



# Stakeholders meeting

Passive Sampling – A Role in Compliance Monitoring?

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# Overview

- A brief history in time: a road well travelled
- Towards compliance monitoring
- Future direction
  - The bigger picture
  - NORMAN network initiatives
- Summary conclusions





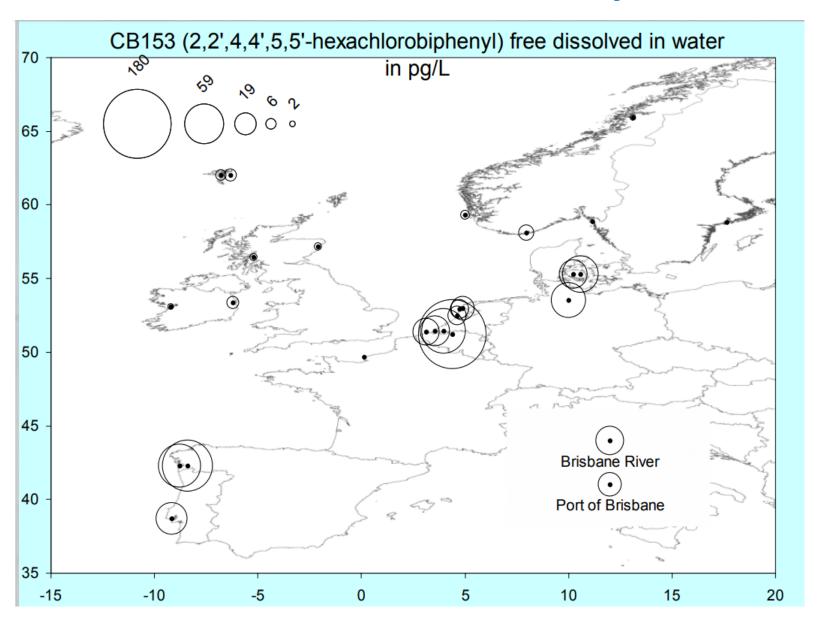








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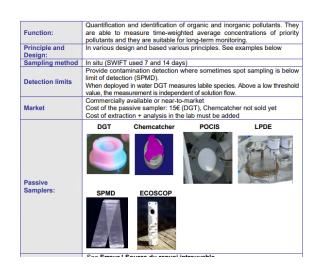


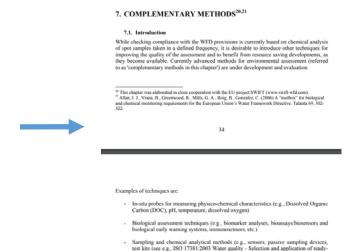
## Guidance on "how to"...

- complete sampling
- Partition Coefficients
- Protocols on reporting

## **STAMPS:** Standardised Aquatic Monitoring of Priority Pollutants by Passive Sampling

#### **SWIFT-WFD:**





Guidance Document No. 19 2009
GUIDANCE ON SURFACE WATER CHEMICAL MONITORING
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Evaluation of passive samplers for the monitoring of contaminants in sediment and water: NORDIC Countries <a href="https://norden.diva-portal.org/smash/get/diva2:702813/FULLTEXT01.pdf">https://norden.diva-portal.org/smash/get/diva2:702813/FULLTEXT01.pdf</a>

to-use test kit methods in water analysis), GC-MS or LC-MS screening

AQUAREF: https://archimer.ifremer.fr/doc/00167/27873/26118.pdf

SOLUTIONS: https://www.solutions-project.eu/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/SOLUTIONS Guidelines Passive Sampling.pdf

## AQUAGAPS: http://www.aqua-gaps.passivesampling.net/

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#### **Aquatic Global Passive Sampling Network**

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monitoring

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Participant institutes Substances of interest Deployment protocols Action photos Protocol Shrouds Protocol Open cages Cage Assembly instruction

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Sampling Info Form

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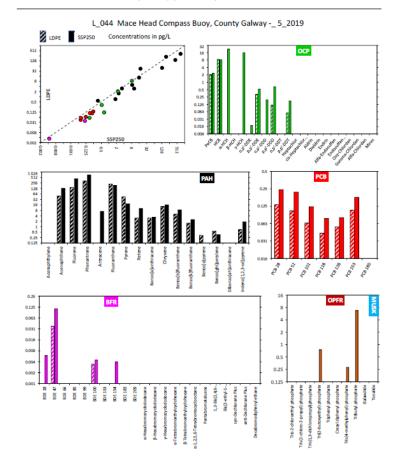
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| What       | Aqua-gaps/MONET is a network of scientists active in passive sampling monitoring  |  |
|------------|---|--|
| Aims       | The aim is to obtain insight of the global distribution of POPs without discrepancies caused by individual or local approaches. More aims are to follow concentrations change over time and detect new pollutants         |  |
| Activities | Application of passive sampling for the monitoring of spatial and temporal trend in levels of POPs on a global scale  |  |
| How        | Passive samplers and deployment cages are centrally prepared and exposed annually in representative fresh and marine water bodies.  |  |
| Who        | Network partners like agencies or institutes, active in the area of interest.<br>Analyses will initially be performed in a single laboratory but will include<br>multiple labs when quality assurance is further advanced |  |

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Sampling Info Form

#### Aqua-MONET, updated data output November 2021





# Passive Sampling in Regulatory Chemical Monitoring of Nonpolar Organic Compounds in the Aquatic Environment

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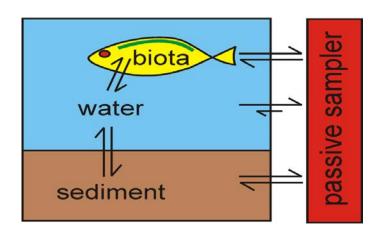
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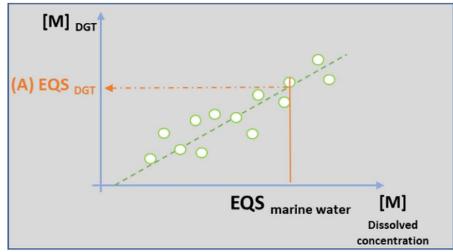


... accuracy .... Insufficient quality control ... a dominant weakness of passive sampling, ... laboratory performance studies ... sources of variability in the reported results.... Inaccuracies in the  $K_{\rm sw}$  of target analytes (in the case of equilibrium passive sampling) and PRCs (kinetic sampling) are a major source of concern. ....More research is needed to assess how passive sampling measurements can best be linked to concentrations at higher levels of the aquatic food web......

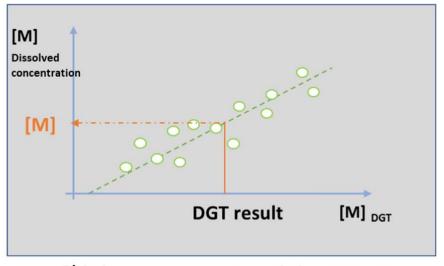
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A new approach to using Diffusive Gradient in Thin-films (DGT) labile concentration for Water Framework Directive chemical status assessment: adaptation of Environmental Quality Standard to DGT for cadmium, nickel and lead

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A) [M]<sub>DGT</sub>= slope x [M] <sub>Dissolved concentration</sub> + intercept



B) [M] Dissolved concentration = slope x [M] DGT + intercept



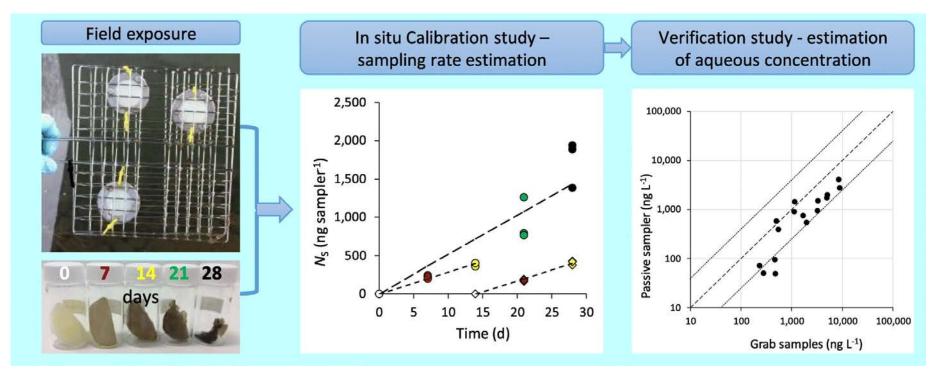
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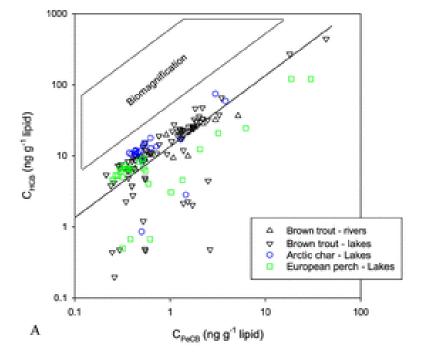
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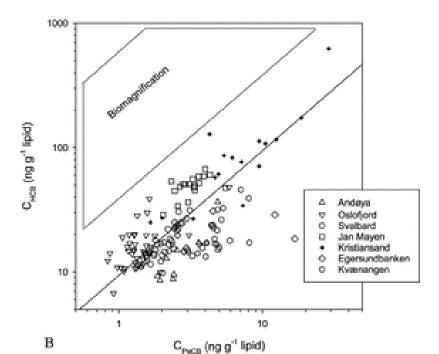


Performance evaluation of a diffusive hydrogel-based passive sampler for monitoring of polar organic compounds in wastewater

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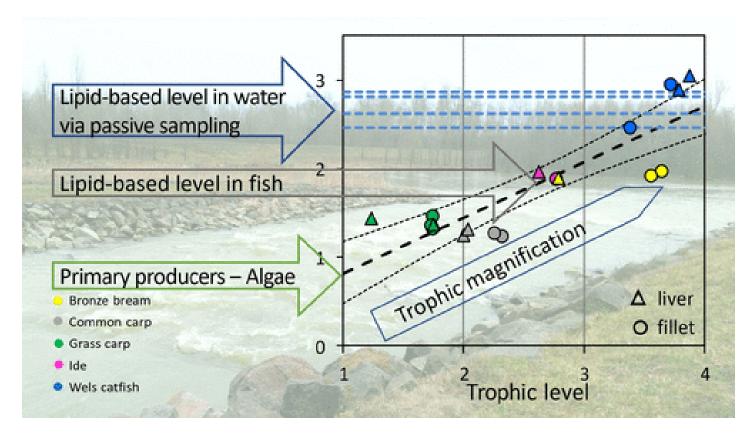
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## Unraveling the Relationship between the Concentrations of Hydrophobic Organic Contaminants in Freshwater Fish of Different Trophic Levels and Water Using Passive Sampling

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# NORMAN JPA Initiatives on Passive sampling

Aims to COLLATE KEY examples on Passive samplers, in ONE LOCATION

Information to include,

- Sampling and Field considerations. Ease, frequency...
  - PASSIVE SAMPLING TEMPLATE EXISTS
- Analytical: Sample handling, LOD/LOQs...
- Modelling and reporting key information
- Identifying Research Gaps
- Increase the visibility of PS
- Create synergies with Regional Seas and other activities
- CASE STUDIES > Application of Passive samples in real life

# Passive Sampling: Application in France

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## Décrets, arrêtés, circulaires

### TEXTES GÉNÉRAUX

#### MINISTÈRE DE LA TRANSITION ÉCOLOGIQUE

Arrêté du 26 avril 2022 modifiant l'arrêté du 25 janvier 2010 établissant le programme de surveillance de l'état des eaux en application de l'article R. 212-22 du code de l'environnement

NOR: TREL2200737A









Opérations d'échantillonnage par échantillonneurs intégratifs passifs (EIP) en cours d'eau et eau littorale dans le cadre des programmes de surveillance DCE

Opérations d'analyse physico-chimique sur échantillonneurs intégratifs passifs (EIP) en cours d'eau et eau littorale dans le cadre des programmes de surveillance DCE

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# **Summary Conclusions**

- Contaminant and chemical threats to our aquatic environment are ever increasing.
- Compliance limits and thresholds (spot sampling) are decreasing.
- Research on passive sampling is mature (~30 yrs) and continues to evolve.
- Research is now very applied and applicable in a monitoring context
- QC, performance studies, materials, now generally available > core to confidence
- Passive sampling applications in every country.
- Initiatives such as MONITOOL are Key.
- Collective work (and/or collations) is fundamental in the future.
- Passive sampling still has high "potential" as a support to monitoring.