

Regulation of Produced Waters using Risk-Based Approach



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Presentation

- Company perspective
- Produced water
- Risk Based Approach (RBA) trial
 - Organisation & implementation
 - Outcome
- OSPAR perspective
- UK RBA Implementation Programme
 - Methodology
 - Assessment
 - Inference

Some key facts

- Global presence in all major oil and gas markets
- 2014 revenues of NOK 2.3 billion
- Formerly known as Aker Process Systems, as part of Aker Solutions
- Now part of Aker group - subsidiary of OSE listed Akastor ASA

620 employees worldwide



Global company with local presence



Staff representatives in

17 countries and **six** continents

Our solutions maximize the production through the entire lifecycle of onshore and offshore installation



Oil Solutions

We offer separation and processing solutions for oil based on a unique combination of extensive field experience, high-end product portfolio and complete package solution.



Gas Solutions

With more than 20 years of operational experience and process expertise, we offer conventional and innovative solutions for separation and processing of high quality gas.



Water Solutions

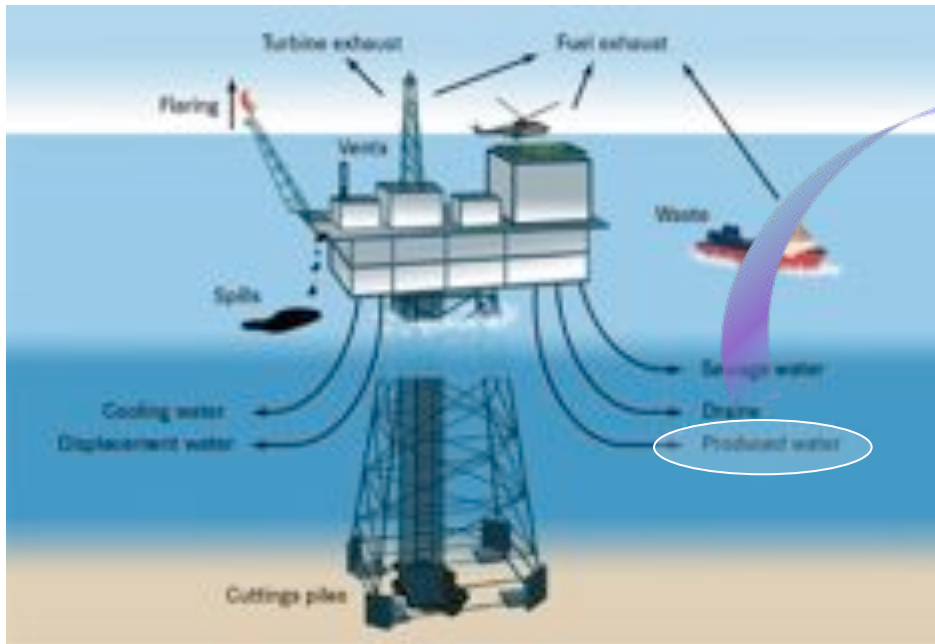
We offer environmental friendly solutions for water treatment, which treats liquids such as produced water, sea water or MEG to remove impurities in order to deliver fluids of required qualities.



Lifecycle Services

We provide full aftermarket services on our installed base, value-adding brownfield solutions from diagnostic studies to full revamp projects, and training services.

Discharges



Produced Water

- Anionic and cationic surfactants
- Emulsifiers/Demulsifiers
- Oxygen scavengers
- Scale inhibitors
- Defoamers
- Biocides
- Corrosion inhibitors

Naturally
occurring
substances

UK - WEA Testing Evaluation

- Test samples – practicalities
 - collection, shipping & logistics
- Sample stability
- Test sensitivity
- Platform / produced water characteristics – bioassay performance
- Risk based approach - produced water management



Project Organisation



National Coordinator

- Installations - selection
- Co-ordination process
- Assess outcome

WEA Study Contractor

- Offshore WEA Testing
- Onshore WEA Testing
- Data analysis & reporting
- Sample shipment logistics



WEA Study Contractor

- Field equipment supply
- MARA/LumiMARA
- Data analysis & reporting
- Manage & Organise

Biannual Testing Laboratories

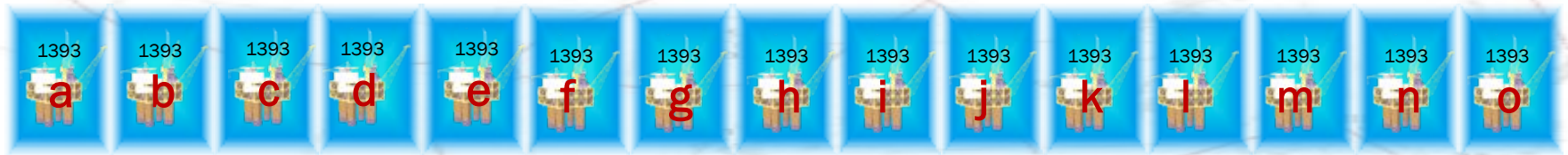


Operators

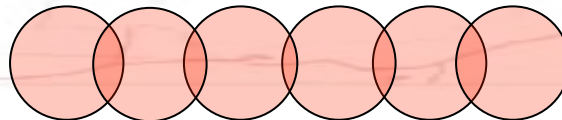


Installations

- 15 Installations



- Central North Sea (8)
- North North Sea (4)
- South North Sea (1)
- Irish Sea (1)
- West of Shetland (1)



Testing

Biannual sampling – Chemical analyses

Bioassays

Biodegradation

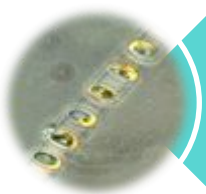


Zootoxicity
Acartia tonsa

Onshore

Initial

Aged
3 weeks

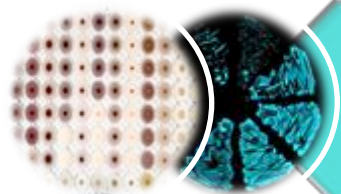


Phytotoxicity
Skeletonema costatum

Onshore

Initial

Aged
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Microbial
MARA & LumiMARA

Onshore

Initial

Aged
3 weeks

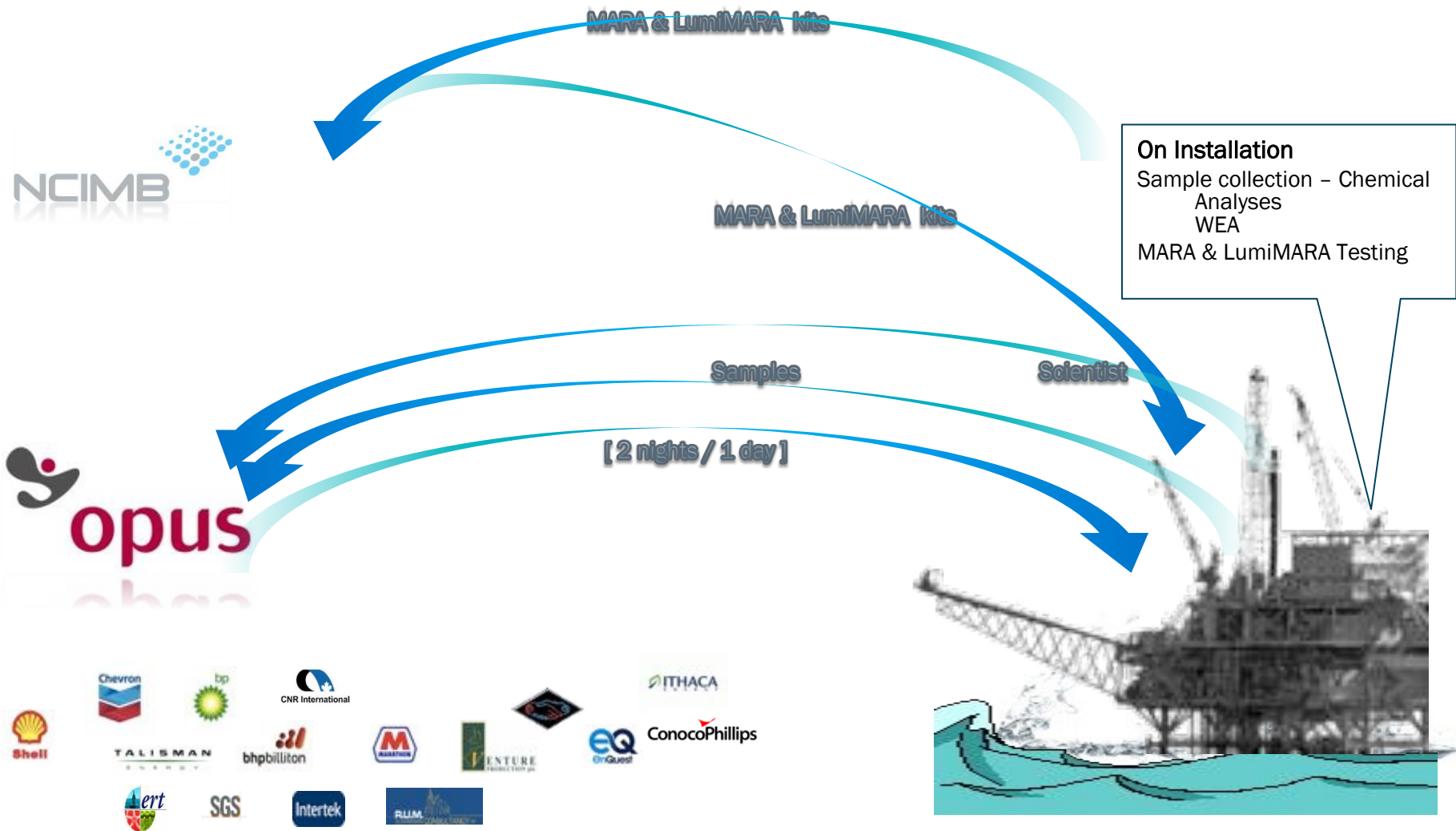
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Offshore Sampling



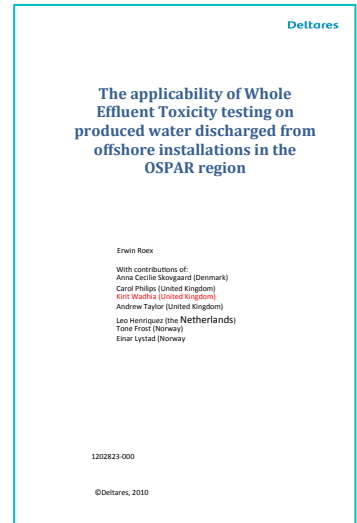
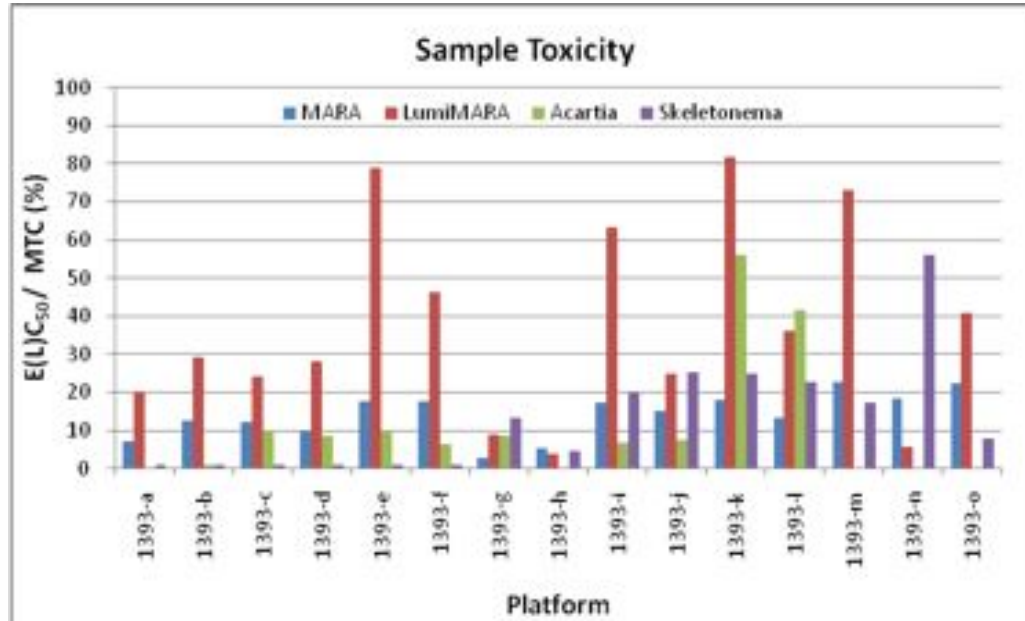
Assays' Performance & Samples' Stability

- Offshore vs. onshore testing
 - MARA : 1 platform
 - LumiMARA : 3 platforms

} Significant difference
- Onshore – Initial vs. Aged
 - MARA : 1 platform
 - LumiMARA : 1 platform

} Significant difference
- Acartia and Skeletonema - some variability evident
- **Suggests samples can be collected and sent back onshore as with the chemical biannual sampling programme**

Comparison of Bioassays

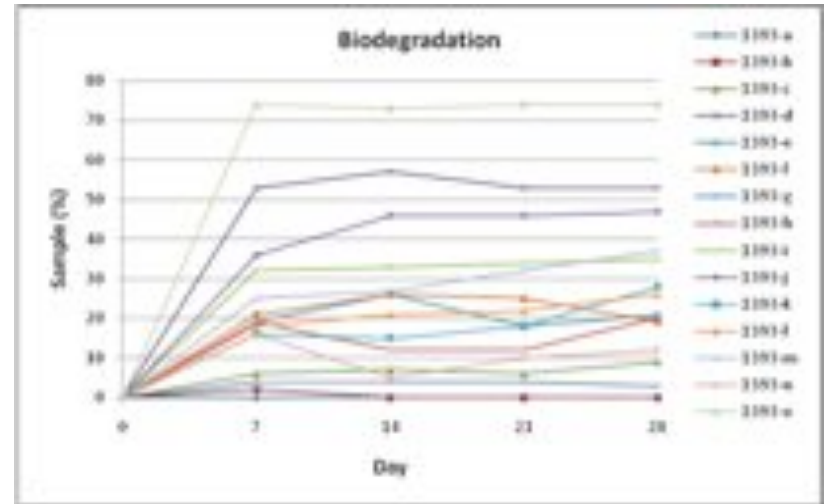


How do the different WEA bioassays compare?

- No single assay was the most sensitive for all 15 platforms
- Also found in the Dutch, Norwegian and Danish studies
- MARA and LumiMARA multispecies tests covered the range of test results for the higher trophic species

Biodegradation

Platform	COD (mgO ₂ /mg)	Addition Rate (mgCOD/l)	Day 7 (%)	Day 14 (%)	Day 21 (%)	Day 28 (%)
1393-a	0.01880	277	0	0	0	0
1393-b	0.01622	321	2	0	0	0
1393-c	0.00700	743	6	7	6	9
1393-d	0.00118	2203	53	57	53	53
1393-e	0.00022	11800	19	26	18	21
1393-f	0.00042	6190	21	26	25	19
1393-g	0.00048	10950	4	4	4	3
1393-h	0.00183	1424	19	12	12	20
1393-i	0.00017	15300	32	33	34	35
1393-j	0.00080	3250	36	46	46	47
1393-k	0.00070	3720	16	15	18	28
1393-l	0.00063	4160	18	21	22	26
1393-m	0.00104	2500	25	27	32	37
1393-n	0.00044	5900	16	5	10	12
1393-o	0.00215	1210	74	73	74	74



- All platforms showed different biodegradation potential
- Maximum biodegradation was seen by day 14

Comparison of Platforms

- Gas platforms
 - highest salinity
 - higher toxicity ranking
- Water cut / Production [Low]; Oil content discharges [High]
 - generally more toxic
- [Early] Production phase
 - higher toxicity with some bioassays
- Location
 - not a factor
- Chemicals use (↓/↑)
 - toxicity correlation ↓
- No biodegradation – [Early] Production phase (Gas/Oil) ; Oil content [High], Water cut [Low], Produced Waters [Complex], Chemicals usage (↑)

Summary

- Samples collection and processing
 - no practical constraints
- Tests
 - Differentiate platforms
 - No single assay most sensitive
 - Other studies similar findings
- MARA and LumiMARA
 - distinct fingerprints
- Salinity
 - factor for bioassays
- Sample ageing
 - relevant but not significant

Conclusions

- Test samples – practicalities
 - collection, shipping & logistics

Feasible – no major issues

- Sample stability

Limited evaluation

- Test sensitivity

Need for >1 test

- Platform / produced water characteristics – bioassay performance

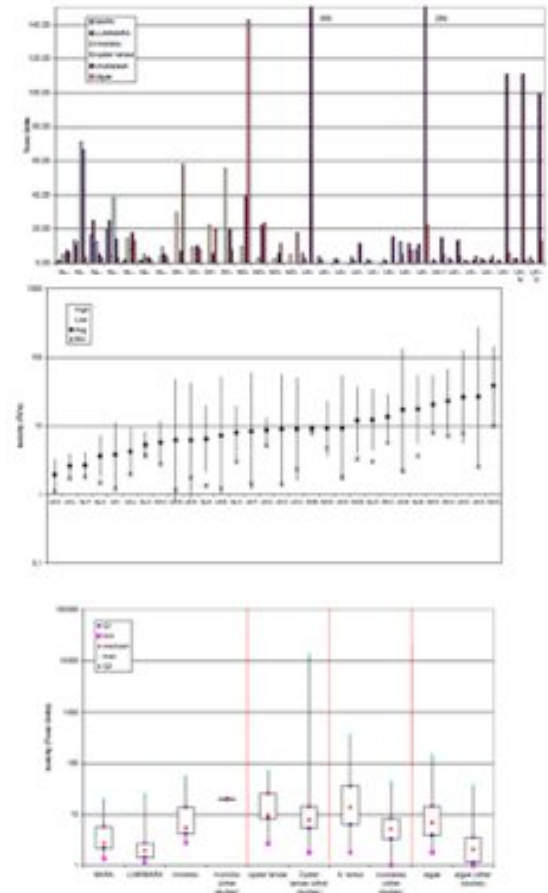
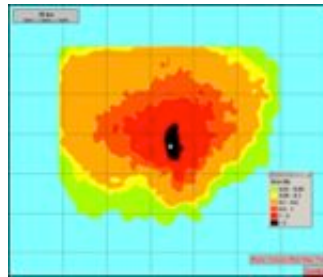
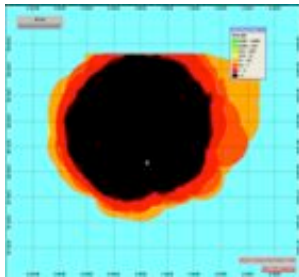
Able to discriminate

- Risk based approach - produced water management

Assess pros & cons

OSPAR Implementation Strategy

- Member states consultations
 - criteria; parameters
- WEA testing
 - 30 Installations – UK, N, NL, DK
- RA Guideline doc (Manual)
- Comparative Study



Risk Based Approach

- 30mg/l oil discharge limit



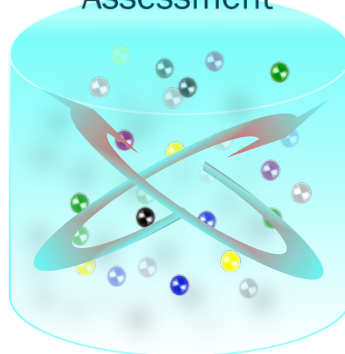
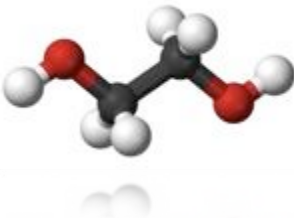
Produced Water

- OSPAR Recommendation 2012/5



Whole Effluent Assessment

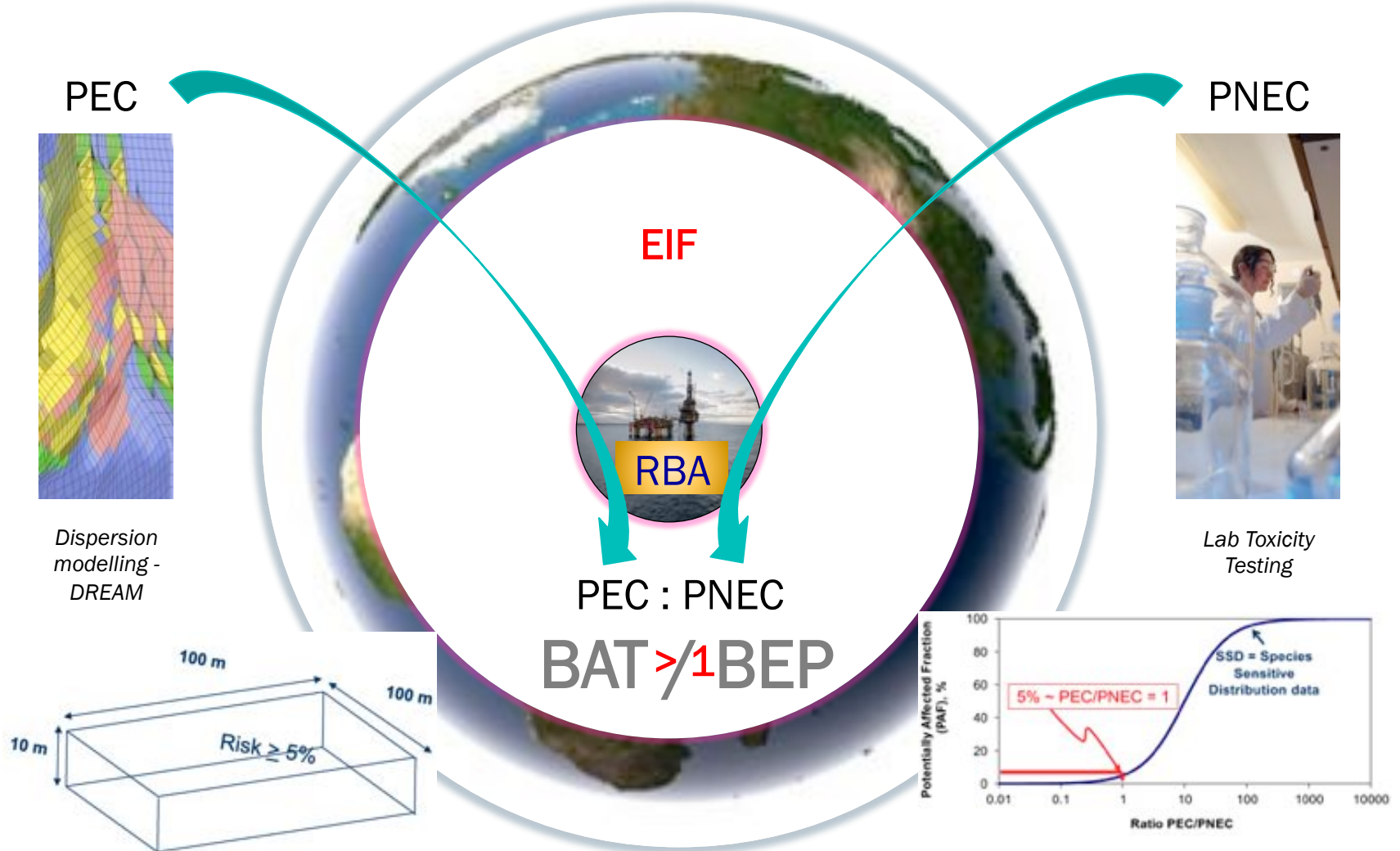
- Production chemicals



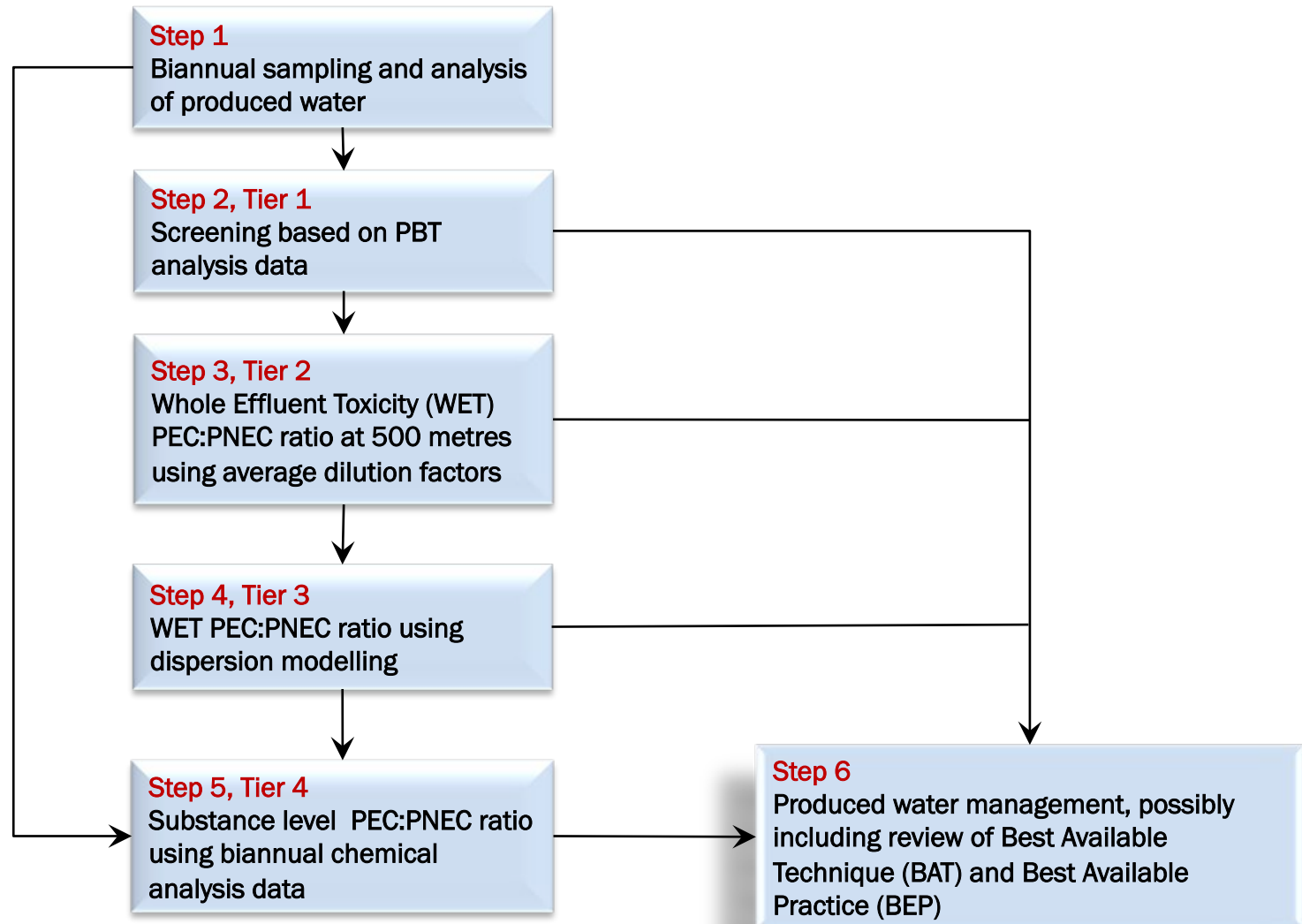
- Naturally occurring substances



Environmental Impact Factor



UK Methodology for Risk Based Approach



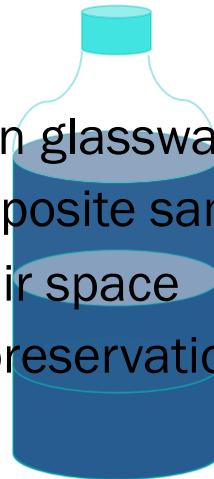
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Step 1

Biannual sampling and analysis of produced water



- clean glassware
- composite sample
- no air space
- no preservation / freezing



Salinity



Bacteria
MARA &
LumiMARA

Algae
*Skeletonema
costatum*

Crustacea
Acartia tonsa

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Step 2, Tier 1
Screening based on PBT
analysis data



Criterion	PBT criteria	vPvB-criteria
P	Half-life >60 days (d) in marine water or >40 d in freshwater*, or half-life >180 d in marine sediment or >120 d in freshwater sediment*	Half-life >60 d in marine water or freshwater, or >180 d in marine sediment or freshwater sediment
B	Bio-Concentration Factor (BCF) >2,000	BCF >5,000
T	Chronic NOEC <0.01 mg/l or CMR or endocrine disrupting effects	Not applicable
* For the purpose of marine environmental risk assessment, where marine half-life data is available it is used in preference to freshwater data.		

Step 6
Produced water management, possibly
including review of Best Available
Technique (BAT) and Best Available
Practice (BEP)

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Step 3, Tier 2

Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET)
PEC:PNEC ratio at 500 metres
using average dilution factors



Assessment Factor = 1000

Discharge volume

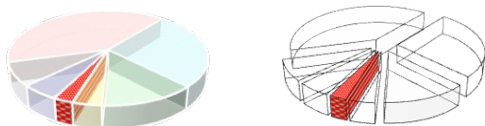
Chronic tests

Bacteria
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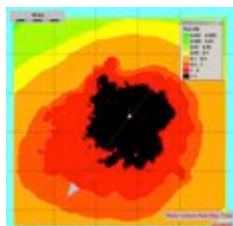
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Component with worse Hazard Quotient (HQ) [toxicity] – Greatest impact



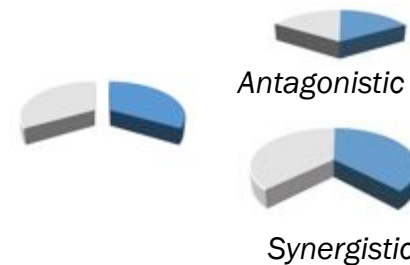
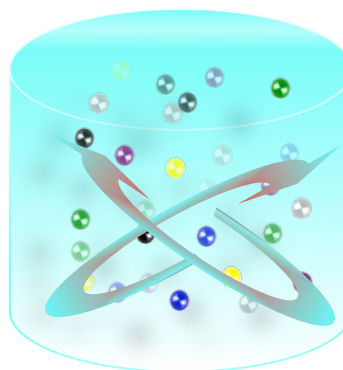
Step 4, Tier 3

WET PEC:PNEC ratio using dispersion modelling

Step 5, Tier 4

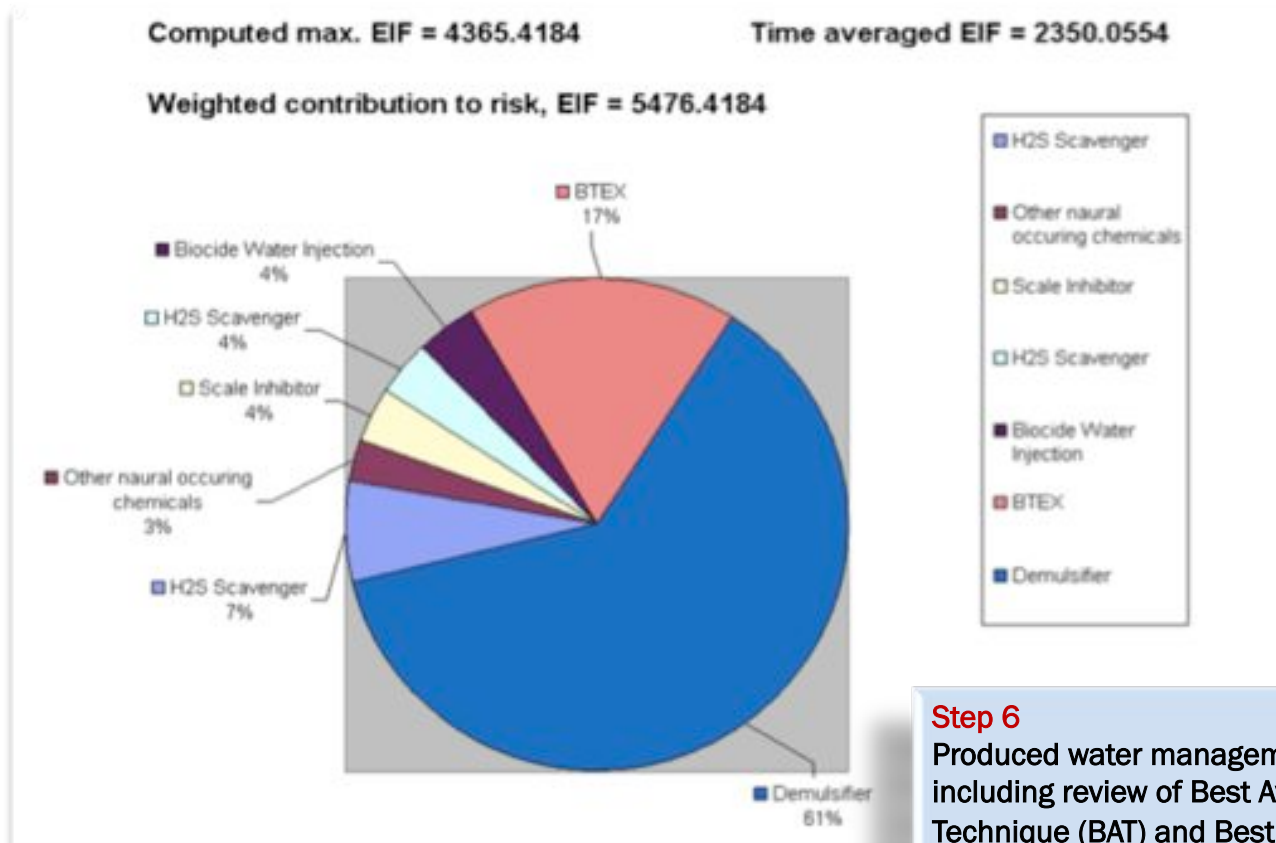
Substance level PEC:PNEC ratio using biannual chemical analysis data

Whole Effluent Assessment



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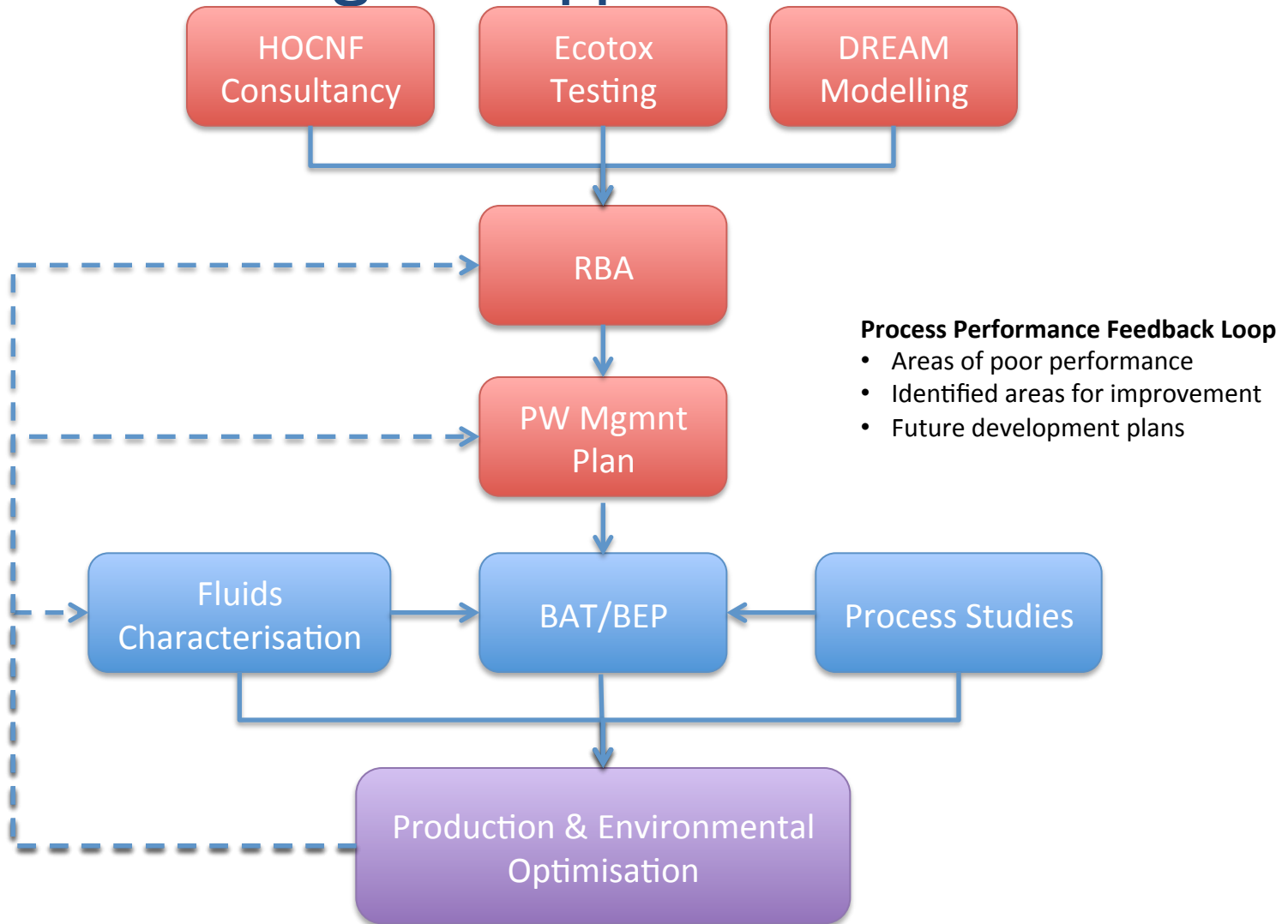
Example of major contributors to EIF presented graphically at product level



Step 6

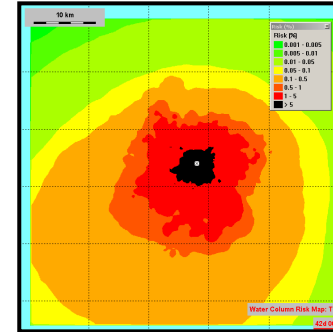
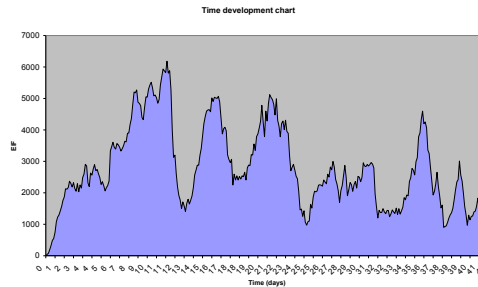
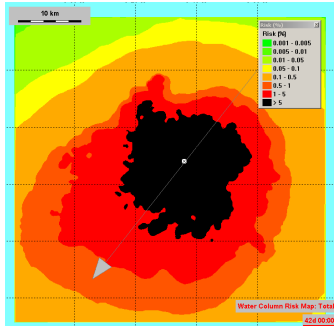
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Fjords Processing RBA Approach

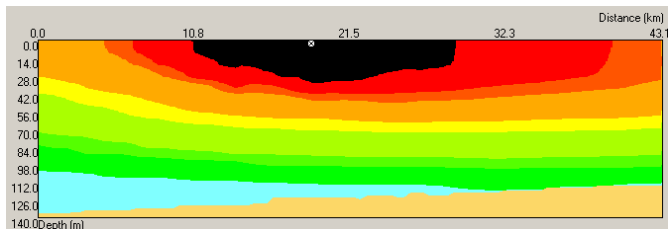


RBA Assessment Case Study – Asset ‘X’

- Maximum risk of whole effluent model
- Whole effluent time averaged risk model (black $\geq 5\%$ risk)



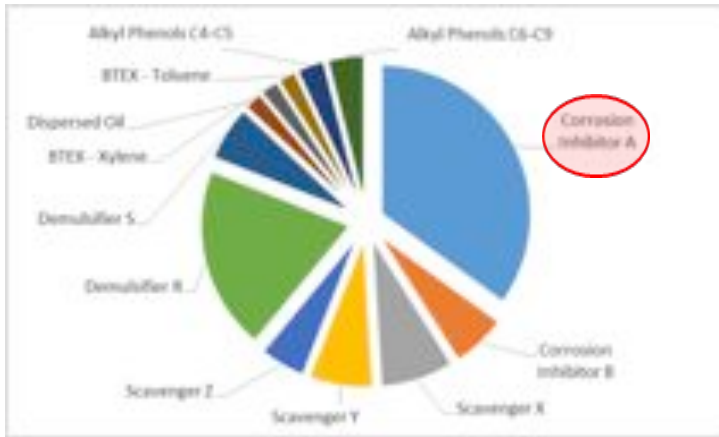
- Whole effluent time development



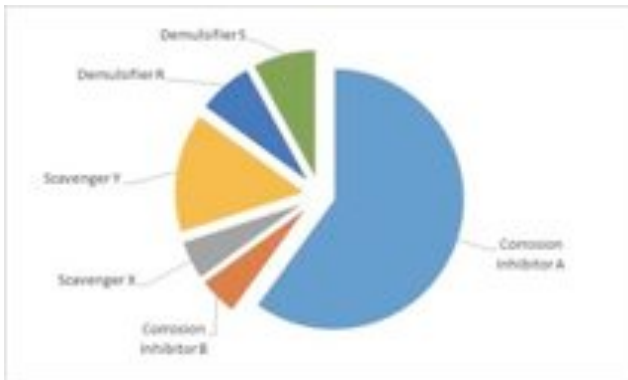
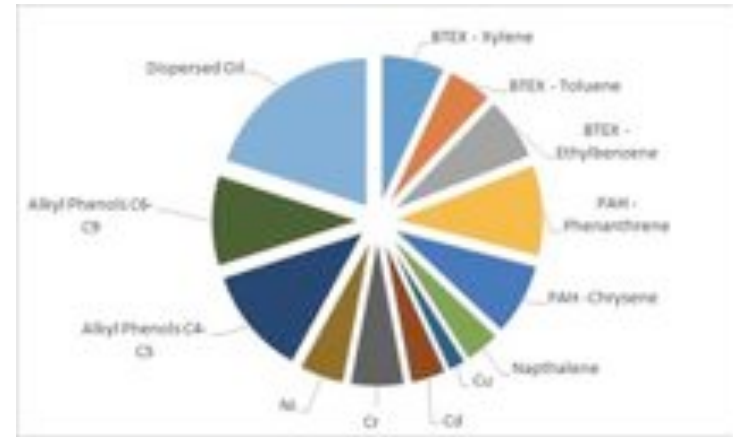
- Transect through whole effluent maximum risk model

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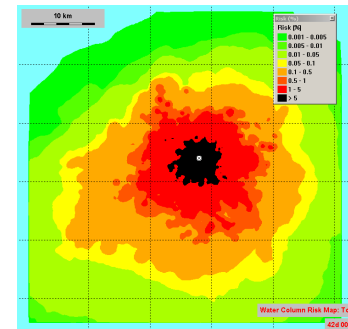
- Produced water components contributing to >1% of overall risk



- Model of naturally occurring substances only



- Added chemicals modelled independently



- Time averaged risk model of specific chemical

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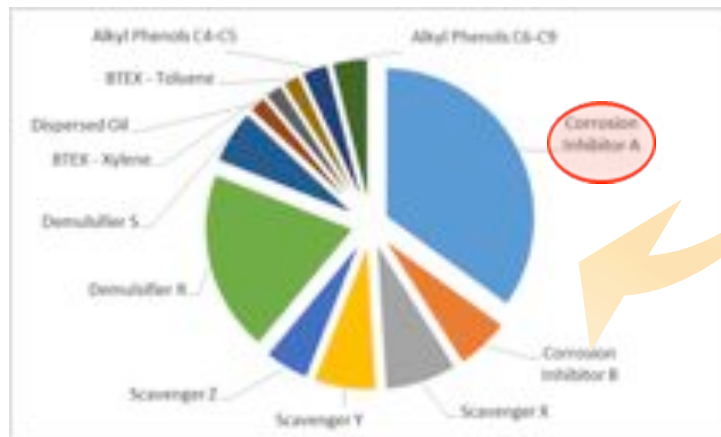


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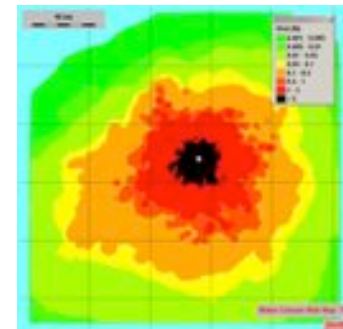


Biannual chemical analysis + WET

Modelling at chemical level



Not PBT

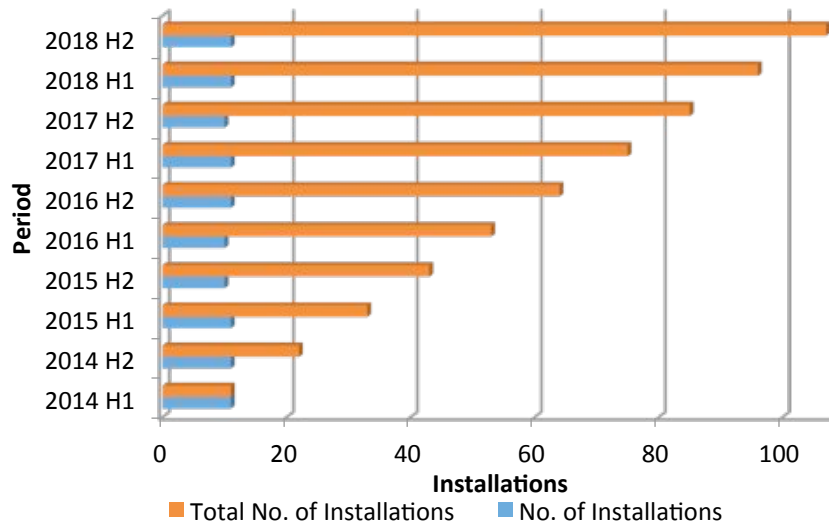
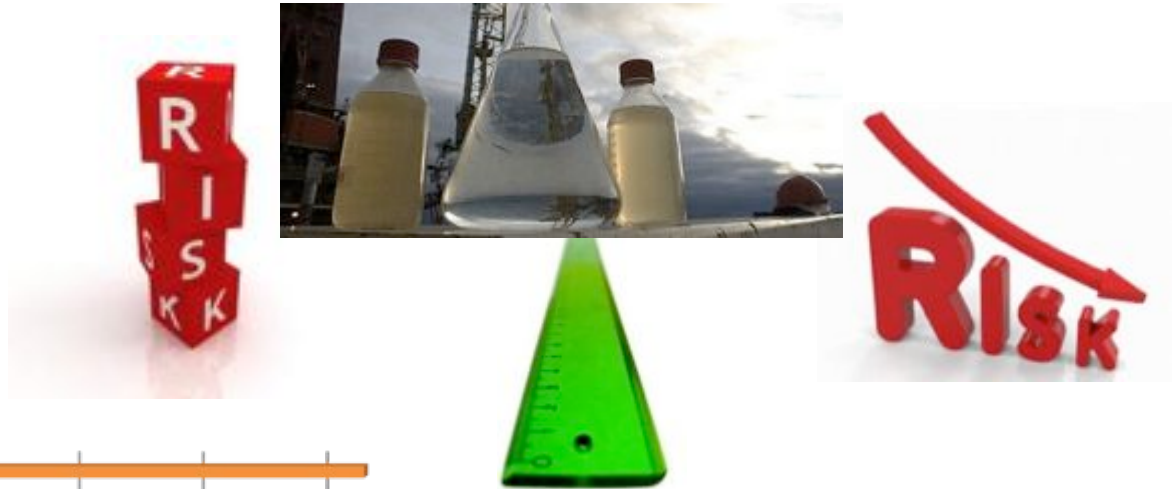


EIF > 1

BAT / BEP

OSPAR RBA Perspective

- By 2020 all offshore installations PW assessment to determine risk



UK Risk Based Approach Implementation Programme