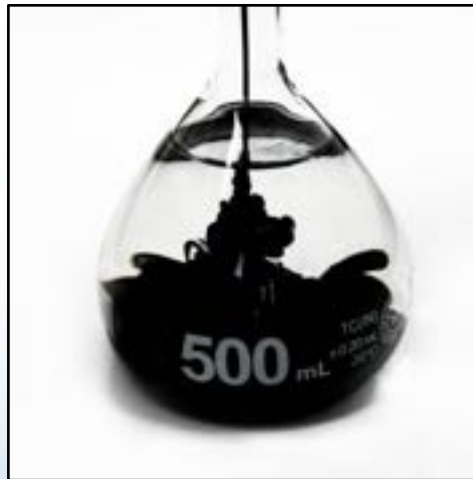




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Liquid Activated Carbon

up-front orders of magnitude reduction and accelerated bio-destruction
using a dispersive injectable reagent



Principal technology features

- **Rapid reduction of groundwater concentrations**
 - Multiple order of magnitude concentration reductions in days / weeks
- **Acceleration of contaminant biodegradation**
 - Elimination of low-concentration performance tailing
 - Ability to secure stringent clean-up targets
- **Wide subsurface dispersion**
 - Efficient fieldwork
 - Ability to address areas of restricted access, deep plumes etc.
- **Long-term efficacy**
 - The reagent is not consumed – it regenerates *in situ*

What it is

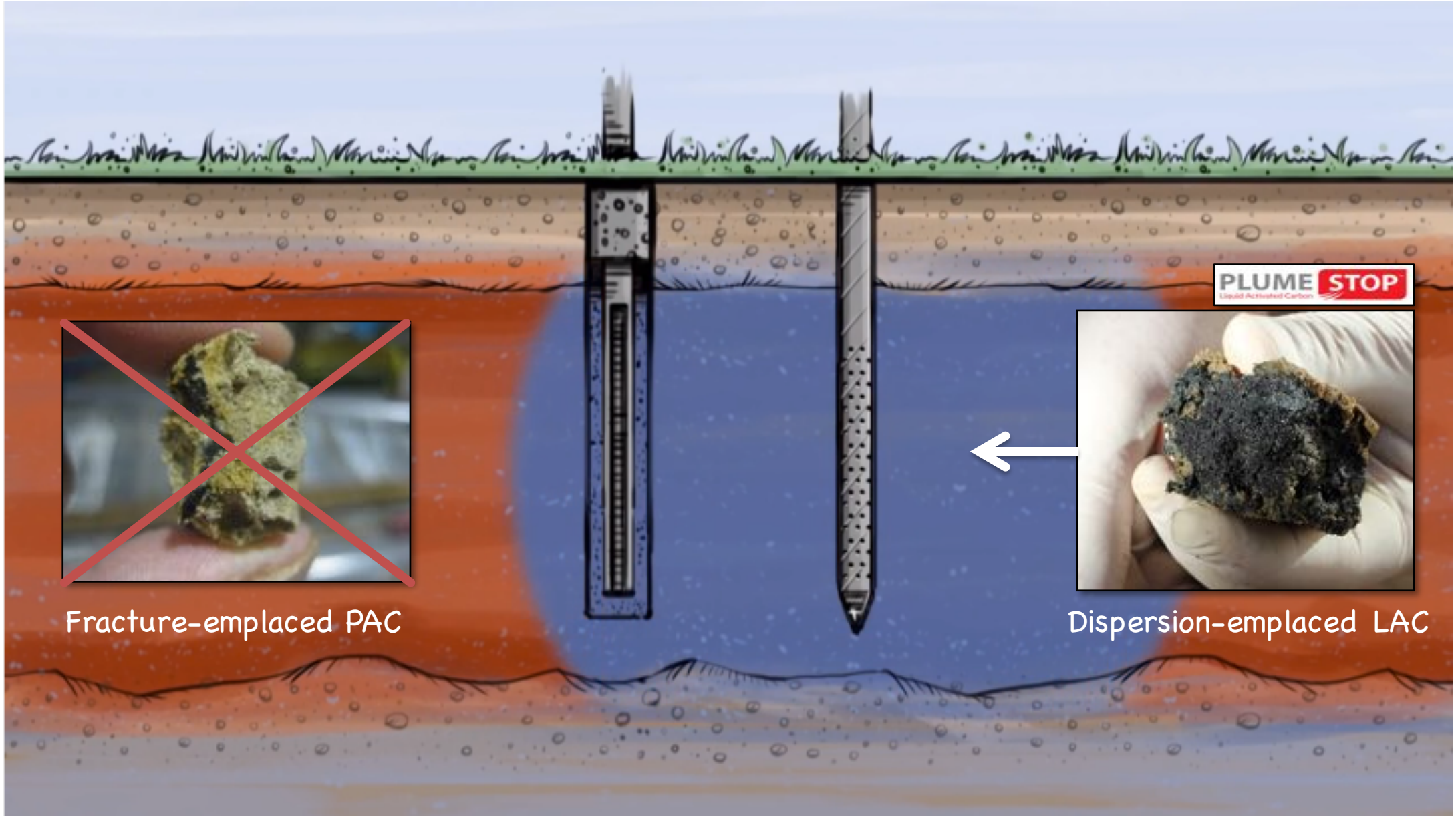
- A highly dispersive, injectable **sorbent** and **microbial growth matrix**
- **Sorbent**
 - Rapid drop in dissolved-phase contaminant concentration
 - Immediate risk-reduction
- **Microbial growth matrix**
 - Accelerated bio-destruction of sorbed mass
 - Ability to secure clean-up to much lower targets

What the reagent is

- Colloidal activated carbon (1 – 2 μm)
 - Size of a bacterium – suspends as 'liquid'
 - Huge surface area – extremely fast sorption
- Proprietary anti-clumping / distribution supporting surface treatment (patent applied for)
 - **Core innovation**
 - Enables wide-area, low-pressure distribution through the soil matrix without clogging
- Low-solubility / controlled availability matrix nutrients
 - Support in-matrix contaminant biodegradation
 - Does not impact groundwater / eutrophication

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LIQUID ACTIVATED CARBON[™]

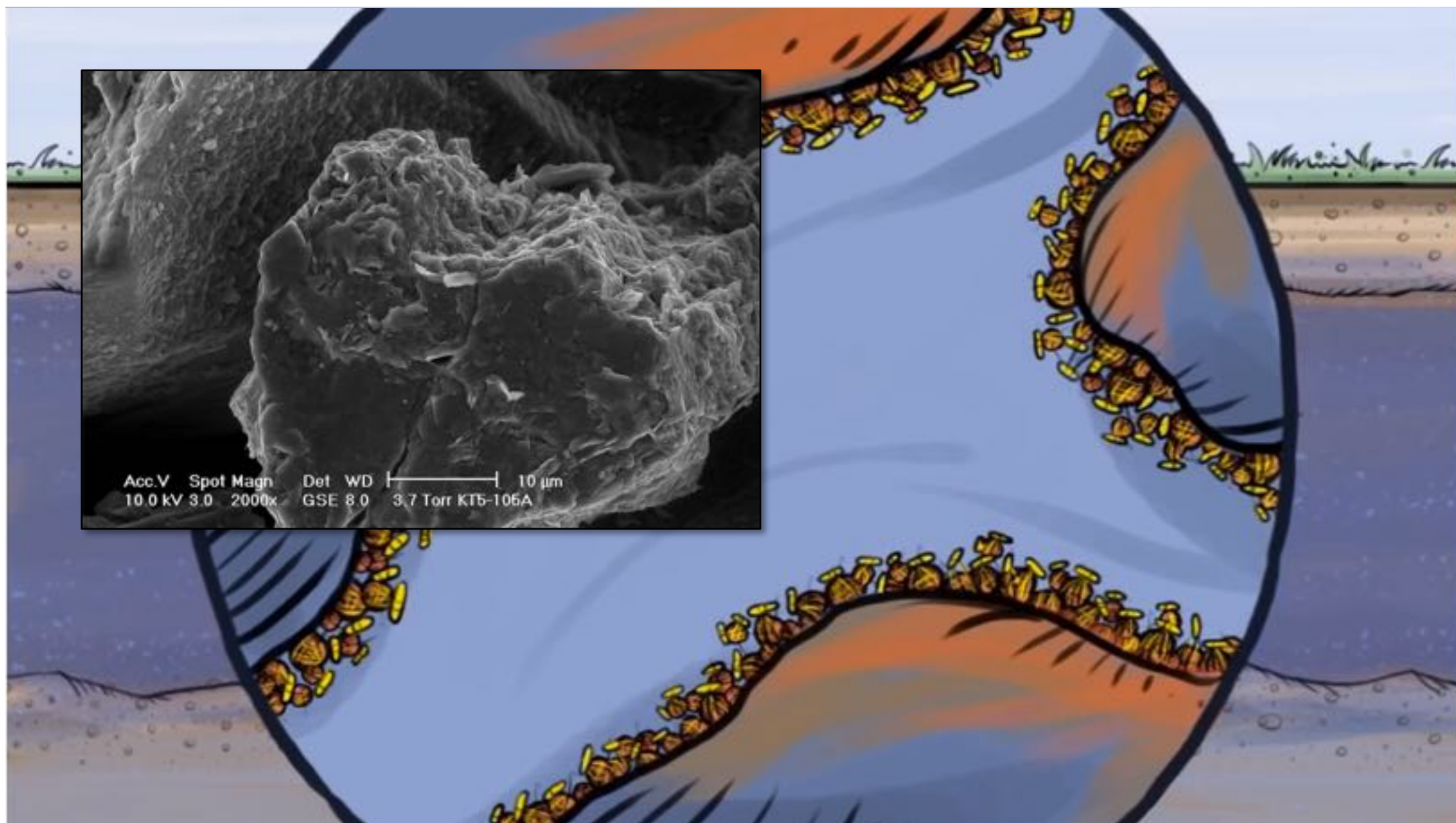
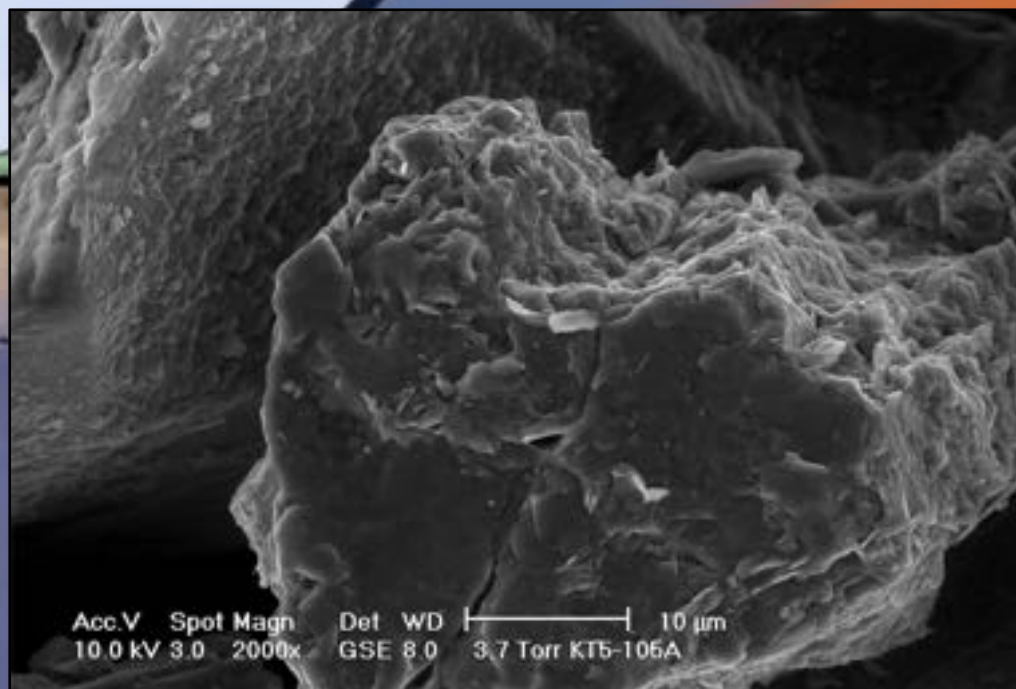


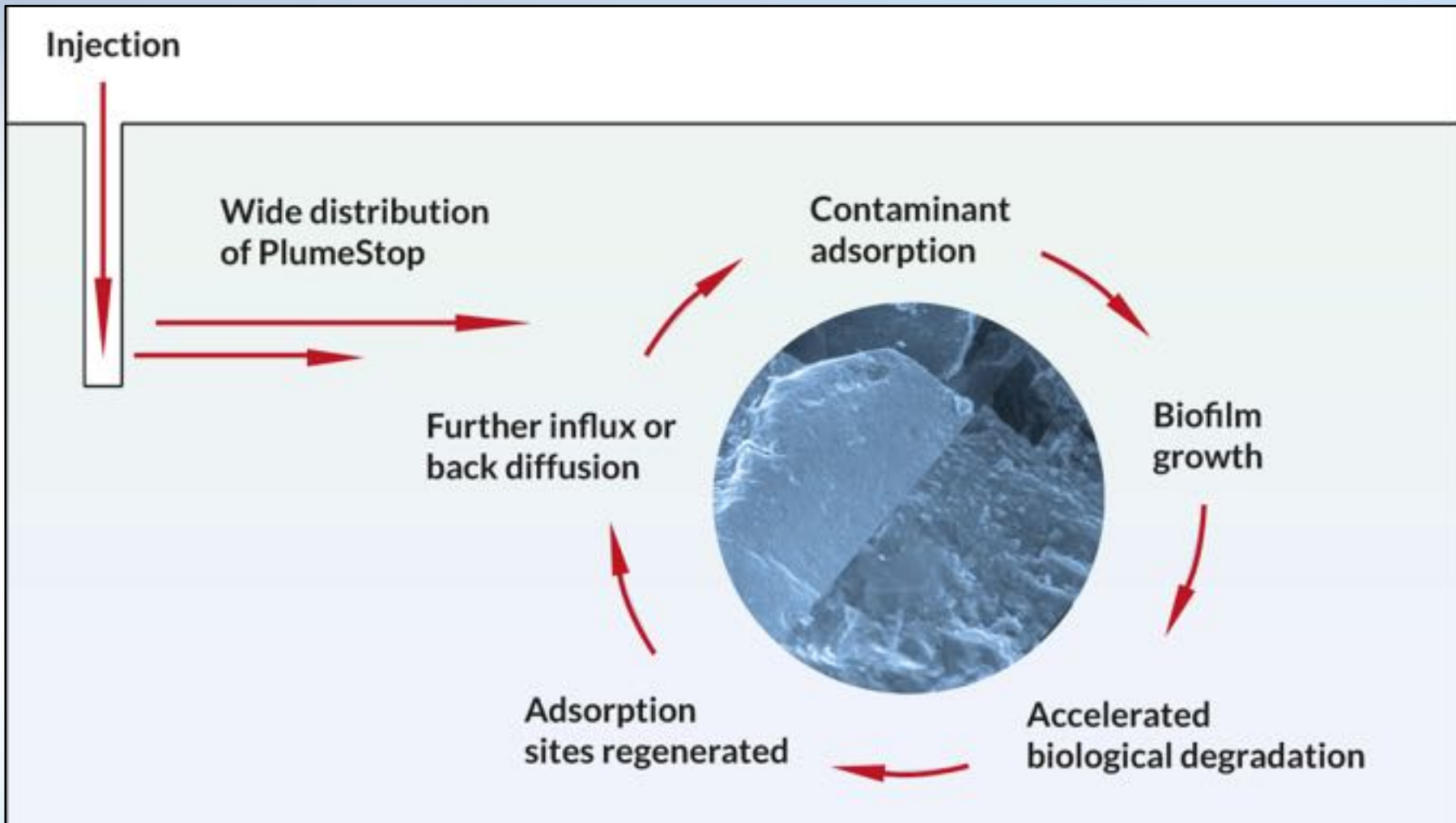


Fracture-emplaced PAC



Dispersion-emplaced LAC







Example in Use - Mixed Solvents -

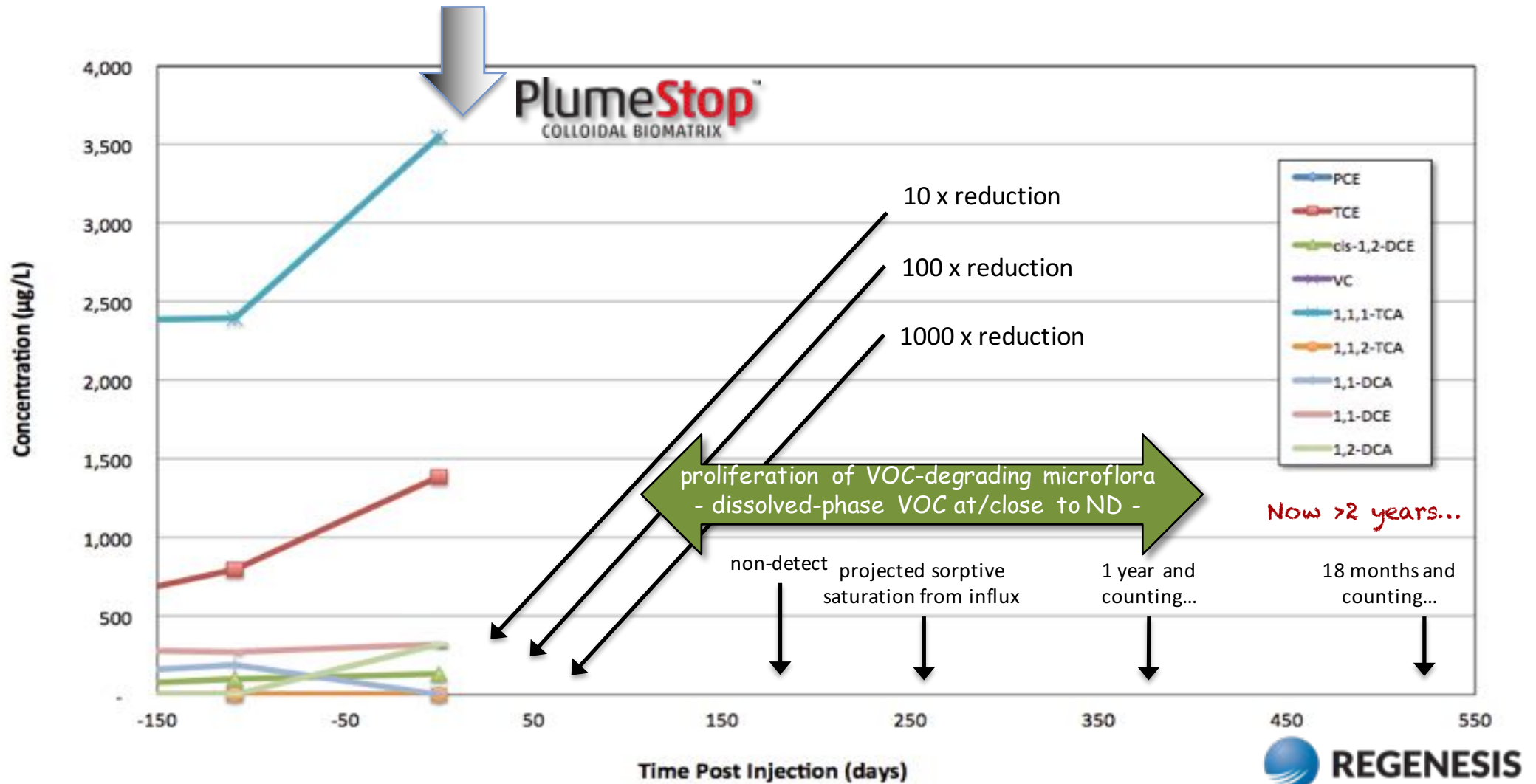


Case Study – Mixed VOC's

- Former electronics facility
 - TCE 1,390 µg/L
 - TCA 3,550 µg/L
- Sand to silty-sand
- Depth to groundwater 3 – 4 m
- Seepage velocity 3.7 m/yr to the southwest
- Test site injection of PlumeStop™ and HRC®



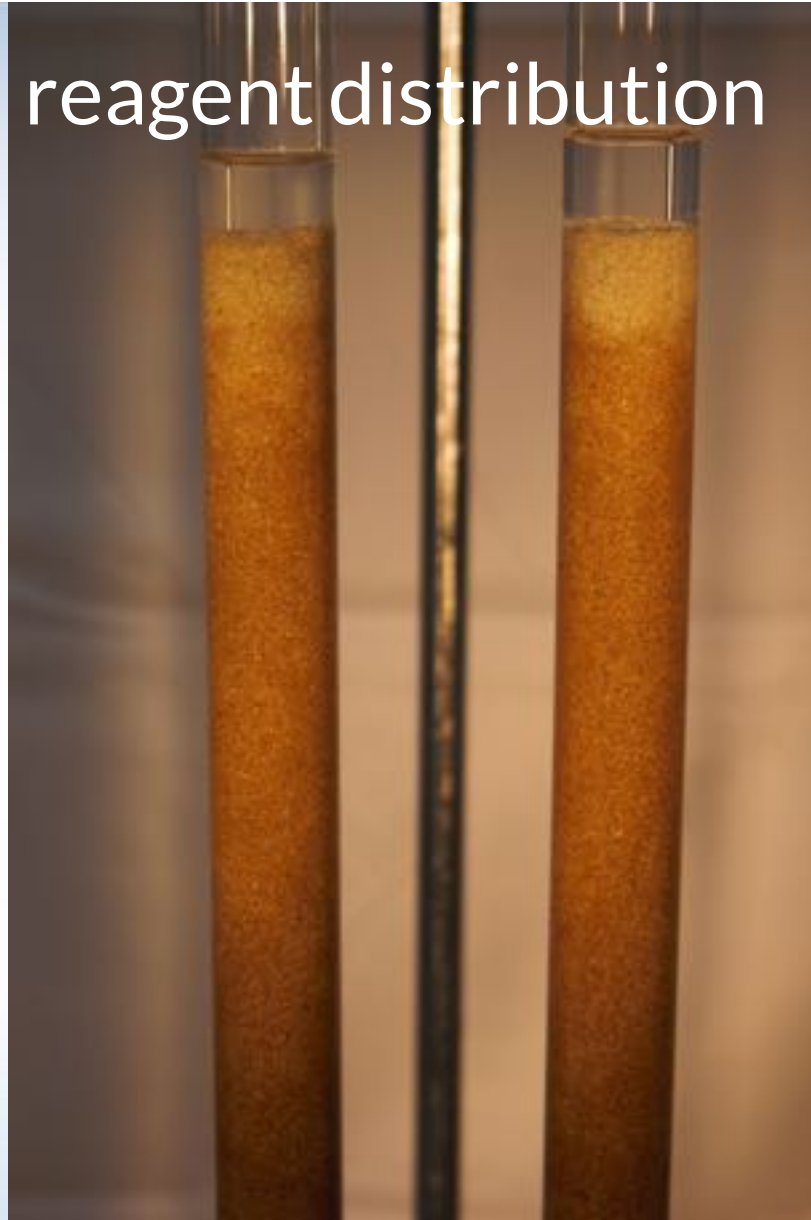
VOC Groundwater Concentrations Following PlumeStop™ and HRC® Injection





- Distribution through Soil -

PlumeStop™: reagent distribution



PlumeStop

repeat



Powdered Activated Carbon

PlumeStop

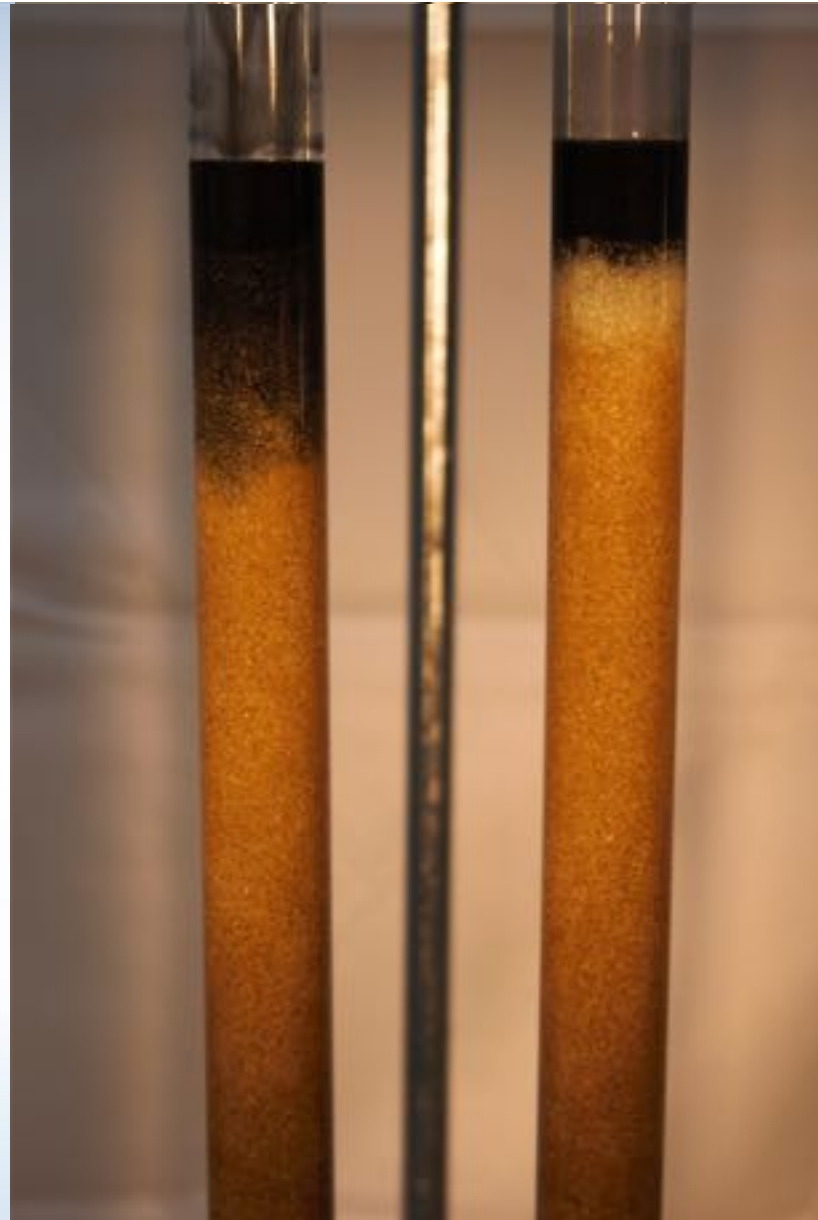
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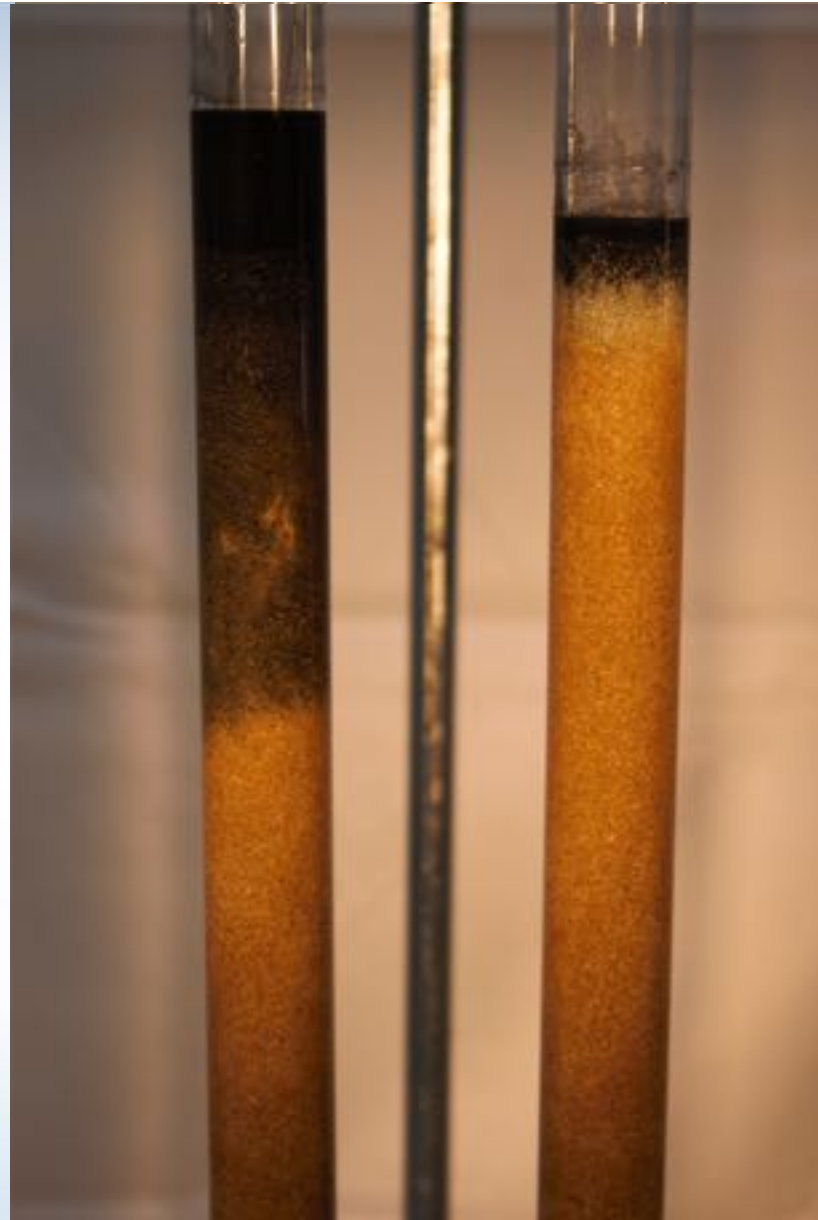
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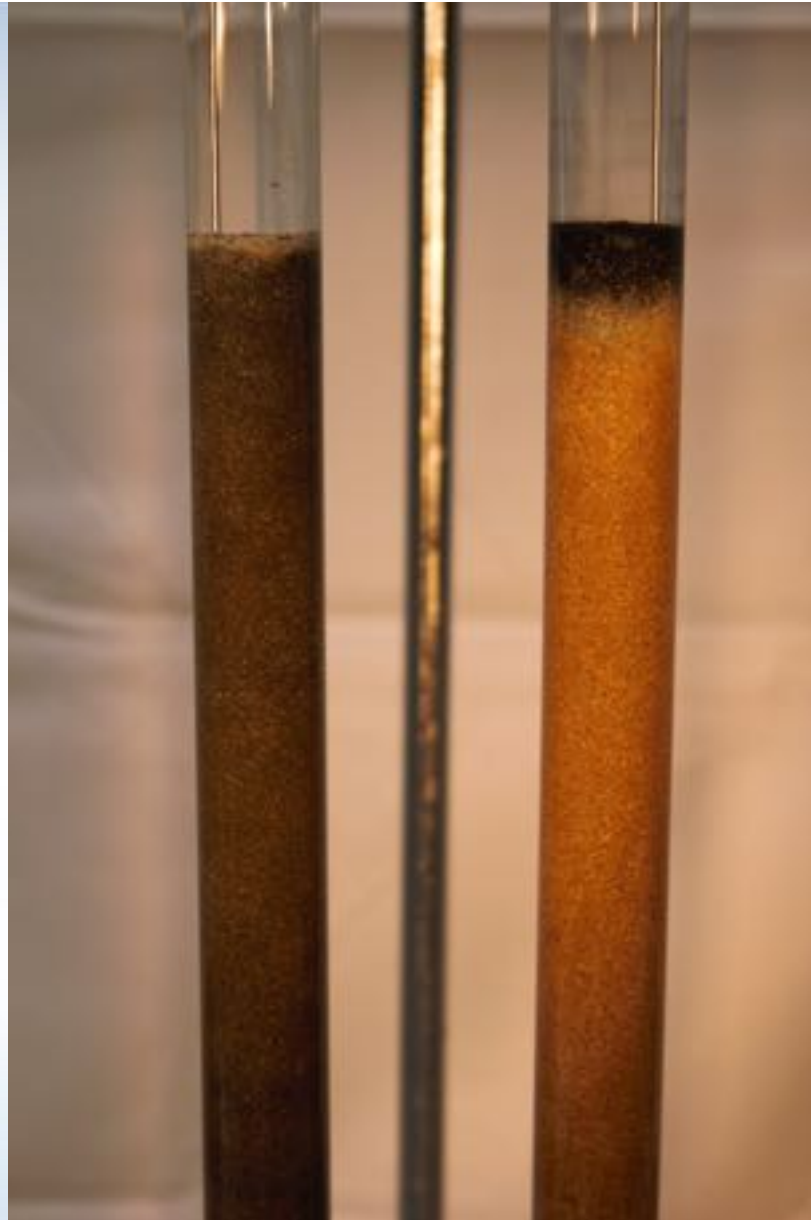
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Powdered Activated Carbon

PlumeStop™: reagent distribution

SEM image of sand particles without PlumeStop

PlumeStop™
COLLOIDAL BIOMATRIX

Acc V Spot Magn Det WD |-----| 50 µm
10.0 kV 3.0 500x GSE 10.0 3.7 Torr KT5-1051 - SAND

 REGENESIS

PlumeStop™: reagent distribution

SEM image of sand particle coated with PlumeStop

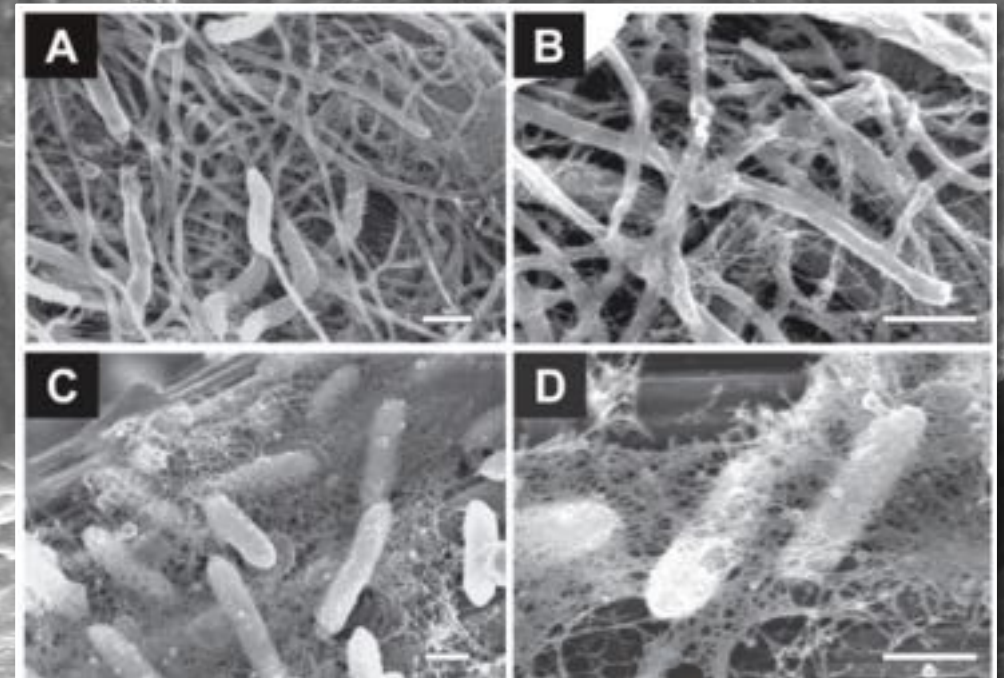
PlumeStop™
COLLOIDAL BIOMATRIX

Acc.V Spot Magn Det WD | 20 µm
12.0 kV 3.0 1500x GSE 7.8 3.7 Torr KT5-105B



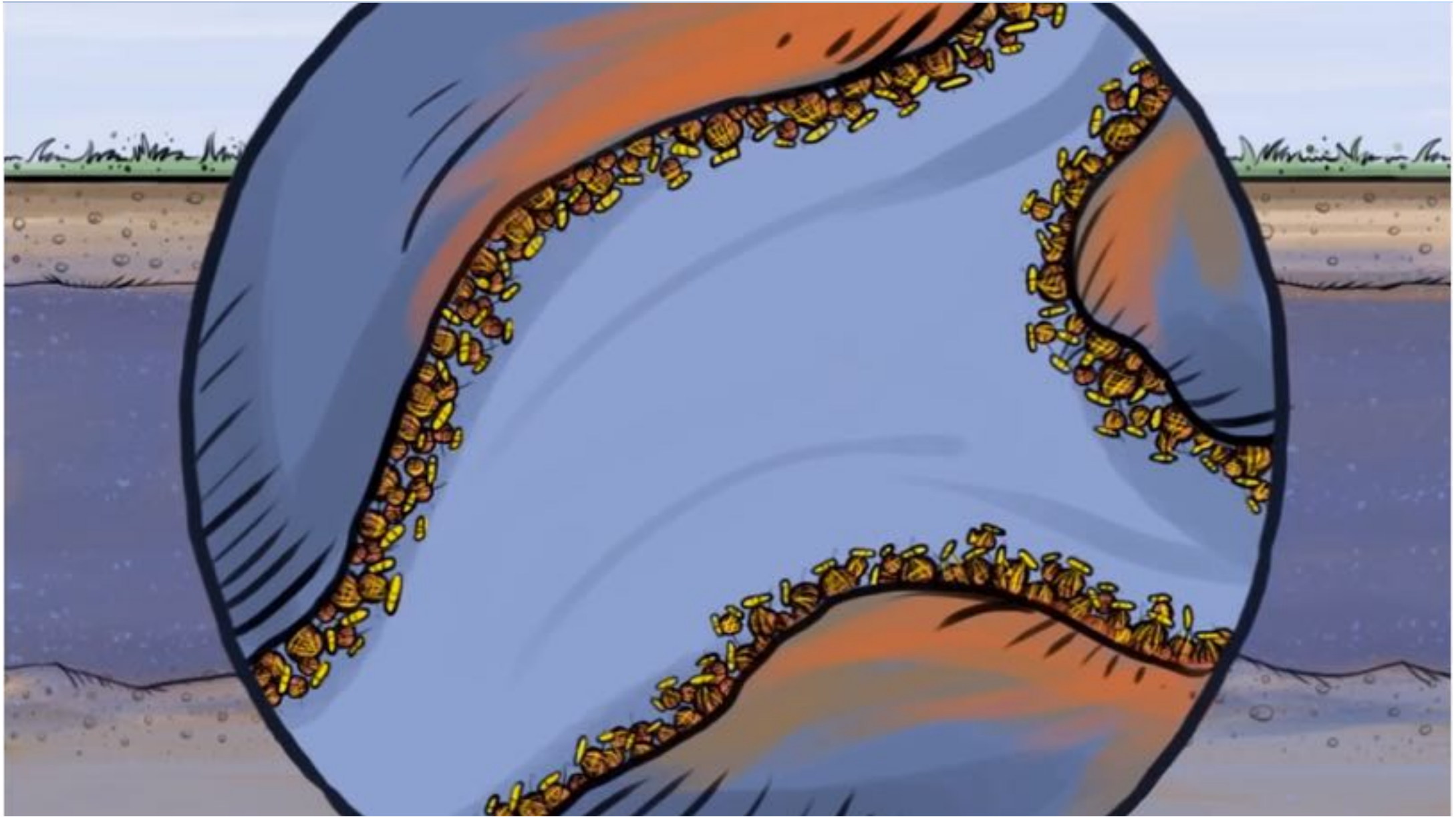
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 **REGENESIS**







–performance –

chlorinated solvents – post-sorption degradation – lines of evidence



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California Site

- Pilot test – single well
- Former dry cleaners
- Modest $\mu\text{g/L}$ PCE residue



California Site

- 'Dune Sand' formation
- 10 m/year groundwater flow
- High redox conditions (aerobic)
- No attenuation evident
- PCE 550 $\mu\text{g/L}$
- No daughter products
- PlumeStop™
- Electron donor and bacteria



Pilot Test Arrangement

PlumeStop™
COLLOIDAL BIOMATRIX

HRC
HYDROGEN RELEASE
COMPOUND

Bio-Dechlor
INOCULUM PLUS
(Dechlorinating Microbes)

Groundwater ≈ 10m/year

MW-3 (ppb)

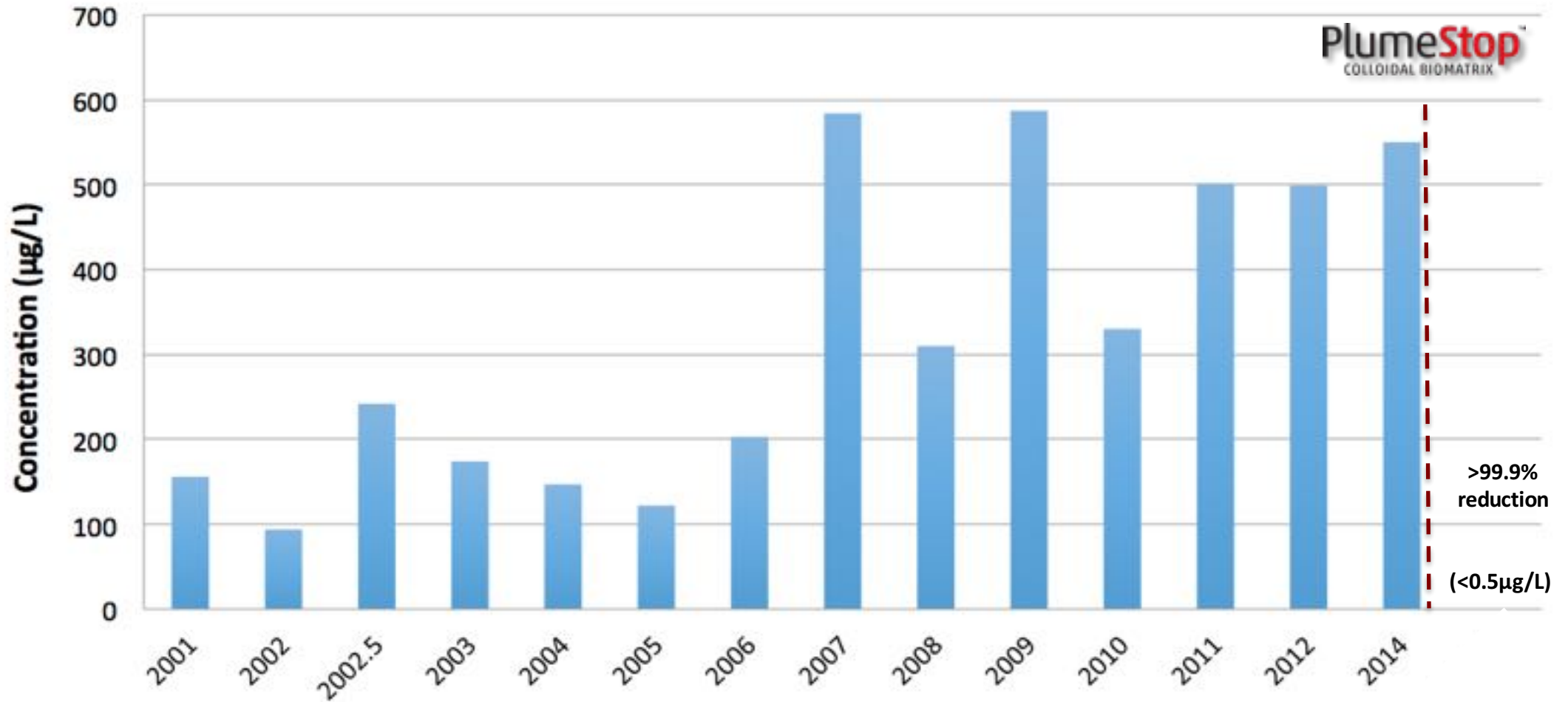
Historic Data

Year	PCE	TCE	VC	1,2 Cis	VC
2001	156	0	0	0	0
2002	94	0	0	0	0
2002.5	242	0	0	0	0
2003	174				0
2004	147				0
2005	122				0
2006	203				0
2007	584				0
2008	310				0
2009	587				0
2010	330	0	0	0	0
2011	501	0	0	0	0
2012	499	0	0	0	0

Steadily increasing PCE
No daughter products
(aerobic conditions)

PCE Concentration Trends

(daughter products and other VOCs non-detect)

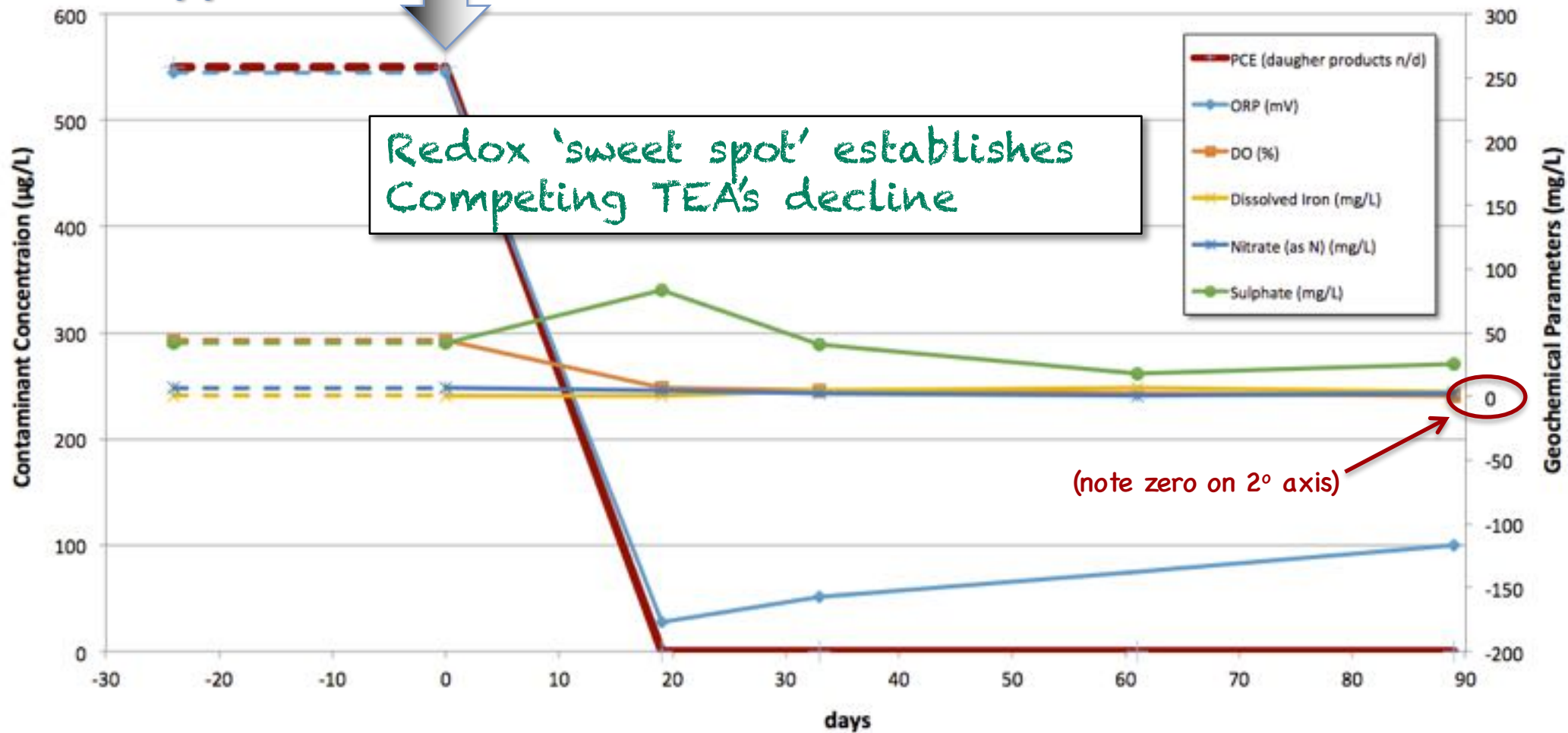


Contaminant and Geochemical Trends

application



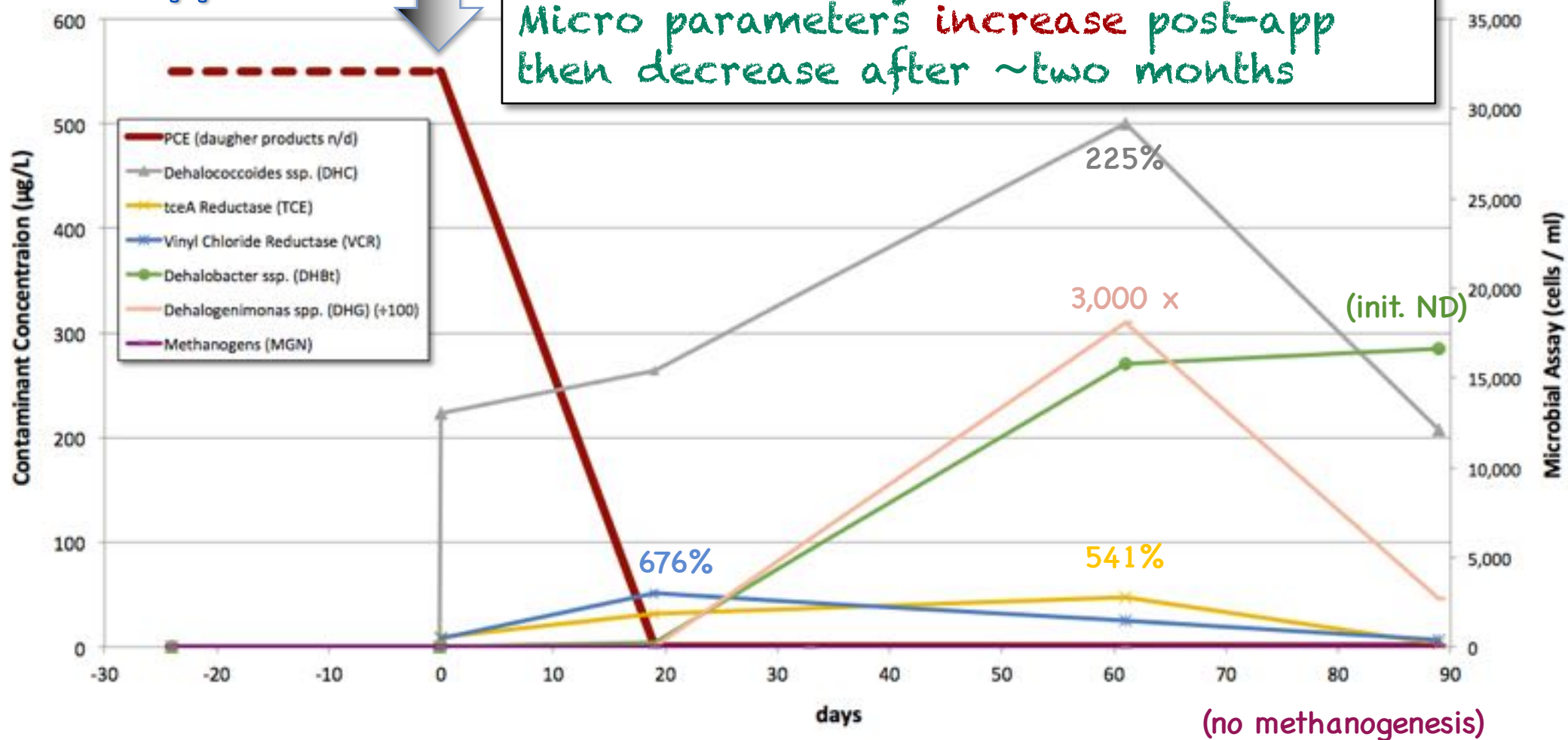
Redox 'sweet spot' establishes
Competing TEA's decline



Contaminant and Dechlorination Microbial Assay Trends

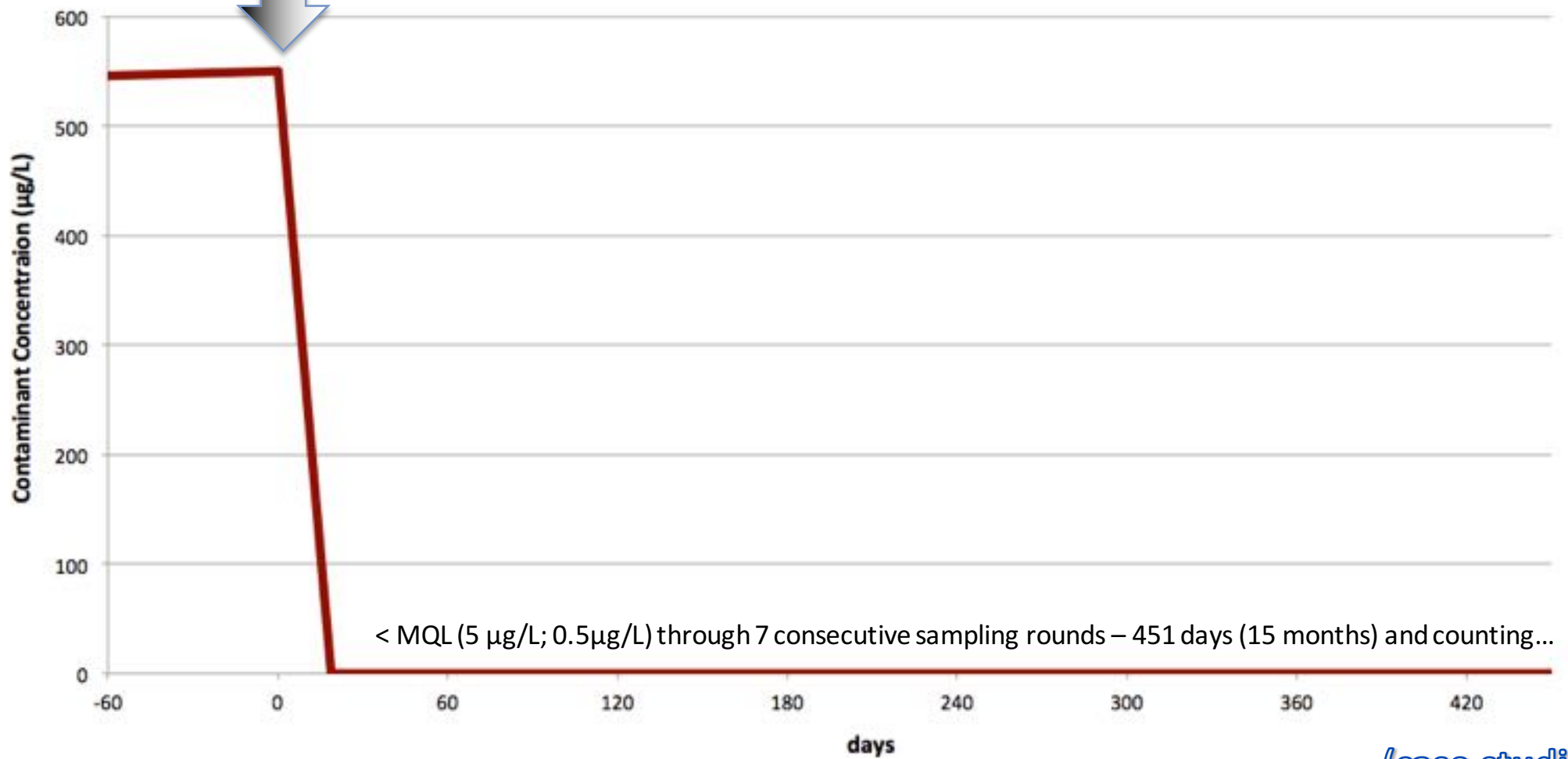
application

PCE immediately $\downarrow\downarrow$ to ND ($<5\mu\text{g/L}$)
Micro parameters **increase** post-app
then decrease after ~two months



application

Longer Term: **PCE Post-PlumeStop** (daughter products non detect)



(case studies)



- commercial projects -

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Case Study

- Inner-City Development / Time Pressure -



Downtown Chicago

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Case Study: Inner City Development – Time Pressure

- Neighborhood of McCormick Place – Central Chicago
 - New Sports Stadium
 - New Hotel Complex
- Solvent residues
- Tight time window
- High cost implications of delay
- Key remediation requirement: **FAST**



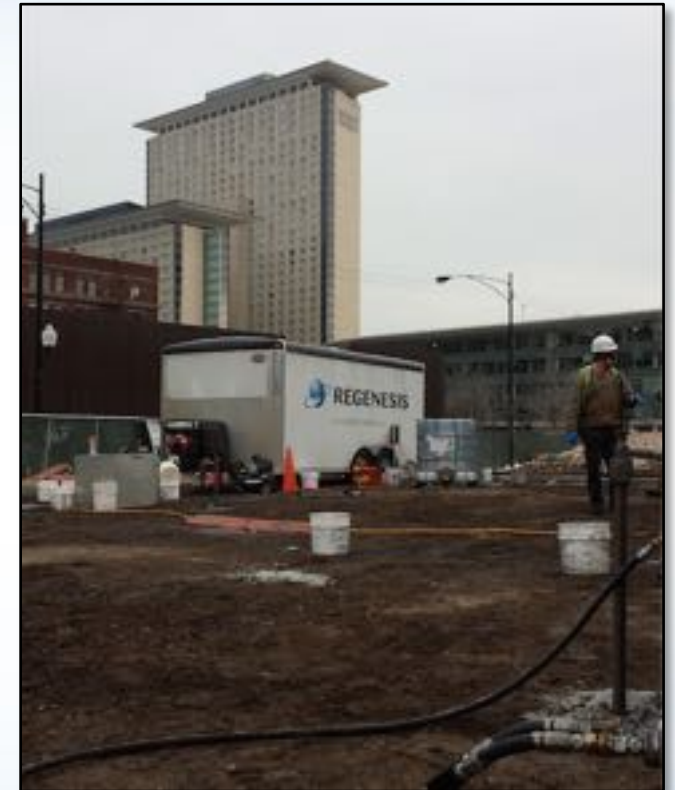
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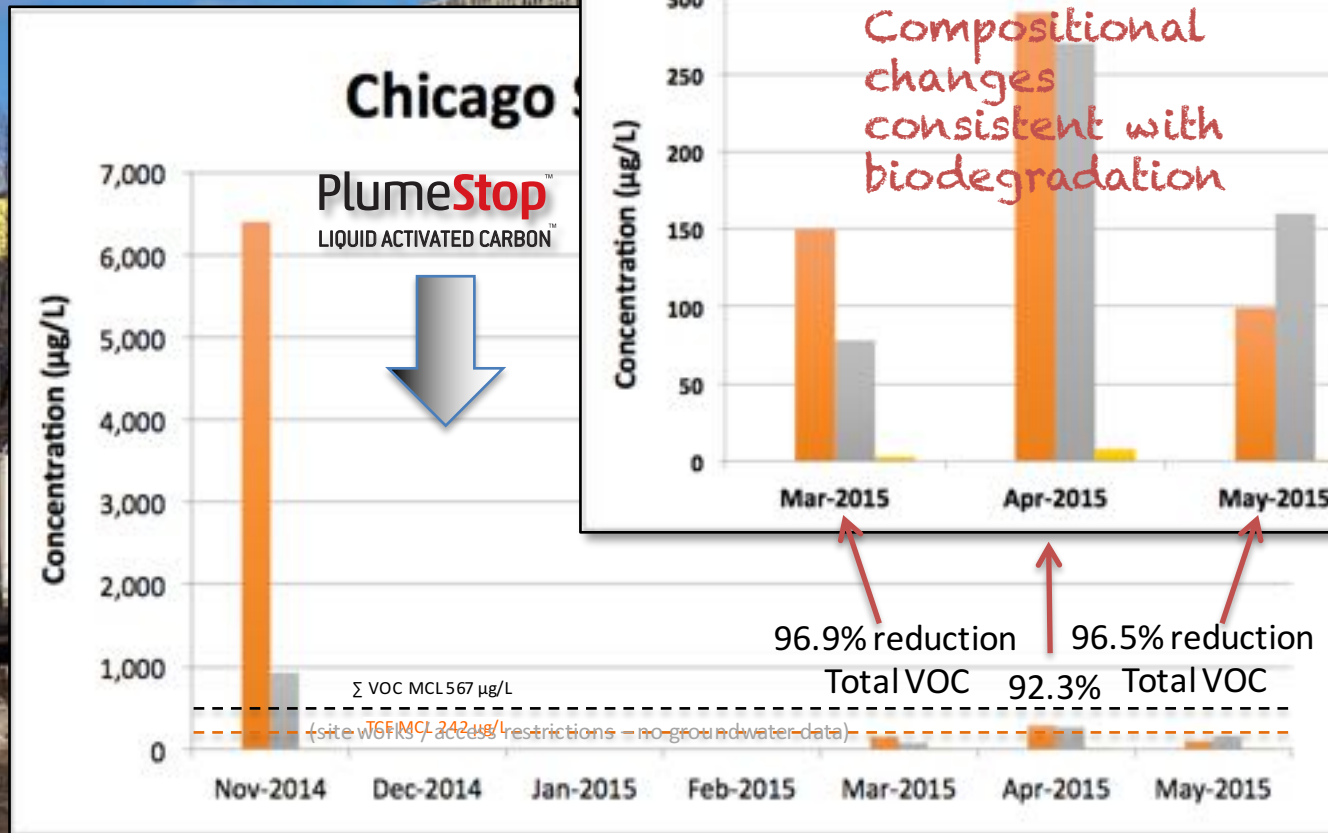
- **Why the tight time window?**
 - Weren't the solvent residues known?
- **Access restrictions – historic buildings**
 - Precluded early start
- **Problem was moved aside**



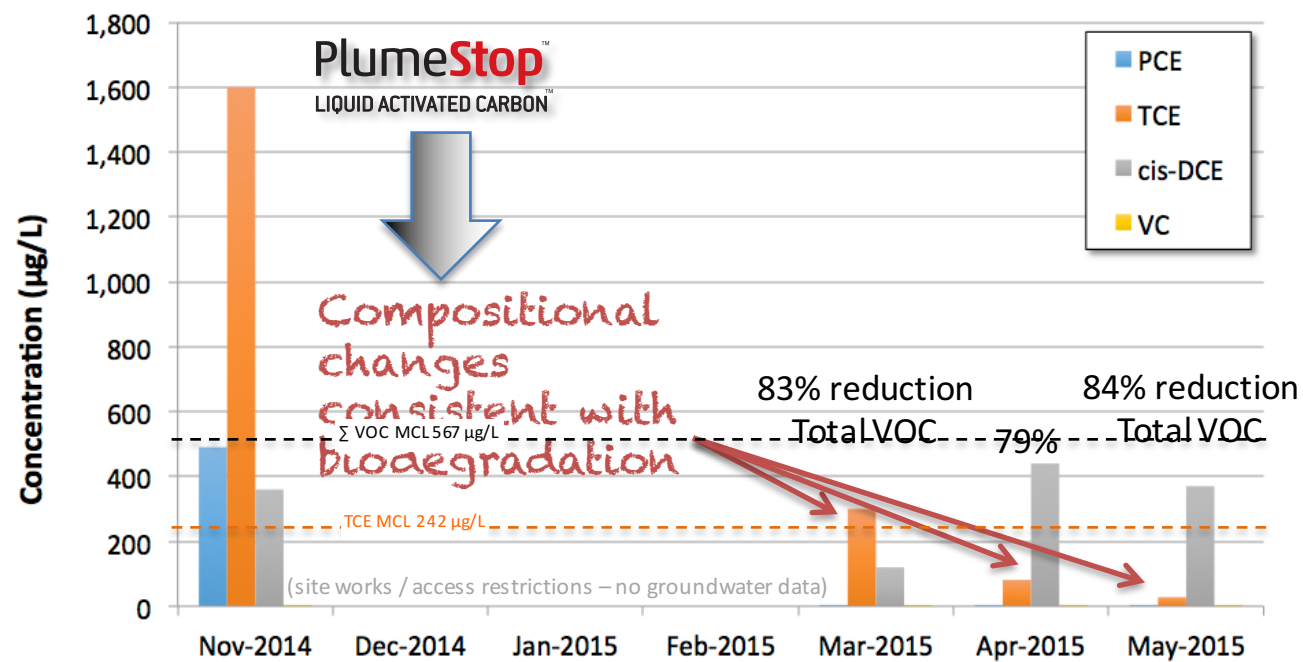
Case Study: Inner City Development – Time Pressure

- PCE and TCE residues – up to 7,440 µg/L
- Sand formation over clay
 - Treatment area 300 m x 500 m – (1,000' x 1,600')
 - Treatment Zone 3 – 7 mbgl - (10' – 22')
- Enhanced bio: HRC®, BDI®
 - Sufficient to address the contamination
- PlumeStop™
 - Rapid risk reduction and bio process acceleration
 - Take the bio process out of the groundwater phase
- 19 days' fieldwork on site (Chicago winter)
 - 138 direct-push injections – no resident equipment





Chicago Site - Well AW-3-3 VOC



Chicago Site - Status

- Rapid reduction in groundwater contamination
 - 80 – 97% from first sampling interval (total solvents)
- Bio conditions established (redox, TOC, microbial numbers)
 - Parent/daughter compound ratio shifts (dissolved phase)
 - (consistent with biodegradation)
- Σ VOC targets met – from first sampling round (through all rounds)
- TCE targets met – from second sampling round (and degrading fast)
- Completion report submitted (June 2015)
- No further action required



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- usage indicators -

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PlumeStop™ – product usage indicators

1. When time is critical
2. To secure stringent clean-up targets
3. For passive control of migrating contamination
4. As a long-term means of addressing matrix back-diffusion

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PlumeStop™ – product usage indicators

1. When time is critical

The fastest groundwater remediation technology available today?

- **Immediate risk reduction** secured through sorption
(especially fast due to high relative surface area and wide dispersion)
- **Long-term destruction** secured through in-matrix biodegradation
(accelerated degradation achieving bio-regeneration of sorption sites)

PlumeStop™ – product usage indicators

2. For securing stringent clean-up targets

- Low µg/L targets are challenging for all technologies
- Bio typically performs comparatively well, but at very low concentrations, substrate availability becomes insufficient to support microbial activity
- PlumeStop accumulates low-level contaminants into the bio-matrix until concentrations **become sufficient within the matrix** to support an active microflora while keeping contaminants out of the groundwater

PlumeStop™ – product usage indicators

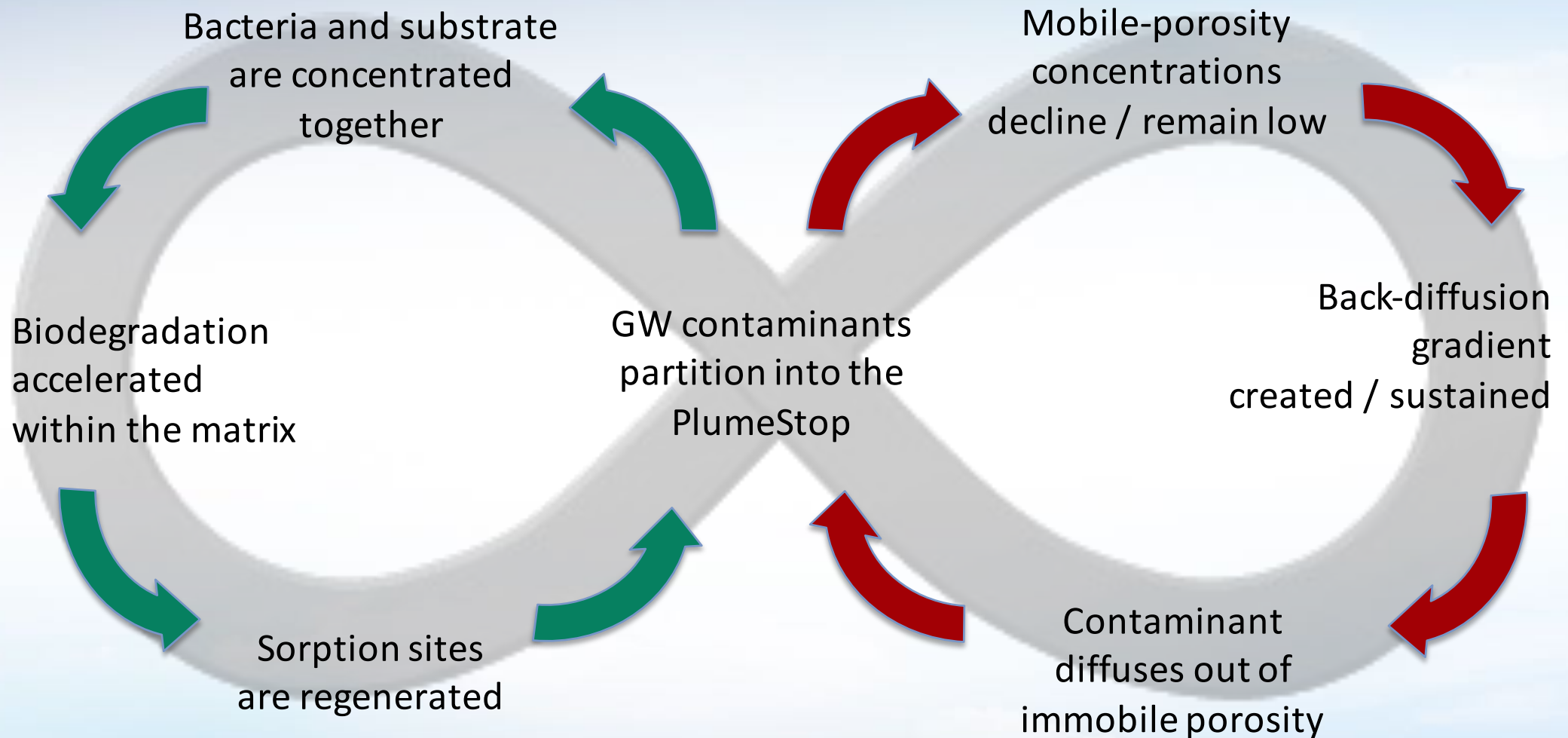
3. Passive control of migrating diffuse contamination

Used in **barrier formation** to capture diffuse contaminants

- Concentration of contaminants in matrix for locally intensive treatment
- Tighter capture zone than bio-barriers alone
(especially valuable where space is limited and/or groundwater is fast-flowing)
- Faster destruction rates and greater timing tolerance between (bio) amendment applications – if still needed

PlumeStop™ – product usage indicators

4. A long-term means of addressing matrix back-diffusion (i.e. diffusion-driven rebound)
- PlumeStop maintains a concentration gradient out of the immobile porosity
 - Mobile porosity contaminant conc. remains low due to capture by PlumeStop
 - Sorption sites regenerate due to accelerated in-matrix biodegradation
 - The product is not consumed and remains functional – theoretically for decades



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