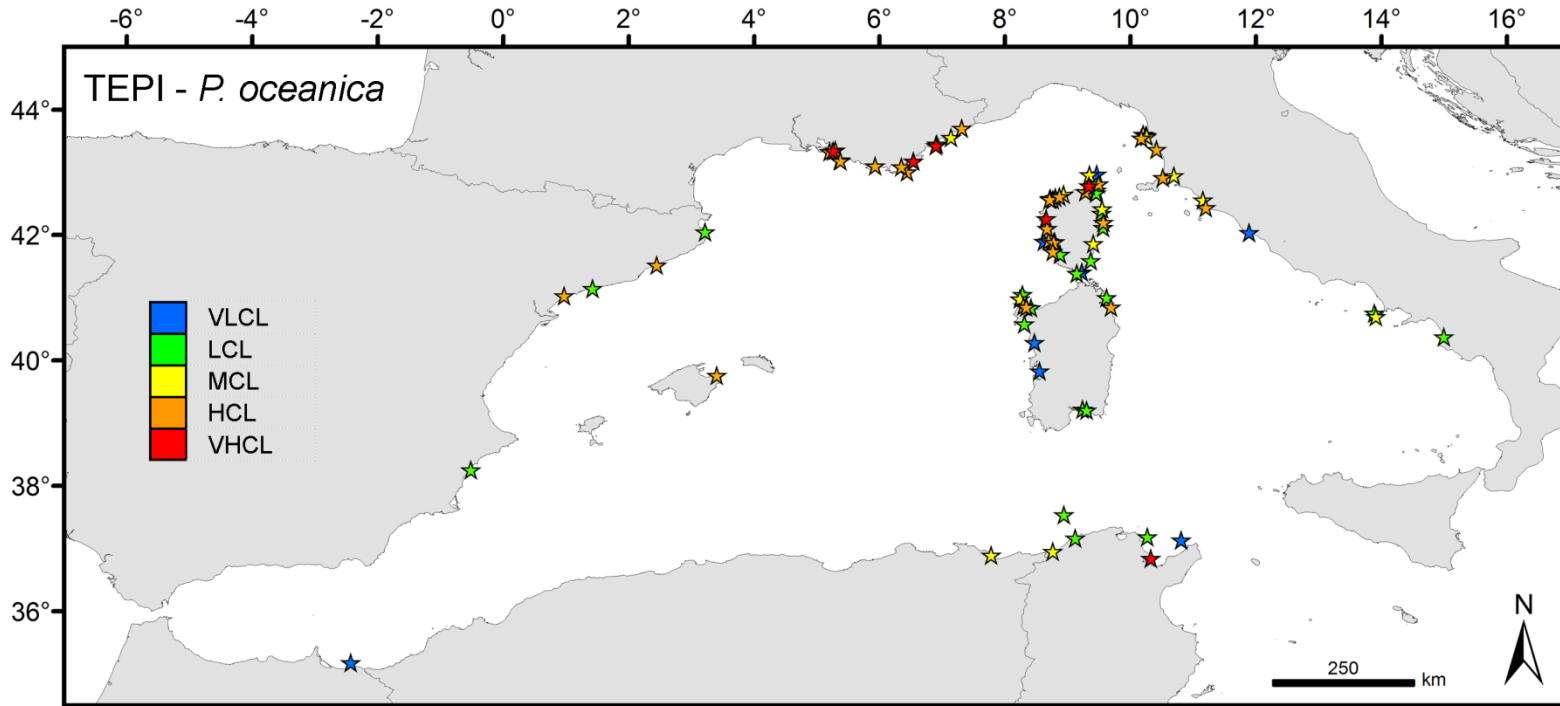


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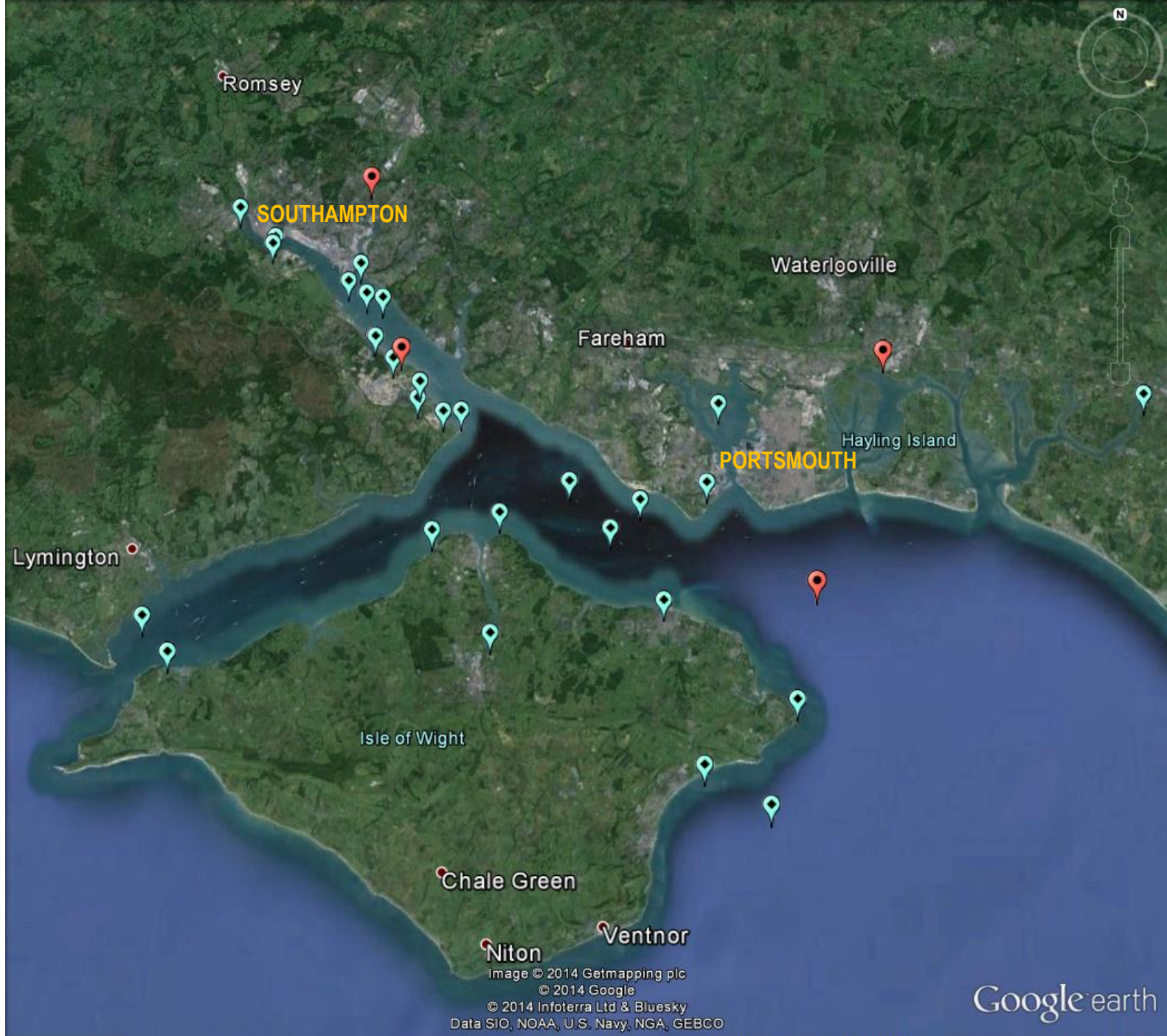
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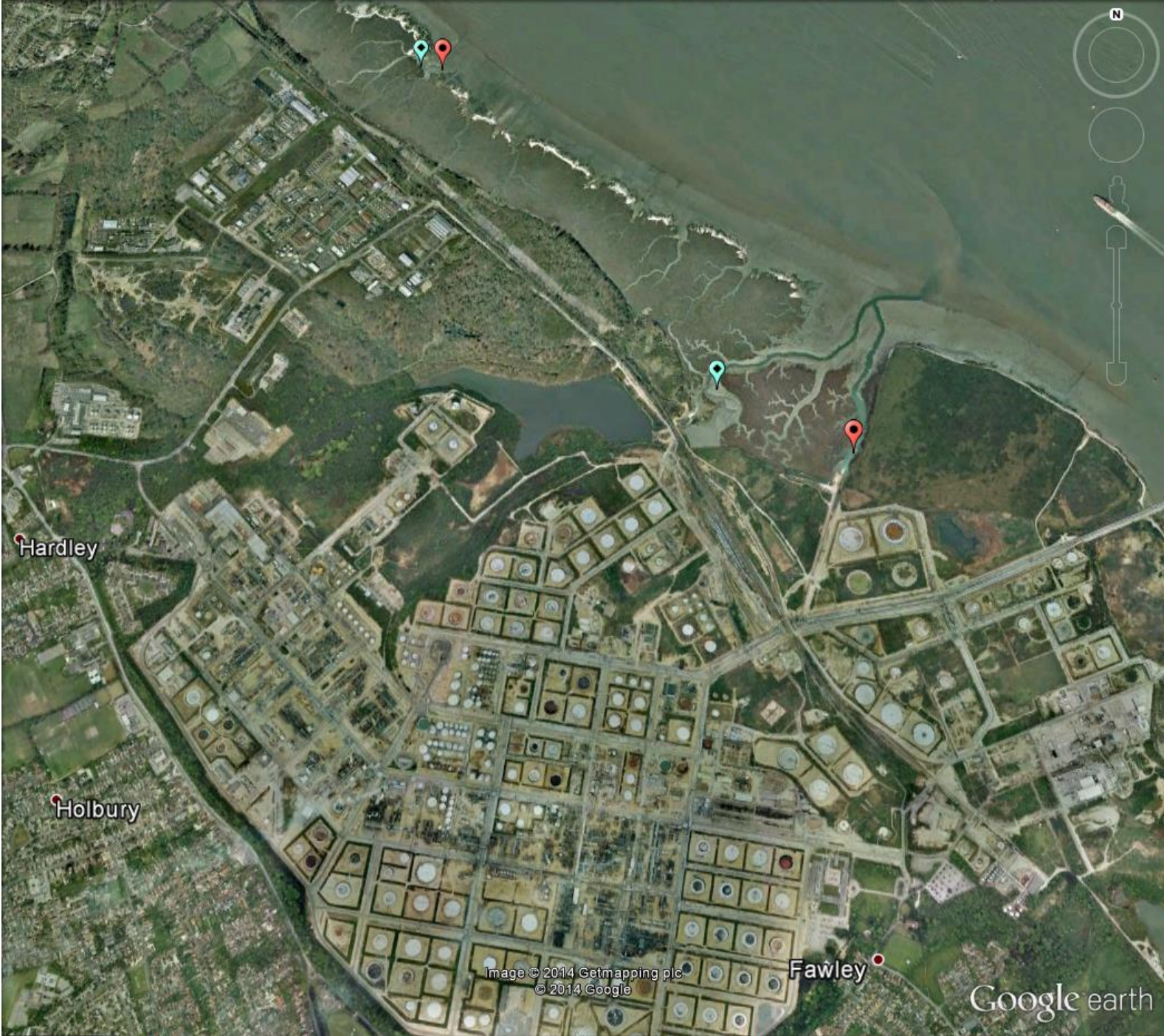
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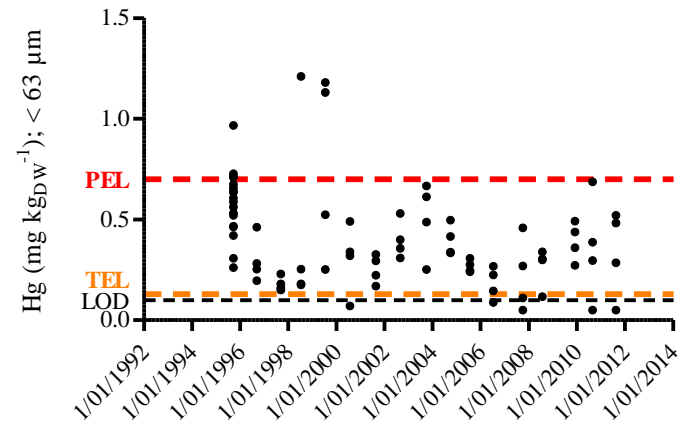
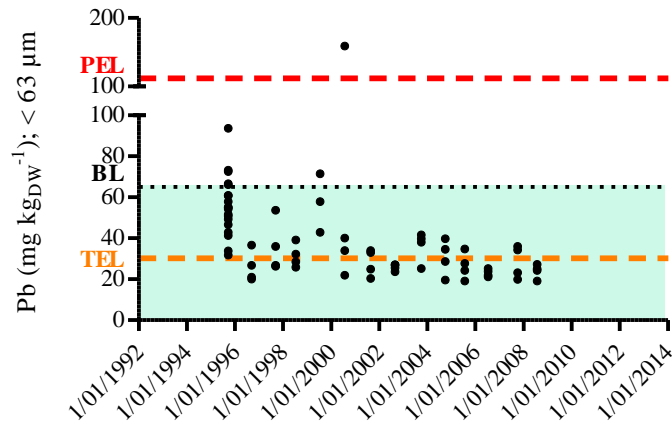
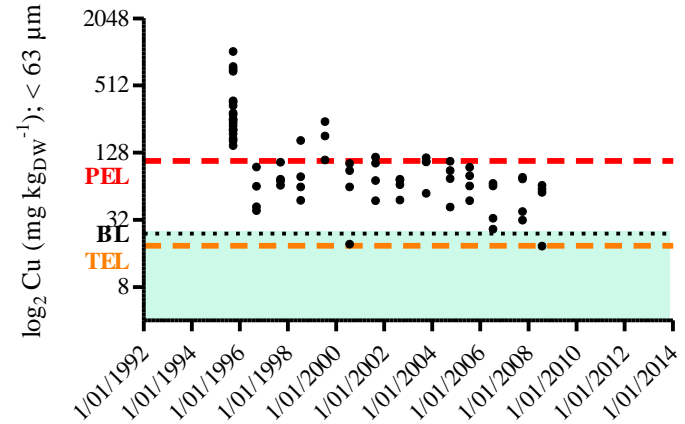
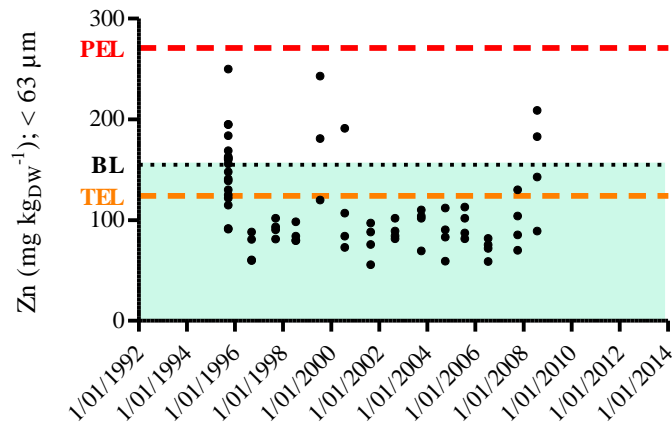
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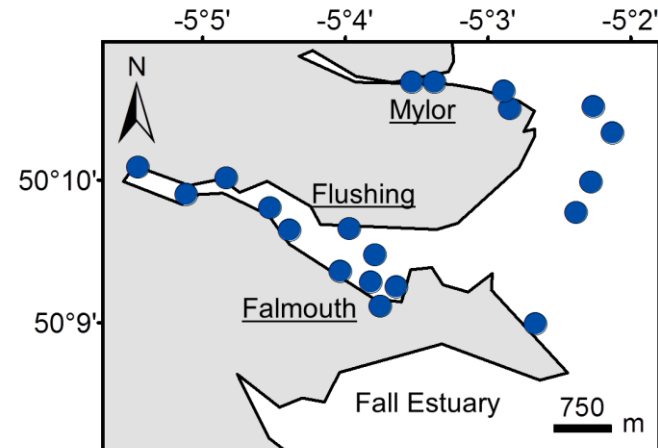
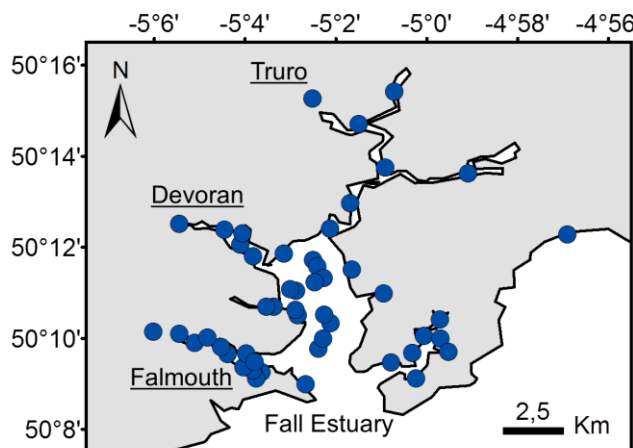
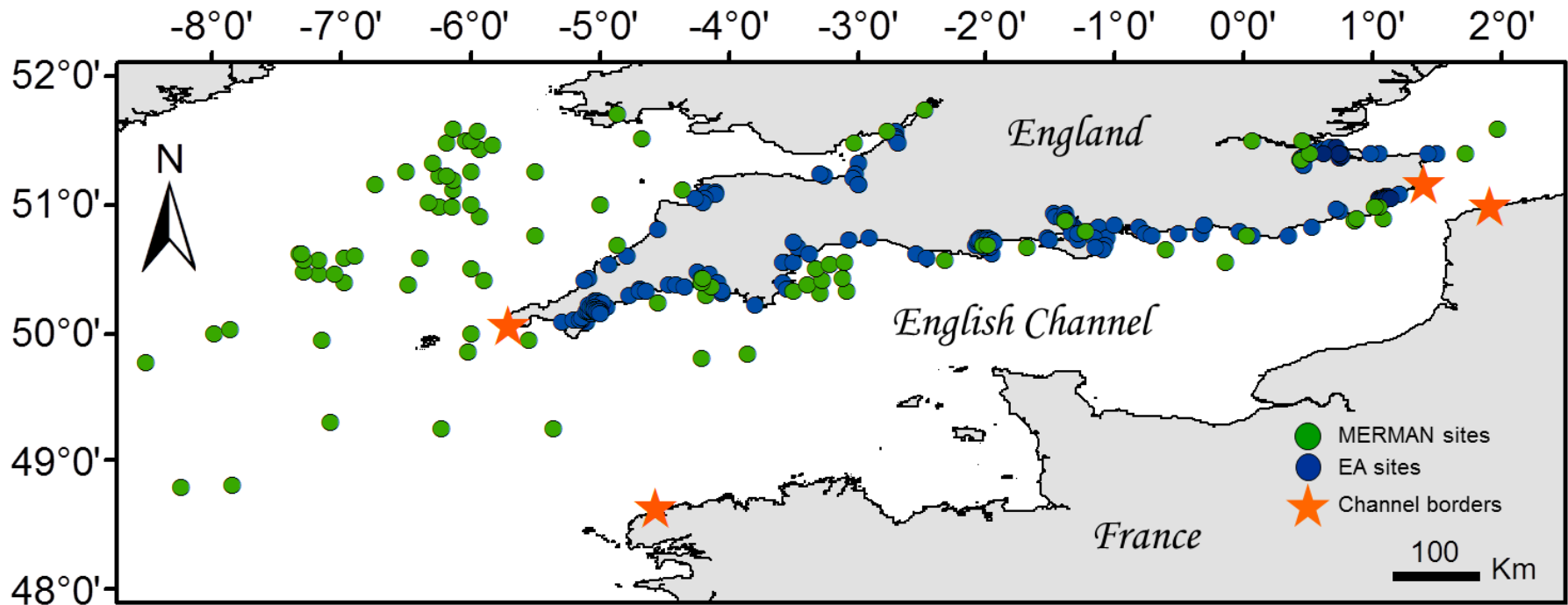
# Solent as a case study: oil refinery



Baseline TE levels (BL) (Rainbow et al., 2011);  
Canadian Sediment Quality Guidelines for the Protection of Aquatic Life: Threshold Effect Level (TEL) and Probable Effect Level (PEL) (Hübner et al., 2009).










# Sediments = environmental archives



# Pollution scale

$$EF = C_n/B_n$$

$$I_{geo} = \log_2(EF/1.5)$$

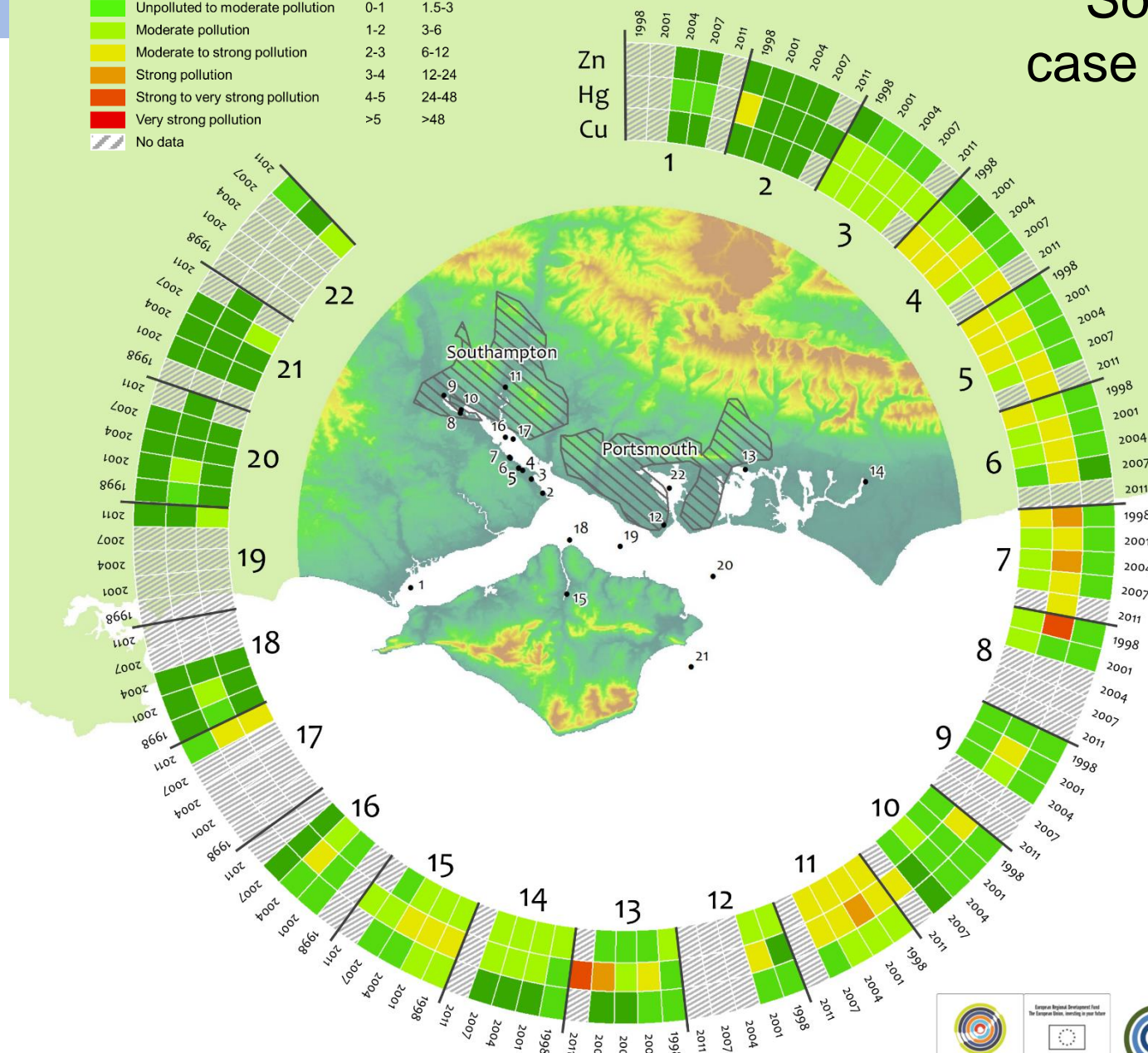
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Unpolluted – moderate pollution	0–1	 1.5 - 3
Moderate pollution	1–2	 3 - 6
Moderate – strong pollution	2–3	 6 - 12
Strong pollution	3–4	 12 - 24
Strong – very strong pollution	4–5	 24- 48
Very strong pollution	>5	 > 48

Enrichment Factor (EF) of a TE = the ratio between its concentration in the sediment and its natural background concentration (Tomlinson et al., 1980);

Depending upon the Geoaccumulation Index values ( $I_{geo}$ ), sediments can be classified into 7 classes, according to their level of pollution (Müller, 1979).

# Solent : case study

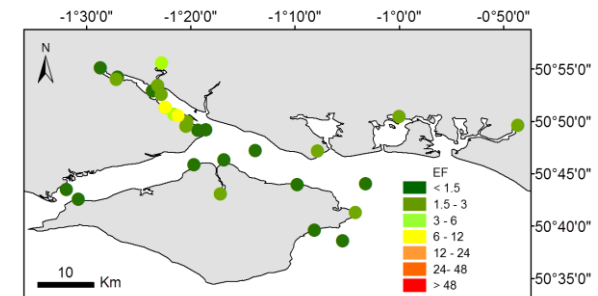
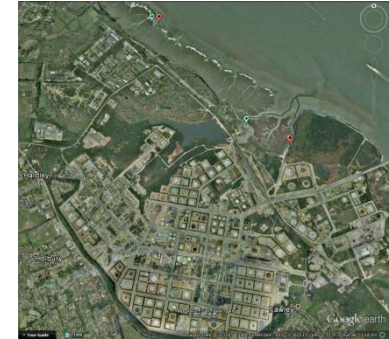
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# Data mining - Decision tools - Monitoring

- ✓ Long-term sediment pollution data: assessment of the chemical status within the European WFD;
- ✓ Knowledge transfer from scientists to environmental managers: develop practical environmental management tools;
- ✓ Complementary monitoring approach: environmental compartments vs. biota.



Questions?

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