

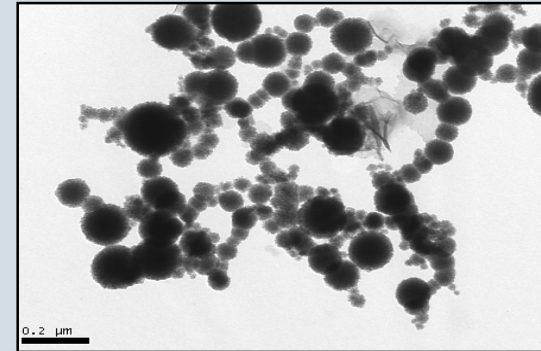


## Use of NZVI for ground water remediation

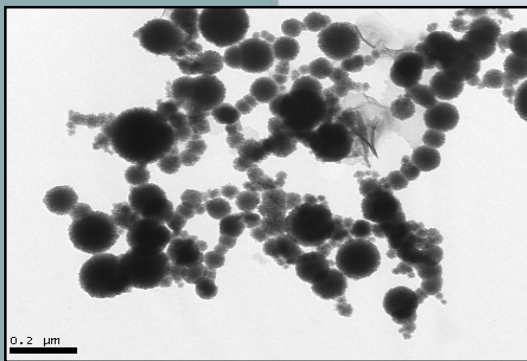
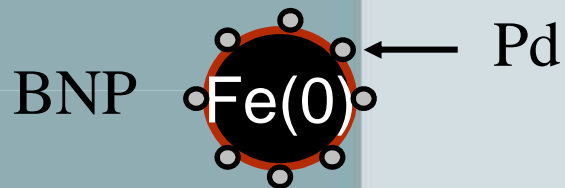
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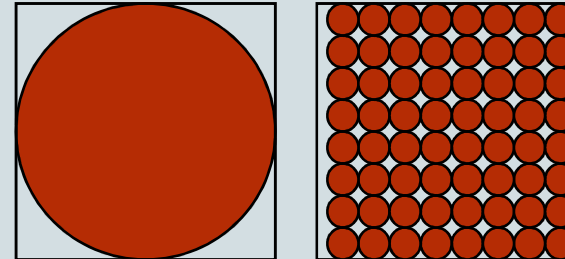
# What is NZVI?



- Nano scale particles (in production, not in subsurface)
- Fe<sup>0</sup>
- Coated with small amount of noble metal (Pd)
  - Resists corrosion
  - Faster Reaction Rate

# What is NZVI?

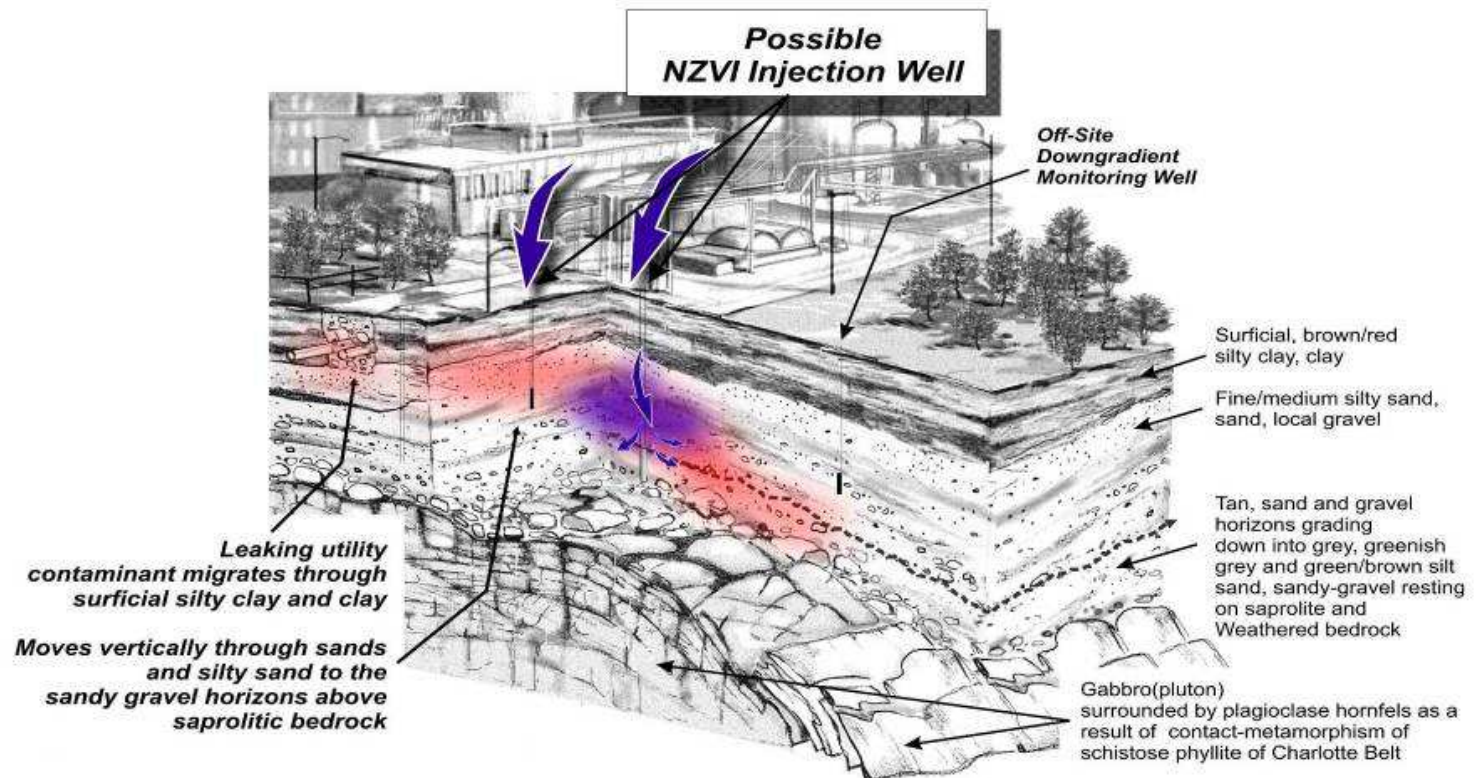
➤ Why go nano?



	<b>Micro ZVI</b>	<b>Nano ZVI</b>
Particle size	10 – 100 $\mu\text{m}$	50 – 75 nm
Surface area	10 $\text{m}^2/\text{Kg}$	30,000 $\text{m}^2/\text{Kg}$
Cost	~ 1 $\text{€}/\text{Kg}$	~ 50 $\text{€}/\text{Kg}$
Actual cost	10 $\text{m}^2/\text{€}$	600 $\text{m}^2/\text{€}$

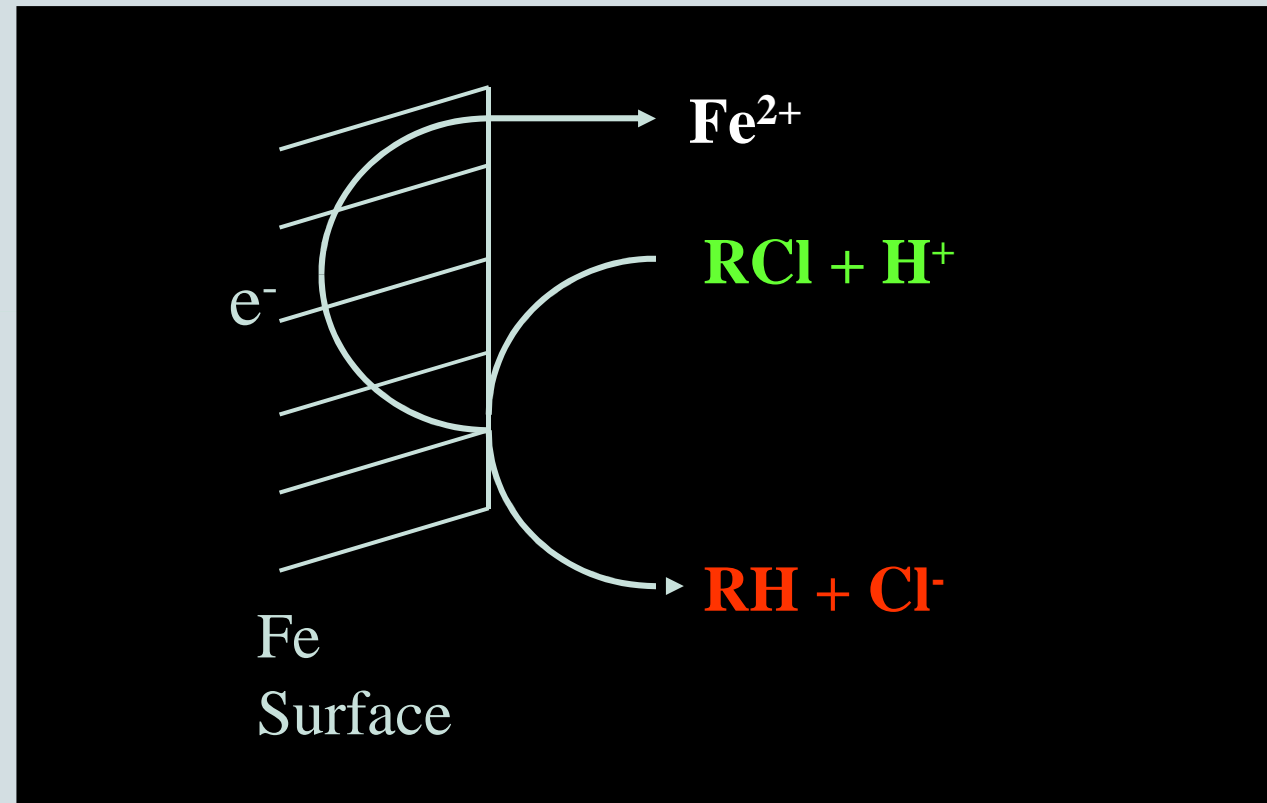
# How does it work?

- Groundwater remediation
- Application to contaminated area via groundwater flow
- Dispersant
- Remains active weeks
- Defined treatment area

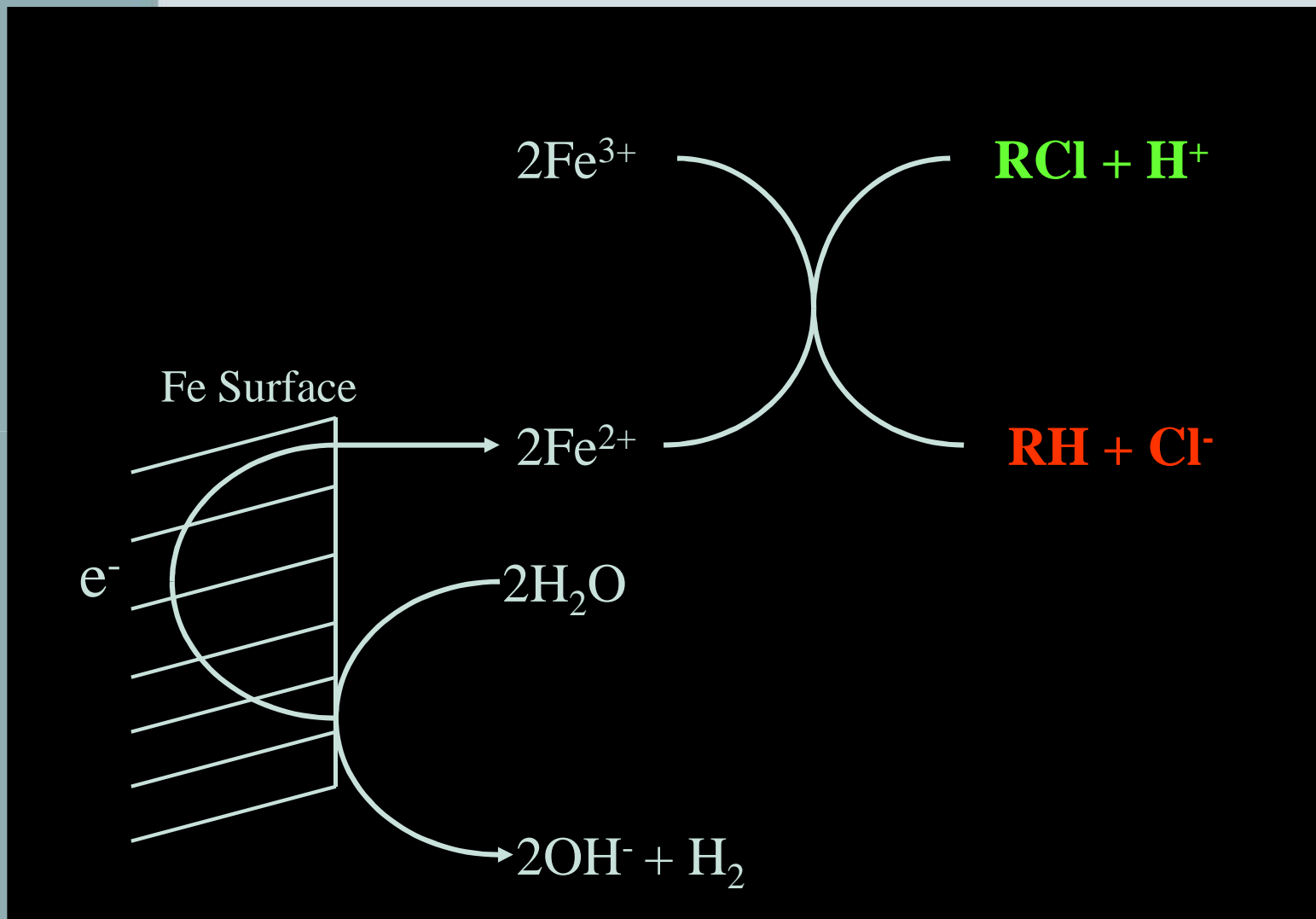


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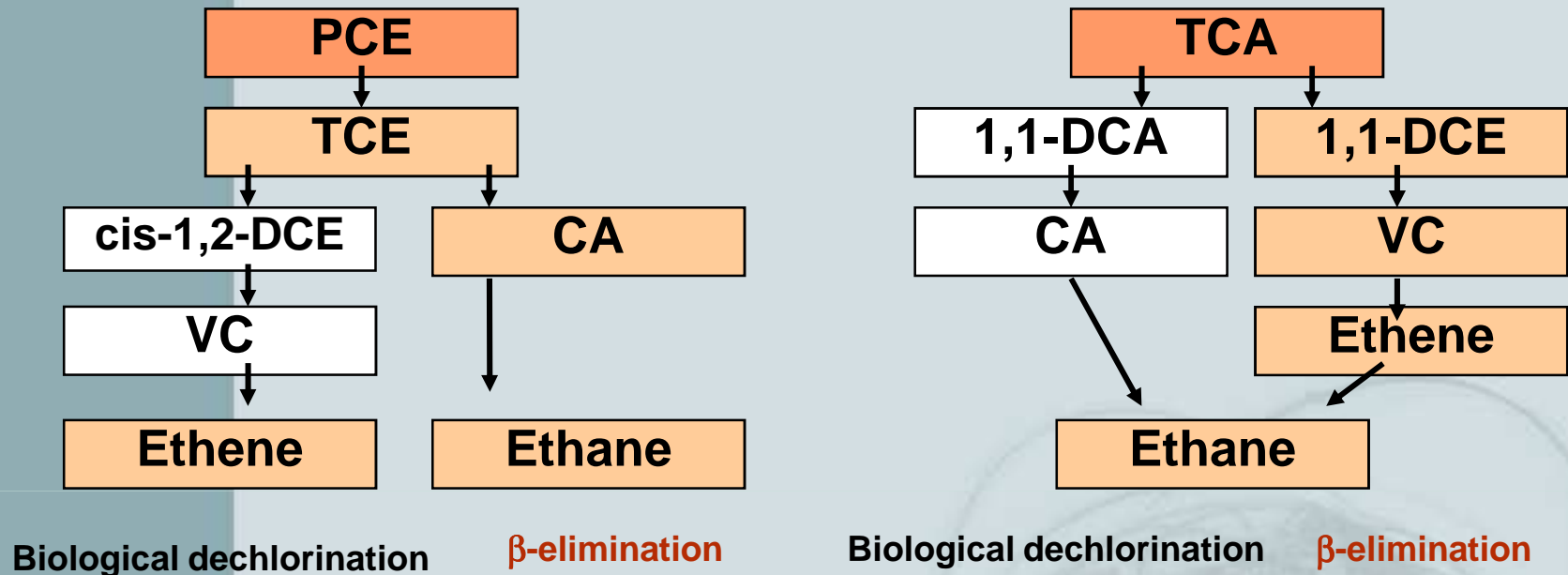
- $\text{Fe}^0$  donates electrons for chlorinated solvent reduction



# More on Reaction Mechanism



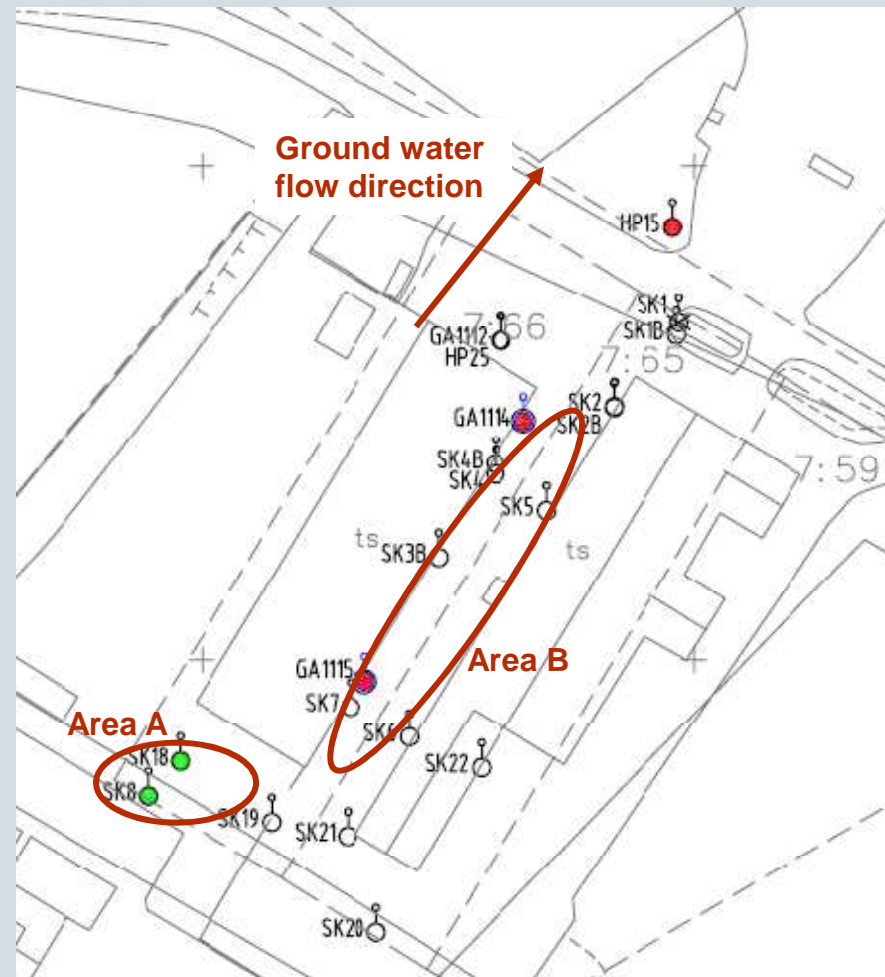
# How does it work?



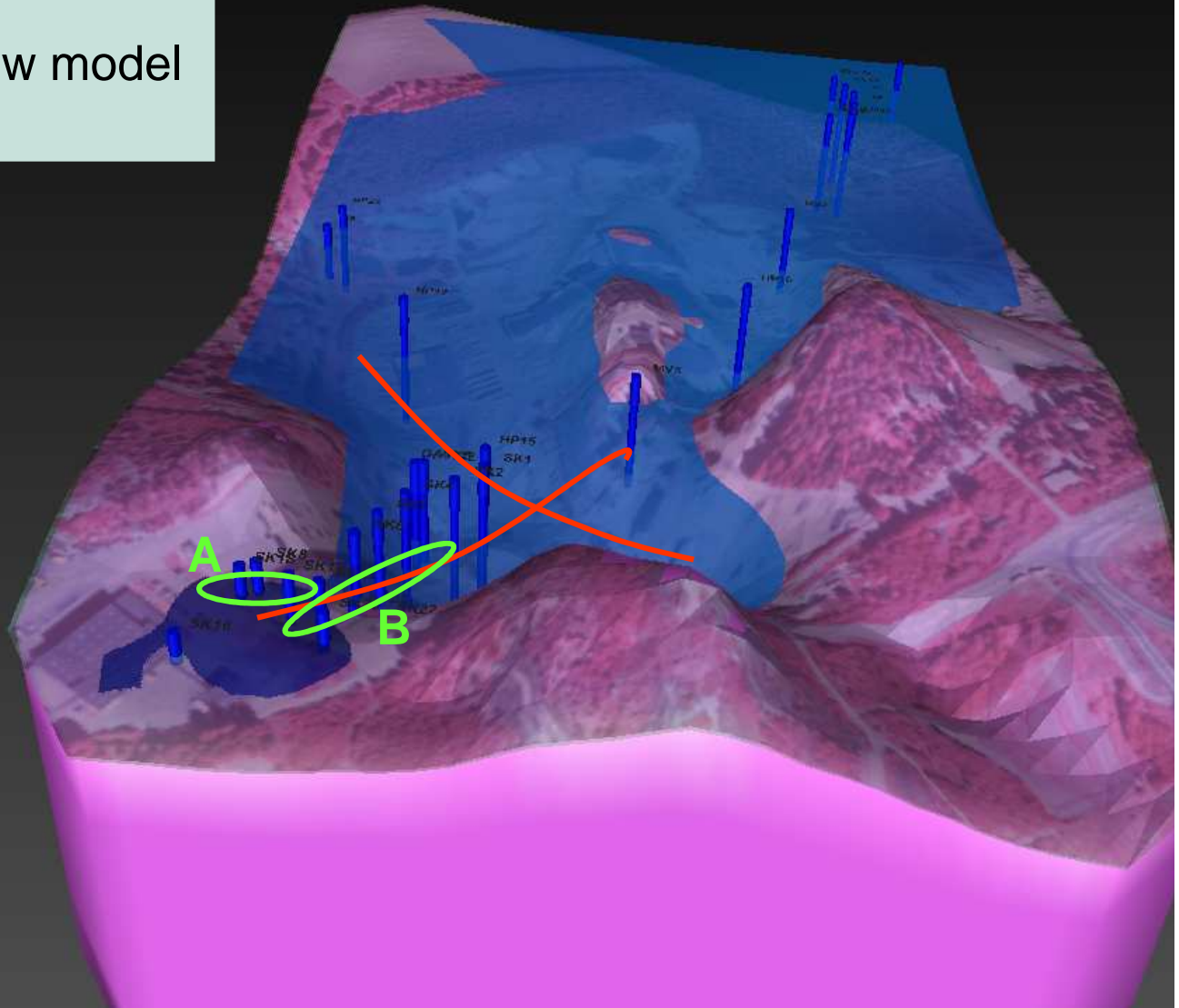
- Production of ethene/ethane
- Natural biodegradation and use of NZVI support each other

# Case Sammonmäki

- Ground water contaminated with chlorinated ethanes (area A) and ethenes (area B)
- Two source zones

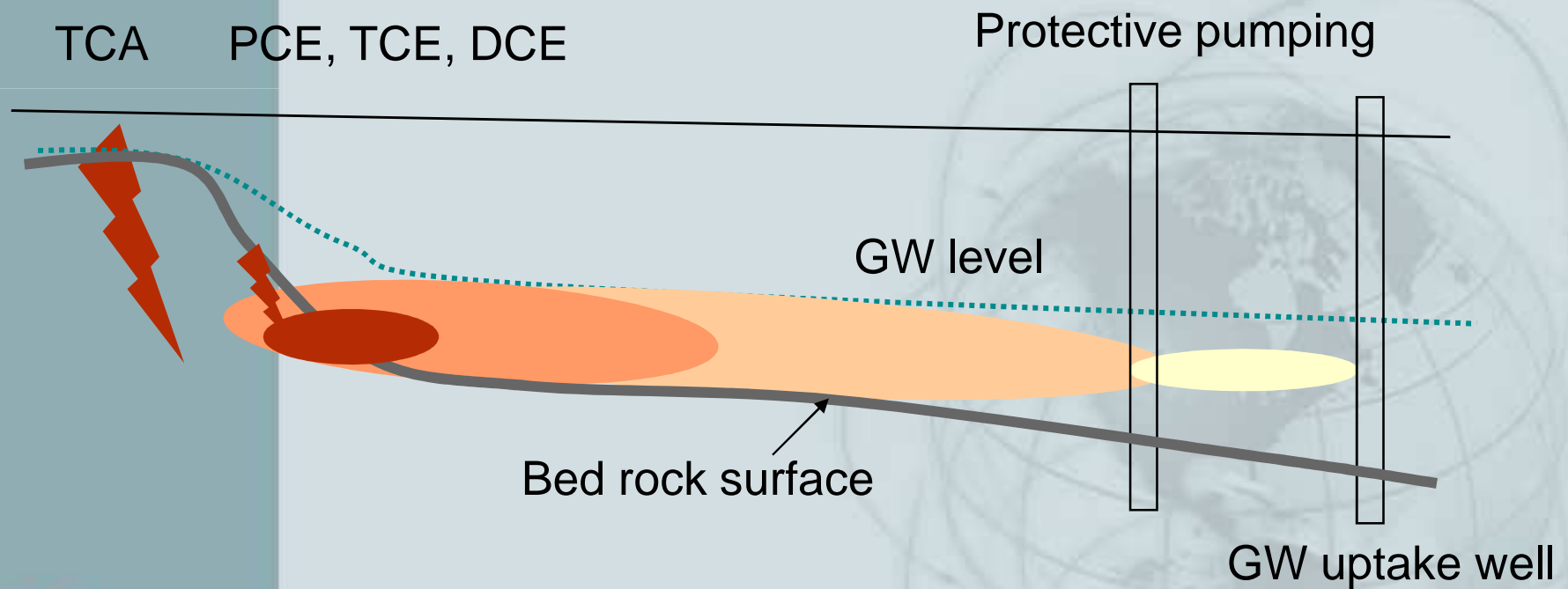


- Site investigations
  - Contaminant chemistry
  - Geology
  - Ground water flow model
  - Geochemistry



# Case Sammonmäki

- Groundwater concentrations 1-2 mg/l at highest (2004-2007)
- Groundwater uptake well downstream

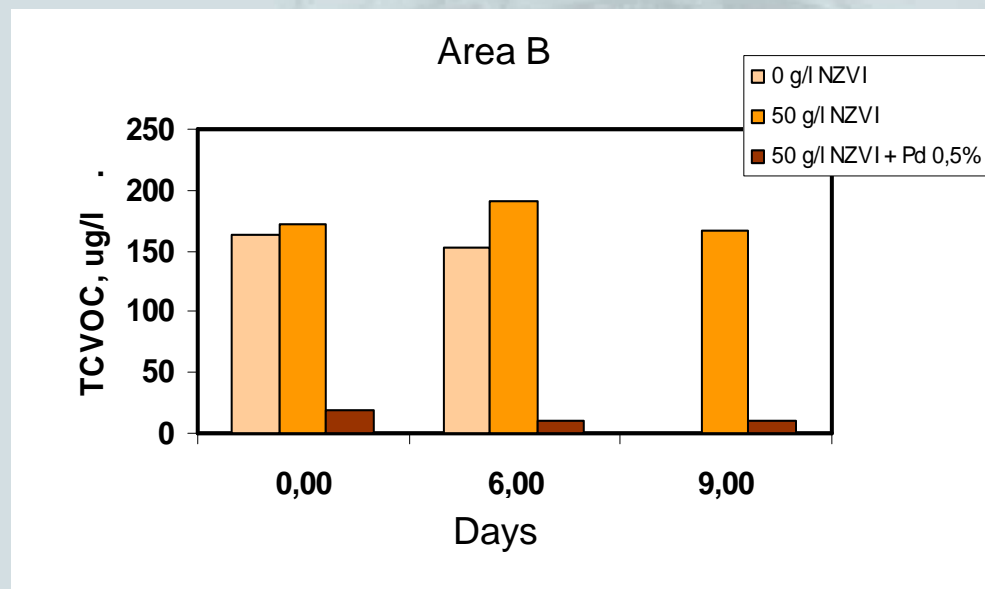
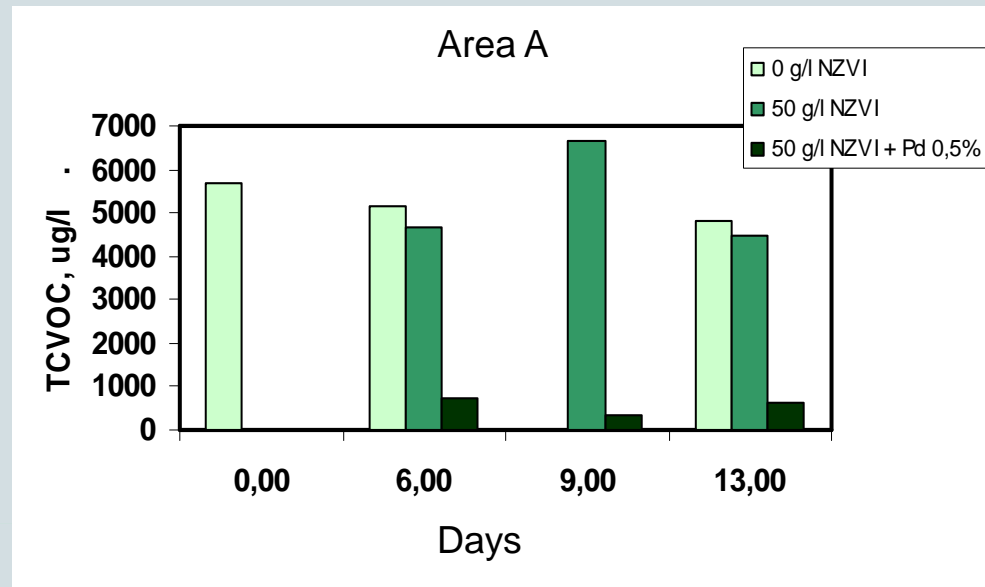


# Case Sammonmäki

- Selection of remediation technique
  - MNA
    - No strong signs of natural attenuation
    - Slow
    - Risk for ground water uptake well need to be managed by protective pumping for unknown time
  - ENA, ISCO, NZVI
    - All feasible
    - All required bench scale and/or pilot scale testing
    - Site low in oxygen but not strong signs of biodegradation
- *Bench scale tests for NZVI*
  - *If feasible, remediation using NZVI*

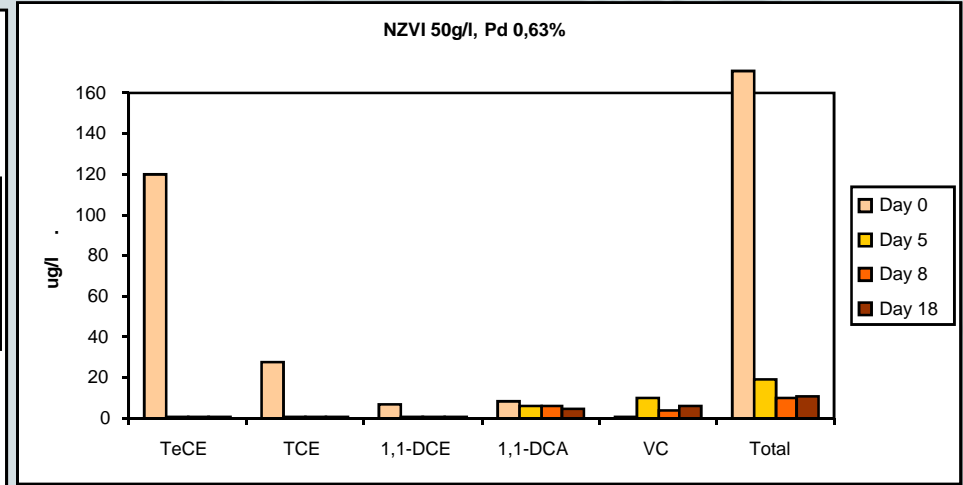
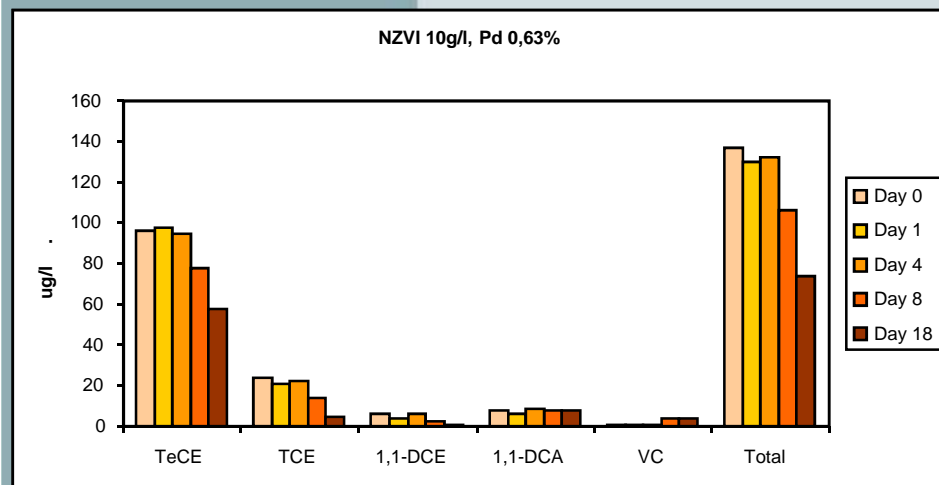
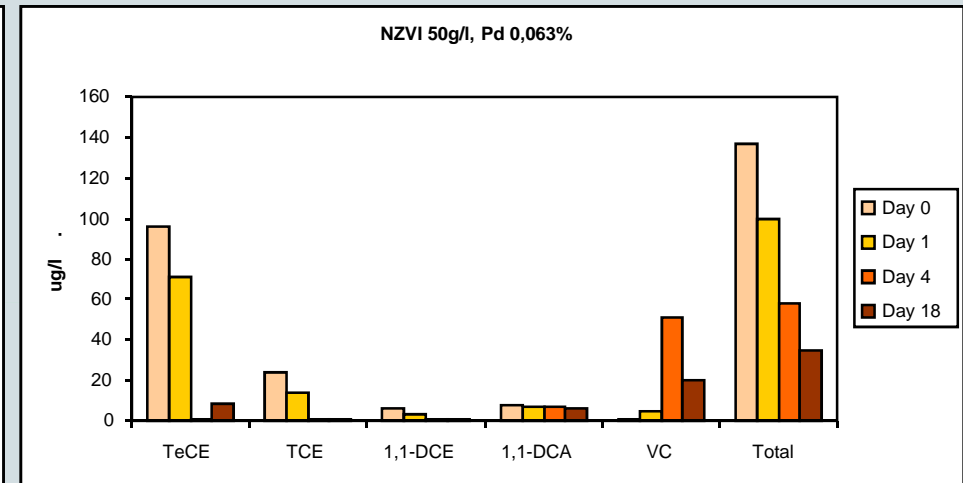
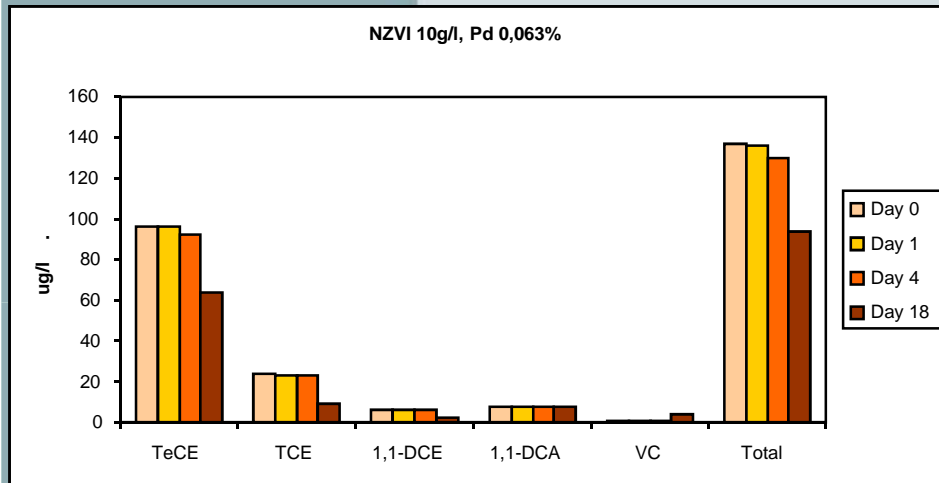
# BS tests

- Bench scale tests
- Water + soil slurries
  
- Does NZVI work at all?
- Do we need to add Pd?



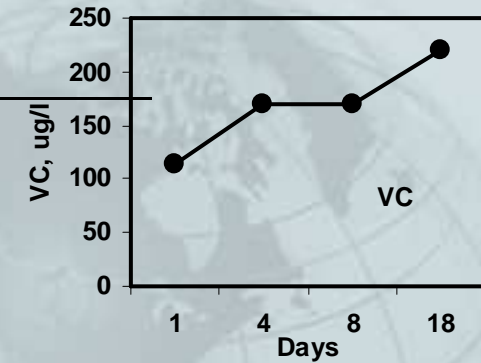
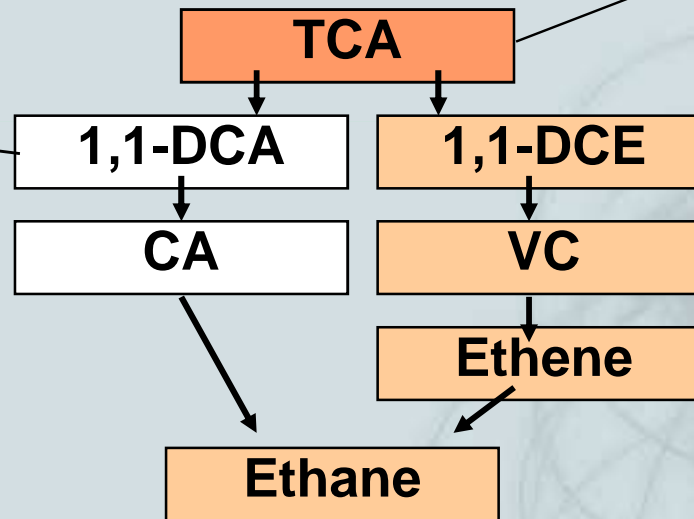
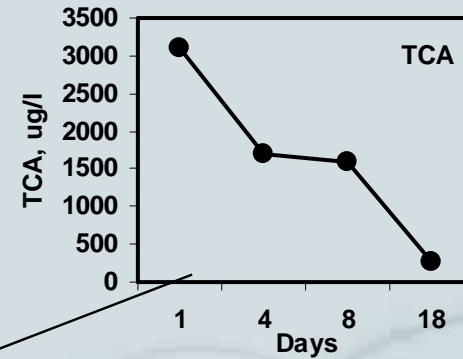
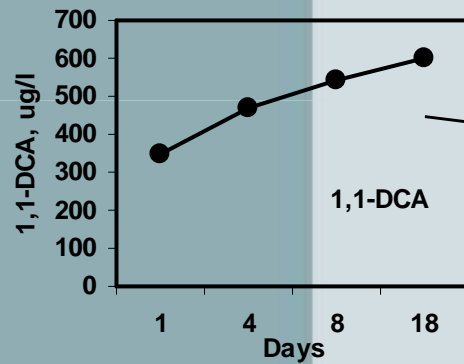
# BS tests

- How much NZVI?
- How much Pd?



# BS tests

## ➤ Degradation pathways?



Biological dechlorination     $\beta$ -elimination

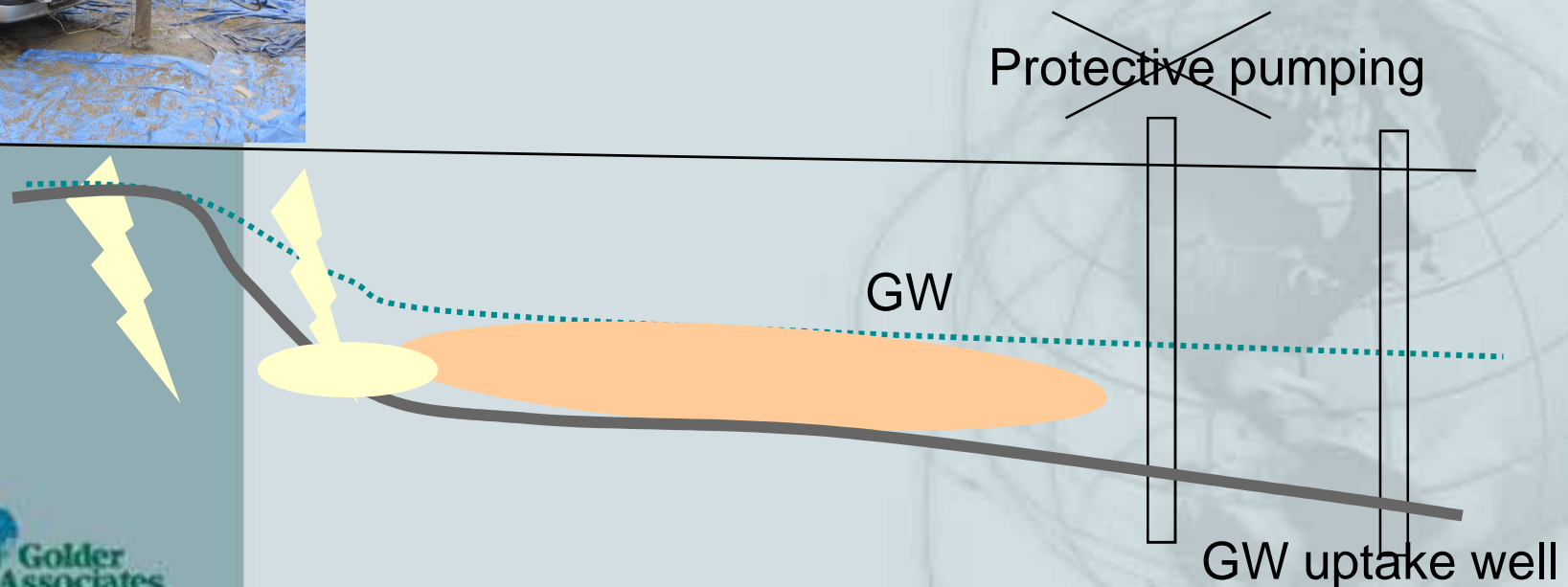
# Conclusions from BS tests



- Based on BS tests
  - Contaminants in Sammonmäki can be degraded by means of Pd-NZVI (BNP)
  - Without Pd, no degradation took place
  - NZVI concentration needed 50 g/l, Pd 0,1-0,6 % for area A and 0,06-0,1% for area B
  - Signs of both chemical and biological degradation
  - 1,1-DCA and VC can be temporally accumulated
  - No increase in pH
  - No metal release from minerals
  - Soy milk can be used as dispersant

# Remedial action plan

- Based on BS tests, remediation of the site was designed
  - Amount of NZVI, Pd, soy milk
  - Injection points and schedule
  - Target levels at source zone were set using Bioscreen
  - Monitoring
- Permit for experimental remediation applied
- Source zone remediation during 2 years of injections





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