



In situ treatment of BTEX and cVOC under a large car manufacturing industrial plant

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Plant realized in 1965





First European plant outside Sweden





6000 workers





Production 250,000 vehicles/year











Geological and hydrogeological features

- Fine (running) sands
- Foundations and underground services
- Shallow unconfined aquifer
- Groundwater level approx 2.5 m BGL
- Groundwater velocity: 10-20 mt/year



Contamination

Artemis milieu

- Several small sources
- Two plumes detected:

Area 1: Paint mix and painting area (gasoline tank)

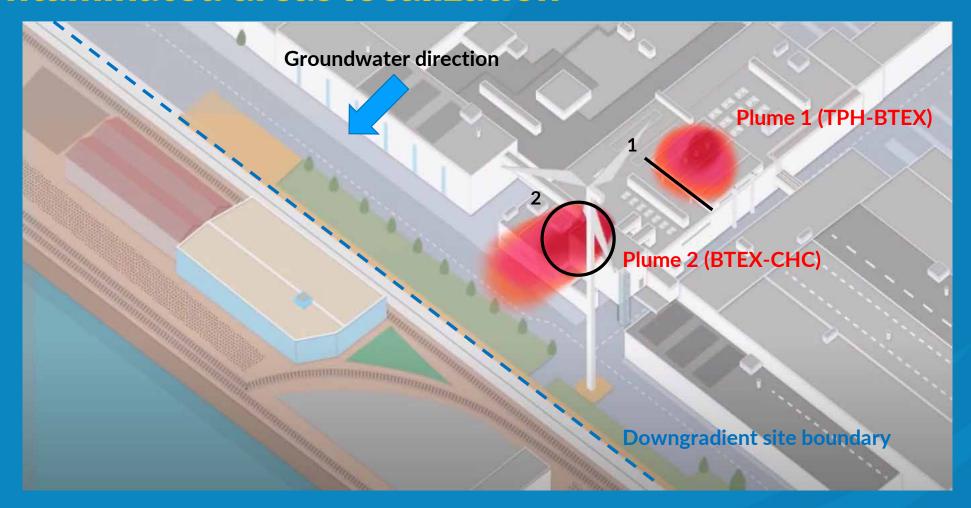
- BTEXS (average 1000 µg/l; max. 9-18,000 µg/l)
- TPH (up to 1,600 μg/l)
- No soil contamination

Area 2: Downgradient area (no specific plants)

- BTEXS (5-20,000 μg/l)
- Chlorinated ethanes (7-20,000 μg/l)



Contaminated areas localization





Remediation Strategy - Plume 1

- Aerobic biodegradation enhanced by in situ sorption
- Injection barrier configuration
- Total length 60 meters, divided in 3 portions
- 22 total injection points
 - 6 injection wells (pilot)
 - 16 direct push (full scale)
- Injection layer: 2.5 to 4.5 m BGL
- 1 single application









PLUME STOP Technology description



- Colloidal remediation agent
 - 1-2 micron activated carbon colloid
 - polymer/dispersive agent
 - Non-toxic, black "ink"
- Distributes widely in subsurface
- Turns aquifer into activated carbon purifying filter
- Sorbs contaminants rapidly
- Regenerates sorption sites
 - Biological degradation of sorbed contaminants
 - Co-applied with electron donors or acceptors







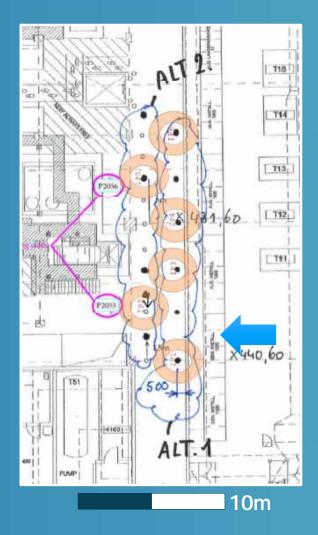
Treatment process





Pilot test - Area 1 (2016)

- Injection in 6 new injection wells
- Distance 2.5 meters
- Site works 3 days
- Total use of:
 - 9000 liters PlumeStop solution
 - 800 liters ORC Advanced slurry
- Monitoring wells within and downgradient of barrier





In situ application

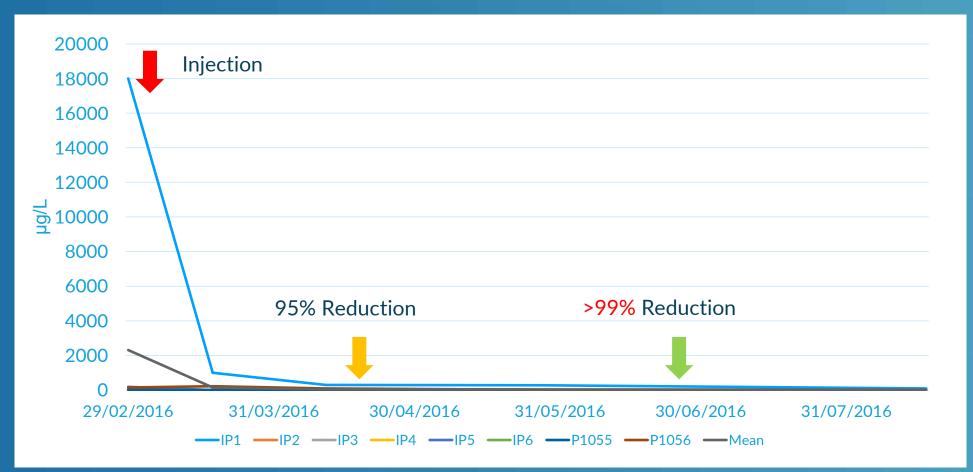








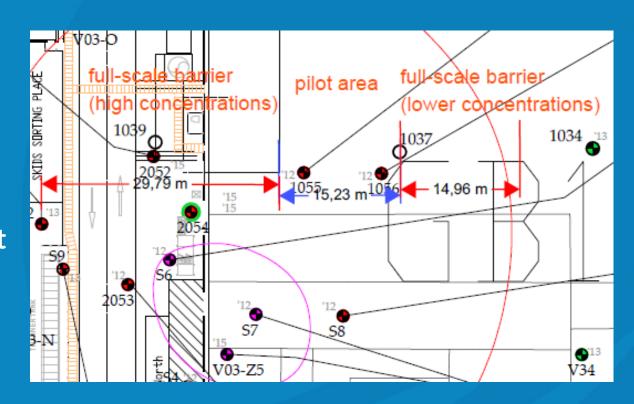
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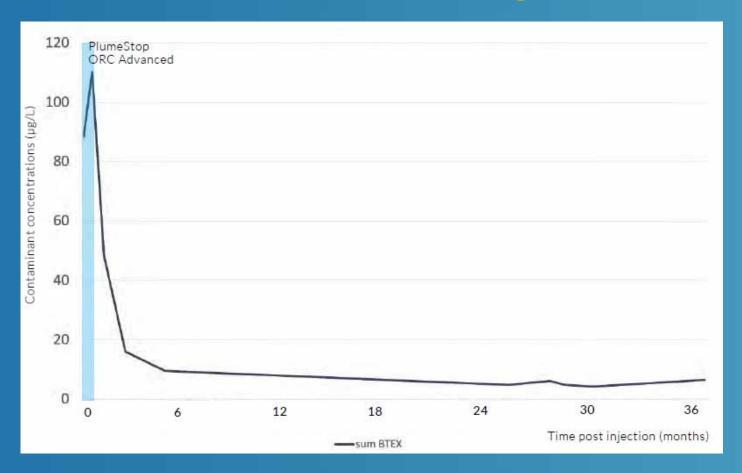
Full Scale - Area 1 (2018)

- 16 direct push locations
- No re-injection in pilot area
- PlumeStop: 1200 liters/point
- ORC Advanced: 40-60 liters/point



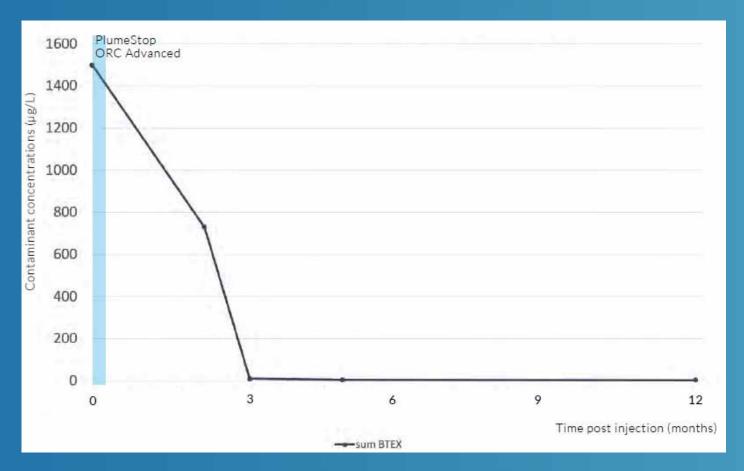


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Remediation Strategy - Area 2

- Located below wastewater treatment plant
- Difficult access
- Excessive mass for direct application of PlumeStop
- Grid application

Phase 1: 3 direct push ISCO campaigns

RegenOx: non-corrosive

Phase 2: PlumeStop on residual contamination

Co-applied with HRC (biostimulation) + BDI+ (bioaugmentation)











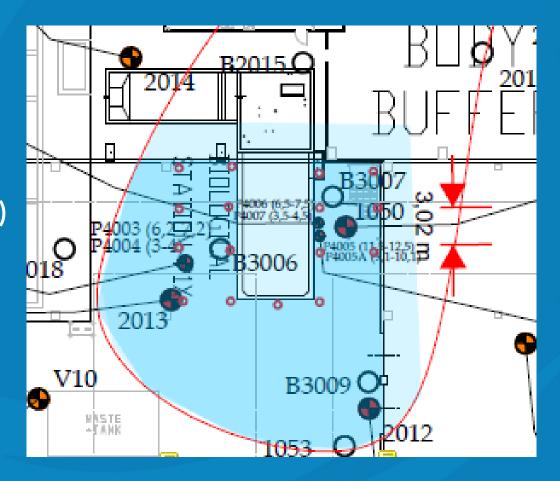
Full Scale - Area 2 (2018)

- Total area 600 m²
- ISCO only in a limited portion
- 45 total direct-push injection points
- Grid 3x3 meters
- Treatment layer 4 mt (2.5 to 6.5 mt BGL)

• PlumeStop: 2000 liters/point

• HRC + HRC-X: 20 liters/point

• BDI+: 1 liter/point



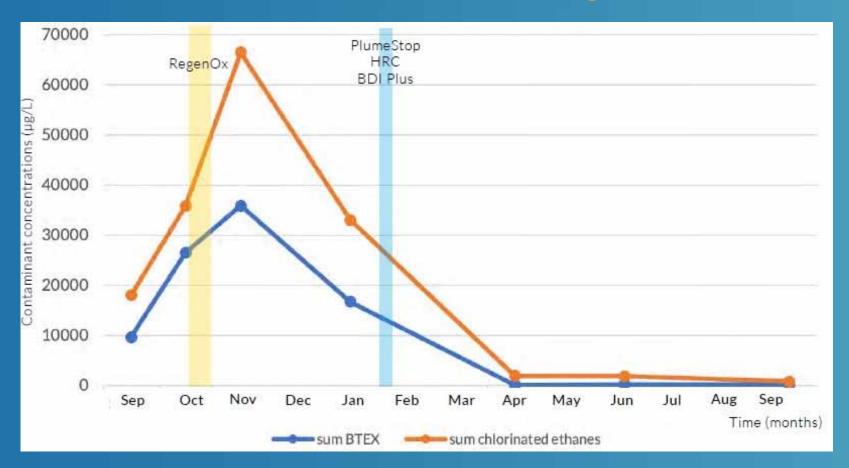


Injections in Area 2





Results – Full Scale Area 2 Total BTEX and cVOC Concentration – Average values





Conclusions

- Pilot and additional SI allowed to:
 - optimize injection approach
 - revise full scale design (ISCO added)
 - accurate and cost effective design
- Manufacturing plant has continued to proceed without interruption:
 - Short programme of injection
 - No ongoing maintenance
 - Minimized disruption
- PlumeStop has allowed for single injection self regeneration
- Client had rapid removal of off-site liability and maintaining over long term



Thank you!



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