



**OUTPUT TITLE:**

**30 EXPERTS TRAINED AT  
2. SIMONA TRAINING EVENT  
OUTPUT T5.2**

**PROJECT TITLE:**

**SEDIMENT-QUALITY INFORMATION, MONITORING AND  
ASSESSMENT SYSTEM TO SUPPORT TRANSNATIONAL  
COOPERATION FOR JOINT DANUBE BASIN WATER MANAGEMENT**

**ACRONYM: SIMONA**

**PROJECT DURATION:**

**1ST JUNE 2018 TO 30TH NOV 2021, 42 MONTHS**

**DATE OF PREPARATION:**

**01/07/2021**

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# AGENDA

For

## 2<sup>nd</sup> SIMONA TRAINING EVENT

June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**Hybrid - Online and live from Drustar Hotel for BG-Team and BG national and regional authorities and experts**

DTP2-093-2.1 **SIMONA** - “Sediment quality **I**nformation, **M**onitoring and **A**ssessment System to support transnational cooperation for joint Danube Basin water management”

## INVITATION

**Event:** SIMONA 2nd Training event

**Date:** 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Topic:** SIMONA Baseline Network Sampling Design - Training

**Type:** Hybrid - Online and on-site (South Danube TA)

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**Description:**

Due to the still ongoing Covid-situation all over the world and the resulting travel restrictions, the 2nd SIMONA training event will be in hybrid form: online and onsite (for BG Team, as the event is held back-to-back with the WP8 Workshop for the Bulgarian National, Regional and Local Authorities and experts).

The main objective of the event will be the sampling design for the DRB Baseline Network.

## PROGRAM – SECOND TRAINING EVENT


June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### Hybrid - Online and live from Drustar Hotel for BG-Team and BG national and regional authorities and experts

- 14:00 – 15:00** Registration of the participants and welcome coffee
- 15:00 – 15:10** Welcoming *words* by *SIMONA Project Manager Dr. M. Dobnikar (via Skype)* and Dr. Irena Peytcheva, coordinator of the GI-BAS SIMONA team in Bulgaria
- 15:10 – 15:25** Presentation on the current status and achievements of the DTP2-093-2.1 SIMONA (*M. Dobnikar*)
- 15:25 – 15:40** Additional value-added activities of SIMONA (WP 8): Sediment quality evaluation method upgrade and capacity building for uptake (*G. Jordan*)
- 15:40 – 15:50** Presentation on the “Sediment quality sampling protocol for HSs” (*A. Sorsa*)
- 15:50 – 16:00** Presentation on SIMONA Field Manual Documents prepared by WP7 experts (*G. Jordan*)
- 16:00 – 16:10** Presentation on the “Sediment quality laboratory protocol for HSs” (*A. Sorsa*)
- 16:10 – 16:20** Current status of SIMONA IT tool (*K. Dudas*)
- 16:20 – 16:30** **Coffee break**
- 16:30 – 16:50** Sampling design (*G. Jordan*)
- 16:50 – 17:30** Baseline network sampling and laboratory analyses – Case studies from five countries (RO/BG – *A. Videa, A. Hikov*, Silistra profile; AT – *F. Humer/S. Pfeiderer*, Hainburg and Drava; CZ – *L. Mikl*; HR – *A. Sorsa*)
- 17:30 – 18:00** Discussion, closing of the on-line session
- 18.00 – 19.00** (Only on-site in Silistra) Demonstration of bottom and floodplain sediment sampling equipment (*G. Jordan, F. Humer, tbc*)
- 20.00 - 22.00** (Only on-site in Silistra) Dinner







# **SIMONA** (Sediment-quality Information, Monitoring and Assessment System to support transnational cooperation for joint Danube Basin water management)

## **Project Achievements (Period 7)**

**Kristina Koret,  
Geological Survey of Slovenia (LP)**

**A.7.2 SIMONA 2<sup>nd</sup> Training event,  
28th June 2021, online event**



- Environment and Culture Responsible Danube Region Priority Axis (PA 2)
- 17 partners (ERDF, IPA, ENI funds) and 13 associated strategic partners (ASPs) = Danube River Basin, from 14 EU countries



<http://www.interreg-danube.eu/about-dtp/participating-countries>

## 8 WORKING GROUPS (WGs)

1. Sampling WG
2. Laboratory WG
3. Evaluation WG
4. Reservoir WG
  
5. Drava WG
6. South Danube WG
7. Upper Tisa WG
  
8. National Experts WG

## 8 WORK PACKAGES (WPs):

WP1 – MANAGEMENT

WP2 – COMMUNICATION

WP3 – INVENTORY AND CASE STUDIES

WP4 – SAMPLING AND LABORATORY  
PROTOCOLS

WP5 – EVALUATION

WP6 – LARGE LAKES AND RESERVOIRS

WP7 – TRAINING

WP8 – SEDIMENT QUALITY EVALUATION  
METHOD UPGRADE



- Harmonised international sediment quality monitoring system: the SIMONA system

Hazardous substances  
(2013/39/EU Directive)

Sampling, chemical  
analysis and evaluation

- DTP countries → lack of institutional supply → SIMONA system: sediment sampling, laboratory analysis and evaluation protocol + IT-tool

- ✓ **INVENTORY** – status of SQ monitoring
- ✓ **METHODS** – protocols (sampling, laboratory analysis & evaluation)
- ✓ **TESTING** – 3 test areas (30 sampling sites) + national sites (2 per country -28 sampling sites - DRB Baseline network)
- ✓ **TRAINING** – 3 events to demonstrate SIMONA Sampling and Laboratory protocol in practice + IT-tool Training



## **SIMONA System**

- **Sampling Protocol**
  - **Laboratory Analysis Protocol**
  - **Evaluation Protocol**
  - **SIMONA Tool** (online IT application) – integrates the 3 protocols. The online platform ensures the transnational information exchange of the sediment quality monitoring and assessment across the DRB.
- + **1 Guidance document (on Sediment Quality Monitoring in Large Reservoirs)**
- + **4 Case studies (Test Areas and DRB Baseline Network)**

- **Proposal for 2nd call projects: extension and upgrade**
- **3rd February 2021: approval by the MA/JS**

<b>START DATE</b>	<b>ORIGINAL END DATE</b>
01.06.2018.	31.05.2021.

**NEW END DATE:** 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021

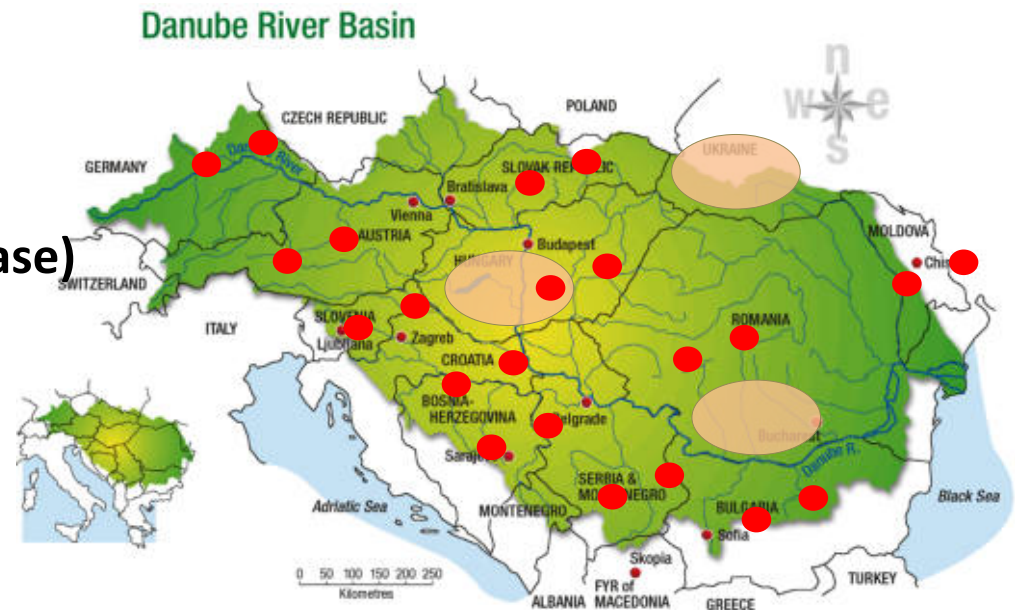
- 6 months extension - all project partners involved
- addition of the **new project period – PERIOD 7 (01.05. – 30.11.2021)** and **new WP – WP8: Sediment quality evaluation method upgrade and capacity (06 – 11/2021)**



## Where we are currently? PERIOD 7

Program output indicators	Project main output quantification (target)	Project main output number	Project main output (title)	Delivered
P09 Number of tools for improving transnational water management and flood risk prevention developed and/or implemented	1.00	T1.1.1	Inventory of DRB's sediment monitoring activity	YES
	1.00	T2.1.1	Sediment quality sampling protocol for HSs	YES
	1.00	T2.2.1	Sediment quality laboratory protocol for HSs	YES
	1.00	T3.1.1	Sediment quality evaluation protocol for HSs	IN PROGRESS
	1.00	T3.2.1	SIMONA-tool	IN PROGRESS
	2.00	T4.1.1	Reports on national methods and databases	YES
	1.00	T4.2.1	Guidance on sediment monitoring in large reservoir	IN PROGRESS
	1.00	T5.4.1	Training materials package	IN PROGRESS
	1.00	T6.1	Site-specific sediment quality evaluation guidelines (Manual)	NO
P10 Number of pilot actions	1.00	T1.3.1	SIMONA demonstration at 3 test areas	YES
for improving transnational water management and flood risk prevention developed and/or implemented	1.00	T1.4.1	DRB baseline network for HSs sediment monitoring	NO
	1.00	T4.3.1	Demonstration at Iron Gate Reservoir	IN PROGRESS
P07 No. of documented learning interactions in finalised operations	1.00	T1.2.1	40 experts trained at Inventory workshop	YES
	1.00	T1.5.1	40 experts trained at Stakeholder workshop	NO
	1.00	T5.1.1	30 experts trained at 1. SIMONA training event	IN PROGRESS
	1.00	T5.2.1	30 experts trained at 2. SIMONA training event	NO
	1.00	T5.3.1	30 experts trained at 3. SIMONA training event	NO
	1.00	T6.2	Small-group interactive training and workshop events at the premises of PP institutions in each of the 13 participating Danube Countries (onsite or online).	NO

1. Prepared protocols for SEDIMENT sampling and laboratory analysis
2. Test areas sampled and analysed → 3 CASE STUDIES
3. SIMONA 1<sup>st</sup> training event (held online 25<sup>th</sup> March) and 2<sup>nd</sup> (28<sup>th</sup> June)
4. FIELD SAMPLING GUIDELINES („cookbook”)
5. DRB Baseline sites sampled
6. Evaluation protocol  
(draft, in the development phase)



**TEST AREA:** 10 sampling sites - site-specific sediment characteristics, representing the various environmental conditions

**NATIONAL SITES:** EACH COUNTRY - 2 sampling points - DRB Baseline Monitoring Network



*1st SIMONA TRAINING EVENT  
(25th March 2021, online)*



1. DRB network laboratory analysis
2. WP8 activities – evaluation upgrade
3. Guidance documents and „Training” for Large Lakes and Reservoirs
4. SIMONA IT tool development and Training (3<sup>rd</sup>)
5. FINAL Conference (November 2021)





*The main result: Improved, harmonized and coordinated sediment quality monitoring of water body status in the Danube River Basin.*

*The monitored concentration of Hazardous Substances in sediments, together with passive monitoring, will improve the monitoring strategy of transboundary waters.*



*Thank you for your attention!*



28 June 2021

**Additional value added activities of SIMONA:**  
Sediment quality evaluation method upgrade and capacity  
building for uptake

Gyozo Jordan (Scientific Coordinator) & Zsofia Kovacs



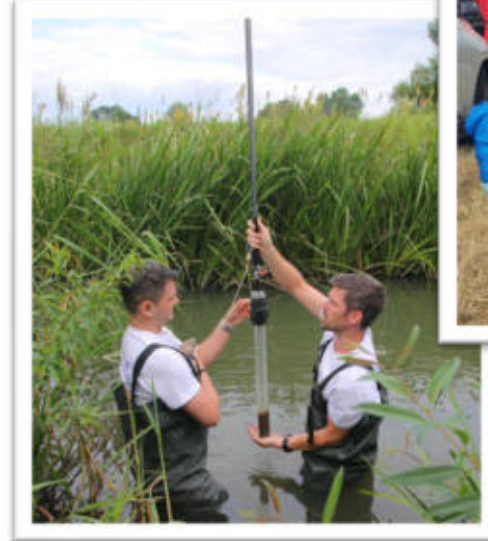
## Activity 2 Capacity building:

Presentation, dissemination and integration of the SIMONA project results and upgrades within already existing events and small-group interactive training events in the PP countries



## SIMONA Project Upgrade: **Capacity Building**

- **2 days small-group interactive training** and workshop events to be held, if possible, **at the premises of PP institutions** in each of the 13 participating **Danube Countries** for the demonstration of sampling techniques from the SIMONA harmonized sampling protocol, as well as presentation of the laboratory protocol and results from the sampling campaigns, and the results of the implementation of the evaluation protocol.

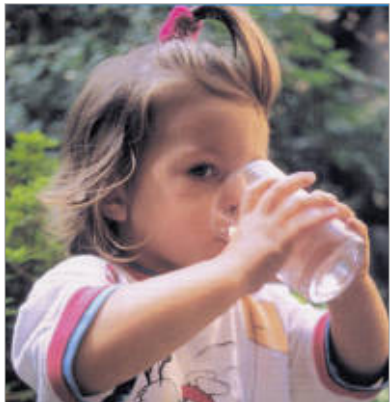


## Evaluation Method

### Activity 1 Evaluation (risk assessment):

Sediment quality evaluation upgrade in response to end-user demand

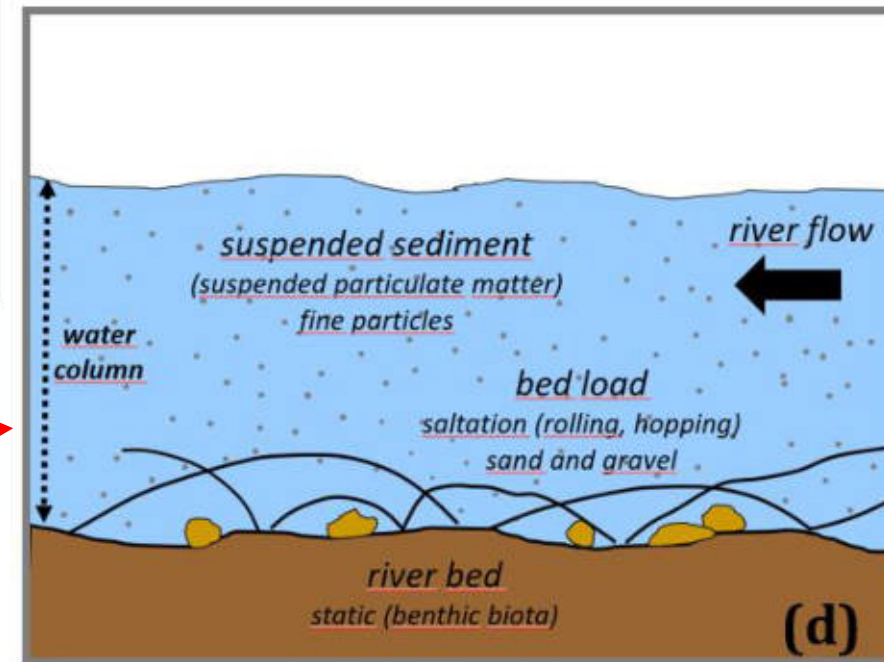
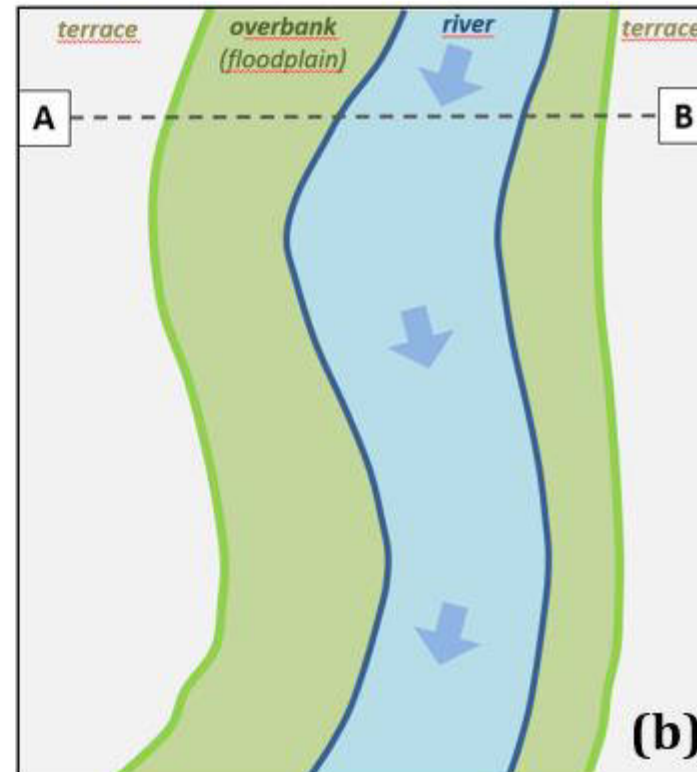
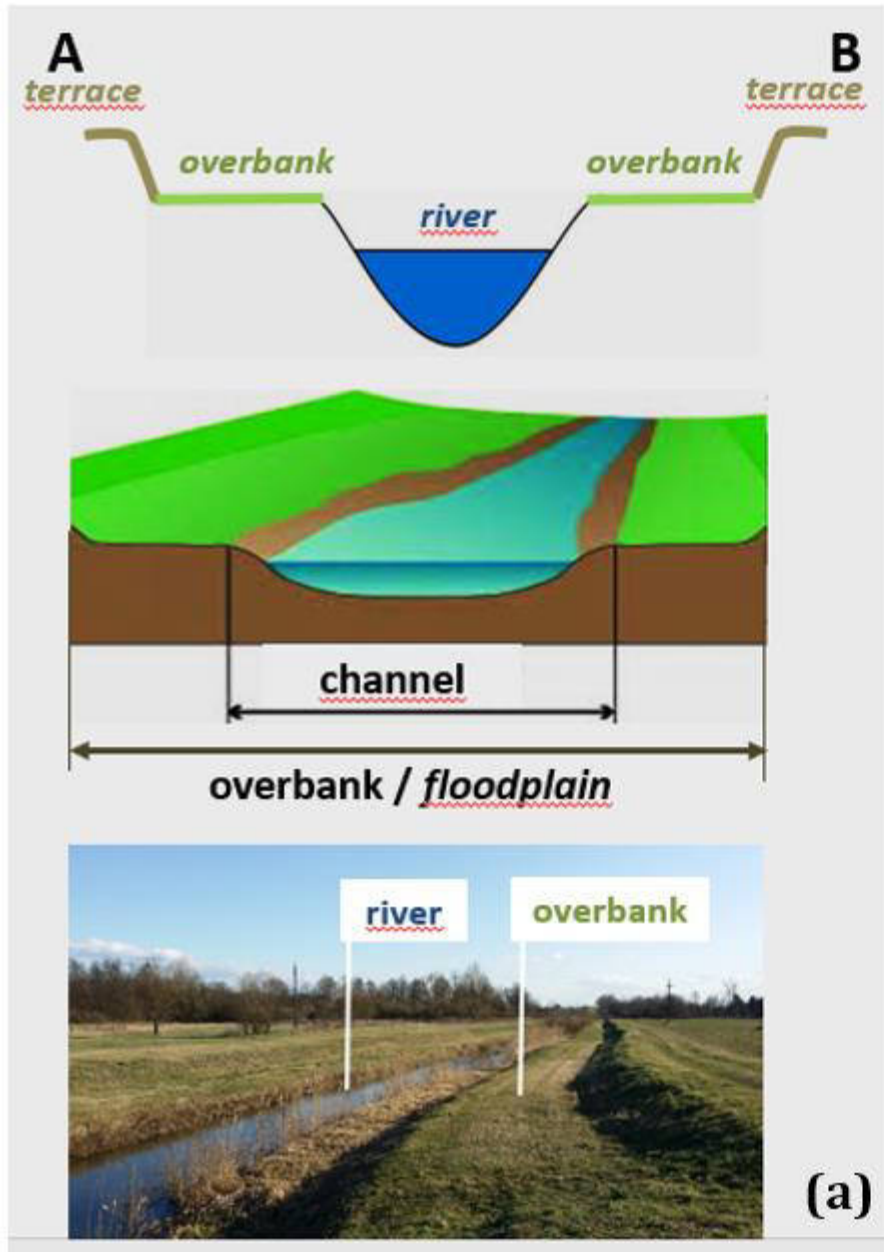
**DEMAND** Effective use of sediment quality  
assessment for the next RBMPs due in 2021.



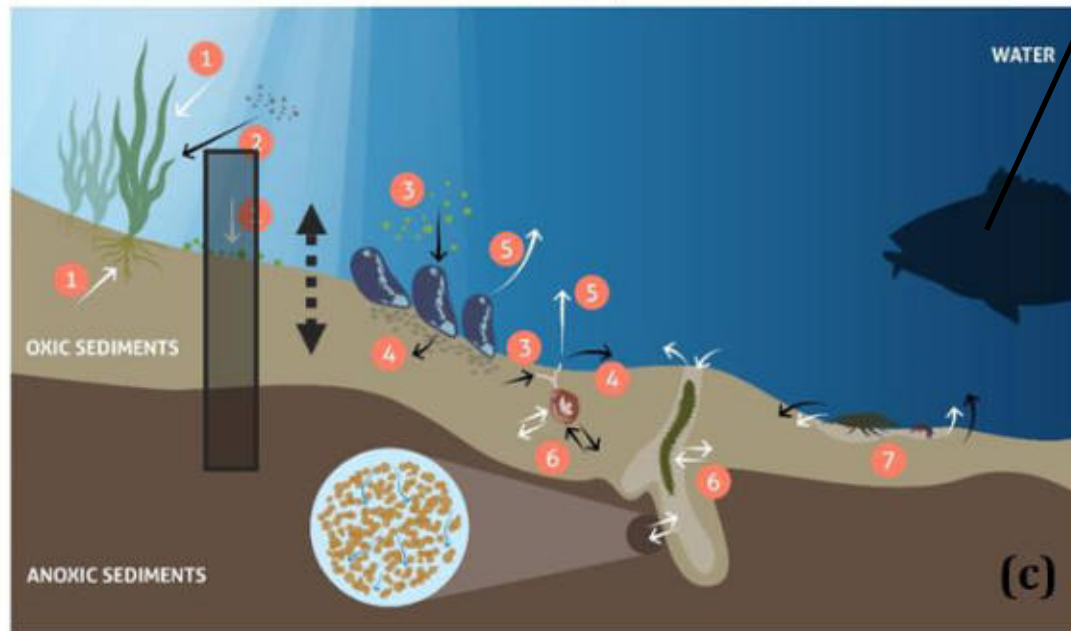
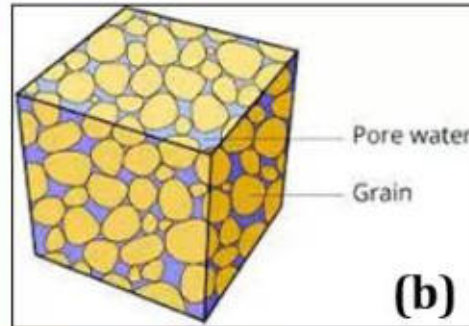
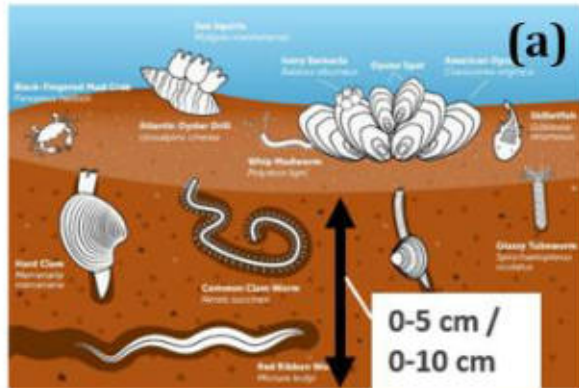
**Water Framework  
Directive**



# WP8 SIMONA Project Upgrade



**ASSESSMENT ENDPOINT:**  
*Biota*



Currently assessment is based on total concentrations and partitioning coefficients:

$$C_{\text{water, total}} \left[ \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{L}} \right] = C_{\text{water, dissolved}} \left[ \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{L}} \right] + C_{\text{susp, water}} \left[ \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{L}} \right]$$

$$C_{\text{susp, solid}} \left[ \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{kg}} \right] = K_{\text{p, susp}} \left[ \frac{\text{L}}{\text{kg}} \right] \cdot \frac{C_{\text{water, total}} \left[ \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{L}} \right]}{1 + K_{\text{p, susp}} \left[ \frac{\text{L}}{\text{kg}} \right] \cdot C_{\text{SPM}} \left[ \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{L}} \right] \cdot 10^{-6}}$$

$$QS_{\text{susp, solid}} \left[ \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{kg}} \right] = K_{\text{p, susp}} \left[ \frac{\text{L}}{\text{kg}} \right] \cdot \frac{QS_{\text{water, total}} \left[ \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{L}} \right]}{1 + f_{\text{oc, susp}} \cdot K_{\text{OC}} \left[ \frac{\text{L}}{\text{kg}} \right] \cdot C_{\text{SPM}} \left[ \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{L}} \right] \cdot 10^{-6}}$$

$$C_{\text{susp, solid}} < QS_{\text{susp, solid}}$$

$$K_{\text{p, susp}} \left[ \frac{\text{L}}{\text{kg}} \right] = \frac{C_{\text{susp, solid}} \left[ \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{kg}} \right]}{C_{\text{water, dissolved}} \left[ \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{L}} \right]}$$

$$K_{\text{p, susp}} = f_{\text{oc, susp}} \cdot K_{\text{OC}}$$

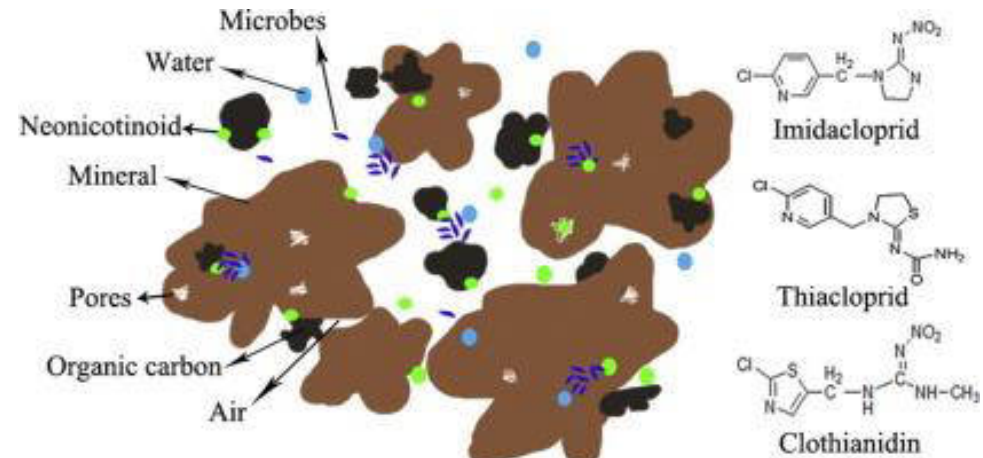
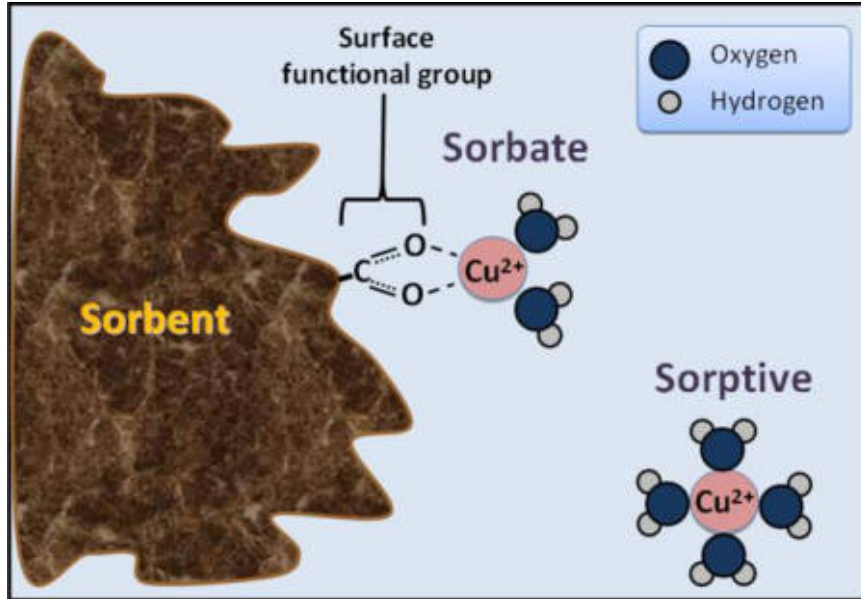


**PARTITIONING** between solid sediment (Organic Carbon; Clays) and water (Dissolved):

- based laboratory tests (general)
- site specific
- time (conditions, e.g. seasonality) dependent

$$K_{p, \text{susp}} \left[ \frac{L}{kg} \right] = \frac{C_{\text{susp}, \text{solid}} \left[ \frac{mg}{kg} \right]}{C_{\text{water}, \text{dissolved}} \left[ \frac{mg}{L} \right]}$$

$$K_{p, \text{susp}} = f_{\text{oc}, \text{susp}} \cdot K_{\text{OC}}$$



**SOLUTION:**

- on site monitoring and measurement
- separate observation
- continuous monitoring (passive sampling)

## *Transnationally harmonized sediment sampling protocol for HSs in DRB's surface waters*

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SIMONA 2<sup>nd</sup> Training Event, 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021, Hybrid -Online

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# Sampling Protocol

(Output 4.1 : Transnationally harmonized sediment sampling protocol for HSs in DRB's surface waters)

February 2019 – October 2019

1. **REVIEW** of current sampling methods for HSs in sediment.
2. **DEVELOPMENT** of transnationally harmonized sediment sampling protocol for HSs.  
Sampling WG Workshop 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019, Croatian Geological Survey, Zagreb
3. **CIRCULATION** for comments and **FINALIZATION** of the Sampling protocol.



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### **Output 4.1 : *Transnationally harmonized sediment sampling protocol for HSs in DRB's surface waters***

#### **1. Introduction**

- The **Water Framework Directive**, the **EQS Directives** (2013/39/EU and 2008/105/EC) and **CIS Guidance Documents** 7, 19, **25** and 27 (EC, 2003, 2007, 2010, 2018);
- **ISO 5667-12:2017** Water quality – Sampling – **Part 12**: Guidance on sampling of **bottom** sediments from rivers, lakes and estuarine areas;
- **ISO 5667-17:2008** Water quality – Sampling – **Part 17**: Guidance on the sampling of bulk **suspended solids** (reviewed and confirmed in 2017);
- **Scientific** knowledge and experience (FOREGS, GEMAS,...)

### 2. Definition and types of sediments for monitoring

- Stream and bottom sediments are considered as synonyms in this protocol;
- Suspended sediments.

*Appendix 1: Recommendations of the SIMONA project: Monitoring active floodplain sediment*

### 3. Selection of compounds to be monitored in sediments

- PHSs listed in **Part A of Annex I** in the Directive 2013/39/EU;
- Additionally, **5 heavy metals** and their compounds List of Priority Substances for the Danube River Basin ( **ICPDR**, 2003).

*Appendix 2: List of priority Substances and Danube River Basin Specific Pollutants*

### 4. Selection of sediment sampling stations

- ISO standards: ISO 5667-12:2017 for bottom sediments and ISO 5667-17:2008 for suspended sediments prescribed for selection of sampling stations;
- CIS for the WFD, Guidance document No. 25;
- The Trans National Monitoring Network (TNMN) in the Danube River Basin.

### 5. Sediment collection

#### *5.1. Composite samples*

ISO 5667-12:2017 “two or more samples or subsamples mixed together ...”

*Recommendations for the SIMONA project: composite samples of stream/bottom sediment should consist of **5-10 subsamples** taken from a 250-500m river segment.*

### 5. Sediment collection

#### *5.2. Sampling depth*

- The thickness of the top layer is variable;
- The sampling depth for the stream/bottom sediment depends on the deposition rate: 0.5 to 1 cm to 5 cm or > 5 cm.

*In the CIS Guidance Document No. 25 is suggested: “**The sampling depth should be defined for each sampling site.**”*

#### *5.3. Sampling frequency*

##### *Recommendation*

*monitoring stream/bottom and suspended sediment in agreement with*

- *WFD and EQS directives,*
- *ISO 5667-12:2017 and ISO 5667-17:2008 standards and;*
- *Surveillance monitoring II in TNMN;*

***once per year and every three years for trend monitoring.***

### 5. Sediment collection

#### *5.4. Sample fraction for analysis*

- a pre-sampling program to study the sediment in a particular river;
- CIS Guidance Document No. 19 – suggests the <63  $\mu\text{m}$  fraction for metals and the 2 mm fraction for organic contaminants;
- CIS Guidance Document No. 25 - the <63  $\mu\text{m}$  fraction (the clay-silt fraction, widespread in monitoring);

*Recommendation: **the fraction <63  $\mu\text{m}$***

#### *5.4. Sample volume*

*Recommendation: **generally, 1 kg of sediment** (e.g., 350 g for organics, 50 g for metals and metalloids, 50-200 g for particle size and other physical properties).*

### 6. Sampling equipment

Soil Auger Kit



Sample ring kit model C





## 7. Field observation sheet

### Appendix 3: Field observation sheet for sediment sampling

For further information on the SIMONA Sampling, Laboratory and Evaluation protocols, on the project, partnership and the Danube Transnational Programme: [www.interreg-danube.eu/simona](http://www.interreg-danube.eu/simona)

### FIELD OBSERVATION SHEET FOR SEDIMENT SAMPLING

APPENDIX 3 OF THE SIMONA SEDIMENT QUALITY SAMPLING PROTOCOL

<b>MONITORING PROGRAMME/SAMPLING PROJECT INFORMATION:</b>		
Project name	Sample identifier (ID)	
Collection date (DD/MM/YYYY)	Collection time (HH:MM)	
Sampling matrix: <input type="checkbox"/> stream/bottom sediment, <input type="checkbox"/> suspended sediment, <input type="checkbox"/> other (floodplain sediment, ...)		
Sampling: <input type="checkbox"/> accredited, <input type="checkbox"/> not accredited	Sampling standard:	
<b>MONITORING SITE IDENTIFICATION:</b>		
Monitoring Site ID (WISE-SoE)	Monitoring Site ID (national)	
Name of the Monitoring Site (e.g. name of the surface water and the city):		
Sample location description with specific information (bridge, high power electric lines, railway line, major road, natural park, ...) (provide map on opposite side):		
Type of the monitoring site (can be different from representing waterbody): <input type="checkbox"/> river, <input type="checkbox"/> lake, <input type="checkbox"/> wetland, <input type="checkbox"/> other (floodplain, ...)		
Aim of sampling: <input type="checkbox"/> general status, <input type="checkbox"/> reference site (without/small anthropogenic sources), <input type="checkbox"/> investigation site - find contamination source, <input type="checkbox"/> investigation site for other:		
WGS84	Latitude	National Coordinate system
	Longitude	Latitude
		Longitude
<b>MONITORING SITE REPRESENTING THE FOLLOWING WATERBODY AND ITS BASIN:</b>		
Is it the same waterbody as the Monitoring Site has? <input type="checkbox"/> YES or <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
If no, describe the connection between waterbody and monitoring site (tributary, recipient, ...)		
Waterbody ID (WISE-SoE)	Waterbody ID (national)	
Name of the Waterbody:		
Type of the Waterbody: <input type="checkbox"/> river, <input type="checkbox"/> lake, <input type="checkbox"/> wetland, <input type="checkbox"/> coastal, <input type="checkbox"/> transitional		
<b>MONITORING SITE CONDITIONS (PART I):</b>		
River width (m)	Depth of water estimated	Flow rate (m/s)
<input type="checkbox"/> estimated, <input type="checkbox"/> measured value	average depth (m)	<input type="checkbox"/> estimated, <input type="checkbox"/> measured value
Water temperature (°C)	Water electrical conductivity (µS/cm)	
Water pH:	Water transparency (Secchi disk method) (cm)	
Geology and background value of parent material/lithology in the area:		

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### MONITORING SITE CONDITIONS (PART II):

Extreme conditions:  none,  flooding status,  ice,  pollution plume,  contaminated coast/bank,  other:

Weather conditions:  hot,  sunny,  cloudy,  changeable,  rainy,  frosty

### SEDIMENT COLLECTION INFORMATION:

Water depth above sample (m):

Sediment sample depth (cm):

Collection device:  stainless steel scoop,  cone,  sampler for suspended sediment,  other:

Sample type:  composite - number of subsamples: \_\_\_\_\_

Distance between the first and last sampling star (m):

Sample replicate collected?  YES or  NO

Replicate ID/name:

Sample is duplicated?  YES or  NO

### SAMPLE INFORMATION:

Sampling volume estimated, wet weight (liter):

Temperature of sample (field observation, right after sampling) (°C):

Sediment pH (undisturbed):

Sediment pH (post-homogenization):

Colour (Munsell soil colour chart number):

Texture (particle size description):

Odour:  none,  light,  strong

earthy,  mildewed,  putrid,  farm slurry,  fishy,  aromatic,  sewage,  fuel/oil

Information on sediment components (beachballs, animals, peat, wood, tar, stones, waste, plastics, etc.):

Sample photograph identification:

Additional comments (e.g. map of the sampling site):

Sampler name (readable):

Signature:

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### 8. Wet-sieving in the field

- Immediately after sampling;
- Use water from the sampling site.

*More detail about the sieving procedures is described in the Sediment quality laboratory protocol for HSs within the framework of the SIMONA project.*

### 9. Transport

*Samples stored in air-sealed transparent polypropylene bags or bottles should be stored in a refrigerator at a temperature between 2 °C and 8 °C.*

### 10. Quality control

- Field duplicates - throughout investigated area (5-10 %);
- Field replicate - a split of the previously collected sample (5-10 %);
- Field blanks - samples of uncontaminated silica sand sampled using the same sampling equipment and processed as for the sediment sampling (5 %).

### 11. Safety

- General safety precautions - ISO 5667-1:2006;
- Safe access to sampling sites - ISO 5667-12:2017;
- Local/intern safety measures.



### Appendix 1

#### Recommendations of the SIMONA project: Monitoring active floodplain sediment

*“The appropriate monitoring of the HSs in river sediments should take into account **all types of the sediment**: stream/bottom, floodplain and suspended sediments to **comprehensively** investigate the sediment-associated HSs.”*

*“The floodplain sediments suitable for monitoring are deposits of suspended material onto **active, regularly flooded floodplains** and levees along rivers with variable water flow.”*

**Sediment collection** - mostly in accordance with the **FOREGS Atlas** (Salminen, 2005).

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# Laboratory Protocol

(Output 4.2 : Transnationally harmonized sediment laboratory analysis protocol for HSs in DRB's surface waters proposal)

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**1. REVIEW** of current laboratory methods for HSs in sediment.

**2. DEVELOPMENT** of transnationally harmonized sediment laboratory protocol for HSs.

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### 1. Introduction

The most used method for determination

- heavy metals - Inductively-coupled plasma mass spectrometry (**ICP-MS**);
- organic substances - Liquid chromatography and/or gas chromatography, linked to mass spectrometry (**LC-MS and GC-MS**).

The used method should satisfy the **criteria recommended by WFD** for the HSs:

- they should be determined according the **ISO norms**;
- have a limit of quantification (LOQ)  $\leq$  **30%** Environmental Quality Standard (**EQS**) (or  $\leq$  Predicted No Effect Concentration (**PNEC**) for those without established EQSs);
- and a measurement **uncertainty**  $\leq$  **50%** (EC, 2018).

### 1. Introduction

- The **octanol-water partition coefficient** ( $K_{OW}$ ) is used as a measure of the hydrophobicity of the organic compound (EC, 2010).
  - Compounds with  **$\log K_{OW} > 5$**  should be measured in sediment or suspended particulate matter (SPM);
  - Compounds with  **$\log K_{OW} < 3$**  should be measured in water;
  - Compounds with a  **$\log K_{OW}$  between 3 and 5** will depend on the degree of contamination. If the degree of contamination for a hydrophobic compound is unknown or expected to be low, sediment should be an additional monitoring matrix (due to accumulation).

### 2. Selected substances

- Under the European Water Framework Directive (**WFD**), the Environmental Quality Standards Directive 2008/105/EC was developed which **proposed hazardous substances** for monitoring in sediment.
- The Directive 2013/39/EU amending the Directive 2008/105/EC has proposed **new priority substances** for monitoring and has **changed** the status of some existing PSs.
- Additionally, **5 heavy metals** and their compounds from the List of Priority Substances for the Danube River Basin are included in this (**ICPDR**, 2003).
- **The ISO and/or EPA standards** for chemical analytical methods for the priority substances are described in this protocol.

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### 2.13. POLYAROMATIC HYDROCARBONS (PAH)

Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs, also polyaromatic hydrocarbons) are compounds **consisting** of multiple aromatic rings of carbon and hydrogen. PAHs **occur naturally** in coal, crude oil, and gasoline. They are also **emitted** by burning fossil fuels, waste, and in forest fires. These compounds are **poorly soluble** in water; they therefore predominantly occur in the solid state, bound to particulate air pollution, soils, or sediments.

**Human health effects** from environmental exposure to low levels of PAHs are unknown. Large amounts of naphthalene in air can irritate the eyes and respiratory tract. Several of the PAHs are considered to be cancer-causing chemicals (Abdel-Shafy and Mansour, 2016).

- **ISO 13877:1998** Soil quality– Determination of polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons -- Method using high performance liquid chromatography. International Organization for Standardization.
- **ISO 17993:2002** Water quality– Determination of 15 polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) in water by HPLC with fluorescence detection after liquid-liquid extraction. International Organization for Standardization.
- **EPA Method 8100:1986** Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons. US Government Printing Office, Washington, DC, USA.
- **ISO 18287:2006** Soil quality– Determination of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) – Gas chromatographic method with mass spectrometric detection (GC-MS). International Organization for Standardization.
- **EN 16181:2018** Soil, treated biowaste and sludge – Determination of poly-cyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) by gas chromatography (GC) and high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC). European Standardisation Organisation.

### 3. Sieving and drying

- A wet-sieving should be done in the **field** or if not possible in the reference **laboratory**.
- Sample drying at max. temperature **25-30°C** (At temperatures >30°C mercury escapes. Some compounds need freeze drying).
- For a wet sieved sample fraction <63 µm (wet sieving in the field) and for a subsequent analysis of organic compounds, the **freeze-drying** of samples is recommended.
- **Homogenization** of a dried and sieved.
- The reference laboratory divides the homogenized sample into **three parts**: in the reference laboratory, national analysis laboratory and archive.

### 3. Sieving and drying

- Different **types** of sediments may require different **preparation** (drying, sieving and homogenization) as described in ISO standards:
- ISO 5667-15:2009 **Water quality – Sampling – Part 15**: Guidance on the preservation and handling of sludge and sediment samples (reviewed and confirmed in 2015). International Organization for Standardization.
- ISO 5667-13:2011 **Water quality – Sampling – Part 13**: Guidance on sampling of sludges. International Organization for Standardization.

### 3. Sieving and drying

- Recommendation **Guidance No. 25** (EC, 2010), all samples must be sieved over 2 mm mesh as soon as possible after collection to remove (large detritus and benthic organisms biotic material will deteriorate and become part of the sediment sample).
- Wet sieving is best performed with **ambient water**.
- Organic analyses - **stainless steel** sieves.
- Trace metals - **polymer** sieves (PVC or acrylic rim, with e.g. nylon or polyester mesh).



### 4. Sample storage and archive

- The samples store in a **cool** place (usually at 2°C to 8°C);
- For storage for **short** periods (up to 24h), cooling at 2°C to 8°C;
- For sample storage over **longer** periods (more than a month) it is recommended freezing samples at -20°C (HRN **ISO** 5667-12:2001, ISO 5667-12:2017, **ISO** 5667-15:2009 (reviewed and confirmed in 2015)).
- ***All storage methods will affect the sample to some extent, and the choice of preservation technique depends mainly on the objective of the sample collection.***

### 5. Normalization

Numerous impacts on **bulk sediment composition** influence the reliable interpretation of the laboratory results.

#### 5.1. Grain size correction

Coarser grain fractions dilute the pollution.

#### 5.2. Quartz correction

The high concentration of the quartz fraction in the sample produces a dilution of the existing contaminants which is known as a „matrix effect“.

#### 5.3. Al- and Li-normalization

The content of Al and Li has a significant correlation with heavy metals.

### 10. Quality control

Start in with **field quality control**:

- Sample **containers** must be cleaned, kept in a clean environment, stored in coolers, use the recommended type of sample container;
- Cigarette smoke, petroleum products can **contaminate** samples;
- Samples must be stored in a **cool** place.
  
- The laboratory should check during the reception of samples that all the relevant information according **to preservation and transport** conditions of the sample is provided (**ISO 5667-15:2009** -reviewed and confirmed in 2015).

### 10. Quality control

- **QC** in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025:2017 **General requirements** for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories;
- In **CIS Guidance No. 19** (EC, 2009), Annex III: list of sediment **certified reference materials** (CRM) for the determination of metals, PAHs and chlorinated pesticides in sediment (no CRM developed for other substances);
- Use **control** samples (duplicate samples, laboratory reference materials);
- **Evaluation** of the results using standard statistical methods.
- **Accreditation** for the laboratory/analytical methods according to ISO/IEC 17025:2017.



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## FIELD MANUAL

sampling instructions for the collection of the SIMONA National Sediment  
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### SAMPLING DESIGN

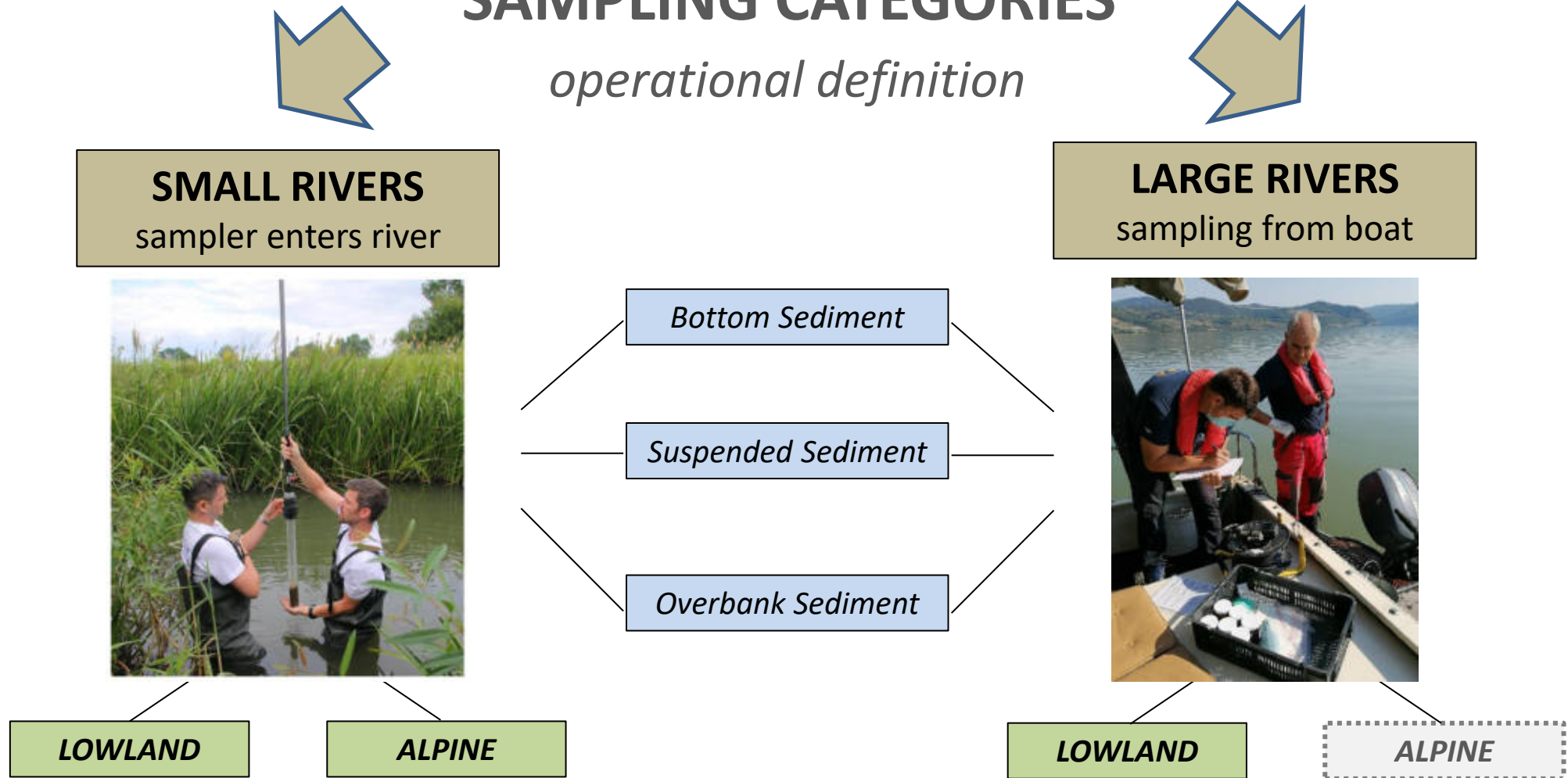
*(Sampling Plan, Sampling Programme)*

*Gyozo Jordan and Franko Humer*



# SAMPLING CATEGORIES

*operational definition*



**QUESTION:** Is my river a **small river** OR a **large river** at the Monitoring Site? ✓

**RESPONSE:** Follow the relevant sampling design below.

# SMALL RIVER

*sampler enters river*

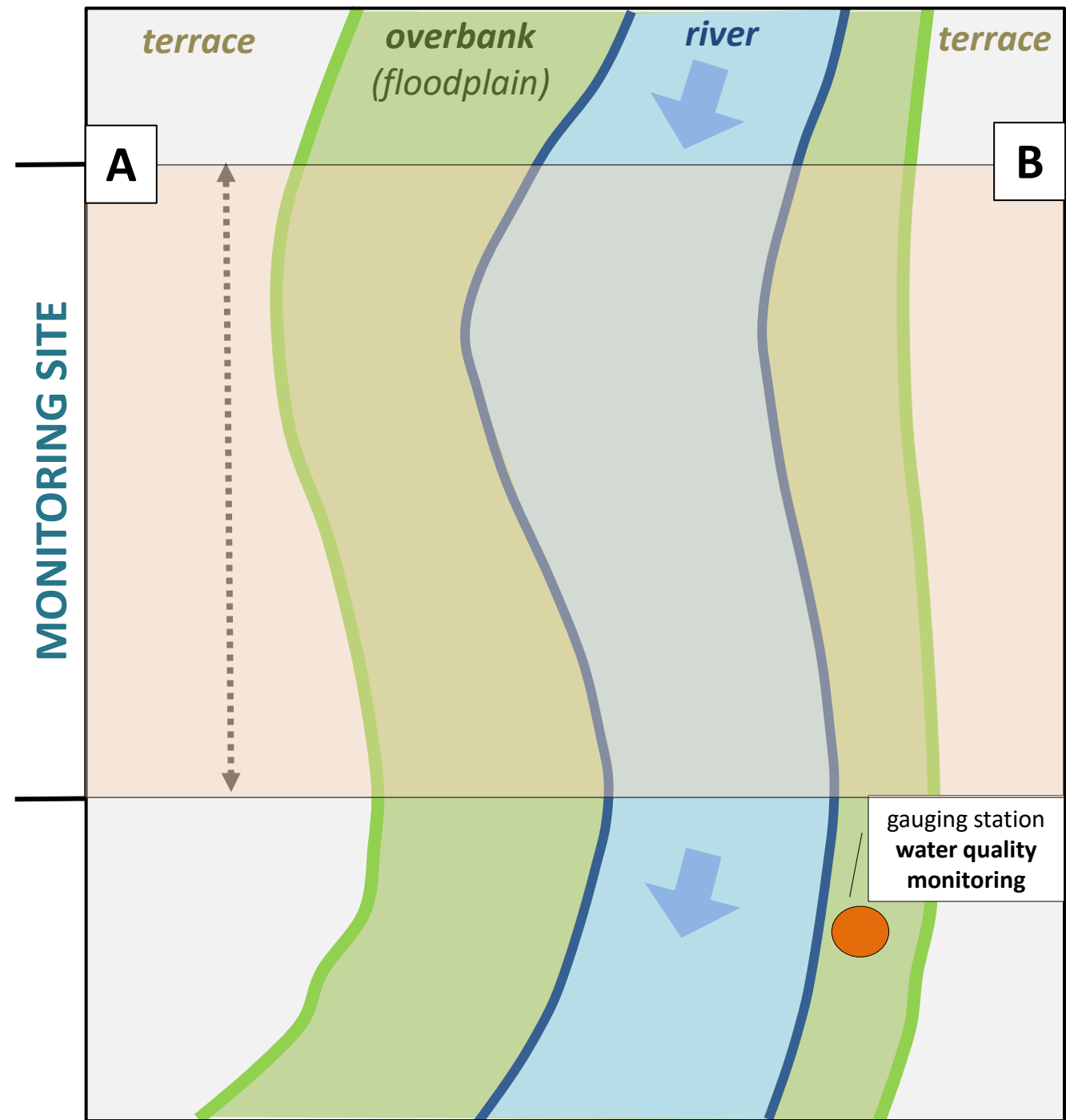
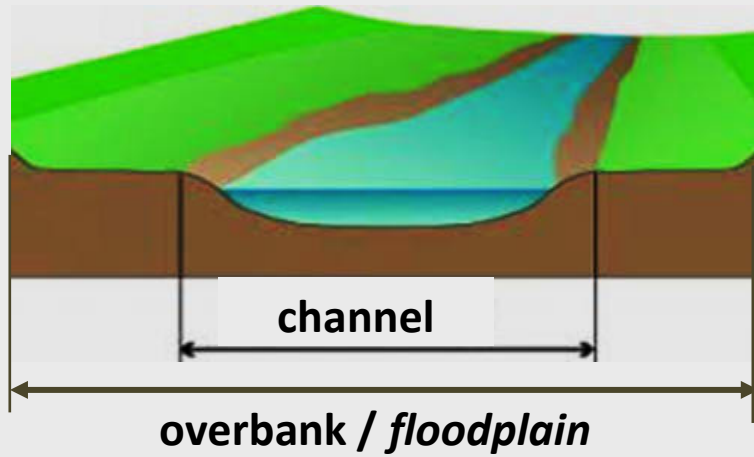
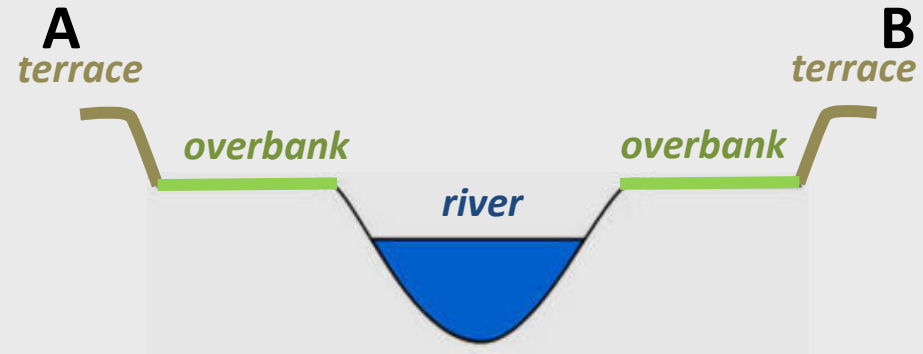




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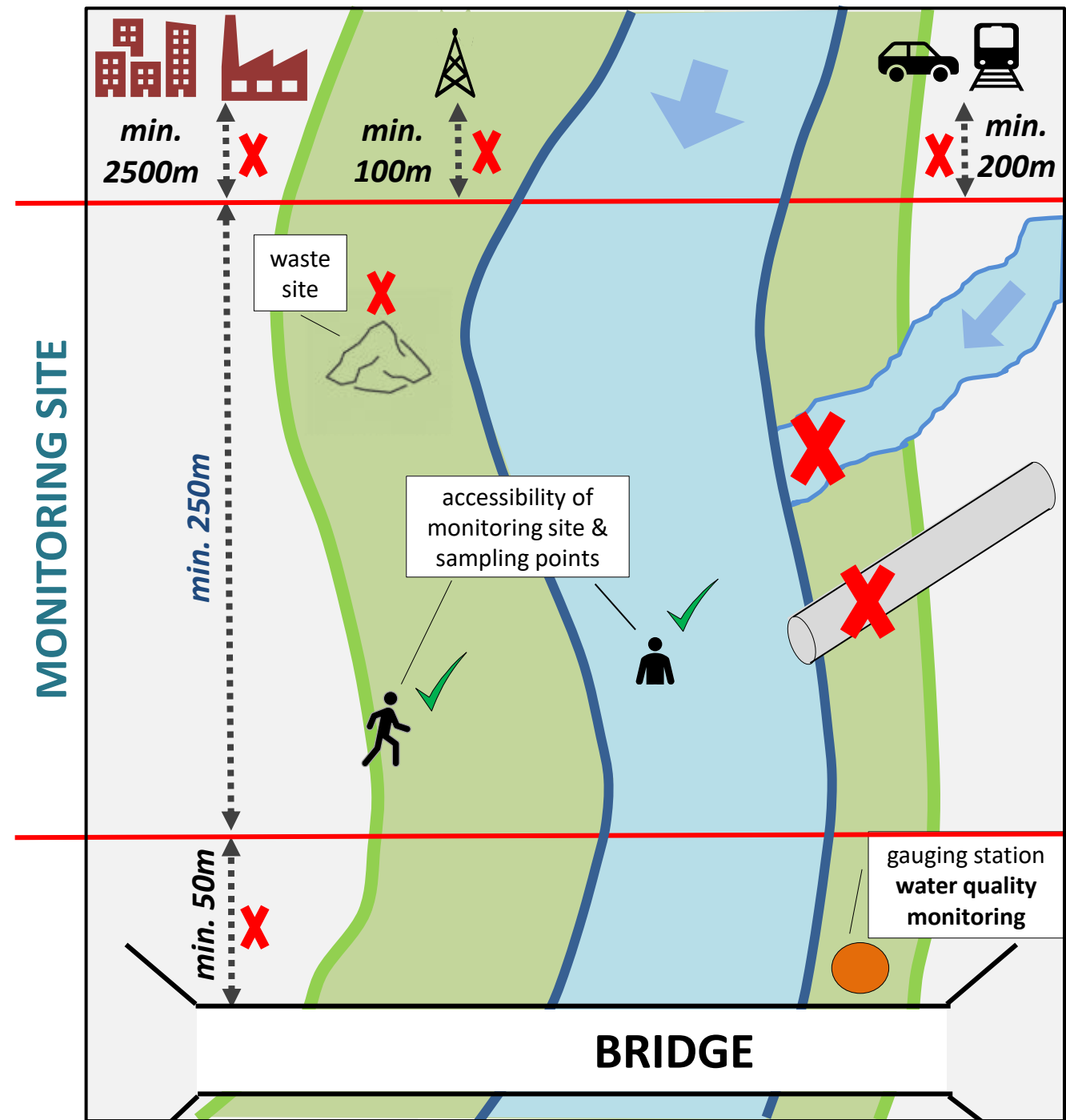


# 1. MONITORING SITE LOCATION



# 1. MONITORING SITE LOCATION

1. AT NATIONAL WATER QUALITY MONITORING POINT  
*(preferably upstream)*
2. MIN. 250M LONG
3. BOTTOM SEDIMENT, SUSPENDED SEDIMENT, OVERBANK SEDIMENT SAMPLING POSSIBLE  
*(availability, accessibility)*
4. AVOID TRIBUTARY CONFLUENCE
5. AVOID KNOWN CONTAMINATED SITE
6. AVOID LOCAL CONTAMINATION SOURCE
  - Discharge channel or pipe
  - Waste site
  - Industry or power plant (min. distance 2500m)
  - Railway lines & major roads (min. distance 200m)
  - Electric line & pylon (min. distance 100m)
  - Bridge (min. distance 50m upstream)
  - Other sources
7. UNIFORM HYDROMORPHOLOGY



## 2. SAMPLING POINT LOCATION



# 2.1 BOTTOM SEDIMENT

## HORIZONTAL DESIGN

### 1. 5-10 SAMPLING POINTS

- Composite sample: 5-10 sub-samples  
(always at least 3)

### 2. SAMPLING POINTS EQUIDISTANT

### 3. SAMPLING POINTS IN MAIN STREAM LINE (active river flow)

### 4. AVOID STAGNANT (NON-ACTIVE) WATER

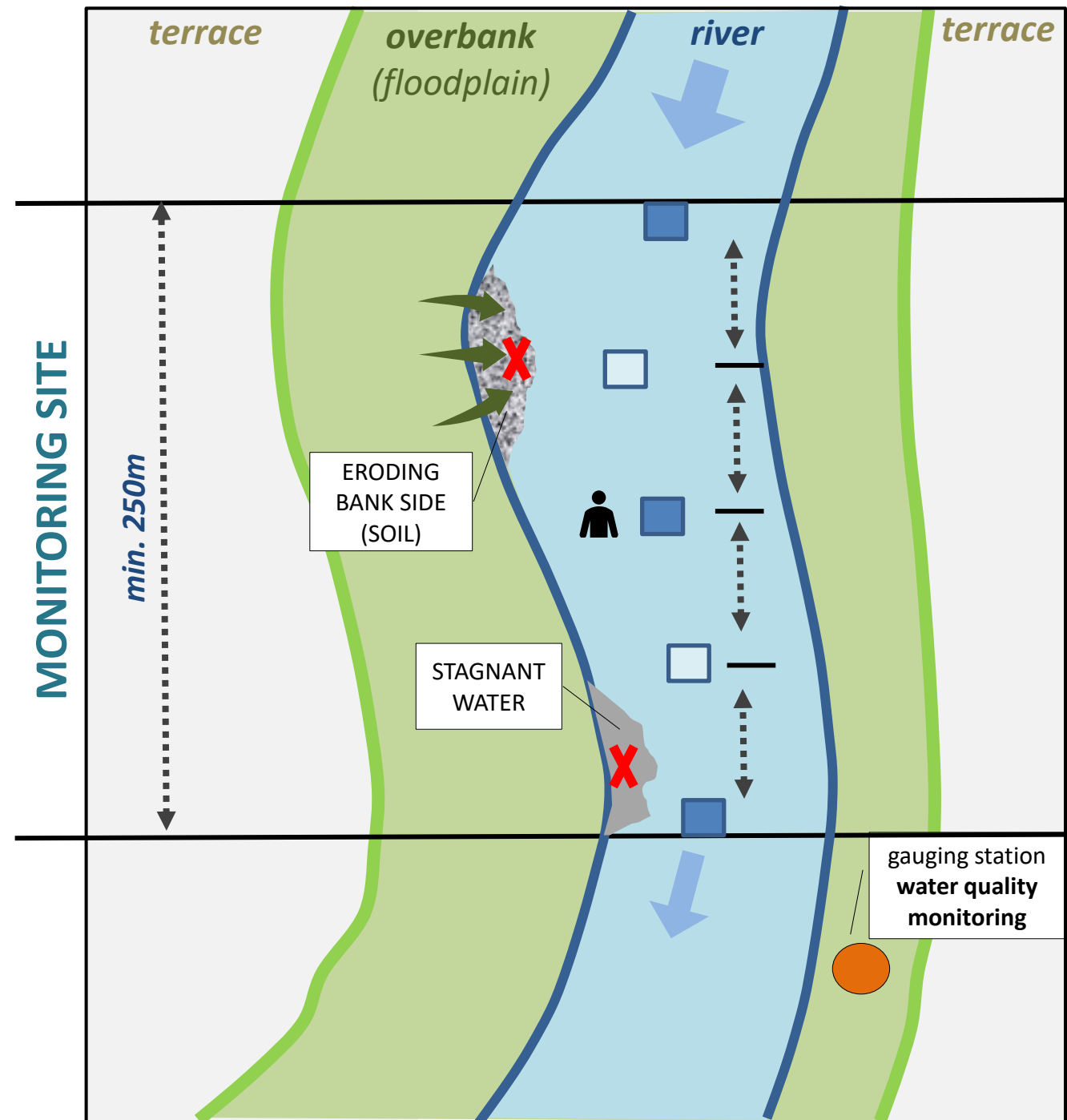
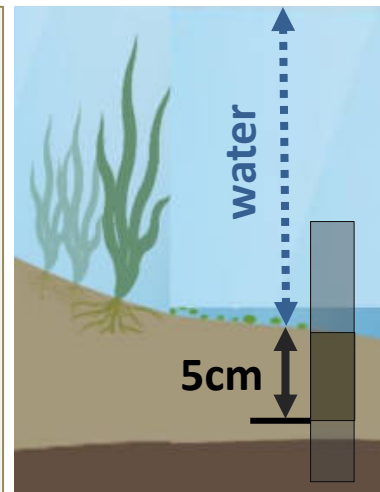
### 5. AVOID EDGE EFFECTS (local river bank erosion into river)

## VERTICAL DESIGN

### 1. TOP 0-5 CM

### 2. AVOID PLANTS & PLANT REMNANTS

### 3. SAMPLED SEDIMENT IN CONTACT WITH (UNDER) RIVER WATER





# 2.1 BOTTOM SEDIMENT

## SAMPLING METHOD

### 1. VACUUM CORER SYSTEM

- + *Precise depth control*
- + *Very good representativity & reproducibility*
- *Requires specific tool & safety*

### 2. SCOOP SYSTEM

- *Limited depth control*
- + *Requires expertise & experience: good representativity & reproducibility*
- + *Requires no specific tool & safety*
- + *Fast*

## SAMPLING METHOD OPTIONS

1. YOU CAN COLLECT **ADDITIONAL** SAMPLES WITH ANY OTHER METHOD (SAMPLING SYSTEM)
2. **AVOID GRAB SYSTEMS**



**VIDEO: SIMONA\_BottomSediment\_VACUUM\_depth.mp4**



**VIDEO: SIMONA\_BottomSediment\_SCOOP.mp4**



## SAMPLE QUANTITY

1 kg (top up 0.7L glass jar)

## 2.2 SUSPENDED SEDIMENT

### HORIZONTAL DESIGN

#### 1. ONE SAMPLING POINT

- Composite sample: suspended sediment sample is natural composite by flowing river water mixing

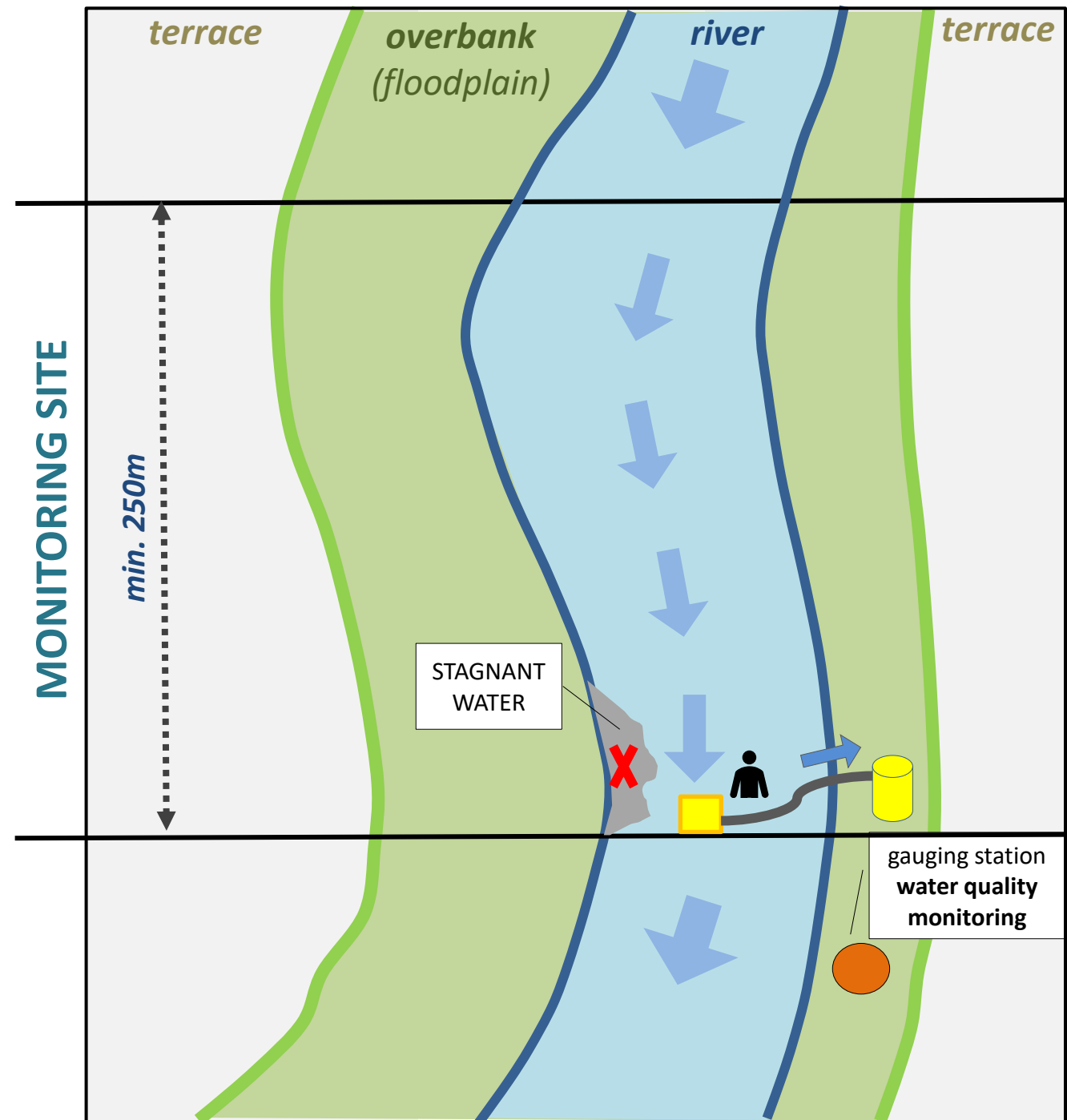
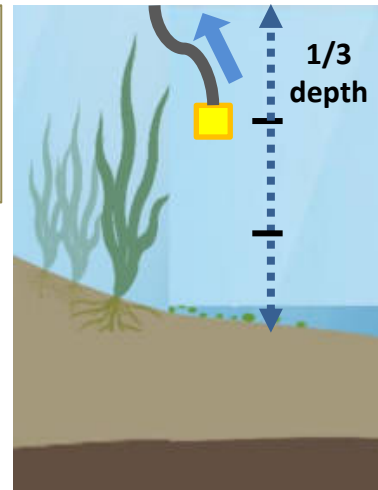
#### 2. SAMPLING POINT LOCATION AT DOWNSTREAM END OF MONITORING SITE

#### 3. SAMPLING POINTS IN MAIN STREAM LINE (*active river flow*)

#### 4. AVOID STAGNANT (NON-ACTIVE) WATER

### VERTICAL DESIGN

#### 1. AT TOP 1/3 OF WATER DEPTH



## 2.2 SUSPENDED SEDIMENT

### SAMPLING METHOD

#### 1. BARREL SYSTEM

### SAMPLING METHOD OPTIONS

#### 1. YOU CAN COLLECT **ADDITIONAL** SAMPLES WITH ANY OTHER METHOD (SAMPLING SYSTEM)

### SAMPLE QUANTITY

#### 1. 10L or 30L (*in plastic tank, barrel*)



**VIDEO: [SIMONA\\_SuspendedSediment\\_BARREL.mp4](#)**

## 2.3 OVERBANK SEDIMENT

### HORIZONTAL DESIGN

#### 1. 5 SAMPLING POINTS



- Composite sample: 5 sub-samples (always at least 3)

#### 2. SAMPLING POINTS EQUIDISTANT

#### 3. SAMPLING POINTS ON ACTIVE OVERBANK

(overbank flooded min. once per year)

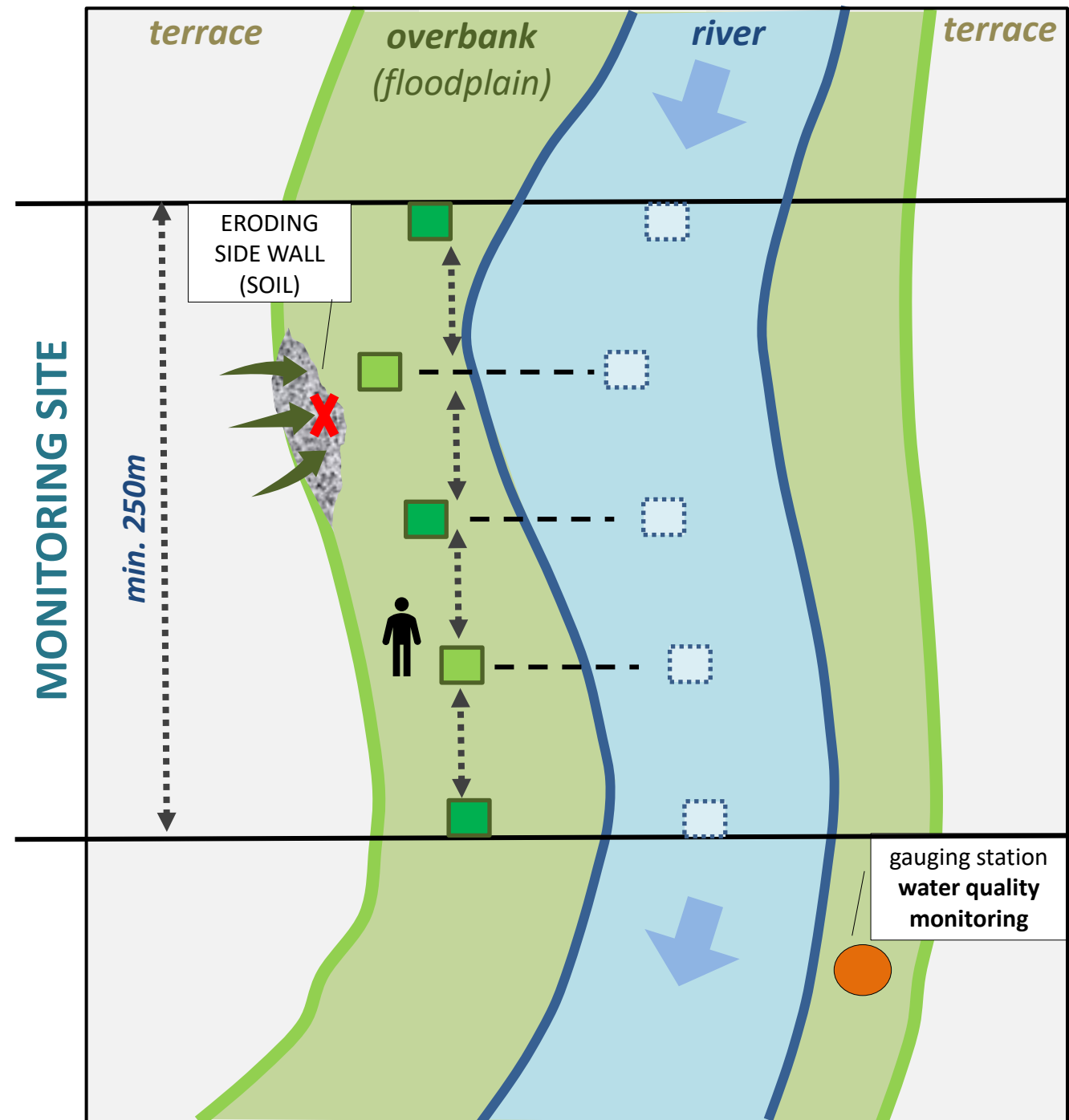
#### 4. AVOID EDGE EFFECTS (local side wall erosion onto overbank)

### VERTICAL DESIGN

#### 1. TOP 0-5 CM

#### 2. BOTTOM 40-50 CM

#### 3. AVOID SURFACE PLANTS



## 2.3 OVERBANK SEDIMENT

### SAMPLING METHOD

#### 1. SPADE SYSTEM

- *Precise depth control*
- *Very good representativity & reproducibility*
- *Very slow*



**VIDEO: SIMONA\_Overbank\_SPADE.mp4**

### SAMPLING METHOD OPTIONS

1. YOU CAN COLLECT **ADDITIONAL** SAMPLES WITH ANY OTHER METHOD (SAMPLING SYSTEM) OR AT OTHER DEPTH (e.g. 0-25CM)

2. **AVOID AUGER / CORER SYSTEMS**

### SAMPLE QUANTITY

1. 1 kg (0-5cm) (*top up 0.7L glass jar*)
2. 1 kg (40-50cm) (*top up 0.7L glass jar*)



# LARGE RIVER

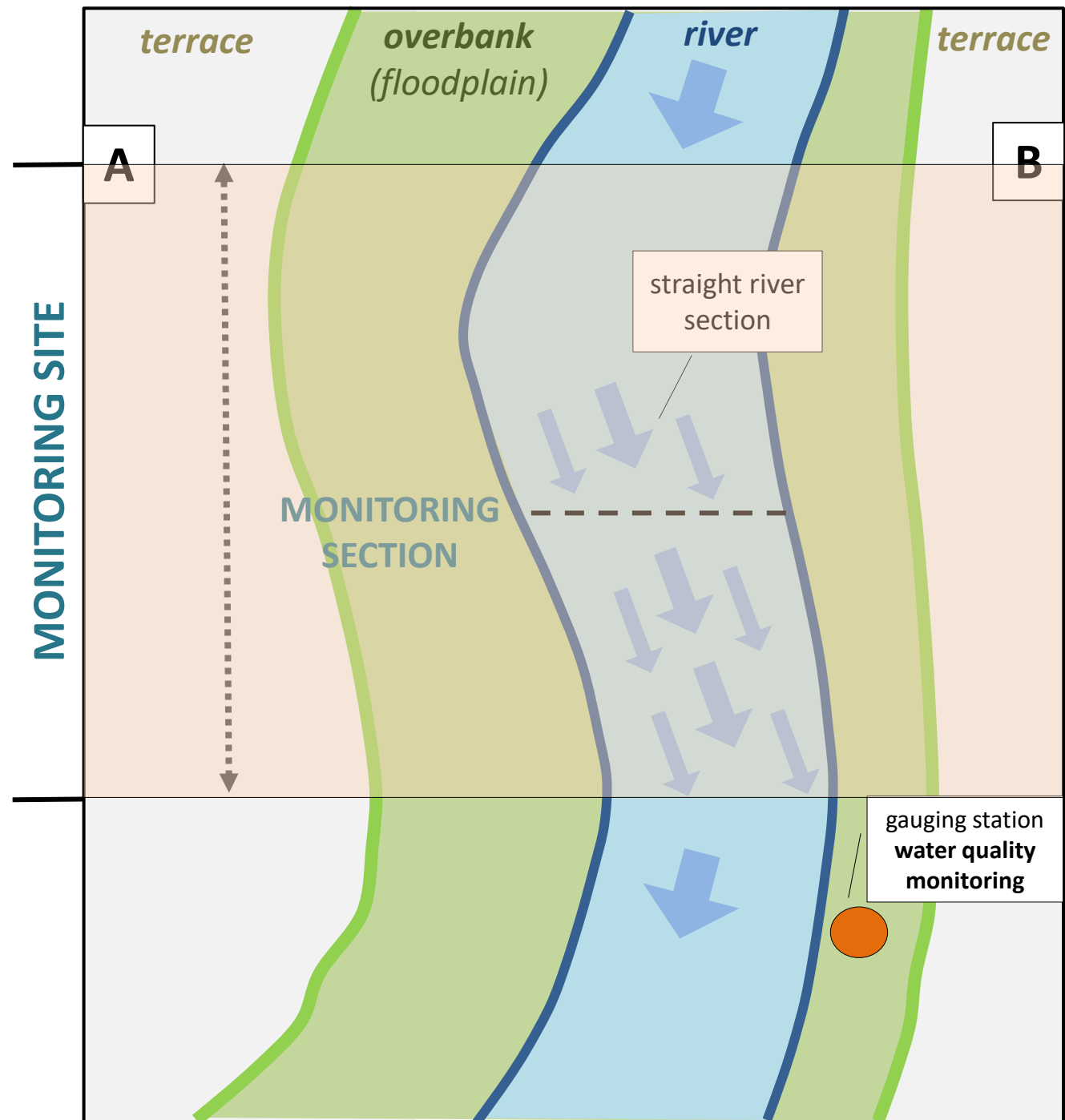
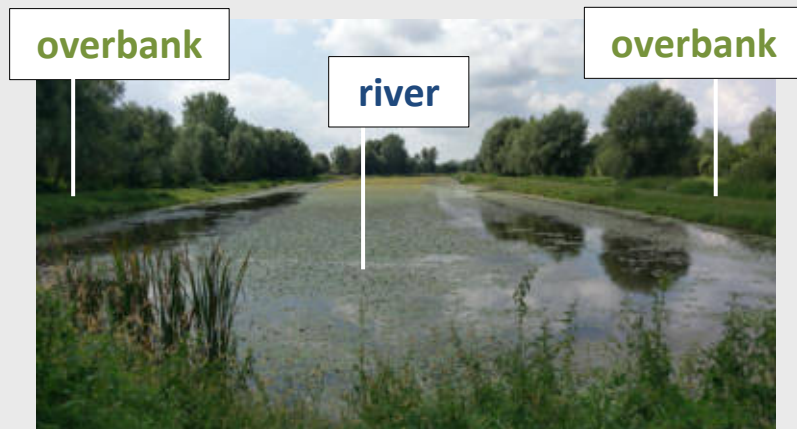
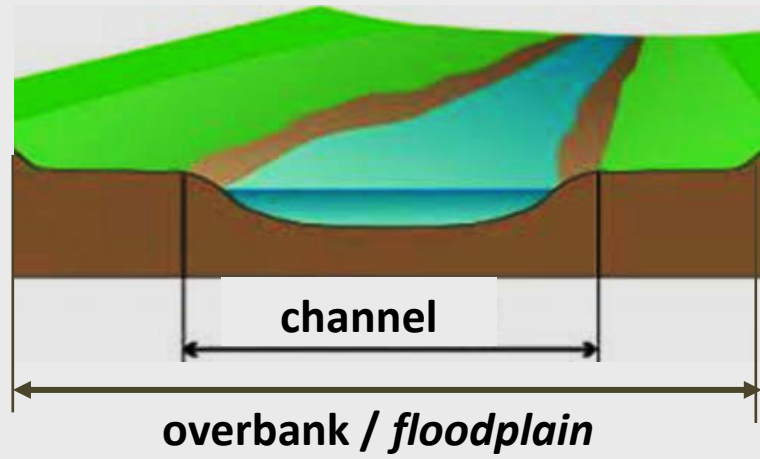
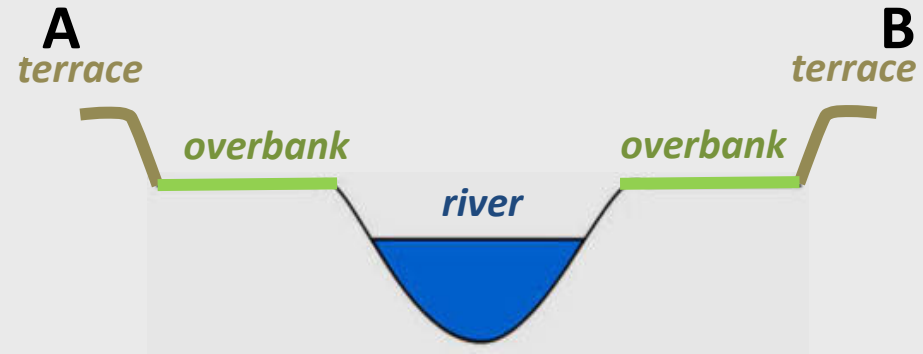
*(sampling from boat)*



# 1. MONITORING SITE LOCATION

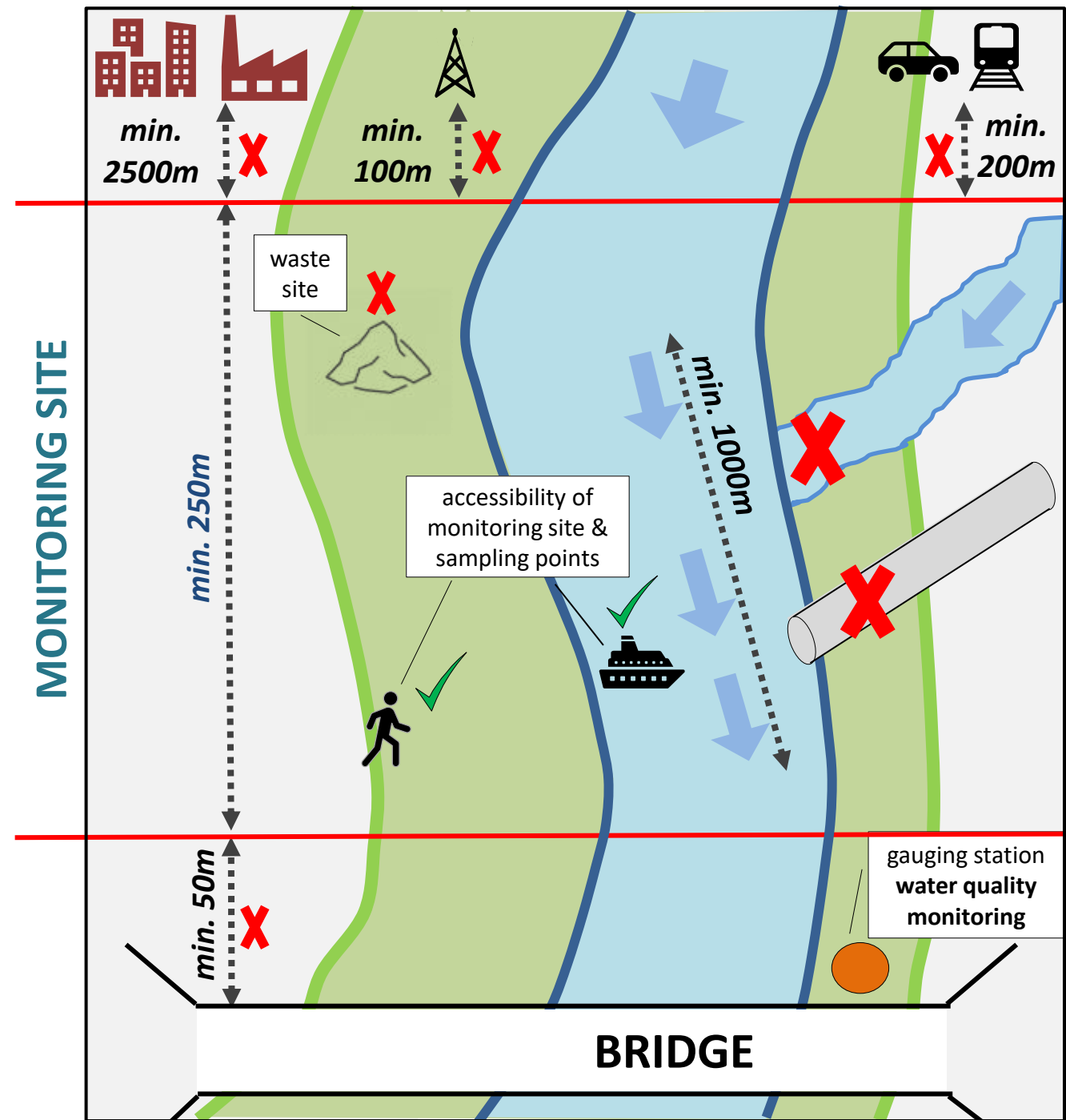


# 1. MONITORING SITE LOCATION



# 1. MONITORING SITE LOCATION

1. AT NATIONAL WATER QUALITY MONITORING POINT  
(preferably upstream)
2. MIN. 250M LONG
3. STRAIGHT RIVER SECTION (min. 1000m)
4. BOTTOM SEDIMENT, SUSPENDED SEDIMENT, OVBANK SEDIMENT SAMPLING POSSIBLE (availability, accessibility)
5. AVOID TRIBUTARY CONFLUENCE
6. AVOID KNOWN CONTAMINATED SITE
7. AVOID LOCAL CONTAMINATION SOURCE
  - Discharge channel or pipe
  - Waste site
  - Industry or power plant (min. distance 2500m)
  - Railway lines & major roads (min. distance 200m)
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  - Other sources
7. UNIFORM HYDROMORPHOLOGY





## 2. SAMPLING POINT LOCATION

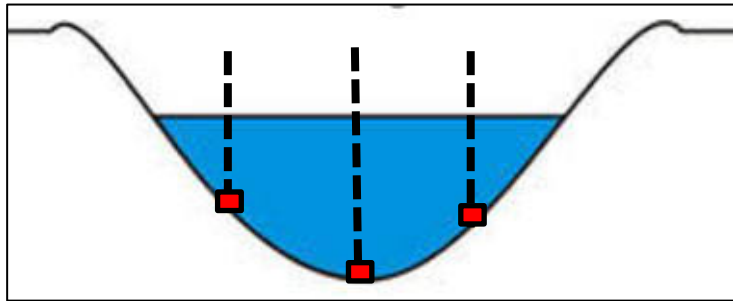




# 2.1 BOTTOM SEDIMENT

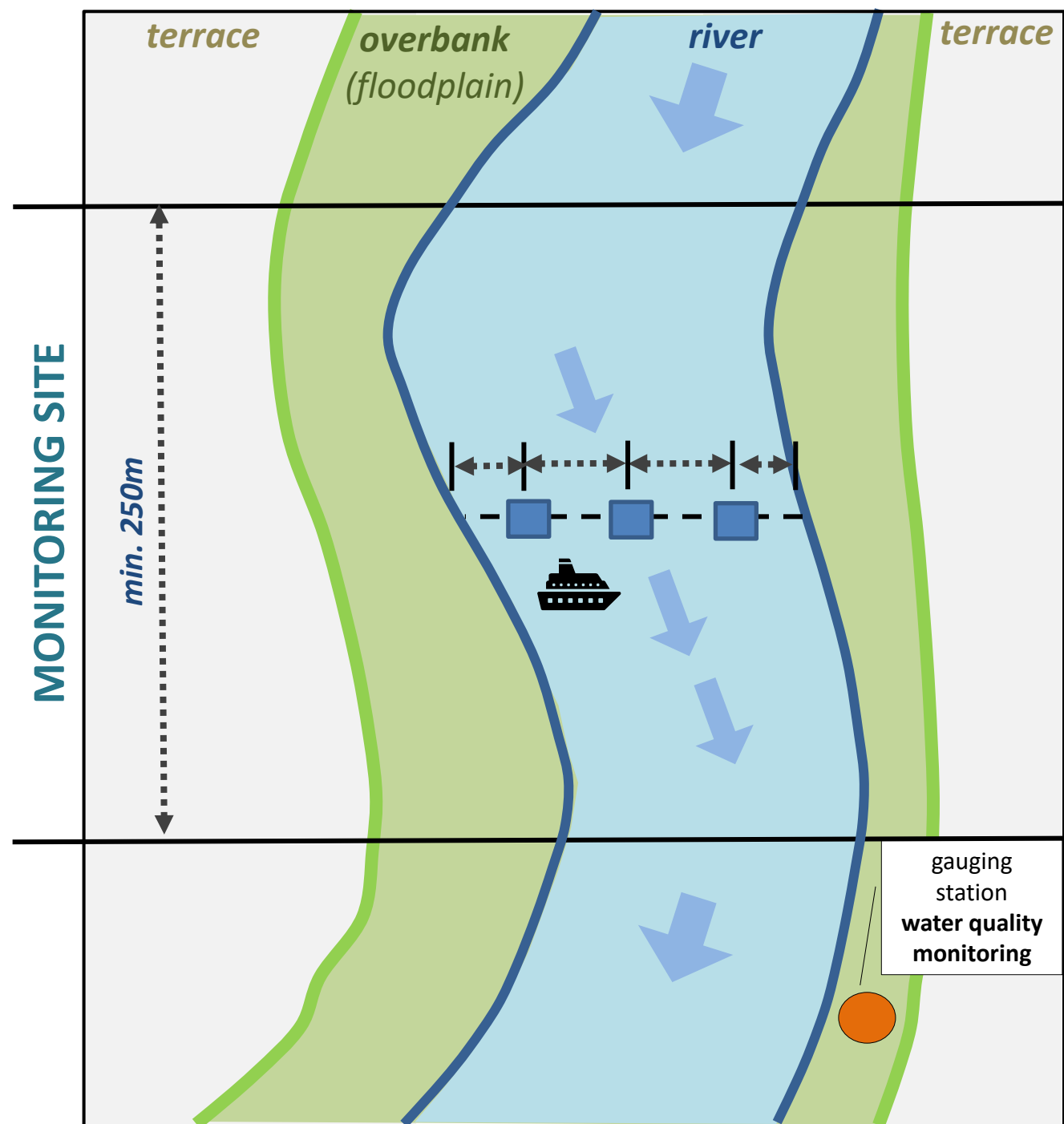
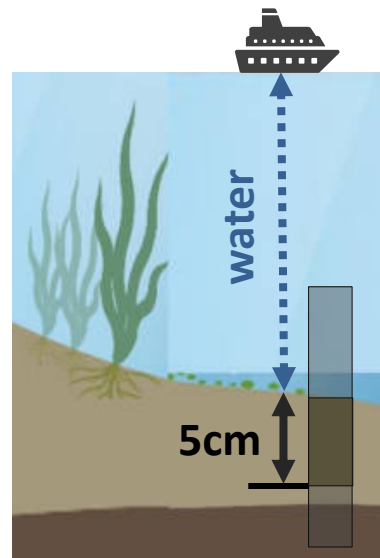
## HORIZONTAL DESIGN

1. 3 SAMPLING POINTS AT LEAST  
  - Composite sample: 3 sub-samples at least
2. SAMPLING TRANSECT IN STRAIGHT RIVER SECTION
3. **AVOID RIVER BENDS**
4. SAMPLING POINTS EQUIDISTANT
5. SAMPLING POINTS IN MAIN STREAM LINE (*active river flow*)



## VERTICAL DESIGN

1. TOP 0-5 CM



# 2.1 BOTTOM SEDIMENT

## SAMPLING METHOD

### 1. CORER SYSTEM *(vacuum or other type)*

- + *Precise depth control*
- + *Very good representativity & reproducibility*
- *Requires specific tool & safety*

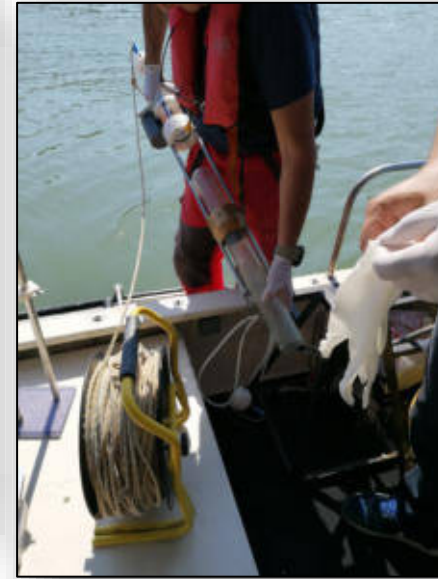
### 2. SCOOP SYSTEM *(manually along river bank)*

- *Limited depth control*
- + *Requires expertise & experience: good representativity & reproducibility*
- *Requires no specific tool & safety*
- + *Fast*

## SAMPLING METHOD OPTIONS

1. YOU CAN COLLECT **ADDITIONAL** SAMPLES WITH ANY OTHER METHOD (SAMPLING SYSTEM)

2. **AVOID GRAB SYSTEMS**





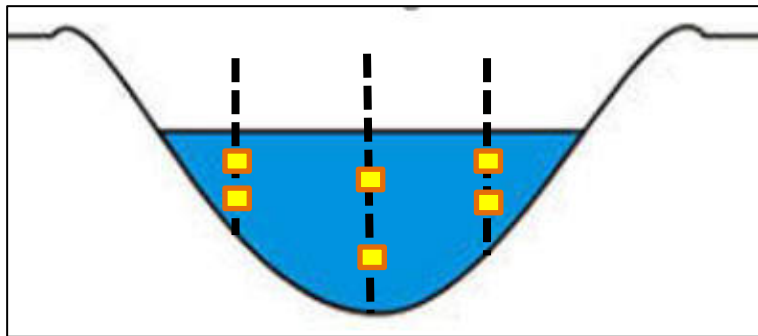
## SAMPLE QUANTITY

1 kg *(top up 0.7L glass jar)*

# 2.2 SUSPENDED SEDIMENT

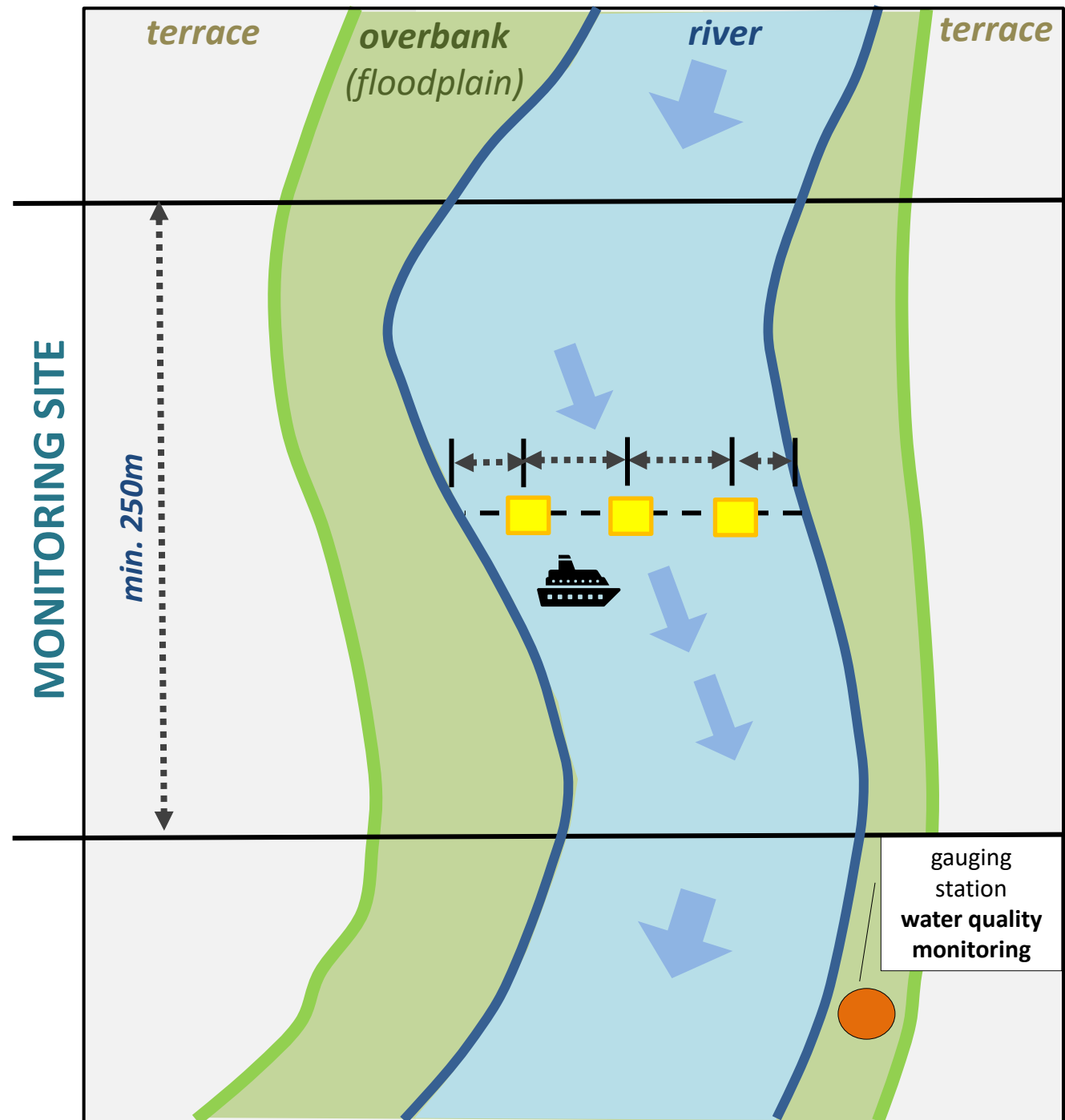
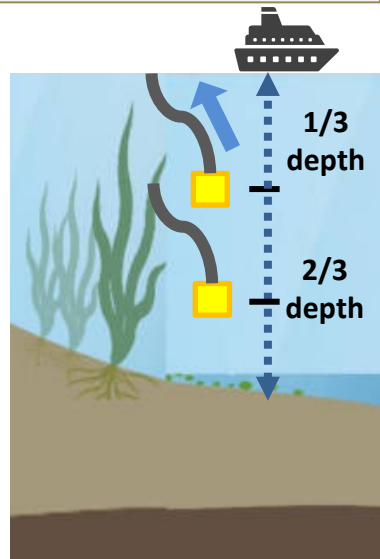
## HORIZONTAL DESIGN

1. 3 SAMPLING POINTS AT LEAST  
2. 2 DIFFERENT DEPTHS AT LEAST AT EACH POINT
  - Composite sample: 6 sub-samples at least
2. SAMPLING TRANSECT IN STRAIGHT RIVER SECTION
3. **AVOID RIVER BENDS**
4. SAMPLING POINTS EQUIDISTANT
5. SAMPLING POINTS IN MAIN STREAM LINE (*active river flow*)



## VERTICAL DESIGN

1. AT TOP 1/3 & 2/3 OF WATER DEPTH



## 2.2 SUSPENDED SEDIMENT

### SAMPLING METHOD

1. BARREL SYSTEM

### SAMPLING METHOD OPTIONS

1. YOU CAN COLLECT **ADDITIONAL** SAMPLES WITH ANY OTHER METHOD (SAMPLING SYSTEM)
2. **AVOID PASSIVE SYSTEMS (TIME INTEGRATED; EG. SEDIMENT BOX)**

### SAMPLE QUANTITY

1. 10L or 30L (*in plastic tank, barrel*)



## 2.3 OVERBANK SEDIMENT

### HORIZONTAL DESIGN

#### 1. 5 SAMPLING POINTS

- Composite sample: 5 sub-samples (always at least 3)

#### 2. SAMPLING POINTS EQUIDISTANT

#### 3. SAMPLING POINTS ON ACTIVE OVERBANK

(overbank flooded min. once per year)

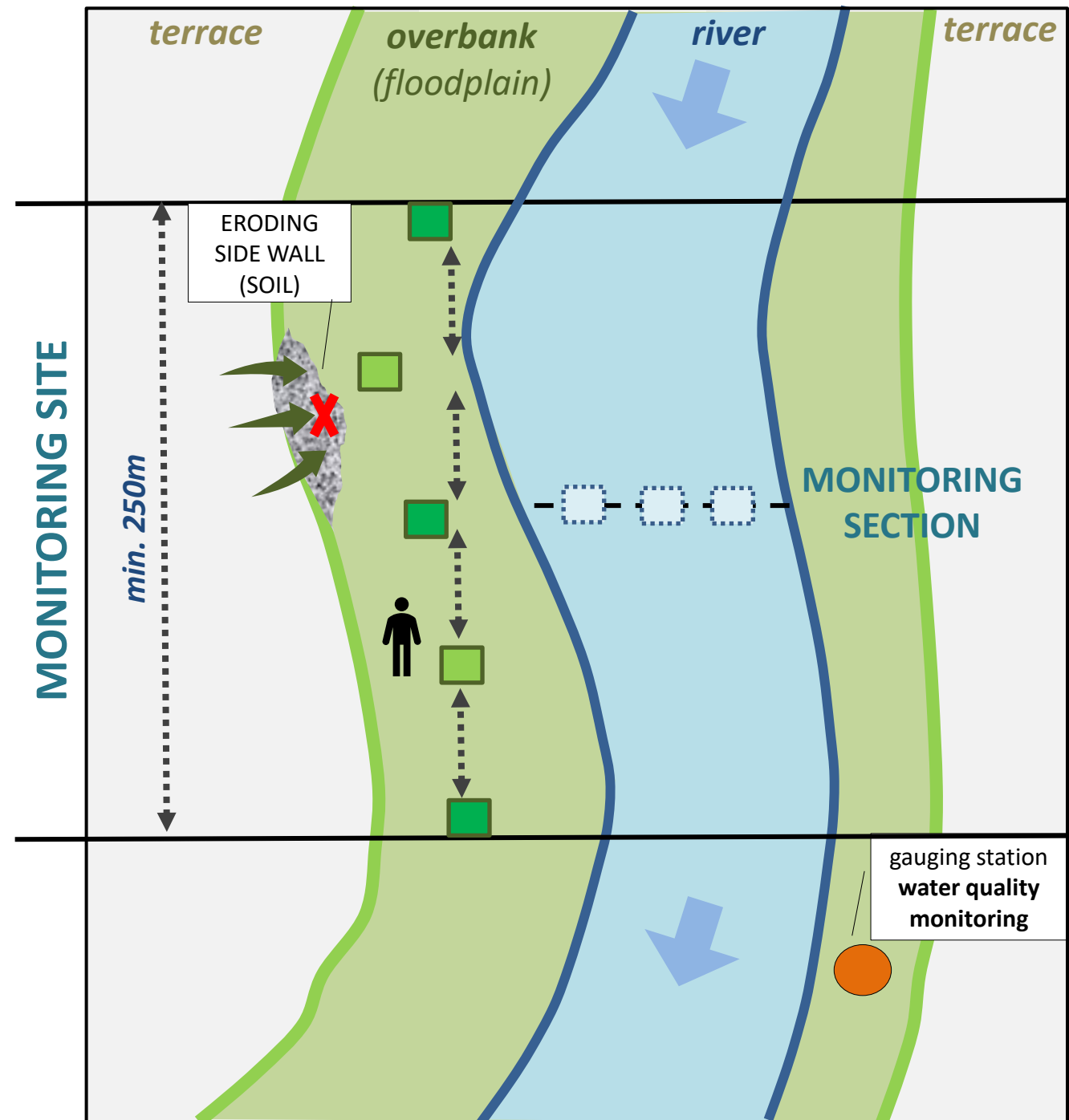
#### 4. AVOID EDGE EFFECTS (local side wall erosion onto overbank)

### VERTICAL DESIGN

#### 1. TOP 0-5 CM

#### 2. BOTTOM 40-50 CM

#### 3. AVOID SURFACE PLANTS





## 2.3 OVERBANK SEDIMENT

### SAMPLING METHOD

#### 1. SPADE SYSTEM

- + *Precise depth control*
- + *Very good representativity & reproducibility*
- *Very slow*



**VIDEO: SIMONA\_Overbank\_SPADE.mp4**

### SAMPLING METHOD OPTIONS

1. YOU CAN COLLECT **ADDITIONAL** SAMPLES WITH ANY OTHER METHOD (SAMPLING SYSTEM)
2. **AVOID AUGER / CORER SYSTEMS**

### SAMPLE QUANTITY

1. 1 kg (0-5cm) (*top up 0.7L glass jar*)
2. 1 kg (40-50cm) (*top up 0.7L glass jar*)

# PROBE MEASUREMENTS

*(water and sediment)*



# 1 PROBES – WATER

## HORIZONTAL DESIGN

### 1. ONE SAMPLING POINT

- Composite sample: flowing river water is natural composite

### 2. SAMPLING POINT LOCATION:

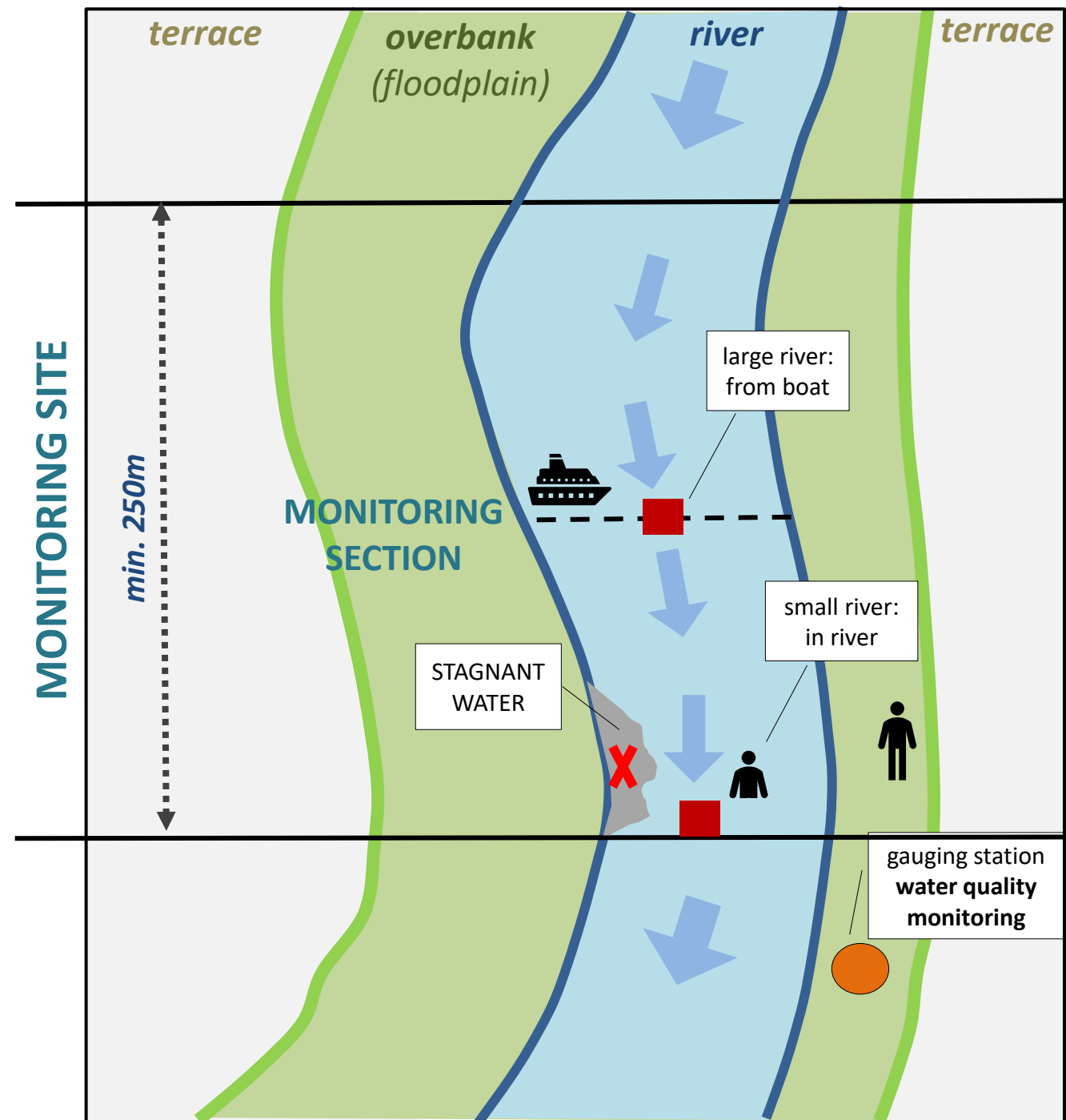
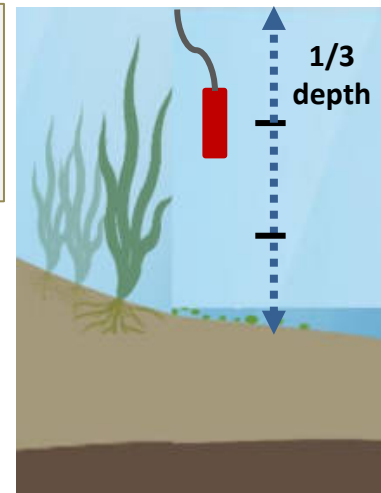
- Small river: at downstream end of monitoring site
- Large river: at centre of monitoring section

### 2. SAMPLING POINT IN MAIN STREAM LINE (active river flow)

### 3. AVOID STAGNANT (NON-ACTIVE) WATER

## VERTICAL DESIGN

### 1. AT TOP 1/3 OF WATER DEPTH



# 1 PROBES – WATER

## SAMPLING METHOD

### 1. WATER PROBE SYSTEM

- Insert probes (T, EC, pH, DO, Redox) into water & take measurements



**VIDEO: [SIMONA\\_Measure\\_PROBES\\_water\\_01\\_depth.mp4](#)**

## SAMPLING METHOD OPTIONS

1. YOU CAN COLLECT **ADDITIONAL** SAMPLES WITH ANY OTHER METHOD (SAMPLING SYSTEM)
2. **AVOID AUGER / CORER SYSTEMS**
3. **ADDITIONAL PROBE MEASUREMENTS ALONG THE MONITORING SITE OR ACROSS THE MONITORING SECTION** (to gain information about heterogeneity such as groundwater inflow)

# 2 PROBES – SEDIMENT

## HORIZONTAL DESIGN

### 1. ONE SAMPLING POINT

- Composite sample: flowing river water is natural composite

### 2. SAMPLING POINT LOCATION:

- Small river: at downstream end of monitoring site
- Large river: at centre of monitoring section

### 2. SAMPLING POINT IN MAIN STREAM LINE (active river flow)

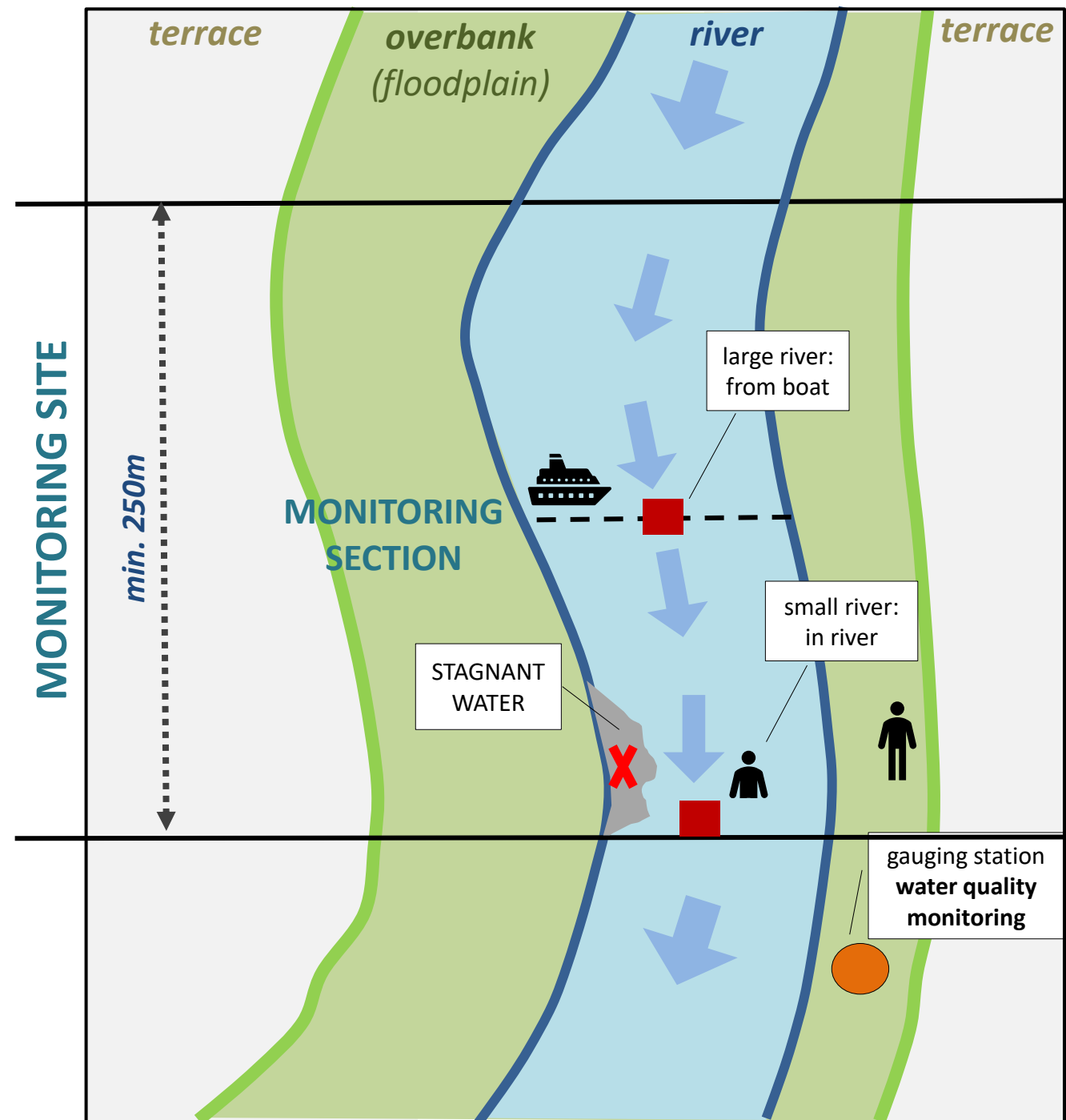
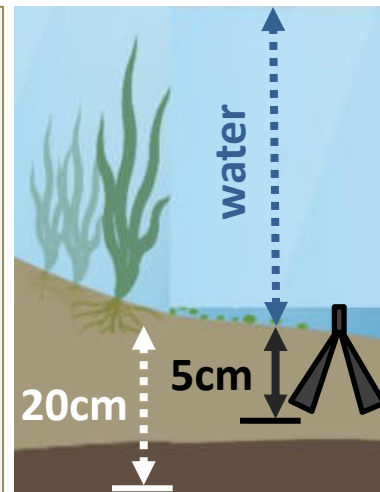
### 3. AVOID STAGNANT (NON-ACTIVE) WATER

## VERTICAL DESIGN

### 1. TOP 5-10-20CM

### 2. AVOID PLANTS & PLANT REMNANTS

### 3. SAMPLED SEDIMENT IN CONTACT WITH (UNDER) RIVER WATER



# 2 PROBES – SEDIMENT

## SAMPLING METHOD

### 1. GRAB SYSTEM

- *Grab upper 5-10-20cm bottom sediment*
- *Insert probes (T, EC, pH, DO, Redox) into top 5 cm of sediment in the grab sampler and take measurements*



PROBES - SEDIMENT



**VIDEO: [SIMONA\\_Measure\\_PROBES\\_sediment.mp4](#)**



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### BOTTOM SEDIMENT

*Vacuum corer system*

*Gyozo Jordan and Franko Humer*

**SEE THE VIDEO: [SIMONA\\_BottomSediment\\_VACUUM\\_depth.mp4](#)**



# BOTTOM SEDIMENT

*vacuum corer system*

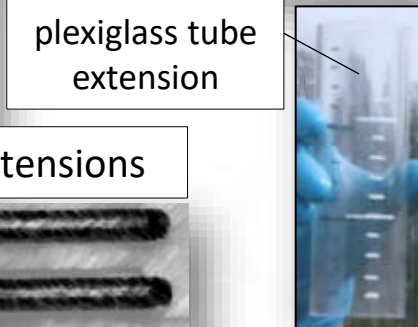
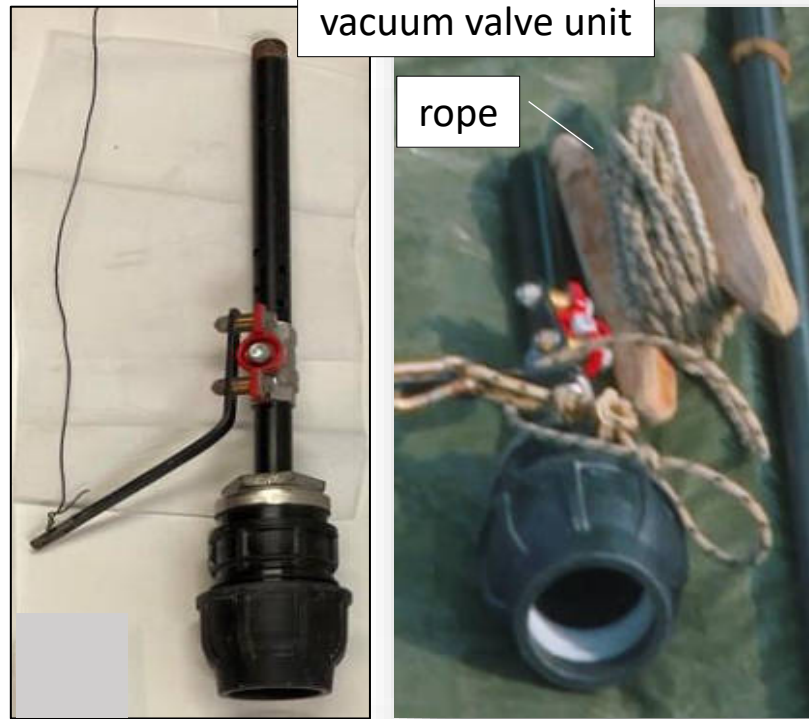


# EQUIPMENT – SAMPLING

## CHECKLIST:



- **VACUUM VALVE UNIT**
- **PLEXIGLASS TUBE** (*2 min. 50cm; disposable*)
- **CAPS FOR PLEXIGLASS TUBE**
- **IRON STICKS** (*extensions for vacuum corer*)
- **PISTON** (*for pushing out sample from plexiglass tube*)
- **PISTON HOLDING UNIT**
- **ROPE** (*for closing valve under water*)
- **SMALL MARKED PLEXIGLASS TUBE** (*15cm; disposable*)
- **SAMPLE CONTAINER** (*min. 0.7L glass jar*)



# EQUIPMENT – TOOLS

## CHECKLIST:



- **LOCATION MEASURE: GPS**
- **DISTANCE MEASURE** (*laser & light reflecting target OR tape measure*)
- **WATER DEPTH MEASURE** (*scaled expandable stick*)
- **DIGITAL CAMERA**
- **FIELD SHEET IN WATER PROOF FOLDER**
- **PEN, MARKER PEN**
- **DIGITAL CAMERA** (*batteries*)
- **STICK-ON LABEL**
- **PERMANENT PEN: BLACK**
- **GLOVES** (*disposable, powder free*)
- **2 TRAINED PERSONNEL**

## CONTROL QUESTIONS:

- **DO THE DEVICES OPERATE?** (*GPS, laser, camera, pump*)
- **ARE THE BATTERIES CHARGED?**
- **ARE THE TOOLS & EQUIPMENT IN GOOD CONDITION?** (*damaged or broken tools, etc.*)
- **ARE THE TOOLS & EQUIPMENT CLEAN?** (*sample container, pump, pipe, beaker*)
- **IS IT SAFE TO COLLECT SAMPLE?** (*safety gear, health & readiness, weather, site conditions*)

**DO NOT START SAMPLING UNLESS ALL ANSWERS ARE 'YES'.**



## PHASE 1: PREPARE FOR SAMPLING



## PHASE 2: GETTING READY FOR SAMPLING



## PHASE 3: SAMPLE COLLECTION



## PHASE 4: CLOSING SAMPLING

# PHASE 1: PREPARE FOR SAMPLING 1/3

## 1. SET UP THE SAMPLING STATION AT SAMPLING POINT:

- lay canvas on ground, place equipment on it

## DOCUMENTATION

## 2. TAKE THE GPS COORDINATES OF SAMPLING POINT

(WGS84)

## 3. COMPLETE FIELD SHEET:

- site ID, sampling point GPS coordinates, sample ID, date, etc.

## 4. PUT SAMPLE ID & DATE ON CONTAINER:

- 1. stick-on label and 2. sample container (glass jar)

- stick label on container (glass jar)

## 5. TAKE PHOTO-1 ON SAMPLE ID (sample container or field sheet)



1. SAMPLING STATION



2. GPS



5. PHOTO-1 LABEL



3. FIELD SHEET



4. SAMPLE LABELLING



# PHASE 1: PREPARE FOR SAMPLING 2/3

## 6. SET UP THE SAMPLING EQUIPMENT:

- *join plexiglass tube to vacuum valve unit*
- *fix extention to sampling unit*
- *open valve*

join plexiglass tube to vacuum valve unit



### TYPICAL MISTAKES:

Tube is not fixed air-tight to the vacuum valve unit, so vacuum cannot develop in tube during sampling.

fix extention to sampling unit



# PHASE 1: PREPARE FOR SAMPLING 3/3

## DOCUMENTATION

### 1. MEASURE DISTANCE BETWEEN RIVER BANK & SAMPLING POINT

- with laser & light reflecting target OR tape measure;  $\pm 5$  cm accuracy

### 2. MEASURE WATER DEPTH

- scaled stick;  $\pm 5$  cm accuracy

### 3. WRITE MEASUREMENT RESULTS IN FIELD SHEET

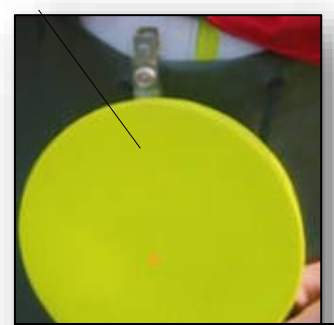
water depth measurement

distance measurement



light reflecting target

laser distance measure



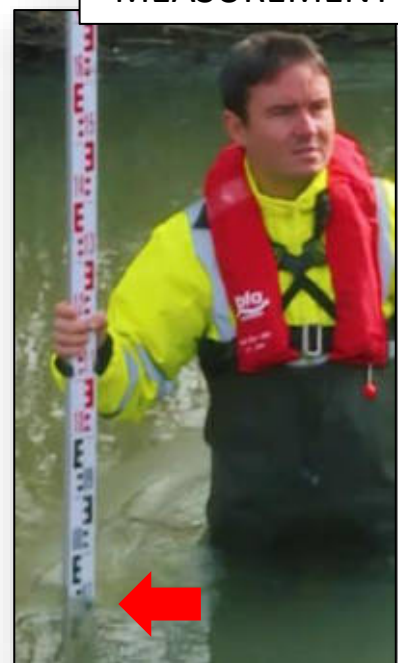
1. DISTANCE MEASUREMENT

tape distance measure



1. DISTANCE MEASUREMENT

2. WATER DEPTH MEASUREMENT



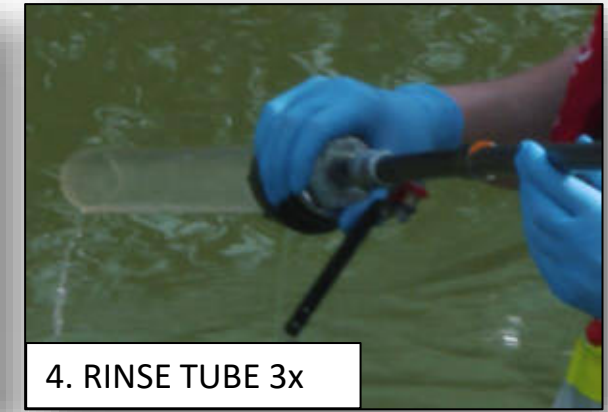
3. FIELD SHEET

# PHASE 2: GETTING READY FOR SAMPLING

1. **SAMPLERS: PUT ON GLOVES** (*powder free*)
2. **SAMPLER 1: WALK INTO THE WATER** to the **sampling point** (active flowing streamline) with the vacuum corer.
3. **SAMPLER 2:** Hold the rope fixed to the ball valve from the river bank.
4. **SAMPLER 1:** Equilibrate the sampling equipment (plexiglass tube) with the stream water by rinsing 3 times.

## TYPICAL MISTAKES:

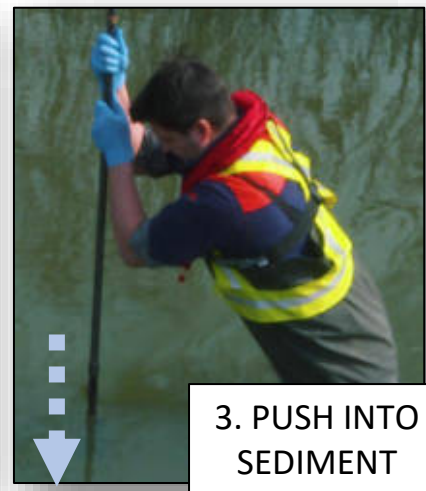
1. Sampler in water disturbs up bottom sediment while approaching the sampling point.
2. Sampling system is not thoroughly equilibrated with the stream water by **rinsing**.
3. Valve is closed.





# PHASE 3: SAMPLE COLLECTION 1/5

1. **SAMPLER 1:** Signal 'SAMPLING STARTS!'
2. **SAMPLER 1:** Sink the corer gently under water (valve open) until hitting the bottom sediment mildly (*not to disturb uppermost layer*)
3. **SAMPLER 1:** Push the corer into sediment
4. **SAMPLER 1:** Close the valve (*develop vacuum*)
5. **SAMPLER 1:** Raise corer with sample in the tube above water and close the bottom of the tube with your hand before the corer is taken out of the water.



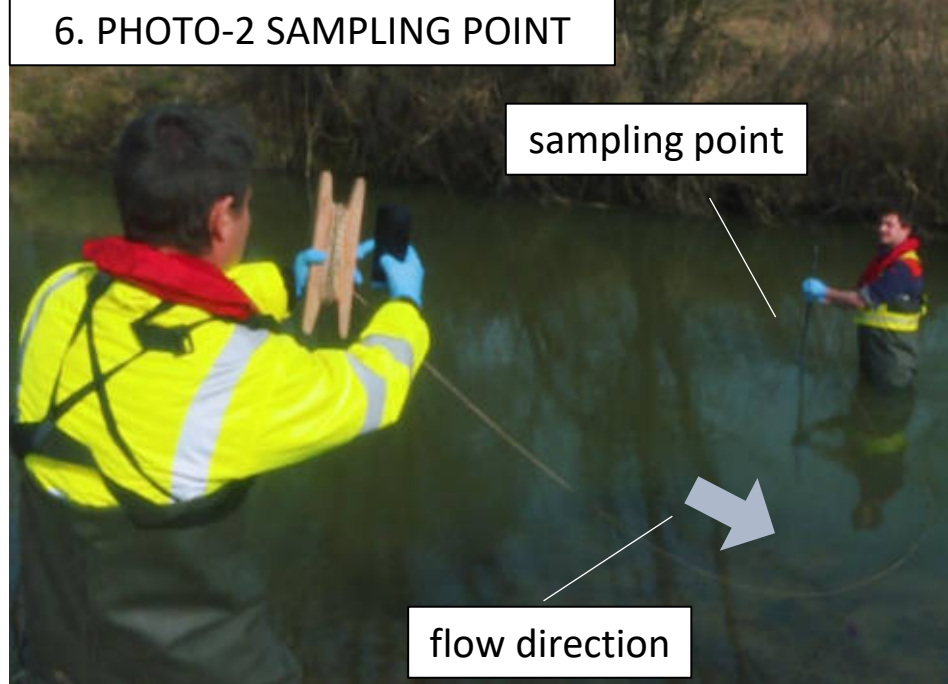
## TYPICAL MISTAKES:

1. Sampler in water disturbs bottom sediment during sampling.
2. Vacuum is not tight, so sediment is lost from tube under water while raising the corer.

# PHASE 3: SAMPLE COLLECTION 2/5

## 6-10. SAMPLER 2: Take photos:

- **PHOTO-2:** sampling point (*sample collection conditions*)
- **PHOTO-3,4,5,6:** landscape photos upstream, downstream, right bank, left bank.



7. PHOTO-3  
UPSTREAM



8. PHOTO-4  
DOWNSTREAM



9. PHOTO-5  
RIGHT BANK



10. PHOTO-6  
LEFT BANK



# PHASE 3: SAMPLE COLLECTION 3/5

- 11. SAMPLER 1:** Walk out from water, bringing core sample to the sampling station on the river bank.
- 12. OPEN VALVE (release vacuum), RELEASE COLLAR**
- 13. REMOVE VALVE UNIT FROM PLEXIGLASS TUBE, KEEP TUBE UPRIGHT**

11. BRING CORE SAMPLE TO GROUND



12. OPEN VALVE



13. SEPARATE VALVE UNIT FROM TUBE



## TYPICAL MISTAKES:

1. SAMPLER 1 does not hold plexiglass tube firm enough, so core drops to the ground and sample is lost.
2. SAMPLER 1 does not close the bottom of the tube firm enough, so sample is sliding out and lost downwards.



# PHASE 3: SAMPLE COLLECTION 4/5

14. INSERT PUSH-OUT PISTON INTO PISTON HOLDING UNIT

15. INSERT PUSH-OUT FROM THE BOTTOM OF PLEXIGLASS TUBE

16. PUSH TUBE DOWNWARDS (*piston pushes the sample upwards*) UNTIL ALL WATER ABOVE THE SEDIMENT TOP IS LOST FROM TUBE



15. PISTON INTO TUBE



piston in piston holding unit

14. INSERT PISTON INTO PISTON HOLDING UNIT



16. PUSH TUBE DOWN, LOSE WATER FROM TUBE



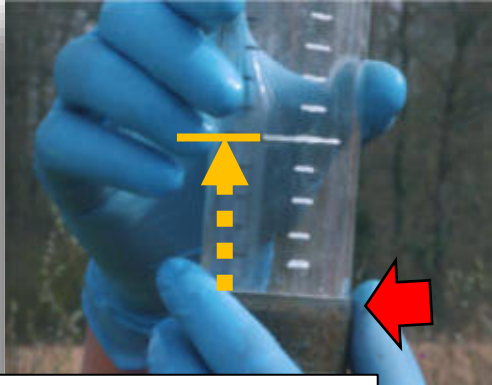
## TYPICAL MISTAKES:

Tube is pushed too fast, so top of sediment core sample is pushed out and lost.

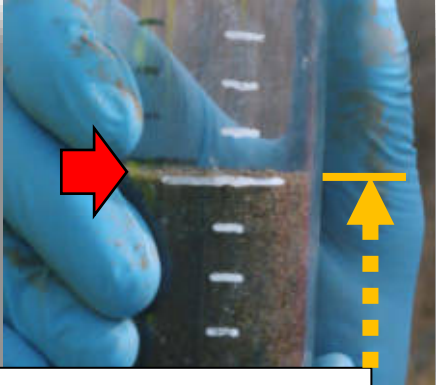
# PHASE 3: SAMPLE COLLECTION 5/5

- 17. FIT SMALL PLEXIGLASS EXTENSION TUBE (*cm markers*) TIGHT TO THE UPPER OPENING OF THE SAMPLE TUBE
- 18. PUSH CORE SAMPLE UPWARD INTO SMALL TUBE UNTIL MARKER (*uppermost 5cm*) (*use hammer if needed; put protecting cap on small tube*)
- 19. MOVE SAMPLE FROM SMALL TUBE INTO SAMPLE CONTAINER (*glass jar*)
- 20. CLOSE SAMPLE CONTAINER
- 21. SAMPLER 1: Signal 'SAMPLING COMPLETED!'

19. MOVE SAMPLE INTO JAR



17. FIT SMALL TUBE



18. SAMPLE INTO SMALL TUBE



20. CLOSE JAR

## PHASE 3: SAMPLE COLLECTION 5/5

### ALTERNATIVE:

19. USE SPACKLING KNIFE TO MOVE SAMPLE IN SMALL TUBE INTO SAMPLE CONTAINER (*glass jar*) (*in case of loose, moddy sediment to avoid loss of sample*)



14. SAMPLE INTO JAR  
USING SPACKLING KNIFE  
AT SMALL TUBE BOTTOM





# PHASE 4: CLOSING SAMPLING

1. PUT THE SAMPLE INTO COOL BOX (2-8 C°)
2. DISPOSE DISPOSABLE SAMPLING UNIT:
  - Dispose disposable plexiglass core tube
  - Dispose small extension plexiglass tube
3. PUT EQUIPMENT & TOOLS INTO BOX
4. PUT COOL BOX, EQUIPMENT & TOOLS INTO TRANSPORT VEHICLE
5. SECURE THE GLASS CONTAINERS AGAINST BREAKING DURING TRANSPORT.

## DOCUMENTATION

6. COMPLETE & CHECK FIELD SHEET DOCUMENTATION
7. CHECK PHOTO DOCUMENTATION

## TYPICAL MISTAKES:

1. Field documentation is incomplete, not checked and corrected.
2. Glass containers break during transport due to insufficient securing.



# EXAMPLES FOR BOTTOM SEDIMENT COLLECTION

## VACUUM CORER SYSTEM



Figure 36. Pushing out the top 5 cm of bottom sediment with vacuum core system



Figure 3.6. Loading jar with bottom sediment from the vacuum core system



Figure 5.3. Loading jar with bottom layer sediment from the vacuum core system



Figure 1.7. Loading a jar with bottom layer of the bottom sediment from the vacuum core system



Figure 2.6. Loading jar with bottom sediment from the vacuum core system



# BEHIND THE SCENE



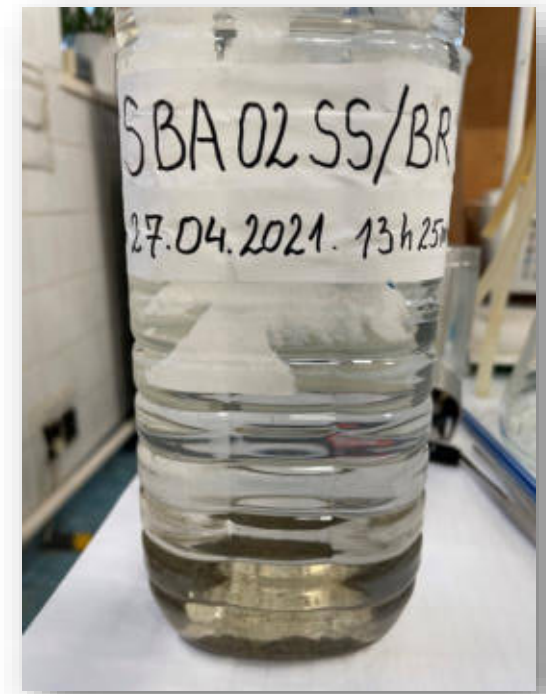


# SAMPLE TRANSPORT





# SAMPLE CONTAINERS





# SIMONA IT Tool

2<sup>nd</sup> Training event, 28 June 2021  
Bese Pál, Geonardo

## About Geonardo?



- Founded in 1999, Geonardo is an innovation and technology company active in the energy, environment and sustainable development fields.
- It's a Budapest-based SME with a strong focus on environment and innovation. We aim to solve complex societal challenges by providing cutting-edge solutions.
- In the context of EU R&D projects providing IT solutions is one of our key activities.



## About the IT tool



- Field observation phase
- Laboratory analysis phase
- Monitoring phase
- Reporting phase

## User roles



- Administrators
- Assistants
- Region managers
- National contacts
- Researchers
- Members
- Visitors

## User stories



- Browsing publicly available data
- Monitoring site observations
- Submitting sediment sample data
- Upload laboratory results
- Data analysis
- Exporting WISE compatible reports



## Browsing publicly available data

- Geolocation service for navigating by address
- Searchable database of registered monitoring sites
- Features on the map are associated to a popup

The screenshot shows the Interreg website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Interreg logo and links for Home, About, User Guide, and 40. Below the navigation bar, there is a search bar labeled "Search for an address" and a "Layers" dropdown menu. The main content area features a map of Hungary with numerous blue dots representing monitoring sites. A popup window is open over a site in TORKOLAINAL, displaying its Thematic ID (HU100089171) and Local ID (HU100089171), along with "DETAILS" and "REPORT" buttons. Below the map, there is a "Country" dropdown menu set to "All countries" and a "Sync" button. At the bottom, a table displays a list of monitoring sites with columns for Country, Name, JUPROE ID, and Thematic ID.

Country	Name	JUPROE ID	Thematic ID
AT	ACHAU, BR	300012	AT300012
AT	SCHWECHAT, BL 369	300020	AT300020
AT	BREITENAU, BR HAUS-NE 184	300103	AT300103



## Monitoring site details

- On-site field observation
- Site identification supported by the GIS database
- Min/avg/max inputs for observed parameters

The screenshot shows a web application interface for monitoring site details. The title bar reads "Interreg" and "Site Observation". The main content area is divided into sections:

- MONITORING SITE IDENTIFICATION**
  - Monitoring Site: TOROLAT FELETT
  - Observation date: 5/9/2021 2:47 PM
  - Downstream end (Longitude), Downstream end (Latitude), Upstream end (Longitude), Upstream end (Latitude): Each has a text input field with a vertical slider.
  - Monitoring site length: Text input field with a vertical slider.
  - Monitoring site altitude: Text input field with a vertical slider.
- MONITORING SITE CHARACTERISATION**
  - Climate zone: Text input field.
  - Temperature (min), Temperature (avg), Temperature (max): Each has a text input field with a vertical slider. The "avg" field contains the value "2.50".
  - Pressure (min), Pressure (avg), Pressure (max): Each has a text input field with a vertical slider. The "min" field contains "2.00" and the "avg" field contains "3.00".
  - Humidity (min), Humidity (avg), Humidity (max): Each has a text input field with a vertical slider.
  - Precipitation (min), Precipitation (avg), Precipitation (max): Each has a text input field with a vertical slider.

On the right side, there is a map showing the location of the site. The bottom of the screen shows a navigation menu with "AT" entries and a list of site IDs: AT300012, AT300020, and AT300103.





## Submitting sediment sample data

- Sediment sampling data linked to a monitoring site
- Measured and estimated values under:
- Weather conditions
- Water conditions
- Sediment conditions

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Observation - HU101845839/7

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Search for an address

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MONITORING SITE IDENTIFICATION

Monitoring Site

SAMPLING IDENTIFICATION

Sampling date  
6/10/2015 6:03 AM

WEATHER CONDITIONS

Air temperature  
 measurement  estimation  
Select an option

Air pressure  
mbar

Humidity  
 measurement  estimation  
Select an option

Precipitation  
 measurement  estimation

WATER CONDITIONS

pH  
7.05

Electric conductivity  
µS/cm

Redox potential  
mV

Dissolved Oxygen  
mg/L

Temperature  
°C

AT  
AT  
AT

AT300012  
AT300020  
AT300103



## Submitting sediment sample data

- Sediment sample data linked to a specific sampling
- Internal sample identification
- Unit of measure conversion
- Arbitrary number of samples

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Sample

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

Code  
HU201845438/755

Analysed matrix  
SS

Duplicate sample

Duplicate sample identifier

SAMPLING DETAILS

Sampling system

Equipment  
Composite sample

Number of sub-samples

Point sample

Distance from river bank  
m

Sample depth  
m

Depth of sediment sample  
cm

SAMPLE DESCRIPTION

Sample volume  
dm<sup>3</sup>

Weight  
g

pH  
7.00

Electric conductivity  
µS/cm

Redox potential  
mV

Temperature  
°C

Texture

Particle size description

Odour

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AT300030  
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SUBMIT CLEAR



## Data analysis

- Status and risk classification
- Uncertainty assessment

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Monitoring Site Details

GENERAL DETAILS SITE OBSERVATIONS SEDIMENT SAMPLINGS LABORATORY RESULTS ASSESSMENT

Start date: 6/2/2007  
End date: 6/2/2021  
Substance: Alachlor  
QS: 2.00

Year	LOD	Unit	Uncertainty	Discussion
2008	1.4	kg m-3	8	high uncertainty
2010	0.9	kg m-3	4	
2010	1.4	kg m-3	8	high uncertainty
2011	1.4	kg m-3	2	
2012	1.4	kg m-3	1	
2014	1.4	kg m-3	1	
2015	1.4	kg m-3	1	

Status	Risk	Uncertainty
good	moderate	1.8

Country: AT  
Name: ACHAL, I

Country	Name	300020	AT300020
AT	SCHWECHAT, BL 369	300020	AT300020
AT	BREITENAU, BR HAUS-NR.184	300103	AT300103

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# Ongoing developments



- Field observation:
  - Uploading attachments to observations (e.g. photos)
- Data analysis:
  - Combined tabular presentation of risk assessment results
  - Visualisation of water quality assessment results on the map
- Reporting
  - WISE water quality report

## Upcoming activities



- Testing phase is starting in July
- User manual
- Contact us at [simona@geonardo.com](mailto:simona@geonardo.com)



28 June 2021

Baseline network sampling and laboratory analyses  
**SIMONA Case Studies RO/BG**  
**Silistra - Calarasi Profile**

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## BASELINE NETWORK SAMPLING STATIONS IN BULGARIA AND ROMANIA



Station Name	River Name	Site Name	WGS Long	WGS Lat	Suspended sediment	Bottom sediment	Floodplain sediment	Responsible for sampling	Comment
BG-01	Danube	Silistra (right bank)	44°7'27.78"N	27°16'0.534"E	yes	yes	Yes, TS and BS	GI-BAS	In collaboration with IGR and INHGA (RO) for the complete Danube section (center and left)
BG-02	Yantra	Karantsi	43°23' 12.98"N	25°40' 5.23"E	yes	yes	Yes, TS and BS	GI-BAS	
RO-01	Danube	Bazias	44°48'49.60"N	21°22'48.76"E	yes	yes	Yes, TS and BS	RO-IGR	Subcontracted to INHGA (RO) for suspended and bottom sediment
RO-02	Danube	Sulina	45°9'30.86"N	29°40'19.45"E	yes	yes	Yes, TS and BS	RO-IGR	Subcontracted to INHGA (RO) for suspended and bottom sediment

## The Bulgarian and Romanian selected BN stations:

- BG-01: 1 transverse profile on Danube at Silistra – Calarasi (Chiciu); TNMN station
- BG-02: 1 sampling point on Yantra at Karantsi; TNMN station
- RO-01: 1 transverse profile on Danube at Bazias; TNMN station
- RO-02: 1 transverse profile on Danube at Sulina; TNMN station



### SEDIMENT SAMPLING

A transverse profile on Danube was agreed for Silistra station at Sofia workshop, October 2019 by BG-GIBAS and RO-IGR.

Three verticals were measured on the Silistra – Calarasi (Chiciu) profile:

- Left (50 m away from the Danube Romanian bank)
- Center (middle of the river)
- Right (50 m away from the Bulgarian bank)

Additional – sampling on the right bank by GI-BAS team.

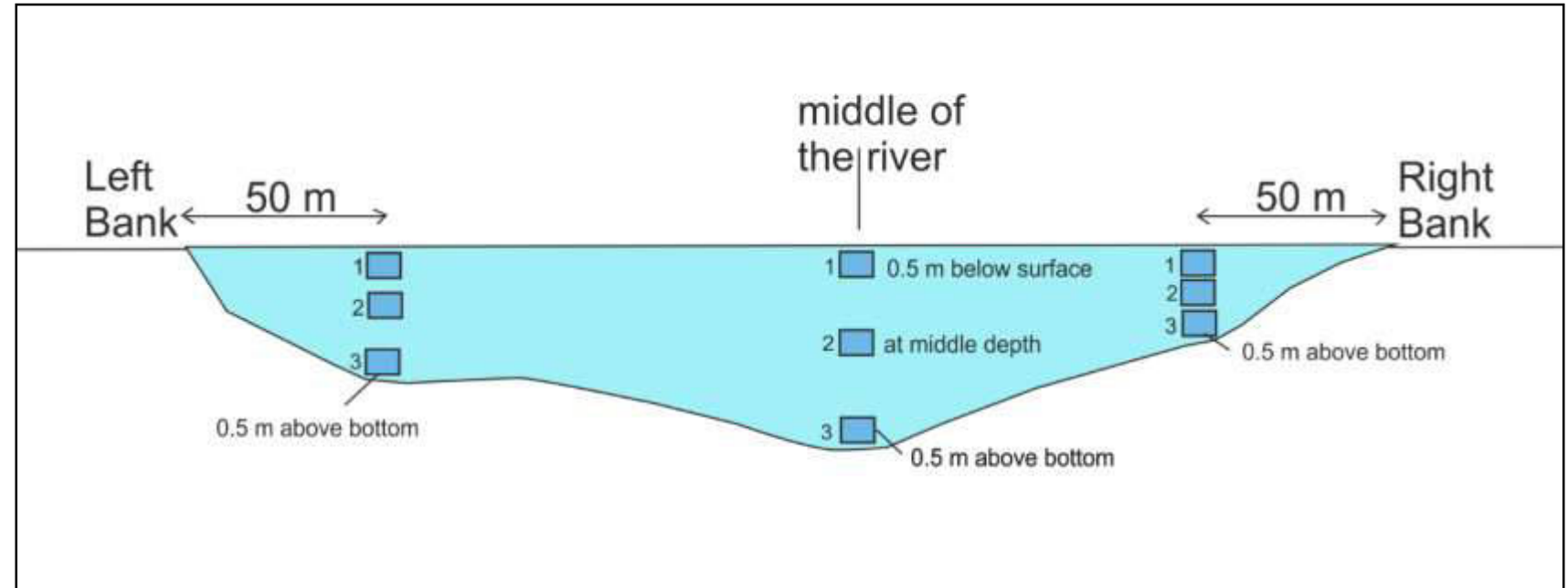


### SEDIMENT SAMPLING

### SUSPENDED SEDIMENTS

Subcontract by public procurement for suspended and bottom sediments sampling in the Danube by the Romanian partner, IGR (Geological Institute of Romania)

Contract won by accredited sampler, the National Institute for Hydrology and Water Management (INHGA)



Three depths for collecting suspended sediments at each vertical (L, C, R):

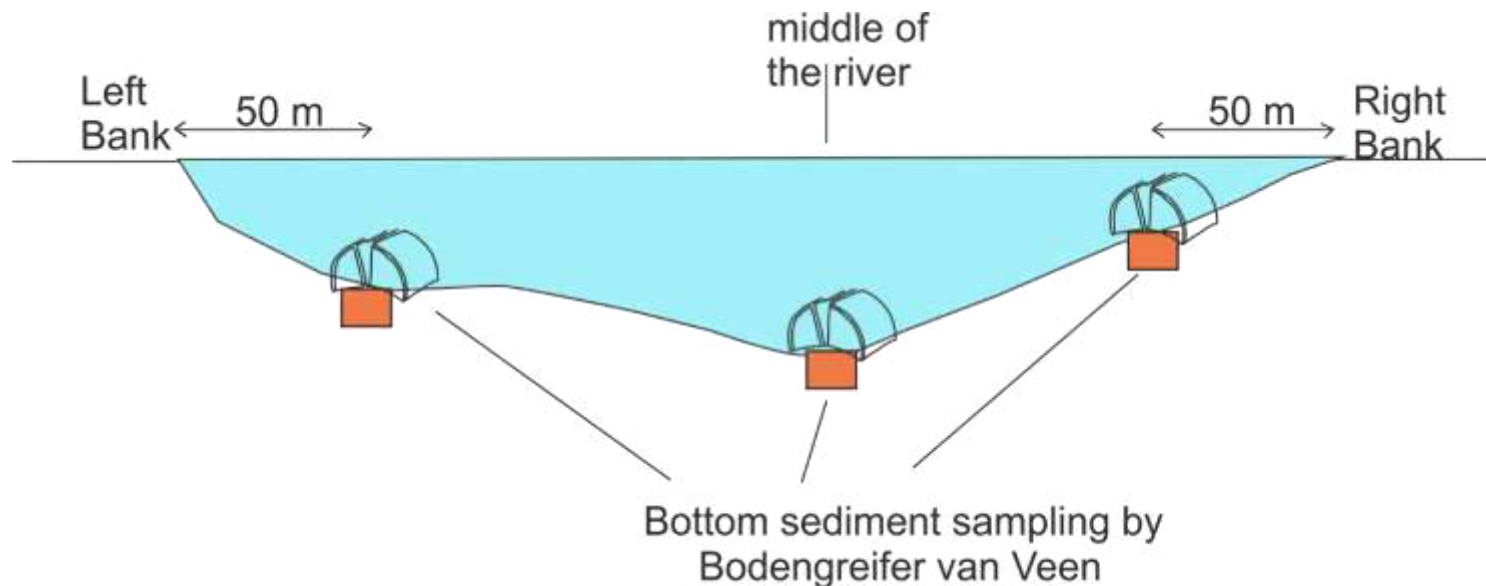
- 0.5 m below water surface (30 L extracted)
- middle of the water depth (30 L extracted)
- 0.5 m above bottom (30 L extracted)

A composite sample (90 L) was left for settling and after 24 h or more, the suspended sediment and water were transferred into plastic bottles of 8 L or 10 L which were then sent for chemical analyses stored at 4 – 5 degrees C



## SEDIMENT SAMPLING

### BOTTOM SEDIMENTS



Fine sediments from the first 5 cm or so of the river bottom

### SAMPLING EQUIPMENT FOR SUSPENDED AND BOTTOM SEDIMENTS IN THE DANUBE RIVER



*The ship for collecting suspended and bottom sediments in the Danube River, property of INHGA (National Institute for Hydrology and Water Management)*



*Sonar for river depth measurement on the command deck of the ship*



*ADCP (Acoustic Doppler Current Profile) equipment for river width, depth and flow rate measurement*

### SAMPLING EQUIPMENT FOR SUSPENDED SEDIMENTS IN THE DANUBE RIVER



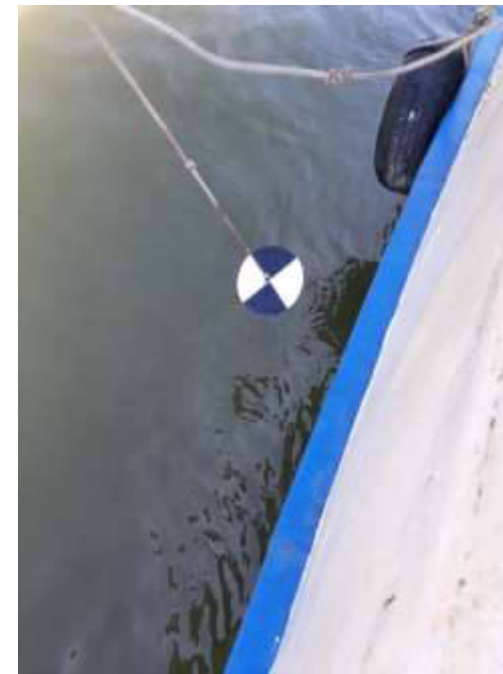
*Telemeter for distance measurement between ship location and river bank*



*Ruttner bathometer for water properties measurements*



*Hanna multi-parameter device (water pH, temperature, electric conductivity)*



*Secchi disk for water turbidity measurement*



## SAMPLING EQUIPMENTS FOR SUSPENDED SEDIMENTS IN THE DANUBE RIVER



*Winch for launching submersible pump*



*Submersible pump (close view)*



*Filling one barrel with water containing suspended sediment from three depths in each vertical of the profile*

## SAMPLING EQUIPMENTS FOR BOTTOM SEDIMENTS IN THE DANUBE RIVER



*Van Veen grab in launching position*



*Discharging of Van Veen grab*



*Physical properties measurements of sampled sediment (pH, temperature)*



### SAMPLING EQUIPMENT FOR BOTTOM SEDIMENTS IN THE DANUBE RIVER



*Munsell chart for sediment colour code*

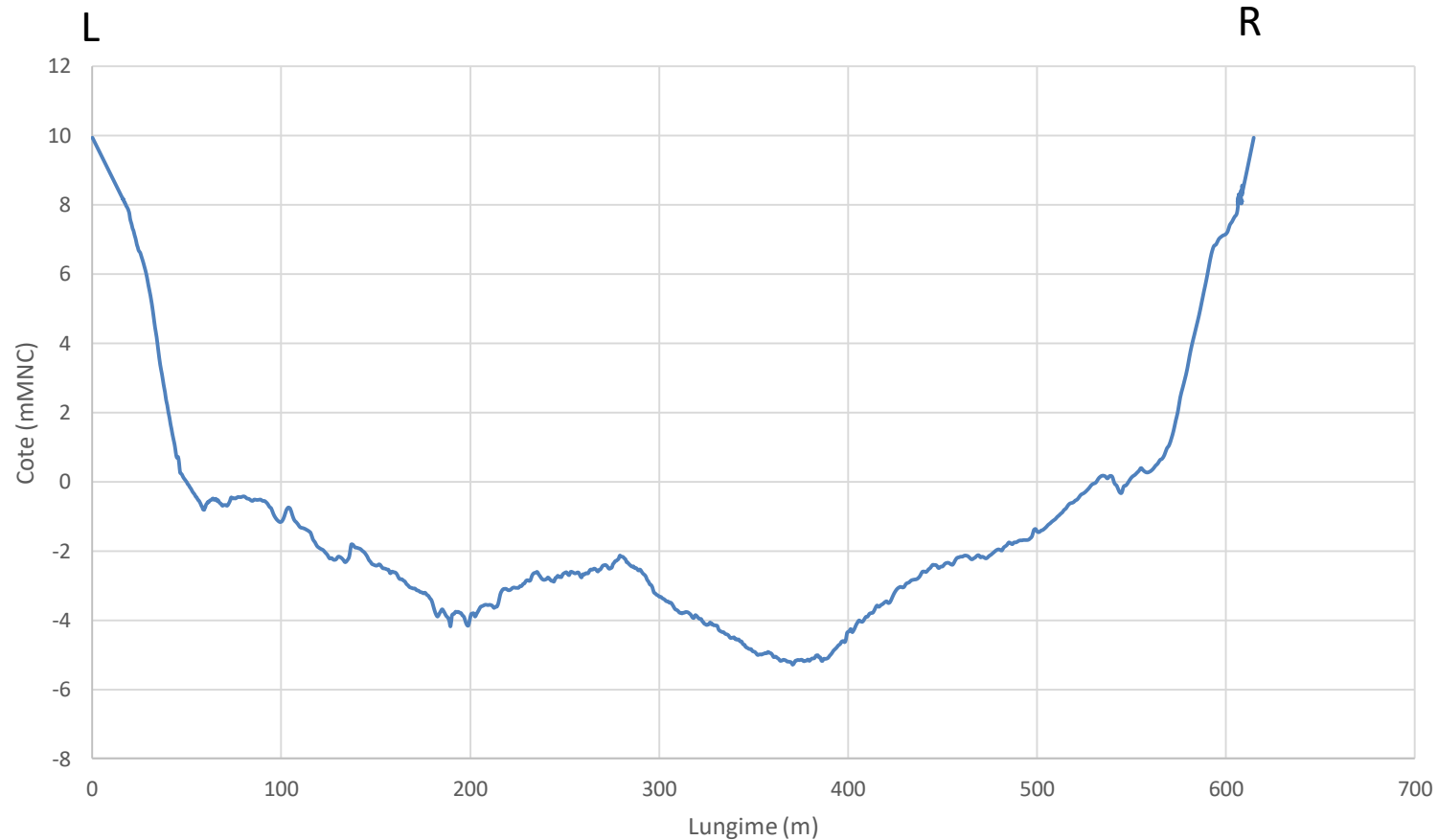


*Filling the jars with bottom sediments*



*Three jars with bottom sediments from the right part of Silistra – Calarasi profile*

## BOTTOM RELIEF OF THE DANUBE RIVER IN SILISTRA – CALARASI (CHICIU) PROFILE



*Ragged bottom relief revealed by Acoustic Doppler Current Profile (ADCP)*

*ADCP equipment*

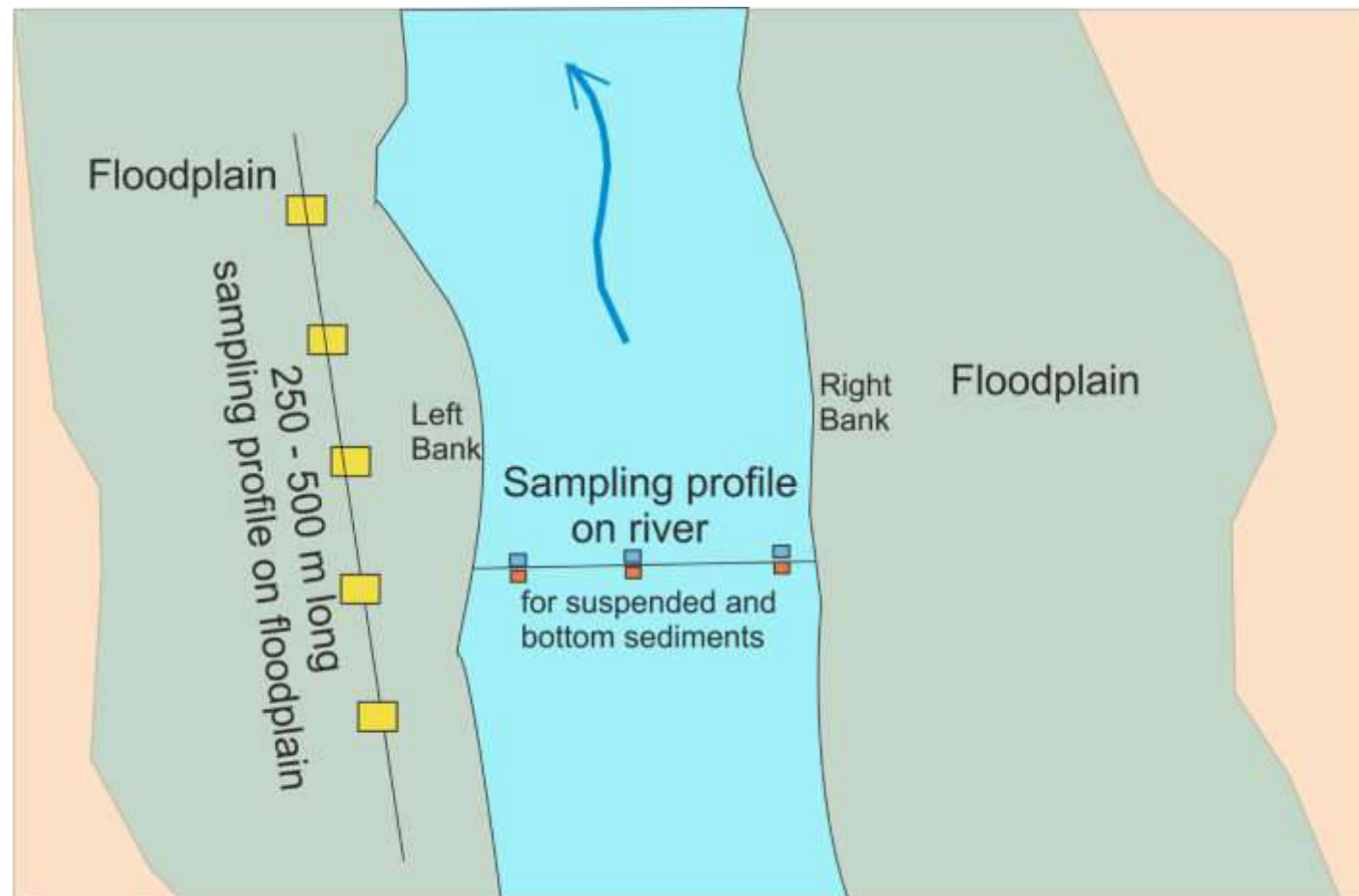
### SEDIMENT SAMPLING

### FLOODPLAIN SEDIMENTS

Sampled by RO-IGR (Geological Institute of Romania)

Floodplain sampled at two depths:

- Topsoil 0 – 5 cm depth
- Bottom soil 40 – 50 cm depth



Composite sample made up of 5 subsamples along the sampling profile



### SEDIMENT SAMPLING

### FLOODPLAIN SEDIMENTS



*Floodplain of the left bank of the Danube River, at Chiciu (Calarasi), opposite Silistra*

*Two of the five holes sampled for floodplain sediments along the Chiciu profile*



*Five cm thick, dry sand topsoil, on 15 cm oxidized brownish sand covering 30 cm thick gray sandy loam*



*Brown sand covering finely laminated gray sandy loam*

## SEDIMENT STORING AND PREPARATION FOR TRANSPORT





## DATA RECORDING IN SIMONA OBSERVATION SHEETS – SUSPENDED SEDIMENT

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**FIELD OBSERVATION SHEET FOR SEDIMENT SAMPLING**  
APPENDIX 3 OF THE SIMONA SEDIMENT QUALITY SAMPLING PROTOCOL

**MONITORING PROGRAMME/ SAMPLING PROJECT INFORMATION:**

Project name: **SIMONA** Sample identifier (ID): **ROSI-CLASSR**

Collection date (DD/MM/YYYY): **26.04.2021** Collection time (HH:MM): **12:37**

Sampling matrix:  stream/bottom sediment;  suspended sediment;  other (floodplain sediment, ...)

Sampling:  accredited;  not accredited. Sampling standard:

**MONITORING SITE IDENTIFICATION:**

Monitoring Site ID (WISE-SoE): **BG1DU000R001** Monitoring Site ID (national): **BG1DU00999MS100R**

Name of the Monitoring Site (e.g. name of the surface water and the city): **Dunav, Silistra\_SITE (right bank)**

Sample location description with specific information (bridge, high power electric lines, railway line, major road, natural park, ...) (provide map on opposite side: **Downstream Silistra Port Map and picture attached at the additional comments.**)

Type of the monitoring site (can be different from representing waterbody):  river;  lake;  wetland;  other (floodplain, ...)

Aim of sampling:  general status;  reference site (without/small anthropogenic sources);  investigation site - find contamination source;  investigation site for other: **Simona Project**

WGSR4 Latitude: Longitude: National Coordinate system: Latitude: Longitude:

**MONITORING SITE REPRESENTING THE FOLLOWING WATERBODY AND ITS BASIN:**

Is it the same waterbody as the Monitoring Site has?  YES or  NO

If no, describe the connection between waterbody and monitoring site (tributary, recipient, ...)

Waterbody ID (WISE-SoE): **BG1DU000R001** Waterbody ID (national): **8**

Name of the Waterbody: **R. Dunav, Pristanisko Gr. Silistra-Desen**

Type of the Waterbody:  river;  lake;  wetland;  estuarial;  transitional

**MONITORING SITE CONDITIONS (PART I):**

River width [m]: **800** Depth of water [m]: **8.5** Flow rate [ $m^3/s$ ]: **6280**

estimated;  measured value.  estimated;  measured depth.  estimated;  measured value.

Water temperature [°C]: **13.0** Water electrical conductivity [ $\mu S/cm$ ]: **462**

Water pH: **8.2** Water transparency (Secchi disk method) [cm]: **80**

Geology and background value of parent material/lithology in the area: **Sarmatian limestone**

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**MONITORING SITE CONDITIONS (PART II):**

Extreme conditions:  none;  flooding status;  ice;  pollution plume;  contaminated coast/bank;  other:

Weather conditions:  hot;  sunny;  cloudy;  changeable;  rainy;  frosty

**SEDIMENT COLLECTION INFORMATION:**

Water depth above sample [m]: **0.5/ 4.25 / 8**

Sediment sample depth [cm]:

Collection device:  stainless steel scoop;  corer;  sampler for suspended sediment;  other: **submersible water pump**

Sample type:  composite - number of subsamples: **3**

Distance between the first and last sampling site? [m]: **7.5**

Sample replicate collected?  YES or  NO Replicate ID/name:

Sample is duplicated?  YES or  NO

**SAMPLE INFORMATION:**

Sampling volume estimated, wet weight [liter]: **3 x 30-liter**

Temperature of sample (field observation, right after sampling) [°C]: **13.0**

Sediment pH (undisturbed): Sediment pH (post-homogenization):

Colour (Munsell soil colour chart number):

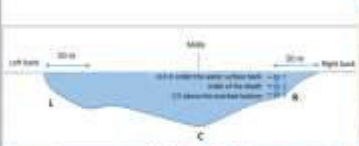



Texture (particle size description):

Odour:  none;  light;  strong;  earthy;  mildewed;  putrid;  farm slurry;  fishy;  aromatic;  sewage;  fuel/oil

Information on sediment components (shells, animals, peat, wood, tar, stones, waste, plastics, etc.):

Sample photograph identification: **Photos folder: Silistra\_Chacin Calaresi**

Additional comments (e.g. map of the sampling site):

Sampler name (readable): **INHEGA® team** Signature: **C. Trifu** **E. Luca**

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**MONITORING PROGRAMME/SAMPLING PROJECT INFORMATION:**

Project name: **SIMONA** Sample identifier (ID): **ROSI-CL/BS/C**

Collection date (DD/MM/YYYY): **26.04.2021** Collection time (HH:MM): **11:40**

Sampling matrix:  stream/bottom sediment;  suspended sediment;  other (floodplain sediment...)

Sampling:  accredited;  not accredited Sampling standard:

**MONITORING SITE IDENTIFICATION:**

Monitoring Site ID (WISE-5oE): **ROFW14-1\_B3** Monitoring Site ID (national): **SI-CL**

Name of the Monitoring Site (e.g. name of the surface water and the city): **Daruie, CALARASI (CHICU), SITE (centre)**

Sample location description with specific information (bridge, high power electric lines, railway line, major road, national park, ...): (provide map on opposite side): **upstream Terminal Farbot Calarasi. Map and picture attached at the additional comments.**

Type of the monitoring site (can be different from representing waterbody):  river;  lake;  wetland;  other (floodplain...)

Aim of sampling:  general status;  reference site (without/small anthropogenic sources);  investigation site - find contamination source;  investigation site for other: **Simona Project**

WGS84 Latitude: National Coordinate system Longitude:

**MONITORING SITE REPRESENTING THE FOLLOWING WATERBODY AND ITS BASIN:**

Is it the same waterbody as the Monitoring Site has?  YES or  NO  
If no, describe the connection between waterbody and monitoring site (tributary, recipient...)

Waterbody ID (WISE-5oE): **ROFW14-1\_B3** Waterbody ID (national): **RO13CAMP**

Name of the Waterbody: **Porțile de Fier II – Chiclu (Iron Gate II-Chiclu)**

Type of the Waterbody:  river;  lake;  wetland;  coastal;  transitional

**MONITORING SITE CONDITIONS (PART II):**

River width (m): **600** Depth of water (m): **13.5** Flow rate (m<sup>3</sup>/s): **6280**

estimated;  measured value  estimated;  measured depth  estimated;  measured value

Water temperature (°C): **13.0** Water electrical conductivity (µS/cm): **485**

Water pH: **8.2** Water transparency (Secchi disk method) (cm): **80**

Geology and background value of parent material/lithology in the area: **Sarmatian limestone**

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**MONITORING SITE CONDITIONS (PART II):**

Extreme conditions:  none;  flooding status;  ice;  pollution plume;  contaminated coast/bank;  other:

Weather conditions:  hot;  sunny;  cloudy;  changeable;  rainy;  frosty

**SEDIMENT COLLECTION INFORMATION:**

Water depth above sample (m): **13.5** Sediment sample depth (cm): **10**

Collection device:  stainless steel scoop;  corer;  sampler for suspended sediment;  other: **Van Veen grab**

Sample type:  composite - number of subsamples: \_\_\_\_\_

Distance between the first and last sampling site? (m):

Sample replicate collected?  YES or  NO Replicate ID/name: **ROSI-CL/BS/C r**

Sample is duplicated?  YES or  NO

**SAMPLE INFORMATION:**

Sampling volume estimated, wet weight (liter): **3 x 1 kg sediment**

Temperature of sample (field observation, right after sampling) (°C):

Sediment pH (undisturbed): **6.5** Sediment pH (post-homogenization): **6.5**

Colour (Munsell soil colour chart number): **2.5Y4/3**

Texture (particle size description): **sand, pebbles, small stones**

Odour:  none;  light;  strong;  earthy;  mildew/rot;  putrid;  farm slurry;  fishy;  aromatic;  sewage;  faecal

Information on sediment components (seashells, animals, peat, wood, tar, stones, waste, plastics, etc.): **small shells, small stones (4-5 cm)**

Sample photograph identification: **Photo folder: Sibiu, Chiclu Calarasi**

Additional comments (e.g. map of the sampling site):





Sampler name (readable): **INHGIA\* team** Signature: **C. Trifu** **E. Luca**

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### SEDIMENT SAMPLING ON THE RIGHT BANK OF THE DANUBE RIVER – SILISTRA OLD PORT SIMONA GI-BAS TEAM



*View of the sampling site – the right bank of the Danube River – Silistra old port*



*Equipment before starting the sampling*

### SEDIMENT SAMPLING ON THE RIGHT BANK OF THE DANUBE RIVER – SILISTRA OLD PORT

#### BOTTOM SEDIMENTS



*Collection of bottom sediments with a scoop*

#### SUSPENDED SEDIMENTS



*Collection of suspended sediments with a 20 l barrel*



# SEDIMENT SAMPLING ON THE RIGHT BANK OF THE DANUBE RIVER – SILISTRA OLD PORT

## FLOODPLAIN SEDIMENTS



*Three 50-cm holes were sampled for:*

- *Bottom soil – 40-50 cm*
- *Top soil – 0-5 cm*



*Burying the holes after finishing the sampling*



# SEDIMENT SAMPLING ON THE RIGHT BANK OF THE DANUBE RIVER – SILISTRA OLD PORT

## IN SITU MEASUREMENTS



*Measuring the water turbidity with Secchi disk*



*Taking in situ measurements (water pH, temperature, electric conductivity)*

# SEDIMENT SAMPLING ON THE RIGHT BANK OF THE DANUBE RIVER – SILISTRA OLD PORT

## SAMPLE STORING AND TRANSPORT



*Composite samples collected from the Danube at Silistra sampling site with sample identification*



*Collected samples are stored in mobile refrigerator (cool box)*

# CONCLUSIONS AFTER THE SAMPLING CAMPAIGN

## SUSPENDED SEDIMENTS

- In the Danube River 90 L of water containing fine suspended sediment was collected from 3 depths in each vertical. Later the water was reduced to 8 - 10 L, assuming that a sufficient quantity of sediment could be available for analyses on heavy metals, PAHs and pesticides.
- For future monitoring purpose it is recommended to use on the boat a **portable centrifuge** coupled with the submerged pump, which will allow the extraction of suspended sediments from greater amounts of water (4 – 5 m<sup>3</sup>), therefore enough sediment for the chemical analyses.
- A passive sampler for suspended sediments is tested on the pontoon on the Danube river next to our hotel.

## BOTTOM SEDIMENTS

- In the Danube, the Van Veen grab is suitable for sampling sediment from the river bottom. The sampling is not easy, sometimes in the planned location no sample could be collected after several tries. If the grab hits a larger stone or a rocky bottom, the collected sediment is scarce or none. In some locations the device recovered mainly pebbles and shells. In these cases, it is necessary to repeat the sampling.
- The corer samplers are very suitable for bottom sediments and it will be good to compare the results from grab and corer samplers.

### CONCLUSIONS AFTER THE SAMPLING CAMPAIGN

#### FLOODPLAIN SEDIMENTS

- In the SEDIMENT QUALITY SAMPLING PROTOCOL FOR HSS there are only RECOMMENDATIONS for the MONITORING of ACTIVE FLOODPLAIN sediments. The prescribed sampling depth for floodplain sediments in the FOREGS Atlas 0–25 cm was used for all points of SDTA. The sampling of bottom soil (40–50 cm) is good for the first sampling to accumulate a database. For monitoring of these sites the sampling of top soil (0–5/0–10 cm) will be enough.
- Different sampling equipment as corer and auger samplers can be used also to sample the top soil of floodplain sediments.



## ***DRB Baseline Network CROATIA***

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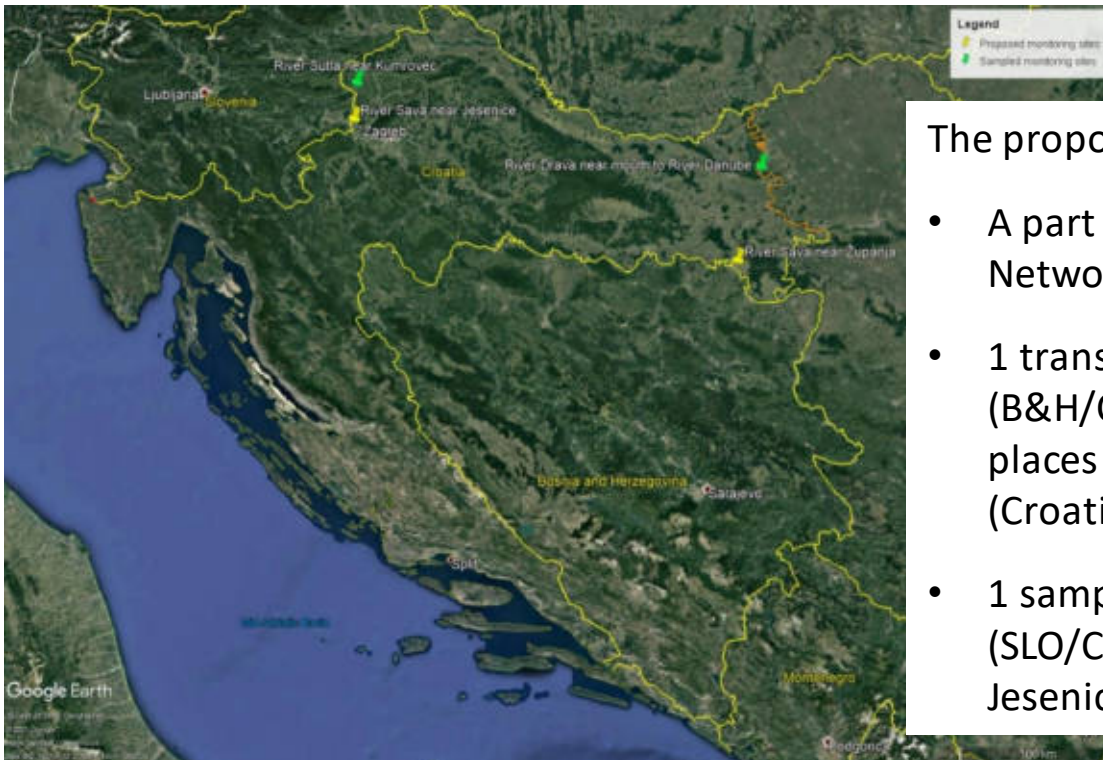
## DRB Baseline Network CROATIA

- The fieldwork was carried out by SIMONA teams from the PP Croatian Geological Survey (HR-HGI-CGS) and the ASP Croatian Waters (HR-CW-HV) on the **12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021**.
- Collected samples were stored and transported in refrigerator to the Bálint Laboratory in Hungary on the **15<sup>th</sup> of April 2021**.

Sampling sites for DRB baseline network were selected according to the following major criteria:

- Transnational character;
- Covering river of different size;
- Existing sediment/water monitoring sites;
- Diverse pollution sources;
- Good infrastructure.

## DRB Baseline Network CROATIA



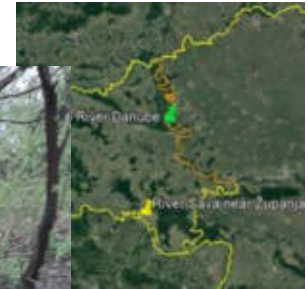
The proposed sampling sites:

- A part of the Trans National Monitoring Network (TNMN);
- 1 transnational sampling point/transect (B&H/CRO) on the Sava River near places Orašje (B&H) and Županja (Croatia);
- 1 sampling point at the border (SLO/CRO) on the Sava River near places Jesenice (Slovenia) and Drenje (Croatia).

Sampling stations in Croatia (yellow marked are old proposed sites, green marked are newly proposed and sampled sites)

Responsible for monitoring:  
**Croatian Waters.**

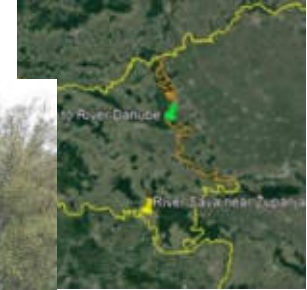
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The proposed monitoring sampling sites:  
**River Sava near Županja** at the CRO/B&H border

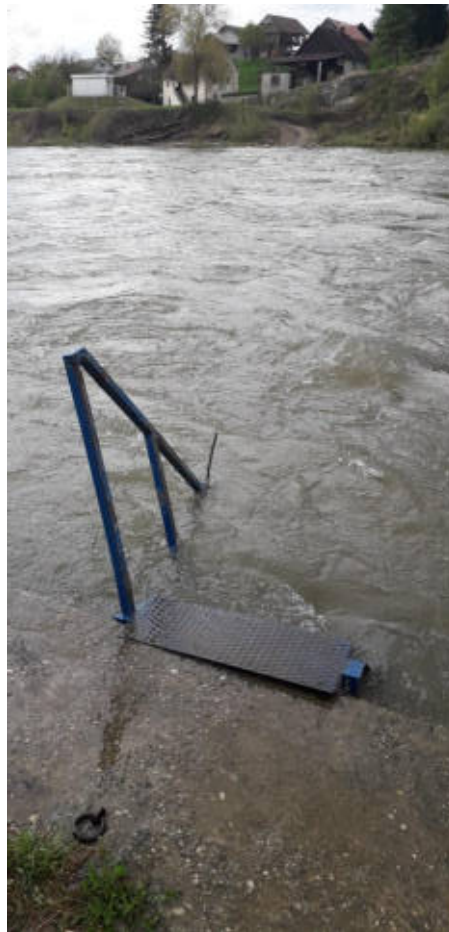


**DRB Baseline Network CROATIA**



The newly arranged monitoring sampling site on the River Drava near the **confluence of the River Drava and River Danube** at the border of Croatia and Serbia

**DRB Baseline Network CROATIA**



The proposed monitoring sampling sites: **River Sava near Jesenice** at the CRO/SLO border



**DRB Baseline Network CROATIA**



The new determined monitoring sampling site on the **River Sutla** at the border of Croatia and Slovenia

## DRB Baseline Network CROATIA



Washing  
sampling  
equipment



Samples prepared for transport



## Field observation sheet - filled out

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**FIELD OBSERVATION SHEET FOR SEDIMENT SAMPLING**  
APPENDIX 3 OF THE SIMONA SEDIMENT QUALITY SAMPLING PROTOCOL

**DRB BASELINE NETWORK CROATIA**

**MONITORING PROGRAMME/SAMPLING PROJECT INFORMATION**

Project name: **SIMONA** Sample identifier (ID): **HR0185**

Collection date (DD/MM/YYYY): **13.04.2021** Collection time (HH:MM): **13:00**

Sampling method:  stream/bottom sediment;  suspended sediment;  other (floodplain sediments): ...

Sampling:  accredited;  not accredited Sampling standard:

**MONITORING SITE IDENTIFICATION**

Monitoring Site ID (WISE-SuE) not reported in WISE-SuE Monitoring Site ID (national): **25956**

Name of the Monitoring Site (name of the surface water and the city): **Drava near Ajpač (the mouth into the Danube)**

Sample location description with specific information (bridge, high power electrical lines, railway line, major road, natural park, ...) (provide map on opposite side):  
**Sampling site near the mouth of the River Drava into River Danube on the border of Croatia and Serbia (Photo file names: Figs. 3.4.1, 3.4.2, (Report D 3.3.3 SAMPLING REPORT COLLECTION OF THE 26 SAMPLING SITES FROM DRB BASELINE NETWORK))**

Type of the monitoring site (can be different from representing waterbody):  river;  lake;  wetland;  other (floodplain): ...

Aim of sampling:  general status;  reference site (without small anthropogenic sources);  investigation site - find contamination source;  investigation site (see other):

**Sampling program of the DRB BASELINE NETWORK - SIMONA DTP Project**

W0584	Latitude: N 45°32'40.70"	National Coordinate system	Longitude: E 16°34'38.88"
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**MONITORING SITE REPRESENTING THE FOLLOWING WATERBODY AND ITS BASIN**

Is it the same waterbody as the Monitoring Site has?  YES or  NO

If no, describe the connection between waterbody and monitoring site (tributary, recipient, ...):

Waterbody ID (WISE-SuE): Waterbody ID (national): **CORN002\_001**

Name of the Waterbody: **Drava**

Type of the Waterbody:  river;  lake;  wetland;  coastal;  transitional

**MONITORING SITE CONDITIONS (PART I)**

Water width [m]: 100 <input type="checkbox"/> estimated; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> measured value on Google Earth	Depth of water estimated average depth [m]: <input type="checkbox"/> estimated; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> measured value	Flow rate [m <sup>3</sup> /s]: <input type="checkbox"/> estimated; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> measured value
Water temperature [°C]: 9.4	Water electrical conductivity [ $\mu$ S/cm] (400 Rador potential [kV]):	
Water pH: 7.08	Water transparency (Secchi disk method) [cm]:	

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**Geology and background (name of parent material/lithology in the area. Quaternary alluvial deposits)**

**MONITORING SITE CONDITIONS (PART II)**

Extreme conditions:  noise;  flooding status;  ice;  pollution plume;  contaminated reach/bank;  
 other: **high water level, fast, turbulent water flow**

Weather conditions:  hot;  sunny;  cloudy;  changeable;  rainy;  frosty

**SEDIMENT COLLECTION INFORMATION**

Water depth above sample [m]: 0+0.1

Sediment sample depth [cm]: 0-5 cm stream/bottom sediments

Collection device:  stainless steel scoop;  corer;  sampler for suspended sediment;  other: **plastic bucket**

Sample type:  composite - number of subsamples: 7

Distance between the first and last sampling site? [m]: 00

Sample replicate collected?  YES or  NO Replicate ID/name:

Sample is duplicated?  YES or  NO

**SAMPLE INFORMATION**

Sampling volume estimated, wet weight [litres]: 8.8 litres

Temperature of sample (field observation, right after sampling) [°C]:

Sediment pH (undisturbed): Sediment pH (post-homogenization):

Colour (Munsell soil colour chart number):

Texture (particle size description): **clay, silt and fine sand**

Odour:  none;  light;  strong;  
 earthy;  sulfured;  putrid;  farm slurry;  fishy;  keratinic;  sewage;  fuel/oil

Information on sediment components (seashells, animal, peat, wood, var, stones, waste, plastics, etc.):

Sample photograph identification. Photo file name: 3.4.11, 3.4.12 (Report D 3.3.3 SAMPLING REPORT COLLECTION OF THE 26 SAMPLING SITES FROM DRB BASELINE NETWORK)

Additional comments (e.g. map of the sampling site!):

Sampler name (readable): **HR-HQ-C05 & HR-CW-HV team** Signature: **HR-HQ-C05 & HR-CW-HV team**

Date: 13.04.2021

### Problems/obstacles:

- the growing number of positive **COVID-19** cases;
  - poor **weather** conditions;
  - **deadline** according to the SIMONA project.
- 
- The proposed sampling sites should be sampled **in cooperation** with colleges from Slovenia and Bosnia and Herzegovina.
  - Since the goal of the project is to show **the sampling procedure** for different types of sediment, the sampling was carried out at the backup locations, on the Rivers Sutla and Drava with active participation of the ASP Croatian Waters.

## **DRB Baseline Network CROATIA**



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# Sediment sampling at national sampling points – CZ



*Libor Mikl,*



*Jarmila Halířová,*



*Vít Kodeš*

# Introduction:

- Sampling points were selected with respect to different quality of sediments from the different natural condition or land use
- Bečva River – represent foothill river, dominant proportion is **gravelly sand**
- Morava River – drains a large area, main proportion is **fine sand**
- agriculture land use



„fine sediment“ in Morava River



„coarse sediment“ in Bečva River



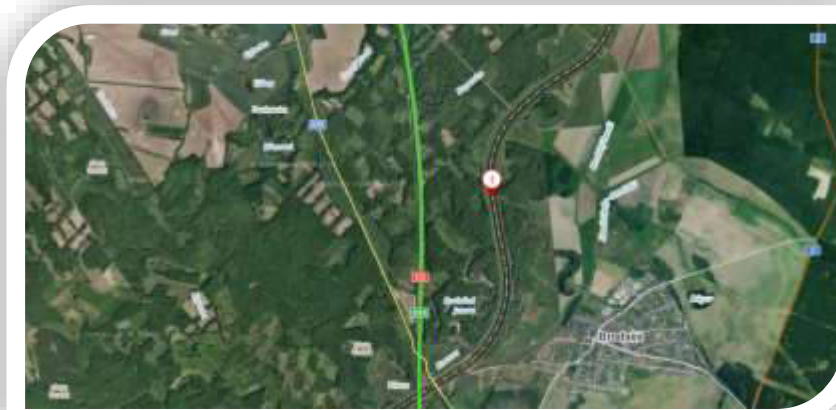
# Sampling points:

minor differences of land use between both localities, however dominant land use at whole river basin is agriculture

Morava River – Lanžhot



river width 65.0 m



agriculture and floodplain forest

Bečva River – Troubky



river width 49.8 m



agriculture

# Introduction:

- SIMONA #1<sup>st</sup> training event and „cookbook/guidebook“ was useful for us 😊
- we learned a lot to each other – knowledge sharing 😊
- especially that part about floodplain sediments 😊
- we have similar sampling methods of bottom sediments such as SIMONA
- However, we use the **grab samplers** to collect sediment samples, at some places and sometimes and in some cases





# Equipment:

„grab samplers“



But we **did not use it**, during collection of sediment samples for SIMONA





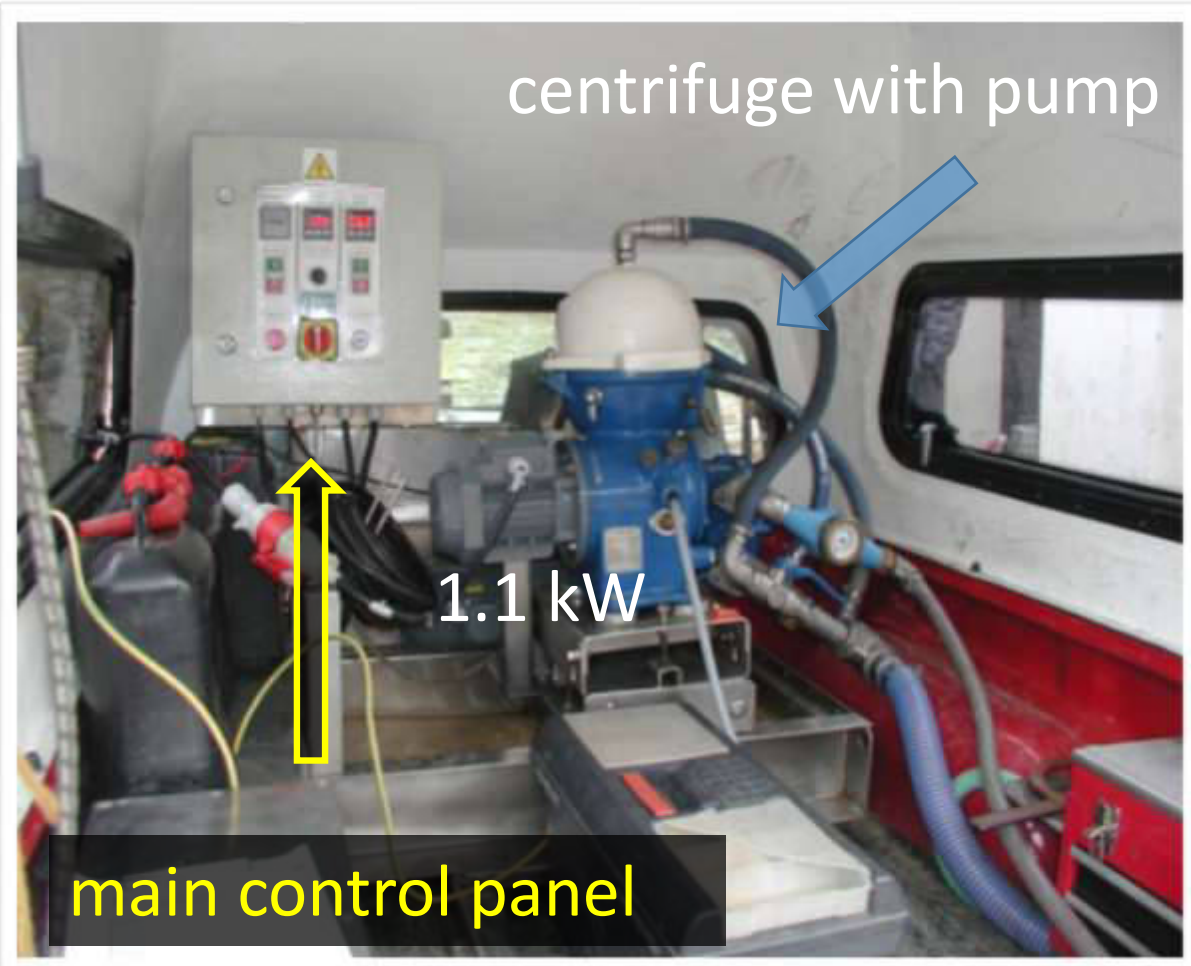
# Equipment:

- Barrel
- Stainless scope
- conductivity meter with temperature sensor
- Vessel for samples of sediments
- Spade
- centrifuge





# Equipment - centrifuge



# Equipment - centrifuge

„heart of centrifuge“



collection containers with lamellas

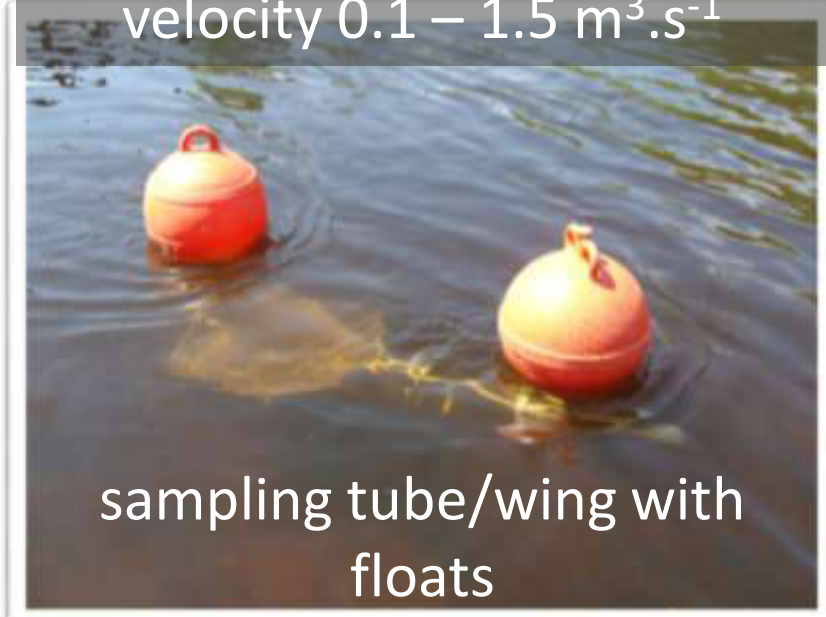


sample

suction attachments/heads



the different size depend to velocity  $0.1 - 1.5 \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$



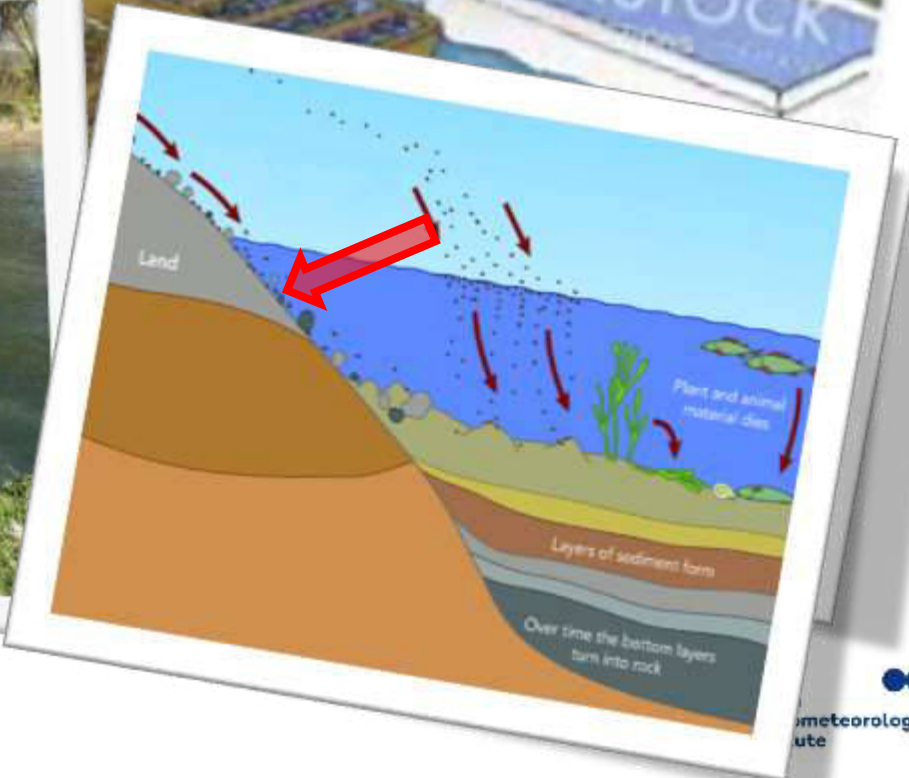
sampling tube/wing with floats



# Sampling – bottom sediments

The sediment samples were collected in **river bed** associated to/close to the river bank

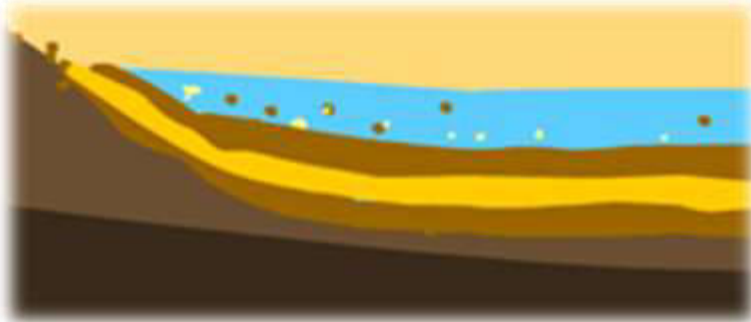
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# Sampling – bottom sediments



Top 5 cm of river sediment



for SIMONA

glass jar



for CHMI

stainless steel bowl





# Sampling – floodplain sediments

finishing of the digging and  
checking the depth



sample collection



digging of soil probe



final check





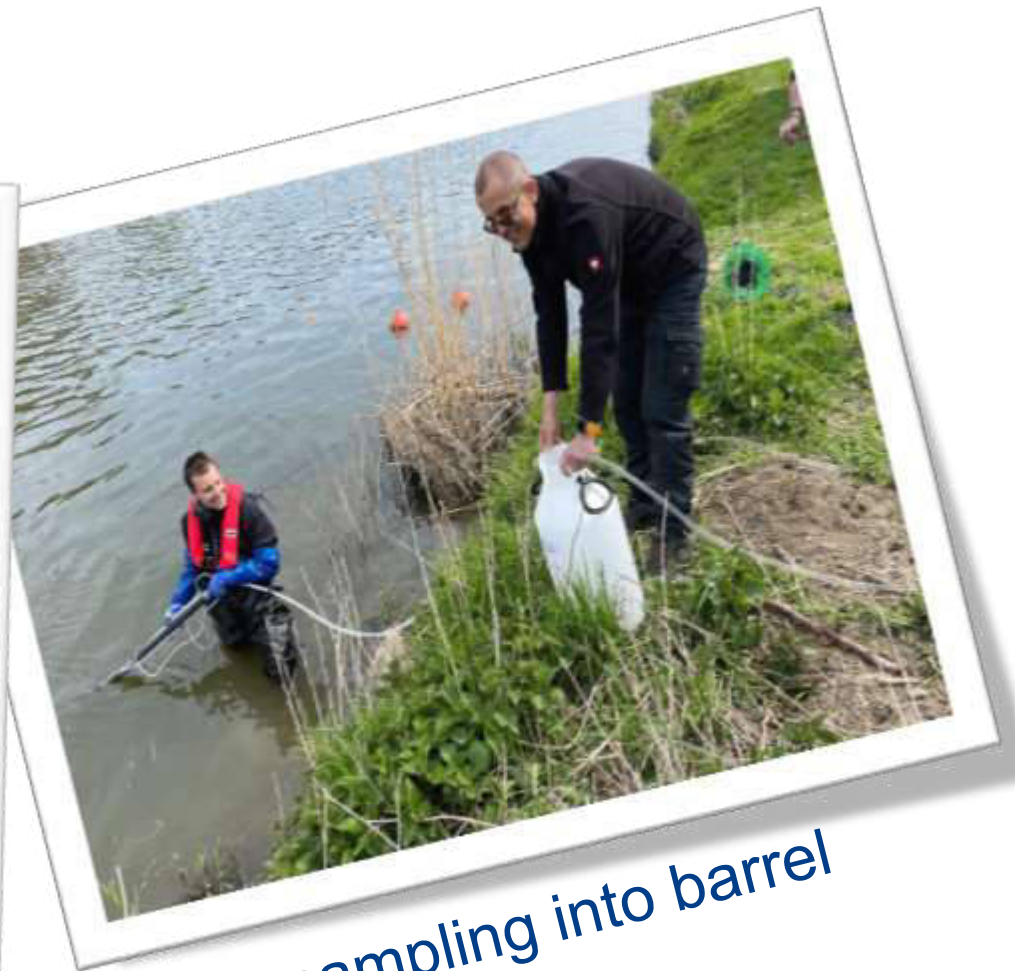
# Sampling – suspended sediments



12 V pump



prepare to sampling, such as hose flushing



sampling into barrel

# Sampling – suspended sediments (centrifuge)

# part I.



installation of the sampling tube with suction head

prepare to sampling



sampling and measure of basic parameter such as, temperature, pH, velocity and turbidity

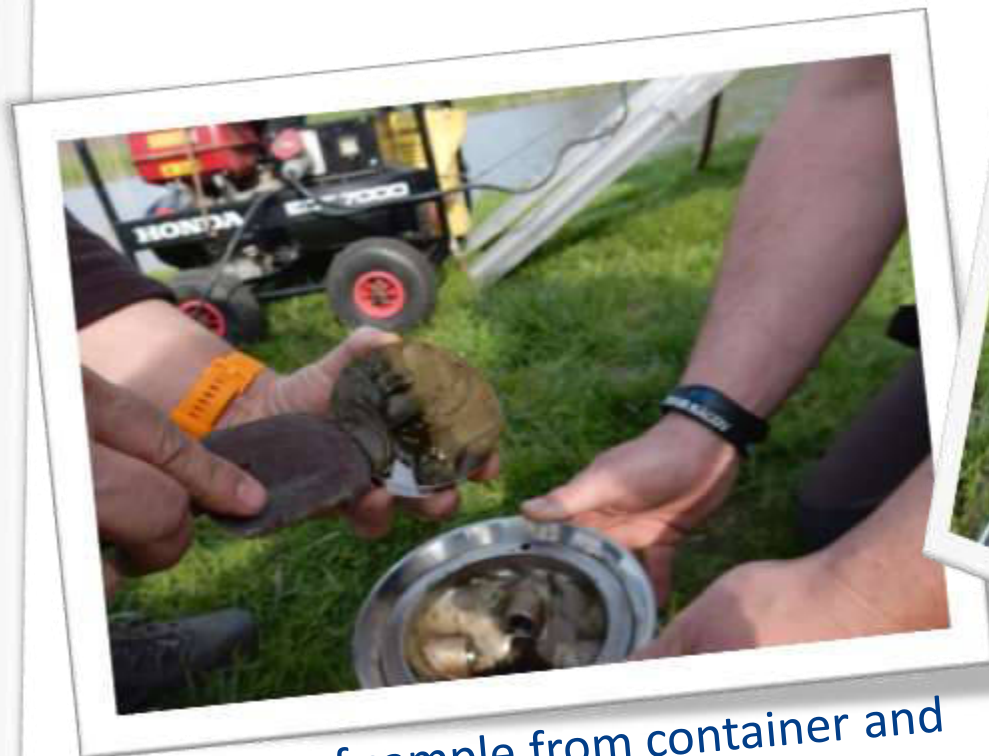


# Sampling – suspended sediments (centrifuge)

# part II.



thin layer of sample,  
on wall of collection  
container



remove of sample from container and  
lamellas



sample of suspended sediment in  
the vessel

Petri dish



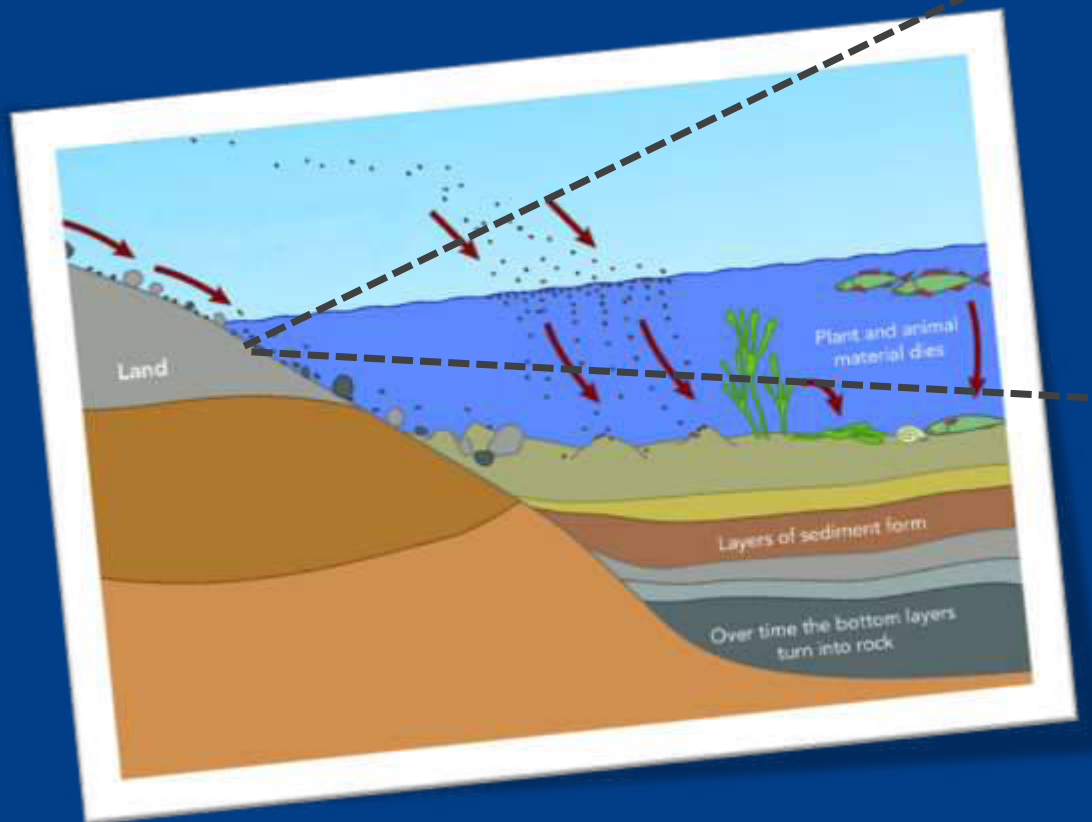
# Transport of sample

- The samples were coated in foam foil – **anti-break** protection
- The samples were stored in a car fridge during transport
- the car fridge has 2 different slots, for regular socket (220V) or car socket



Thank you for  
your attention 😊

*party in sediment*



  
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*let's go check the party...*

# Austrian National Baseline Network Sampling

- Danube at Hainburg - April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- Drava at Lavamünd - April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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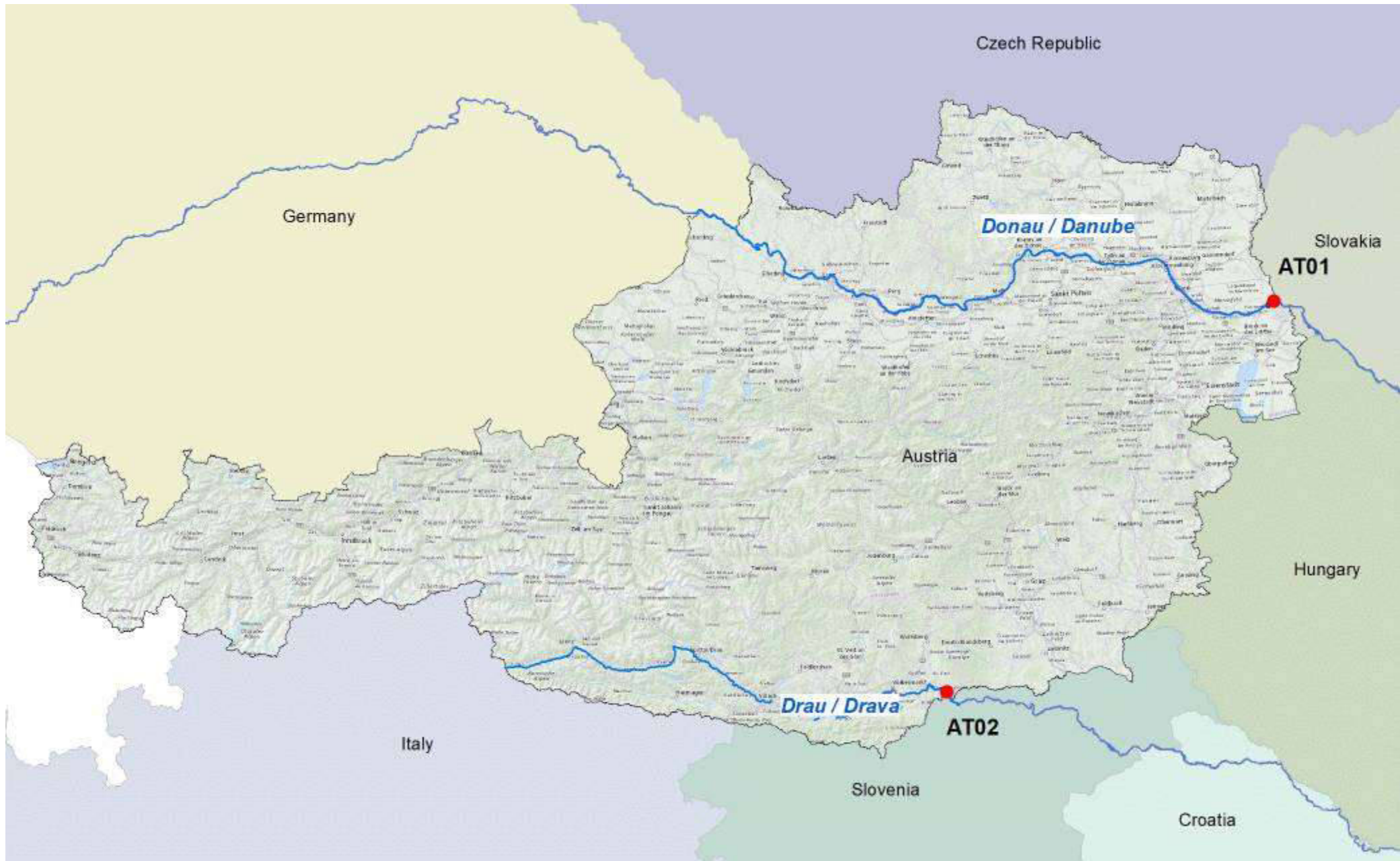
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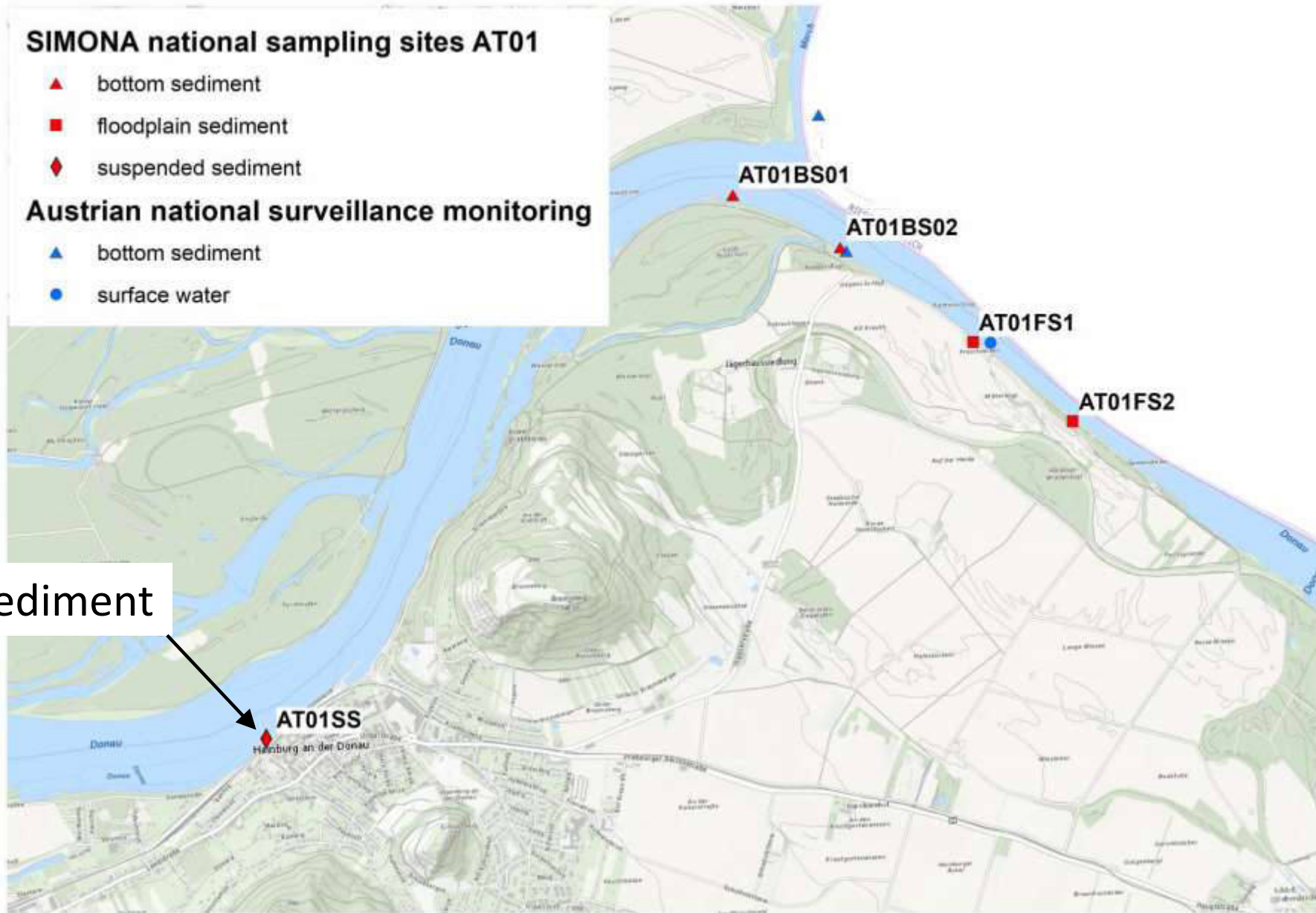
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Suspended sediment

## Suspended sediment:

- sediment box

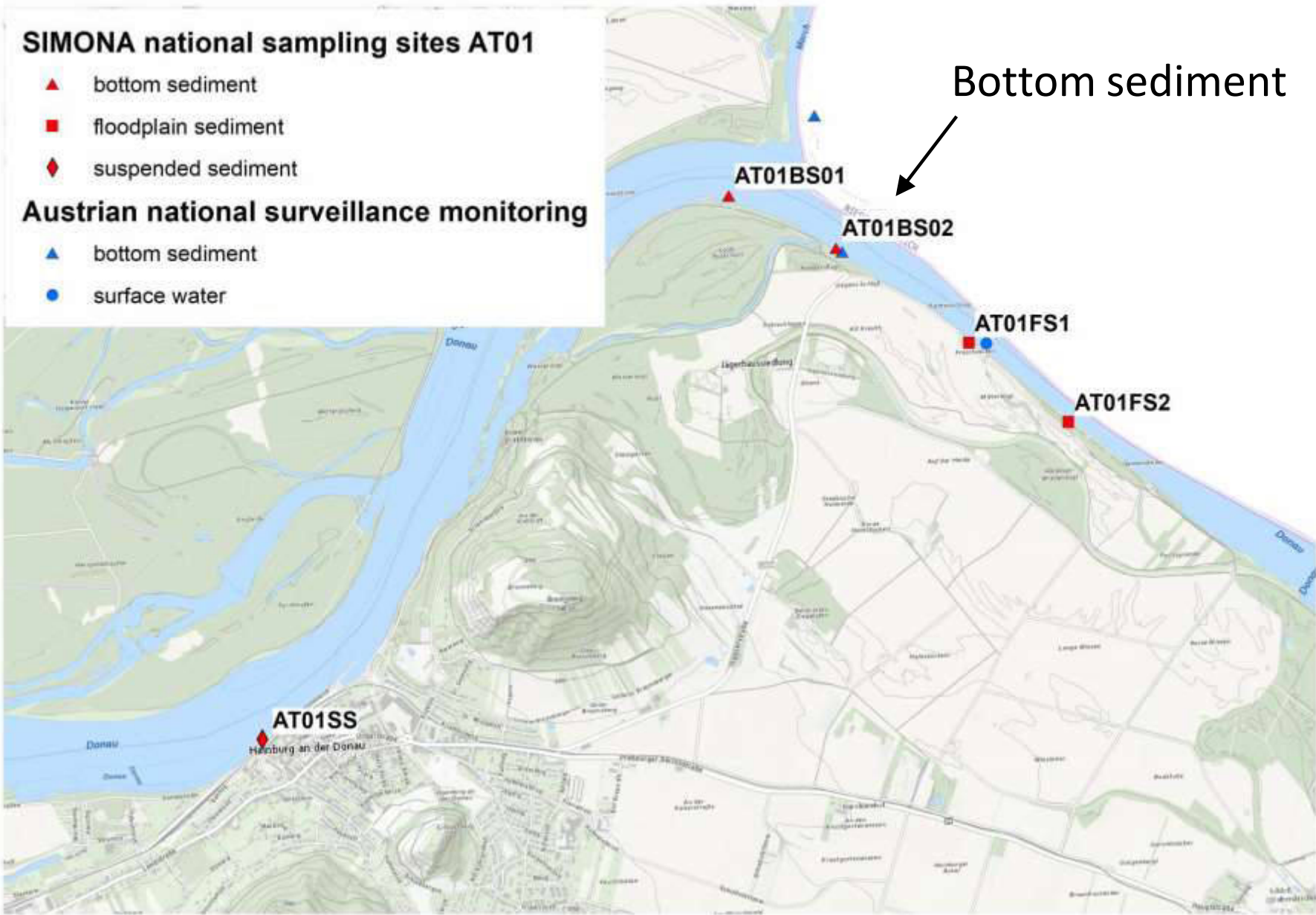


## Suspended sediment:

- barrel system





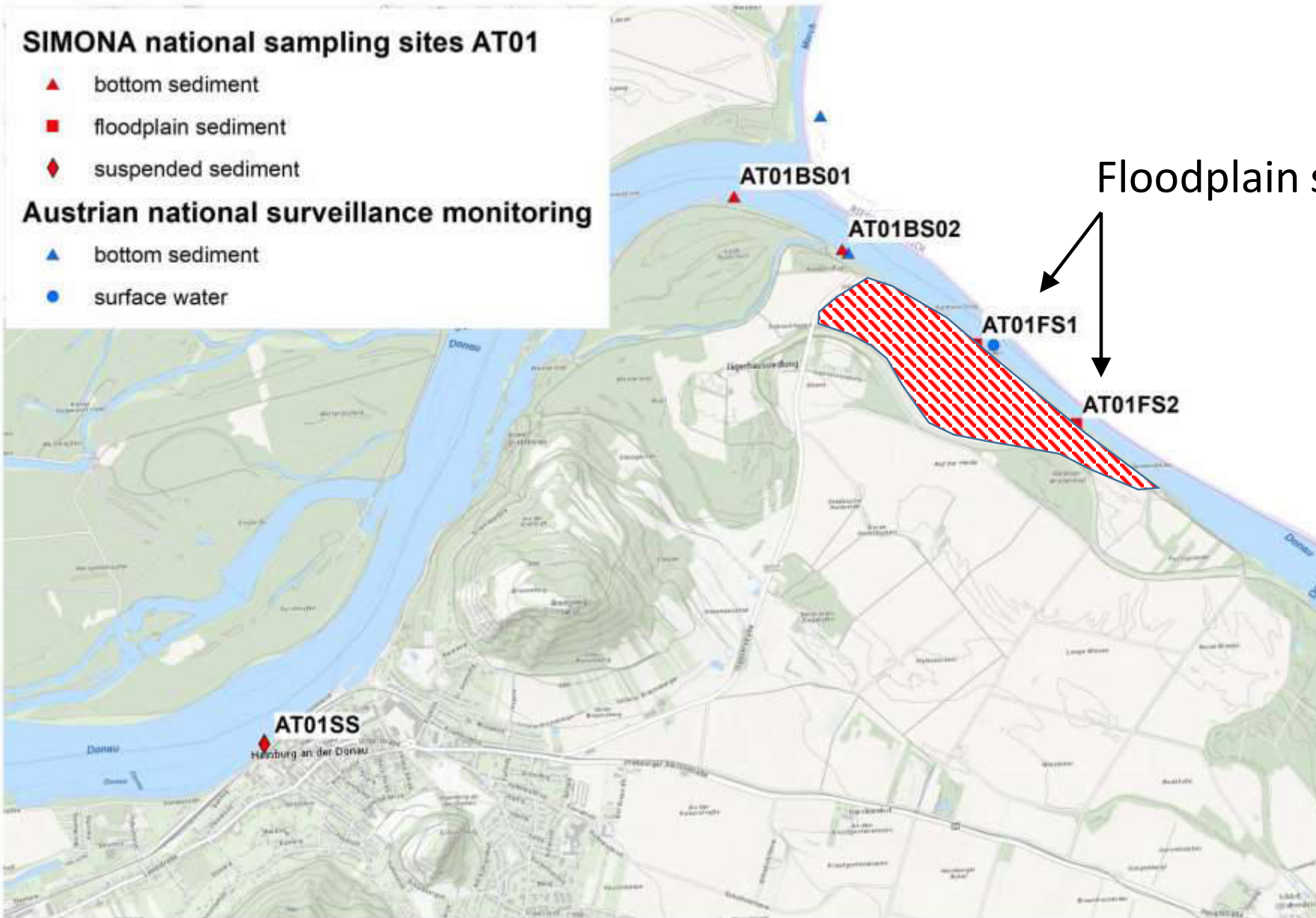




## Bottom sediment:

- scoop system





# Floodplain sediment





Floodplain sediment:

- spade & knife sy



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towards the bottom, light grey-brown



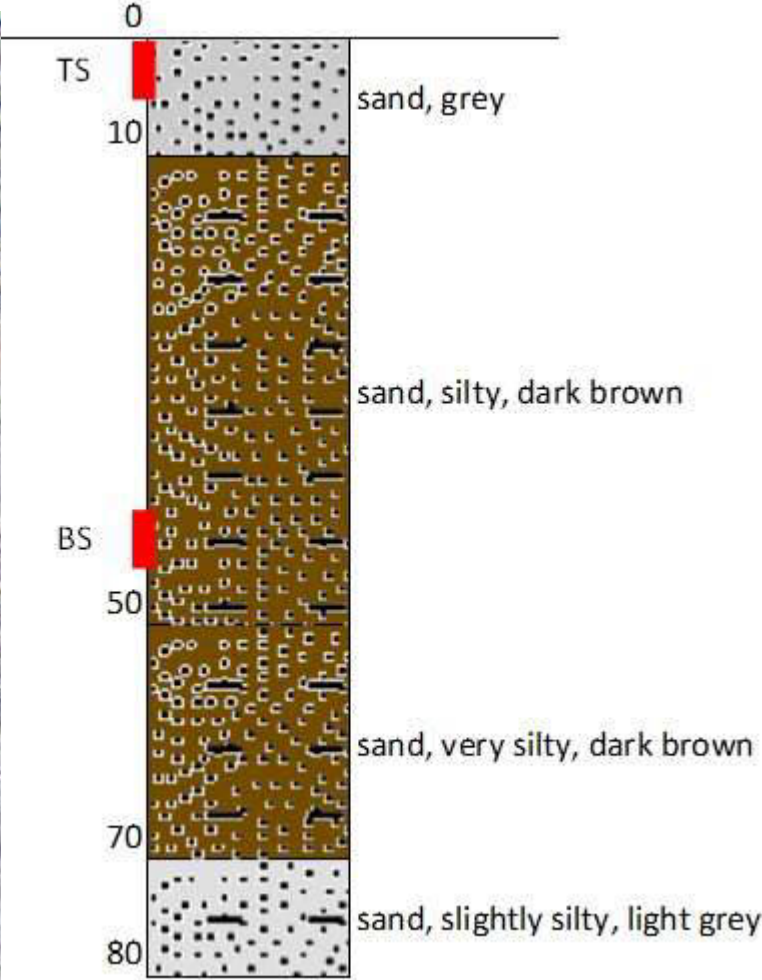
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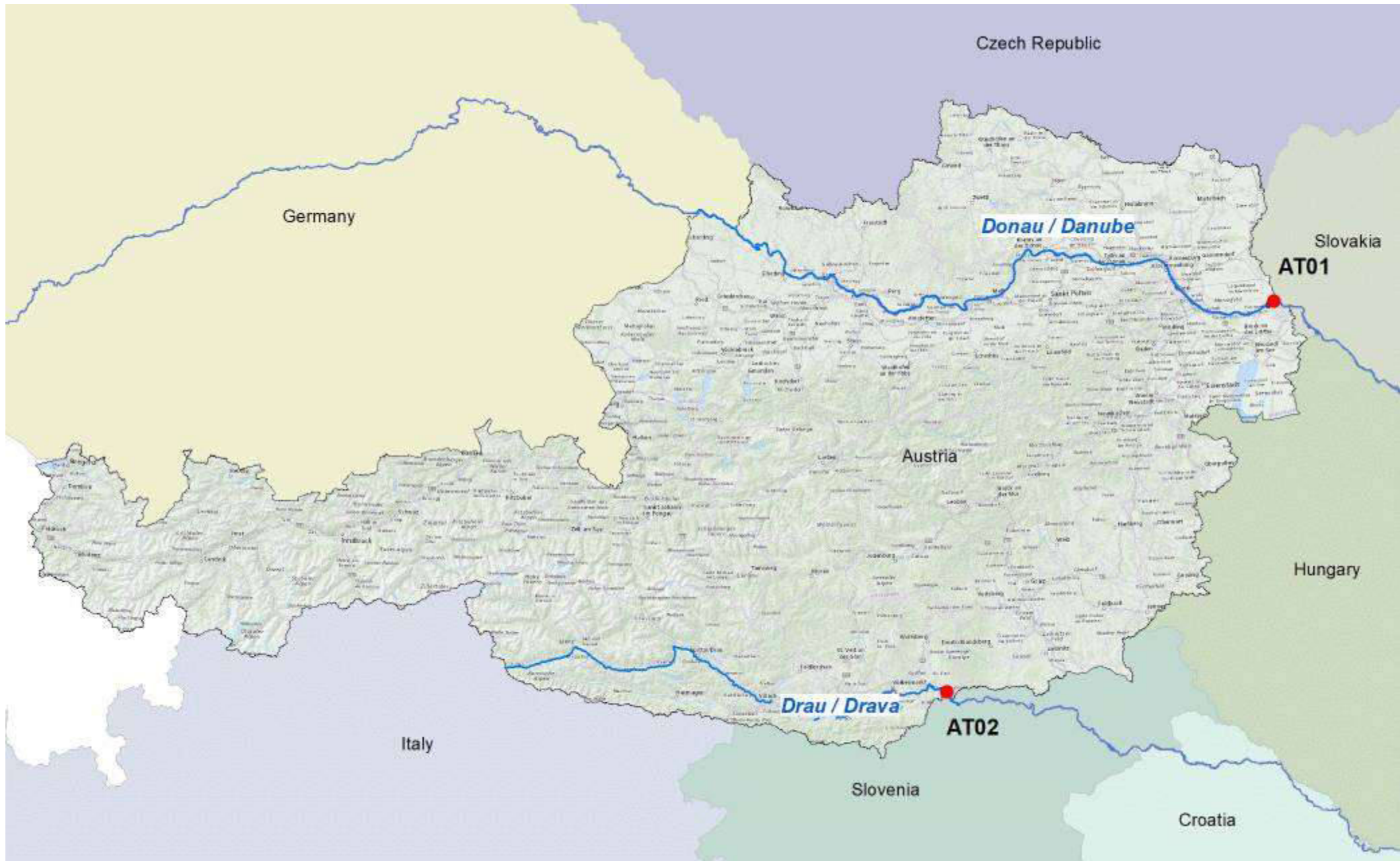




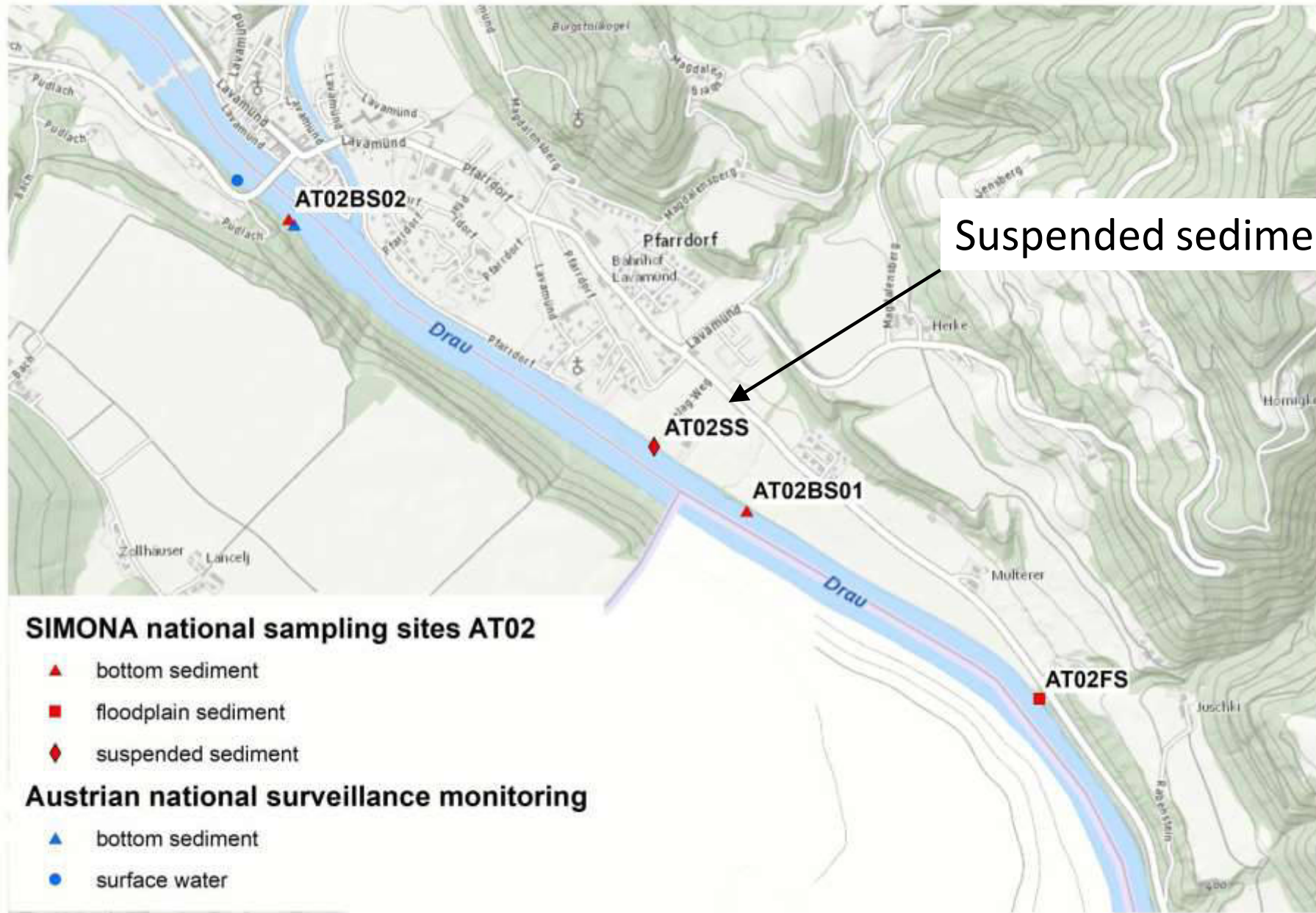
Floodplain sediment:

- spade & knife system









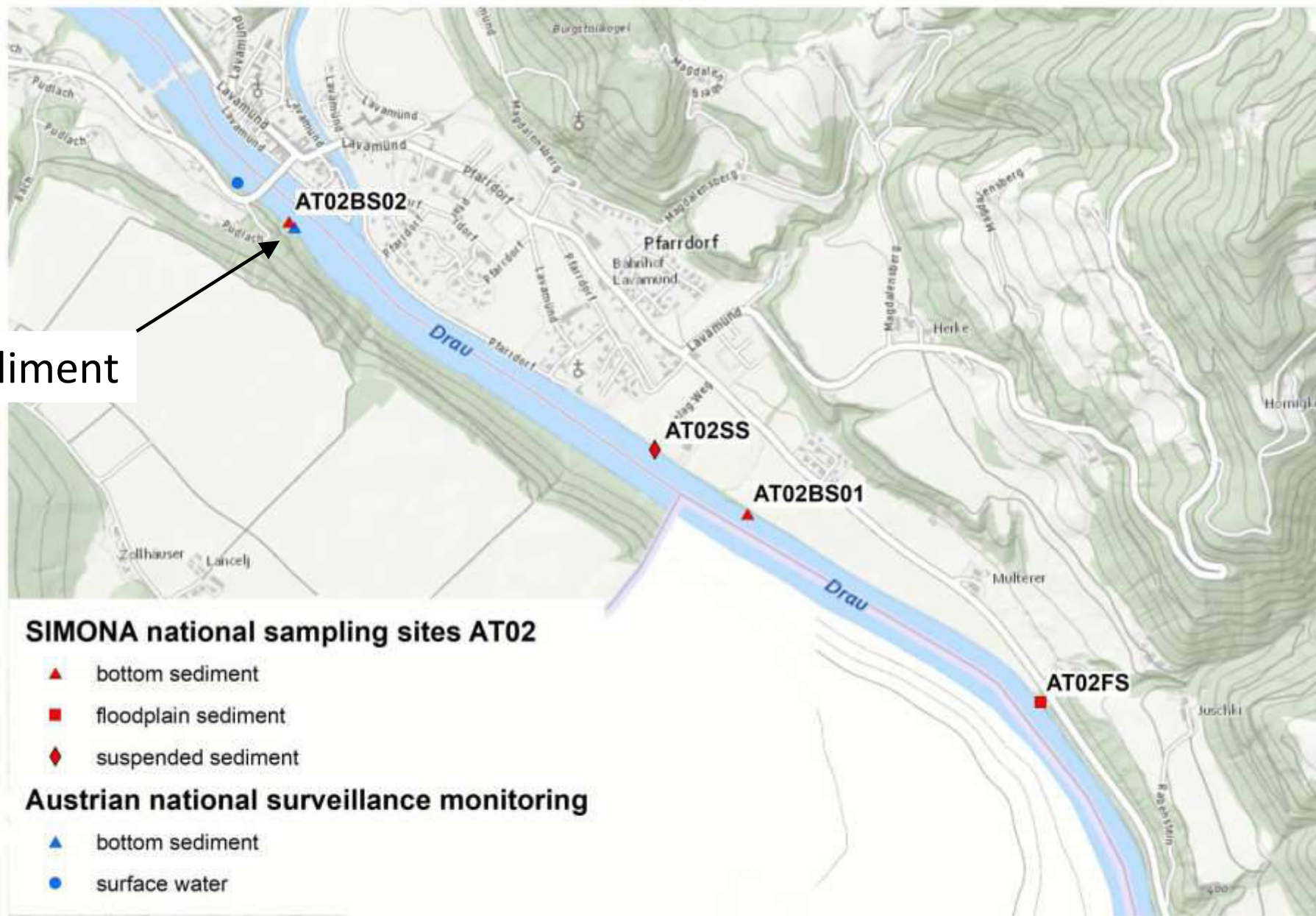


## Suspended sediment:

- sediment box



Bottom sediment

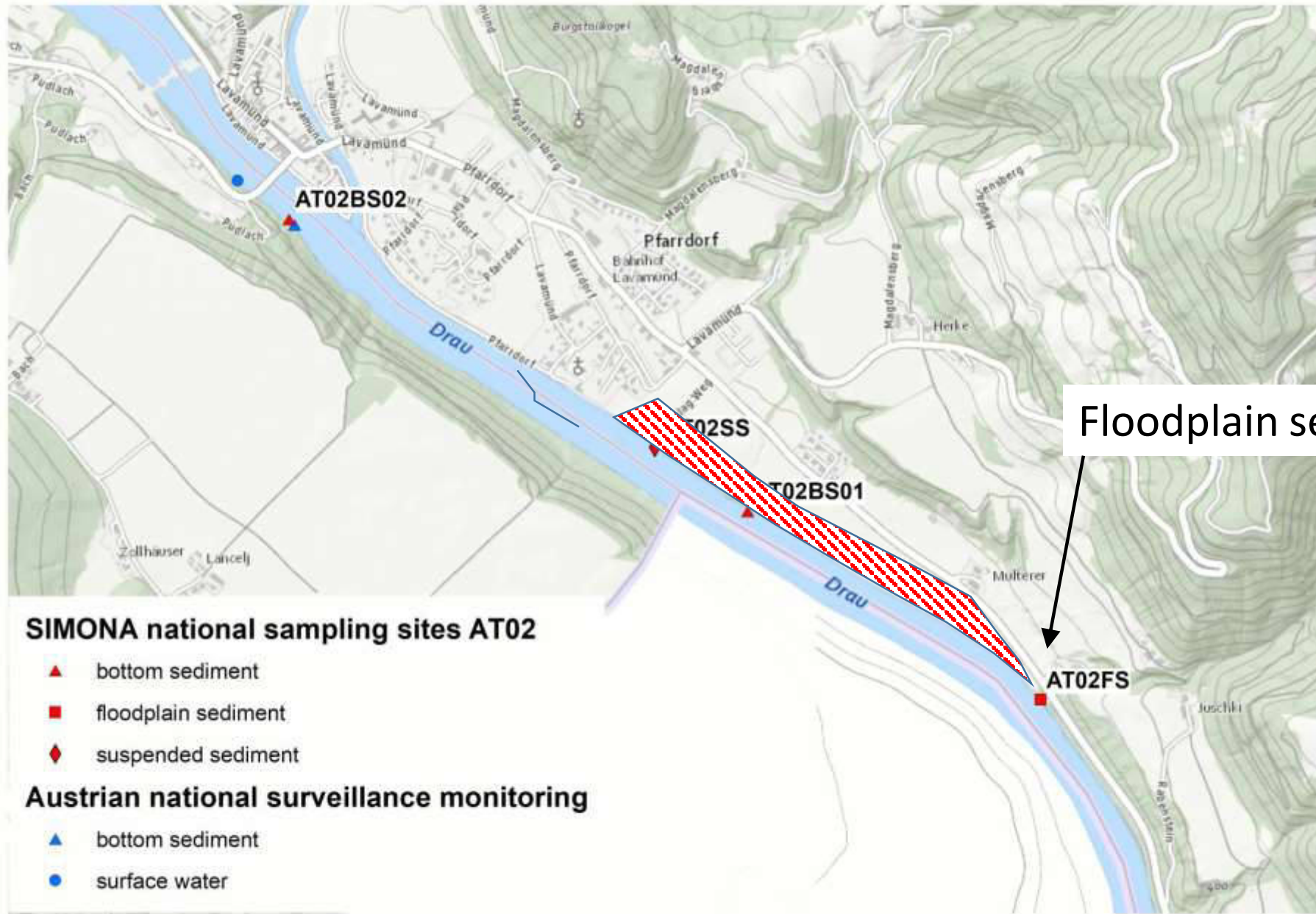


## Bottom sediment:

- scoop system









## Overbank sediment:

- spade & knife system

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## Lessons learned:

- **bottom sediment:** existing Austrian national sampling sites not ideal
  - local shore line effects (tributaries, erosion, gravitational slides)
  - no active sediment
- **suspended sediment:**
  - barrel system more flexible in operation but
  - sediment box yields far more sediment
- **floodplain sediment:** ideal sampling site very difficult to find because of
  - agricultural land use
  - flooding prevented by river management (dams, dykes)





### **The Austrian Team:**

- AIT - Austrian Institute of Technology
- UBA - Environment Agency Austria
- GBA - Geological Survey of Austria



### 2<sup>nd</sup> SIMONA TRAINING EVENT

Additional value-added activities of SIMONA (WP 8):

Sediment quality evaluation method upgrade and capacity building for uptake

**DRAVA Test Area (DTA)**

**PILOT MONITORING SYSTEM - BARCS**

**Zsófia Kovács (ASP) & Győző Jordán (Scientific Coordinator)**





## SIMONA Baseline Network Sampling Design - Training

Additional value-added activities of SIMONA (WP 8)

### Monitoring site - BARCS

**Our goal is to apply an easy-to-use, fast and efficient tool in terms of operation, and from a scientific point of view, the process should be representative and reproducible.**



**DRAVA RIVER  
BASIN**



## MONITORING SYSTEM - PILOT TEST AREA

**Installed types equipment:**  
 sediment box (JDS4 Program), flow rate and turbidity sensors (communication box), passive membrane sample container, floodplain sediment box

For sampling of **suspended and floodplain sediment** on the Drava River at Barcs.



**Start of the continuous monitoring:**

**11. November 2020.**





# Application of PASSIVE MEMBRANE SAMPLER

*(German product)*



28.01.2021, Barcs

## Beginnings (pilot) - Passive Membrane Sampler + only pesticide

membrane



**Container  
(Passive Sampler)**



# Passive Membrane Sampler (WP8)

- 1/ We obtained new specific membrane holders to hold the new **powder-free membranes**, and
- 2/ specific membranes for **Metals, PAHs, and Pesticides**.



# Passive Membrane Sampler (WP8)

## Support for surveillance monitoring

### Technical development

- plastic quick release instead of screw
- identification of membranes
- instead of monthly sampling, two weekly sampling (July)



**QUANTITATIVE MEASUREMENT – CONTINUOUS WATER FLOW METER**

# Application of **SEDIMENT BOX**

*Join Danube Survey (JSD4) standard sediment box ((German product)*



*11.11.2020, Barcs,*



# SIMONA Baseline Network Sampling Design - Training

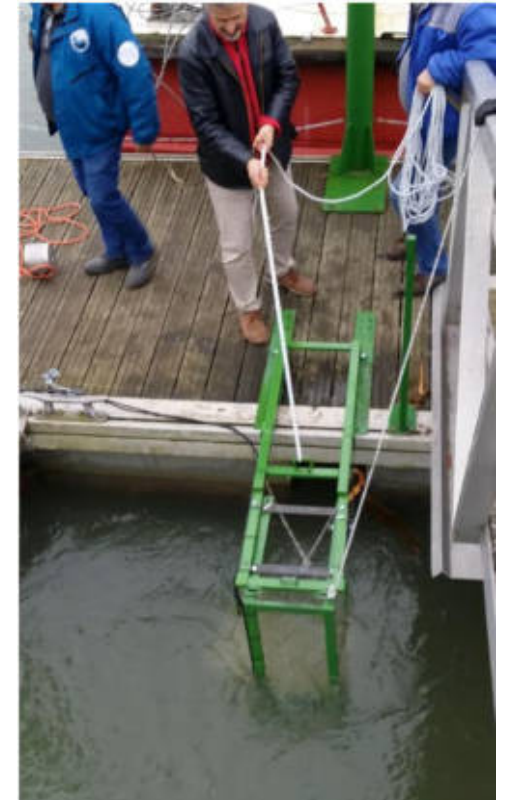
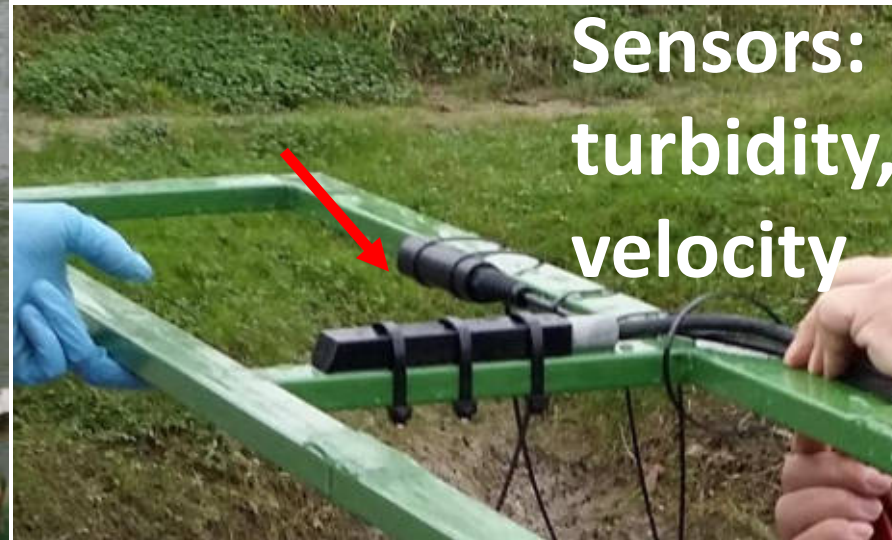
Additional value-added activities of SIMONA (WP 8)

## Sediment Box/Monitoring System

flow rate and turbidity



**Sediment box**





## Operating experience

- 3-hour on-site program
- can not be removed by hand

### Process of collecting suspended solids:

- 1/ water pump
- 2/remove the settled suspended sediment with a stainless steel spoon



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## Technical development (WP8)

*How can the suspended sediment be quantitatively removed from the box?*

- 1/ we drilled a hole in the bottom of the box
- 2/fixing the conductivity sensor in the box
- 3/design – isokinetic form

### Calibration methodology

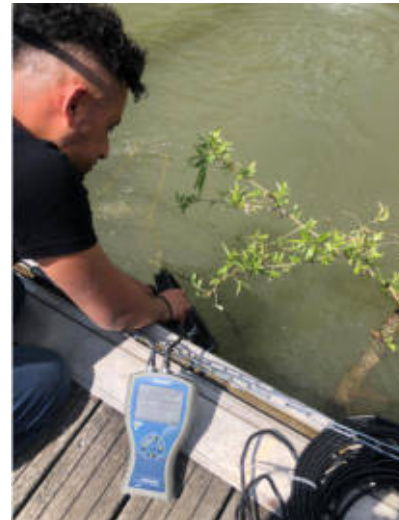
- standard suspended sediment sampling (30 L barrel) **/for each sampling**
- The Authority takes a monthly sample of **suspended sediment in the cross-section**



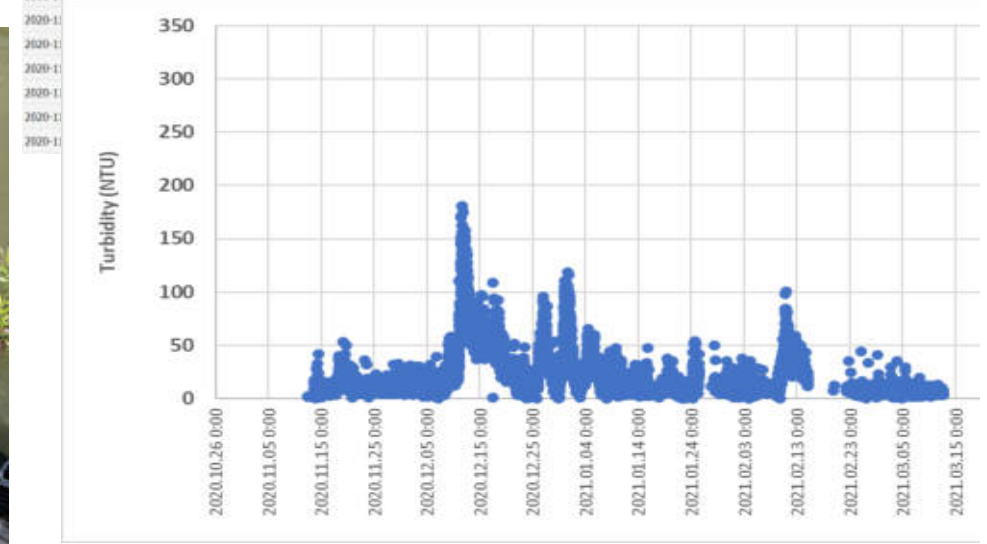


### QUANTITATIVE MEASUREMENT – CONTINUOUS WATER FLOW METER AND TURBIDITY

We have also installed turbidity and flow sensors that send measurement results to the website every 15 minutes.  
**In addition (WP8): pH, DO, conductivity**



Hévíz idője	DRAVA DRAVA DRAVA O_2150_LEVEL_M	DRAVA DRAVA DRAVA ISCO_2150_TEMP_C	DRAVA DRAVA DRAVA ISCO_2150_VELOCITY_MS	DRAVA DRAVA DRAVA ISCO_2150_VOLTAGE_V	DRAVA DRAVA DRAVA ISCO_2150_VOLUME_M3	DRAVA DRAVA DRAVA Lebegőanyag tartalom	DRAVA DRAVA DRAVA Zavarosság
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2020-11-14 15:30:00	0.265	8.55	0.477	12.78	169145.25	1.767 mg/l	8.585 NTU
2020-11-14 15:15:00	0.263	8.53	0.43	12.808	109140.766	5.695 mg/l	11.073 NTU
2020-11-14 15:00:00	0.261	8.51	0.402	12.78	109136.156	8.807 mg/l	10.667 NTU
2020-11-14 14:45:00	0.262	8.51	0.376	12.78	109131.891	3.785 mg/l	8.493 NTU
2020-11-14 14:30:00	0.263	8.52	0.447	12.808	109126.922	1.102 mg/l	11.64 NTU
2020-11-14 14:15:00	0.262	8.53	0.457	12.78	109122.718	0.578 mg/l	11.638 NTU
2020-11-14 14:00:00	0.268	8.53	0.527	12.823	109118.078	1.887 mg/l	11.654 NTU
2020-11-14 13:45:00	0.263	8.53	0.436	12.794	109113.75	14.405 mg/l	12.377 NTU
2020-11-14 13:30:00	0.261	8.52	0.465	12.823	109109.011	3.044 mg/l	11.036 NTU



Communication box, accumulator, SIM card

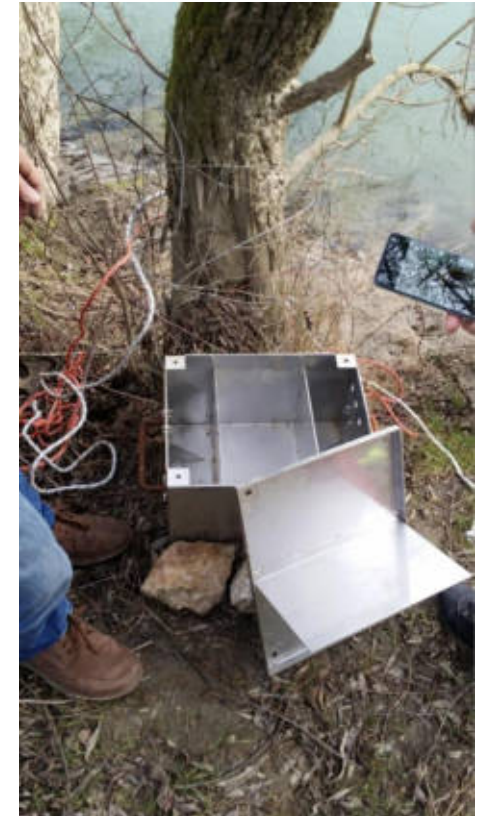
## Floodplain Sediment





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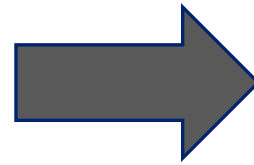
- continuously monitored overbank
- event-based deposited suspended sediment



# SUMMARY

## PILOT Passive Continuously Monitoring System

- Passive membrane sampler (only (pesticide))
- Sediment box (standard- JDS4)
- The passive samplers were supplemented with **continuous flow meters and turbidity sensors**, so we can **perform quantitative analysis**.
- monthly sampling



## WP8 Activity, Evaluation upgrade

- Passive membrane sampler (pesticide, PAH, heavy metals)
- New design for the sediment box (hole in the bottom of the box)
- Continuous monitoring with sensors (flow rate, turbidity, **pH, DO, conductivity**)
- two weekly sampling (July)

**Thank you for your attention!**