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BUILDING BRIDGES

ONLINE EVENT SERIES

Wastewater Reuse In Agriculture

Tuesday, 22 Nov ‘22 2 PM (Central European Time)

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AGENDA (Duration 1.5 hrs)

. 15’ Introduction

. 15’ Guest Speaker Italy: **Luca Pensirini** (Politecnico di Milano)

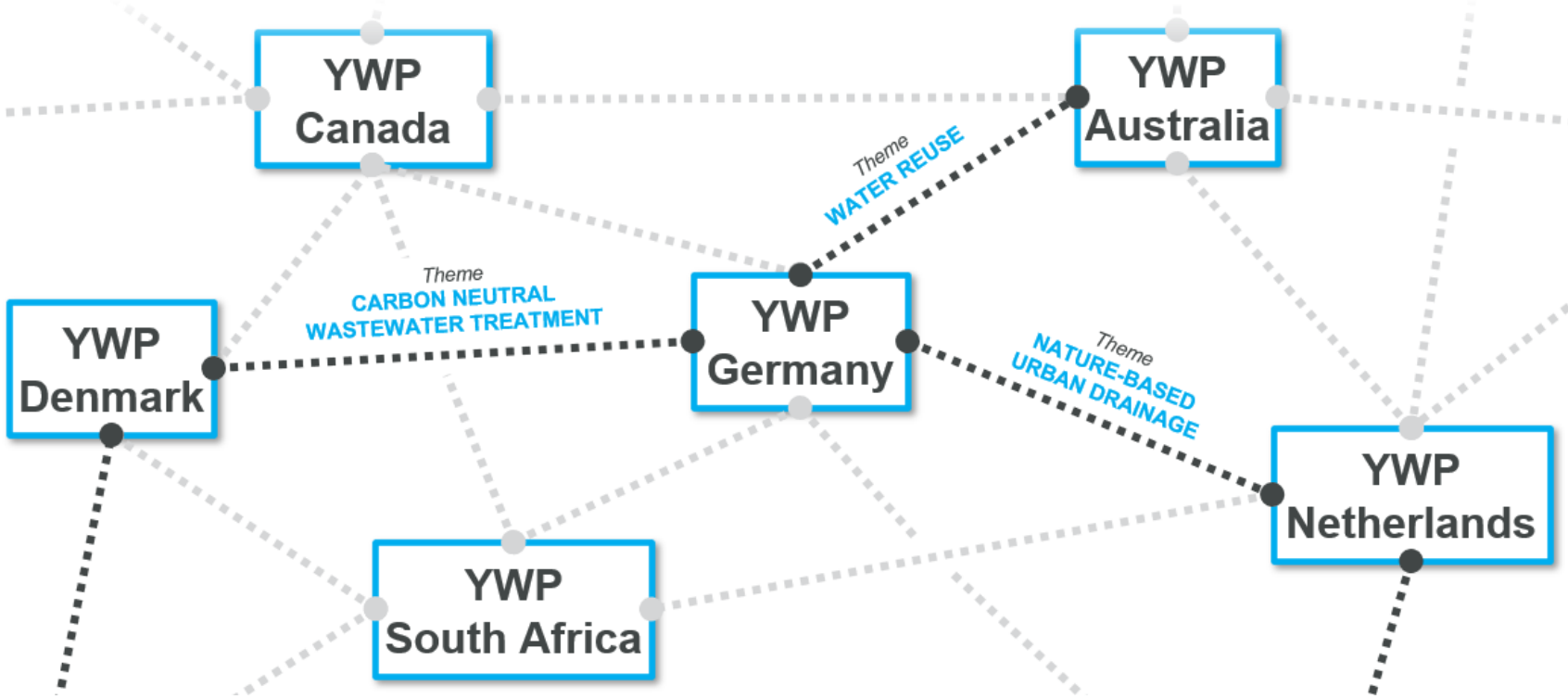
. 15’ Guest Speaker Germany: **Max Zimmermann** (RWTH Aachen)

. 45’ Networking Discussion

BUILDING BRIDGES ONLINE EVENTS

Concept in a nutshell

- International Roundtables part of IWA endorsed **Building Bridges Online Event Series**
- Regular get-togethers connecting YWP across the globe in **bilateral dialogue**
- Platform to network and **engage over a topic** relevant to both countries
- Platform **empowering YWP** to present insights and to **learn** from peers



INTRODUCING OURSELVES!

JUNGE DWA (YOUNG DWA)

Connect - Roundtables

Exchange - Network Meetings

Grow - Circles & Inclusion

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https://en.dwa.de/en/jungedwa.html

XING-Gruppe > JungeDWA

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IWA YWP GERMANY (YWPGER)

We connect (young) water professionals in Germany with the world, and the world with Germany.

- Organisation of **roundtables** & network events
- **Publications** (national & international)
- **Representing** GER abroad within IWA events and at international conferences
- **Connecting** with other IWA chapters

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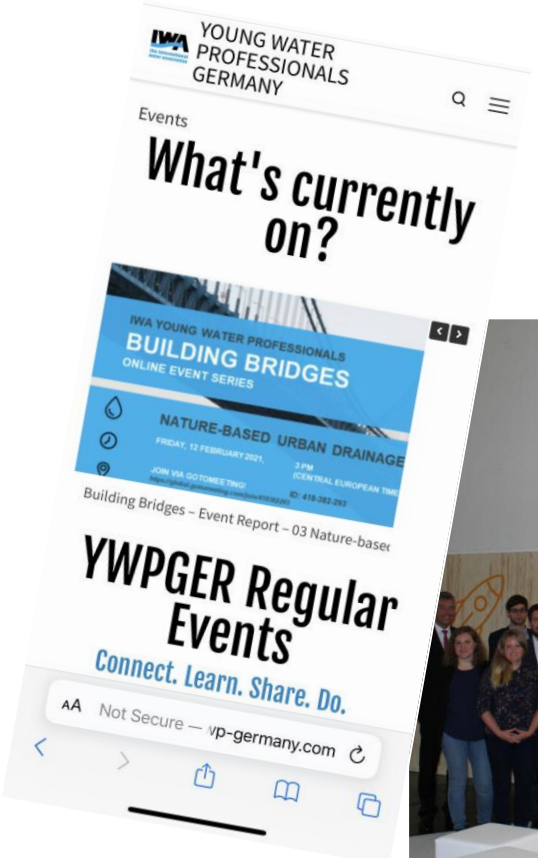

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IWA YWP ITALY

IWA the international water association YOUNG WATER PROFESSIONALS ITALY

- **Born** in February 2022
- **Aims** to connect and empower YWPs from academia and industry
- **Organizes** several activities for networking and professional growth within YWPIT and with other chapters
- **Future activities** include:
  - Mentoring
  - Webinars
  - YWP meetup in Milan (June 2023)

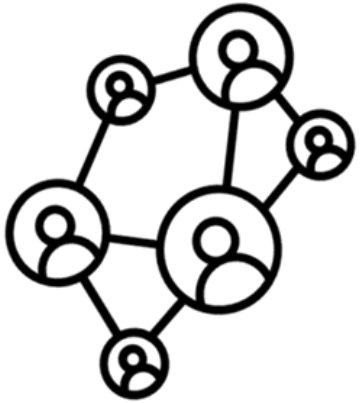

SIDISA (Torino) 30/06/2021


YWPs Regional Call 02/03/2022


Global Coordination Call 30/03/2022


Call with YWP-Sweden 09/05/2022

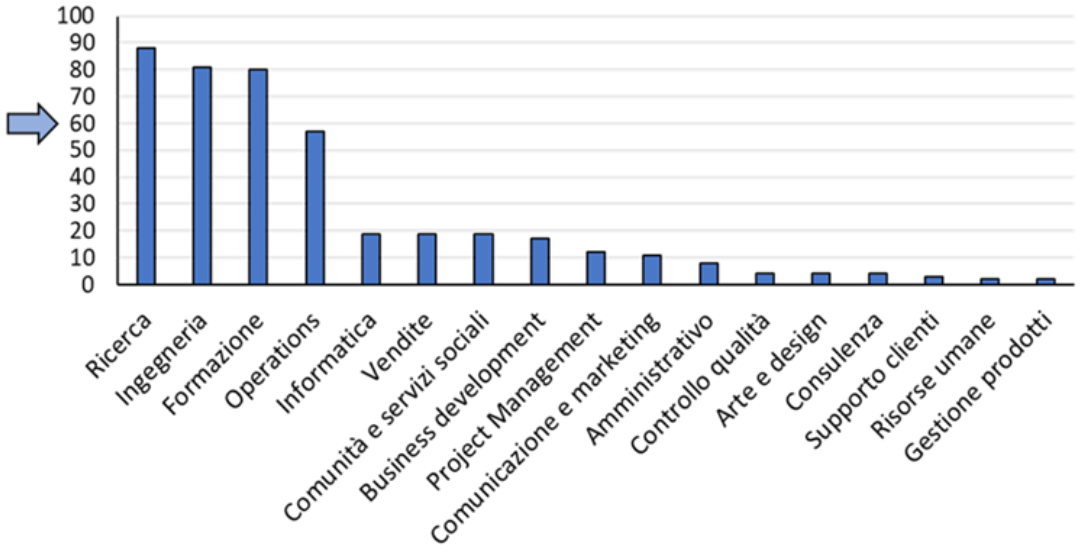
YWPIT in numbers



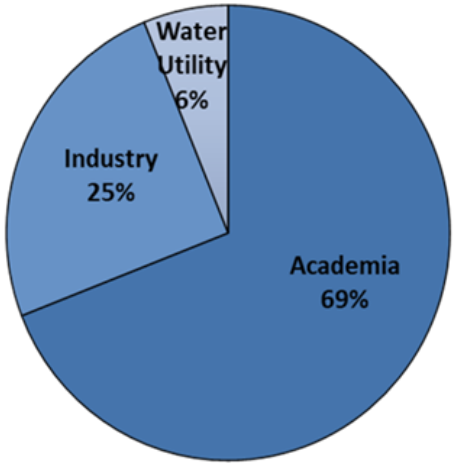
772 Follower from 27 countries

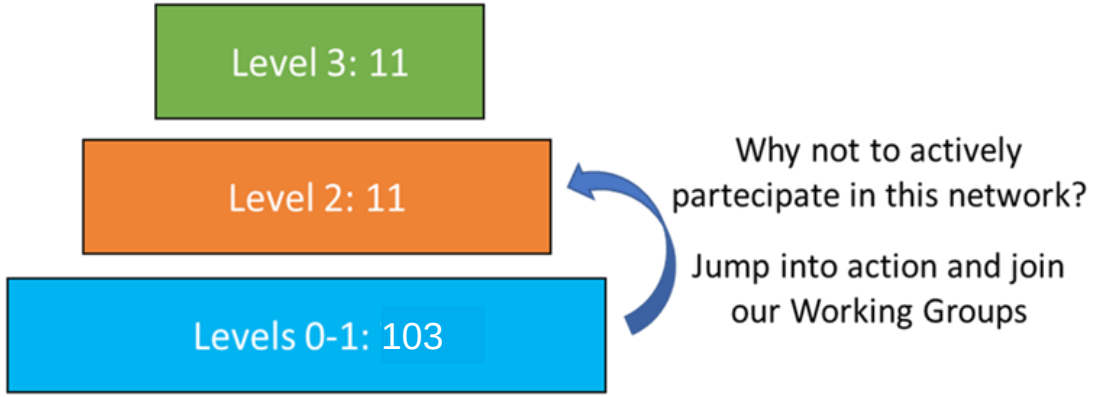
4th most followed YWP group

142 Followers from 11 countries



125 Members from 9 countries





Why not to actively partecipate in this network?

Jump into action and join our Working Groups

Let’s keep in touch!

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GUEST SPEAKER

YWP ITALY

- **LUCA PENSERINI**
  PhD Student, Politecnico di Milano

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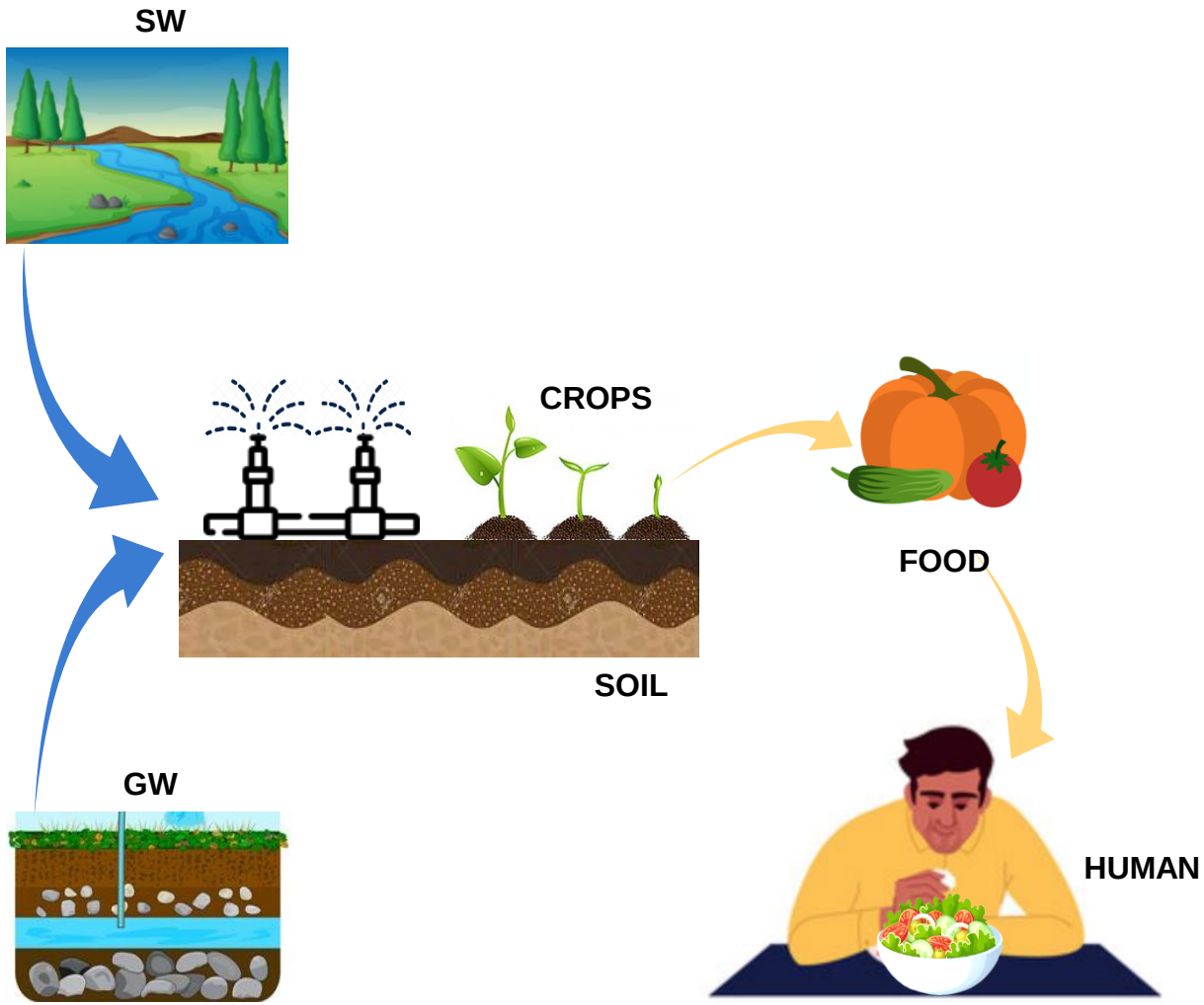

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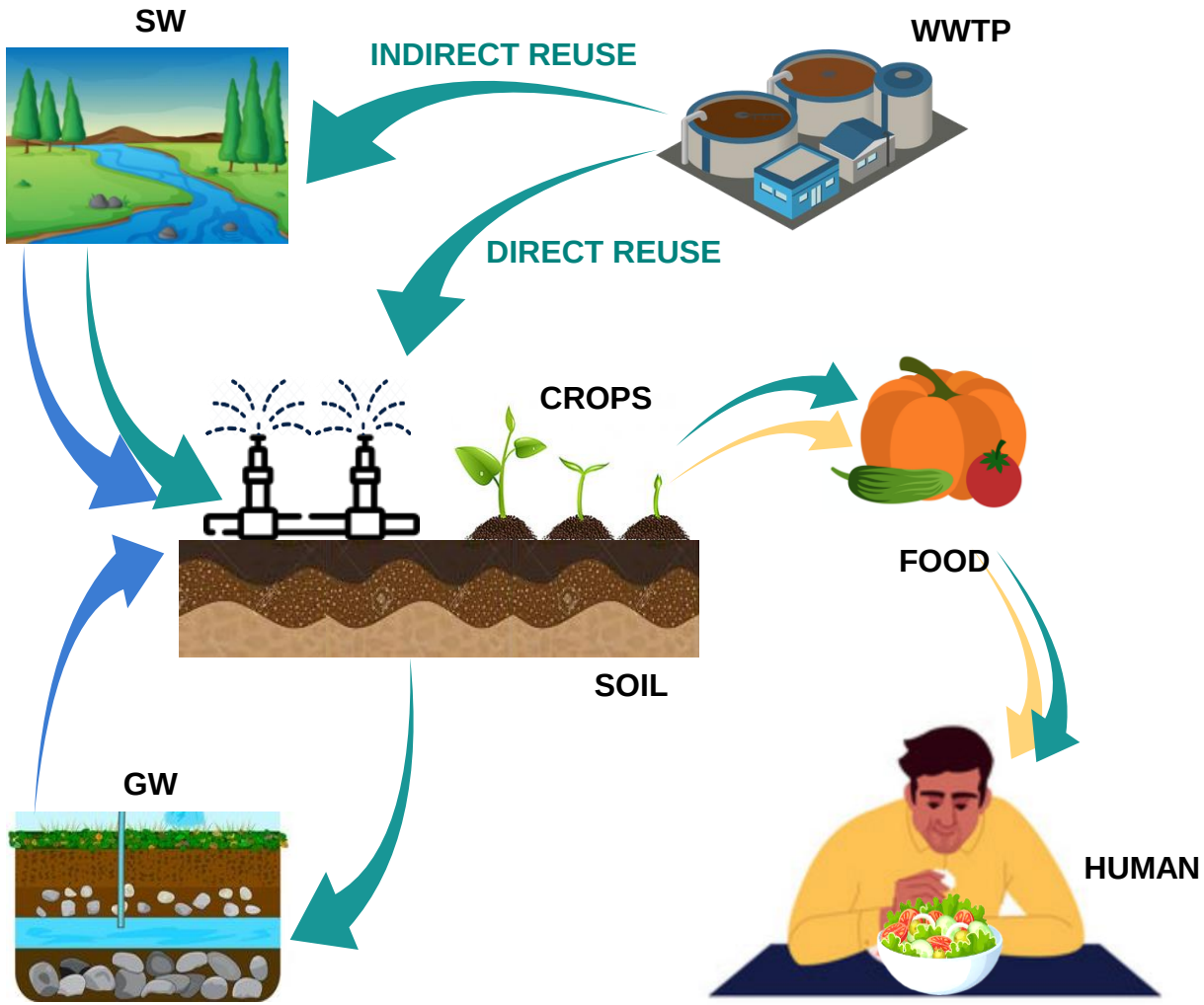

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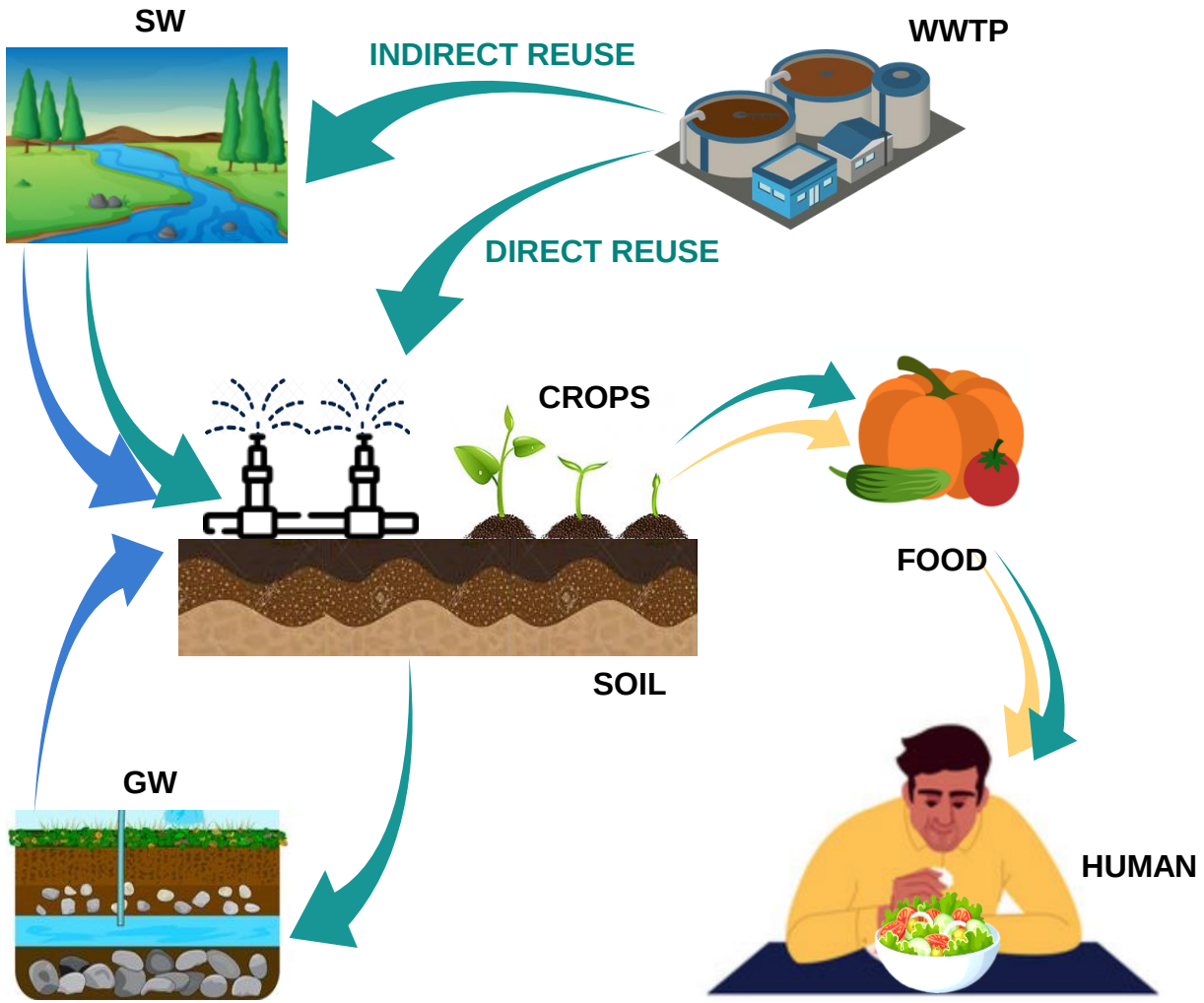

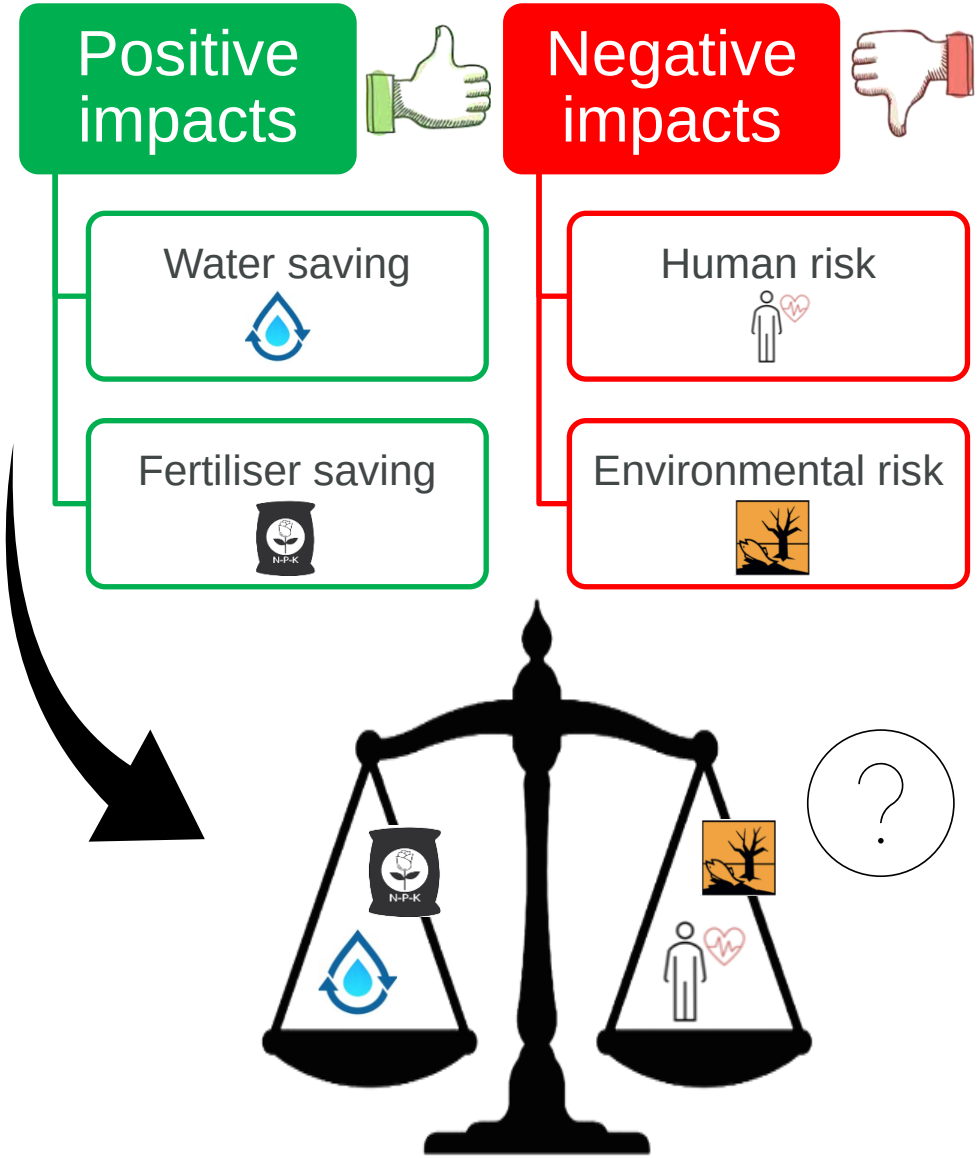

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Risk assessment as a preventive approach

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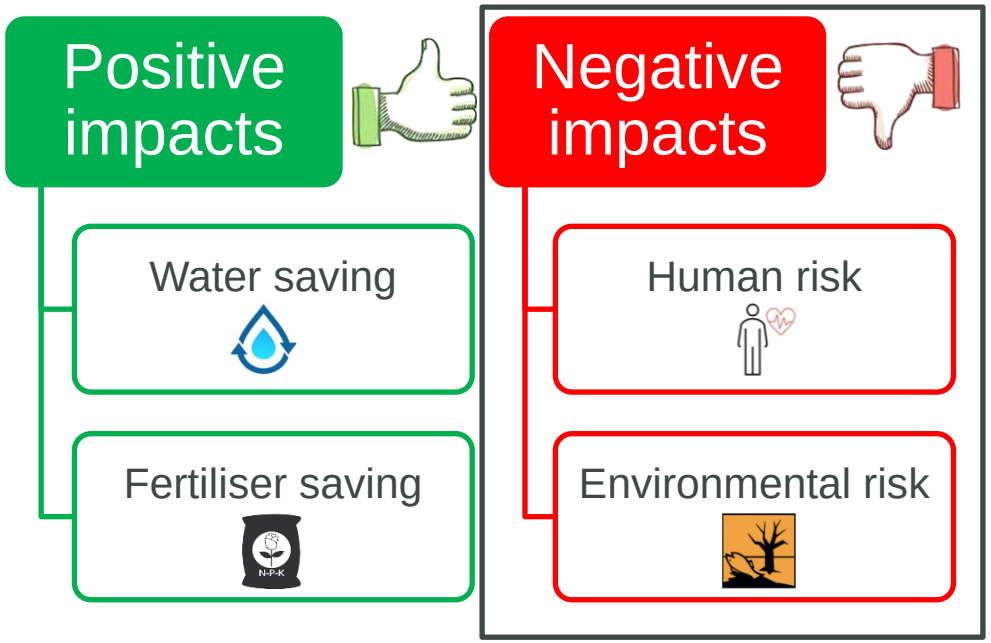

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Controlling limits exceedance

Risk assessment for preventive measures

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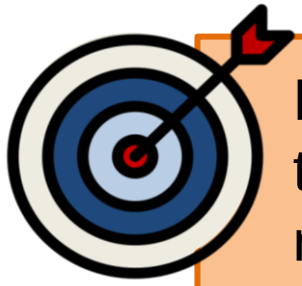

Need for a risk–based framework for the integrated evaluation of WW reuse practices' impacts

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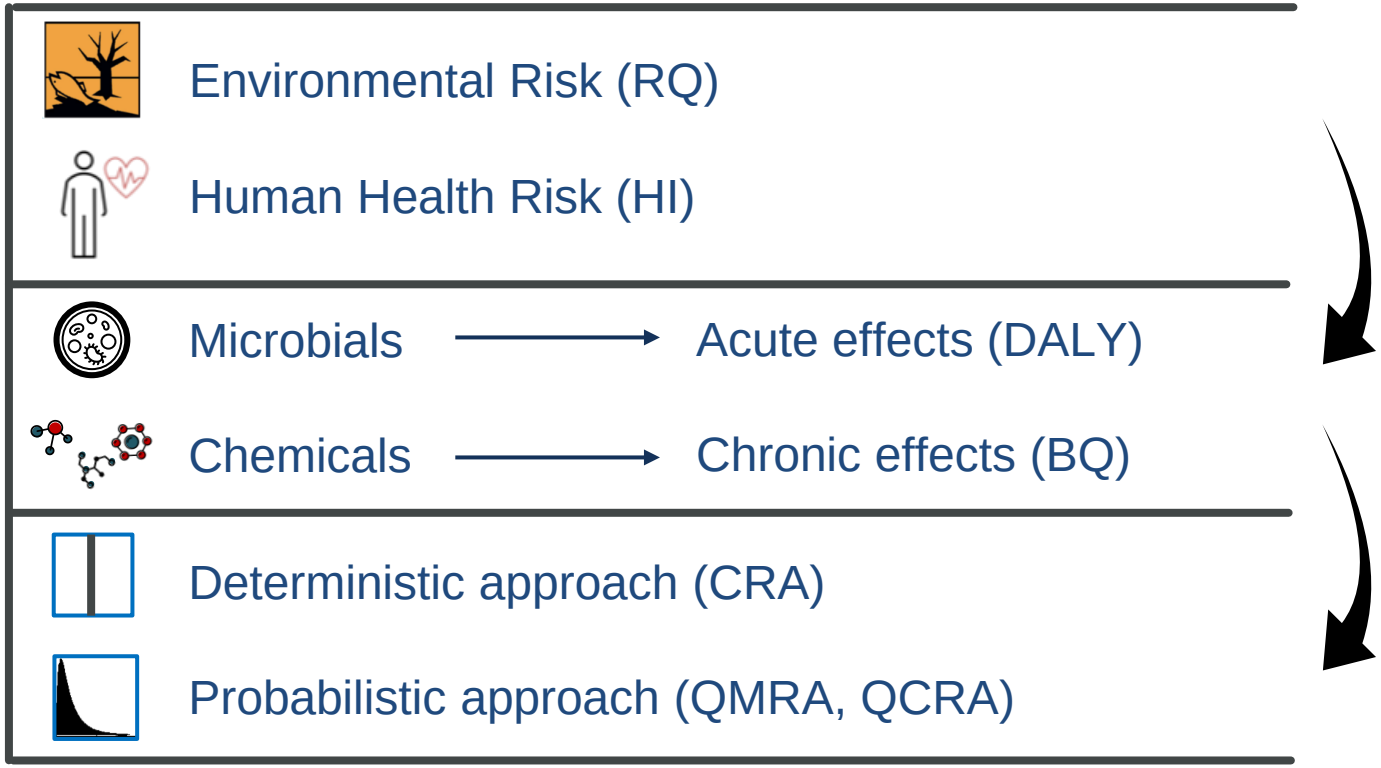
Risk assessment procedures

Different risk assessment approaches available

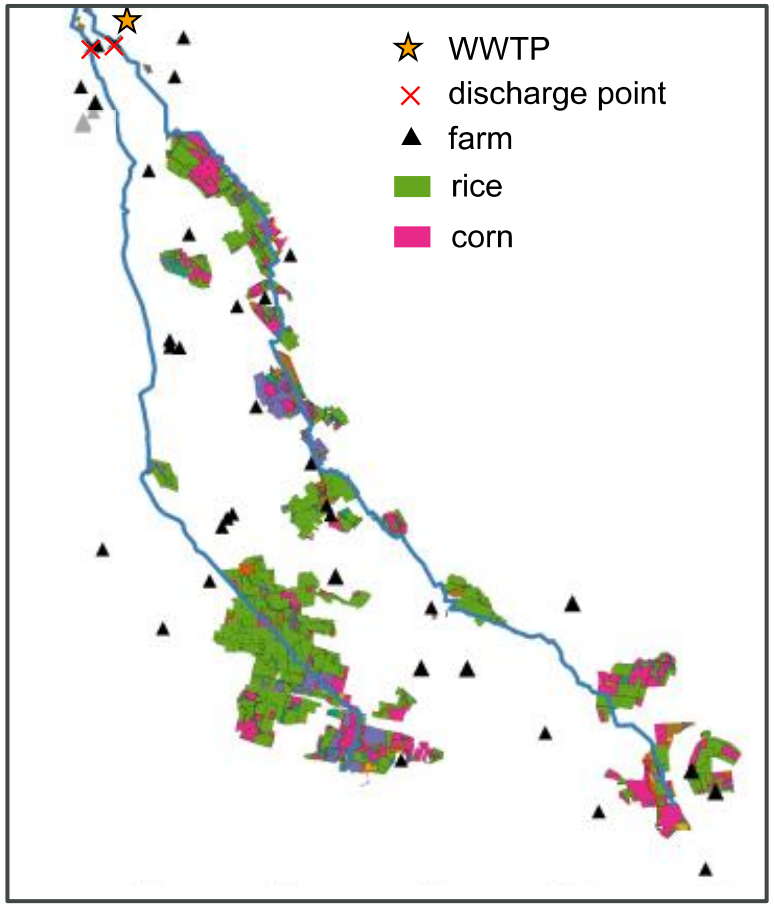


RISK ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

QMRA for human health

Negative impacts

Human risk



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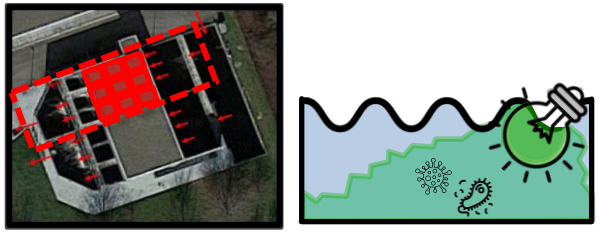

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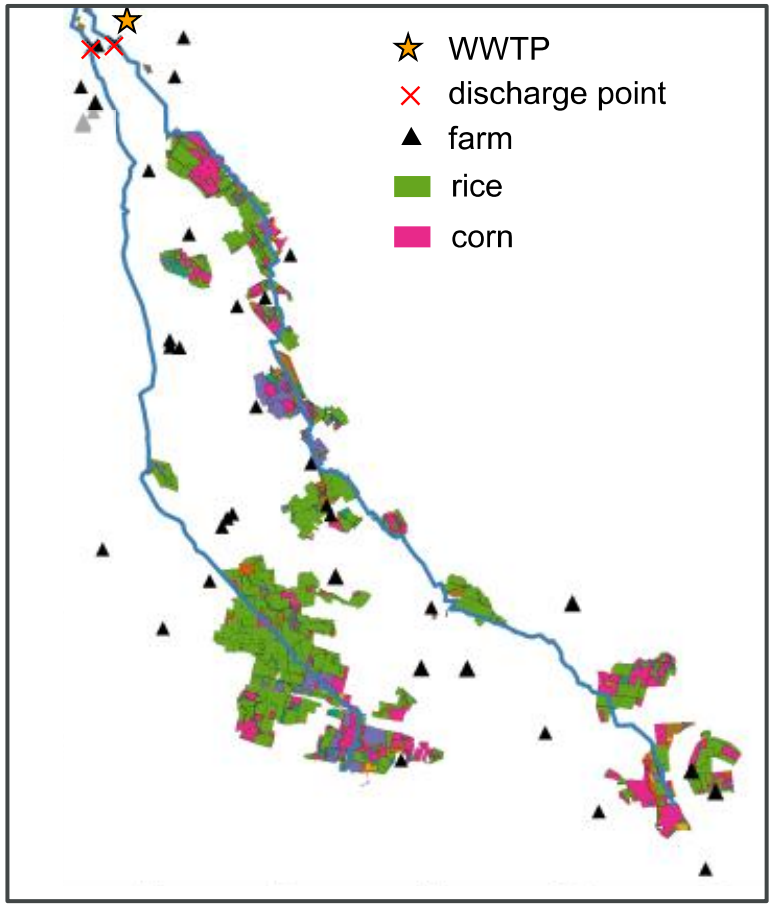

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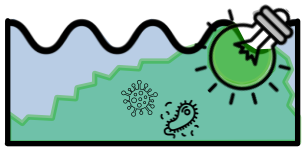

Exposed population:
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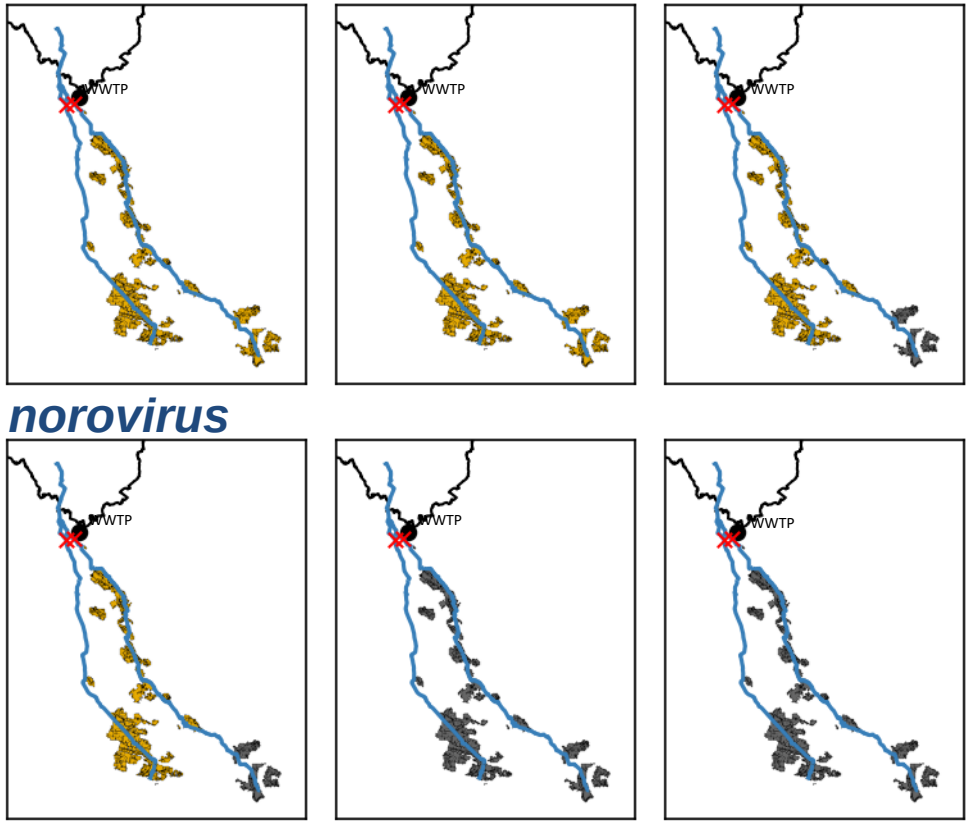
salmonella

norovirus



DALY > 10^{-6}

DALY ≤ 10^{-6}

33% 66% 100%

UV dose

RISK ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

Chemical Risk Assessment for human health and environment

Negative impacts

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Conceptual model:
mechanistic fate models from the sewer to the crops

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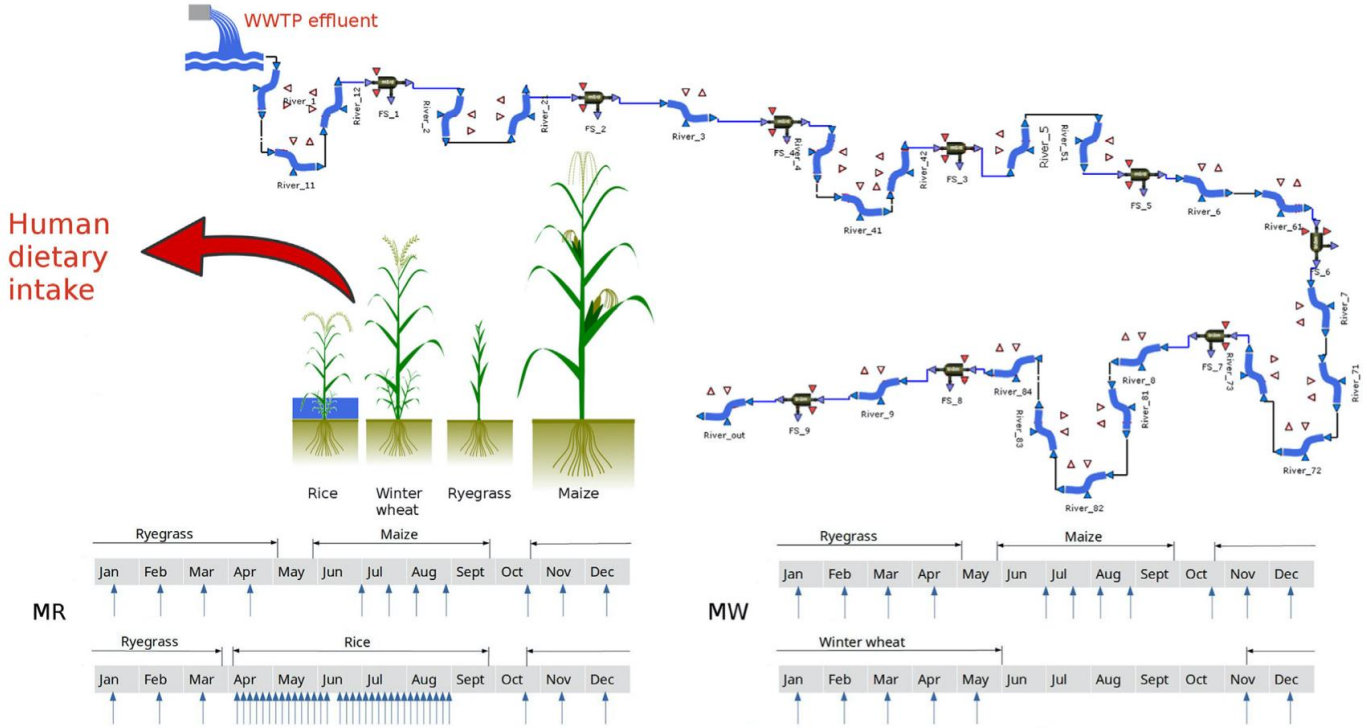

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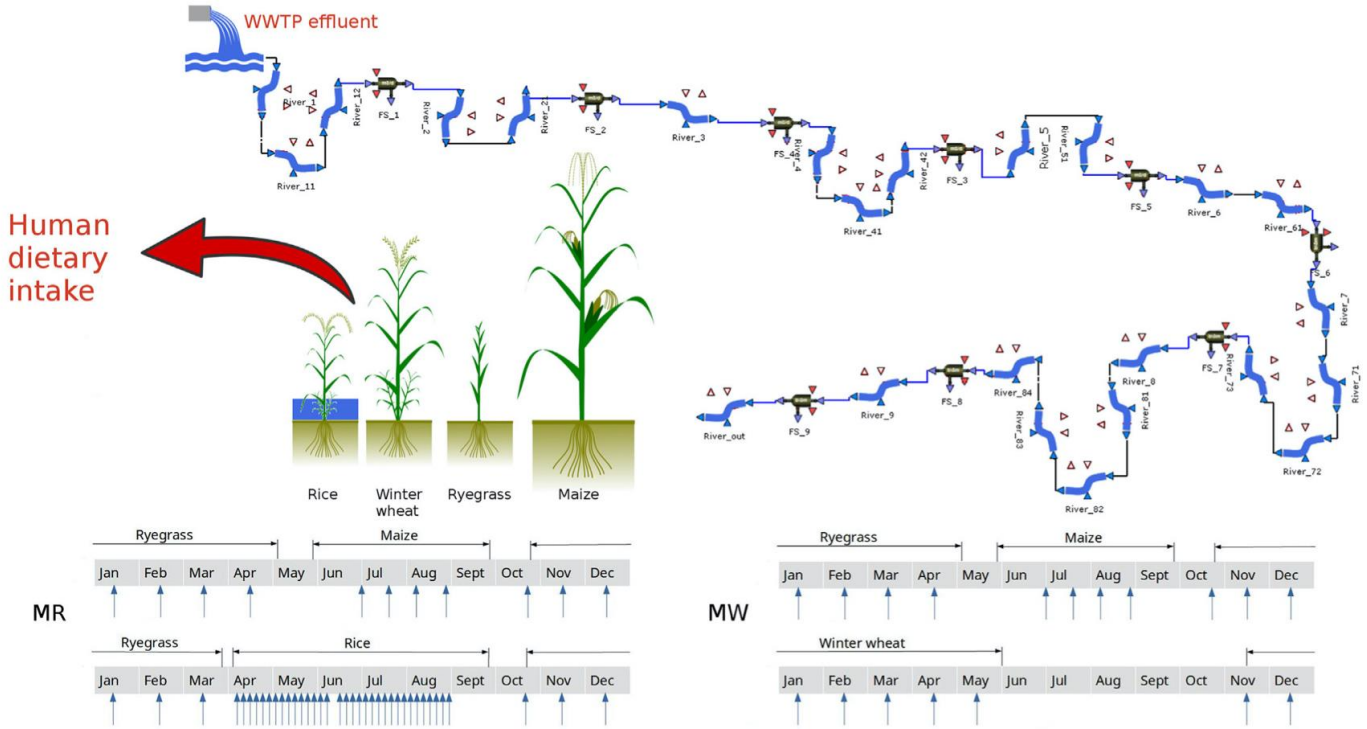

Environmental risk

CEC	Max/Median/Min RQ	Monthly frequency of exceedance (%)											
		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
RQ above 0.1													
SMX													
	0.42/0.16/0.018	74.1	73.9	73.5	73.5	73.4	72.7	72.4	72.6	73.7	73.9	74.2	74.1
IBU													
	0.15/0.07/0.021	16.9	16.7	16.5	16.4	16.3	15.9	15.8	15.9	16.2	16.4	16.7	16.8
E1													
	0.25/0.14/0.046	91.7	91.5	91.3	90.8	90.5	89.2	88.4	88.8	90.6	91.2	91.5	91.7

Human health risk

ECs	Rice		Wheat		Total	
	Median	P97.5	Median	P97.5	Median	P97.5
Infants						
SMX	2.94E-03	2.03E-02	1.86E-04	1.58E-03	3.12E-03	2.19E-02
DCF	2.66E-06	6.35E-04	6.14E-08	1.26E-05	2.72E-06	6.48E-04
IBU	1.12E-09	5.27E-07	1.21E-10	5.94E-08	1.24E-09	5.86E-07
PAR	7.12E-07	1.05E-06	5.64E-08	9.08E-08	7.69E-07	1.14E-06
CBZ	2.62E-03	3.91E-03	2.21E-03	2.80E-03	4.84E-03	6.71E-03
FUR	5.37E-08	8.49E-05	1.25E-07	9.82E-05	1.79E-07	1.83E-04
EE2	2.77E-02	2.57E-01	1.95E-03	3.85E-02	2.97E-02	2.95E-01
E2	1.07E-05	2.53E-05	8.72E-07	2.02E-06	1.15E-05	2.73E-05
E1	5.23E-04	4.82E-03	4.06E-05	7.80E-04	5.63E-04	5.60E-03
PFOS	6.98E-06	2.75E-04	5.44E-06	1.24E-04	1.24E-05	4.00E-04
PFOA	2.23E-08	1.22E-04	1.17E-06	2.66E-04	1.19E-06	3.88E-04
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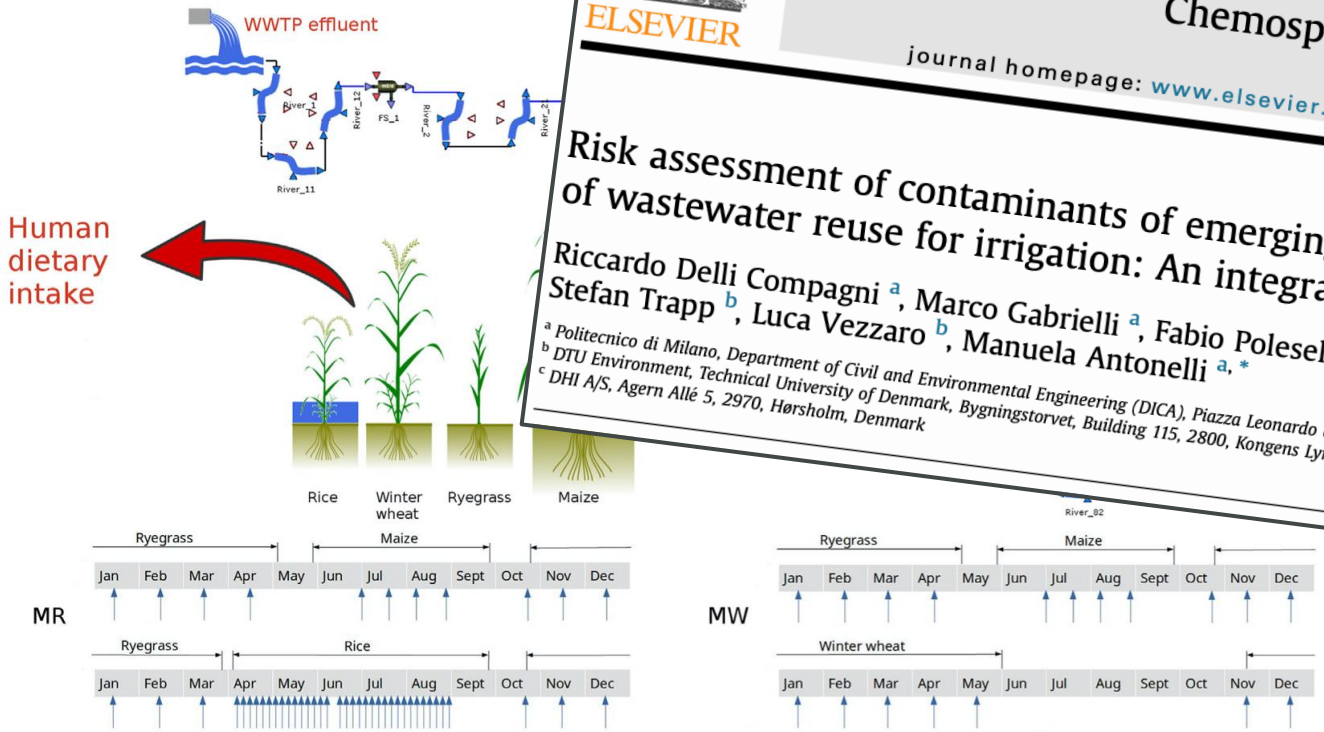

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Risk assessment of contaminants of emerging concern in the context of wastewater reuse for irrigation: An integrated modelling approach

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MODELS FOR WW REUSE IMPACTS' EVALUATION

Case studies

Scope: Ranking of characteristics related to WWTPs and their nearby territory to determine where to implement WW reuse practices

Positive impacts

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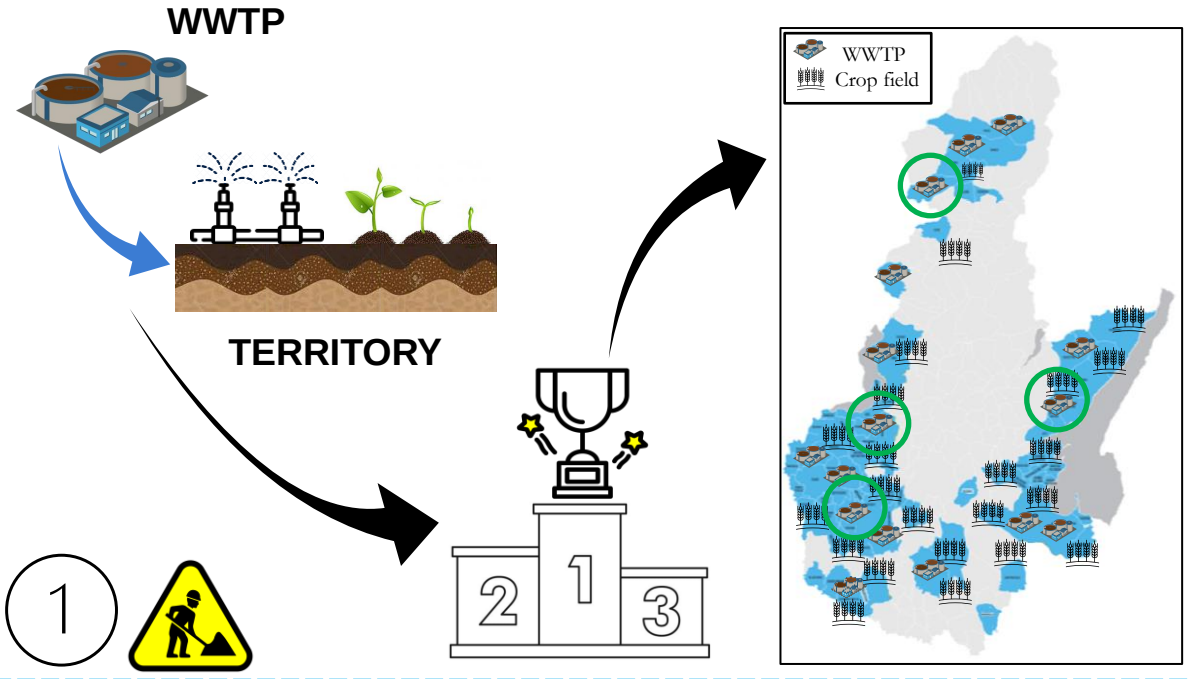
- Fertiliser saving



Scope: Risk-based comparison between DW and food from edible crops consumption

Negative impacts

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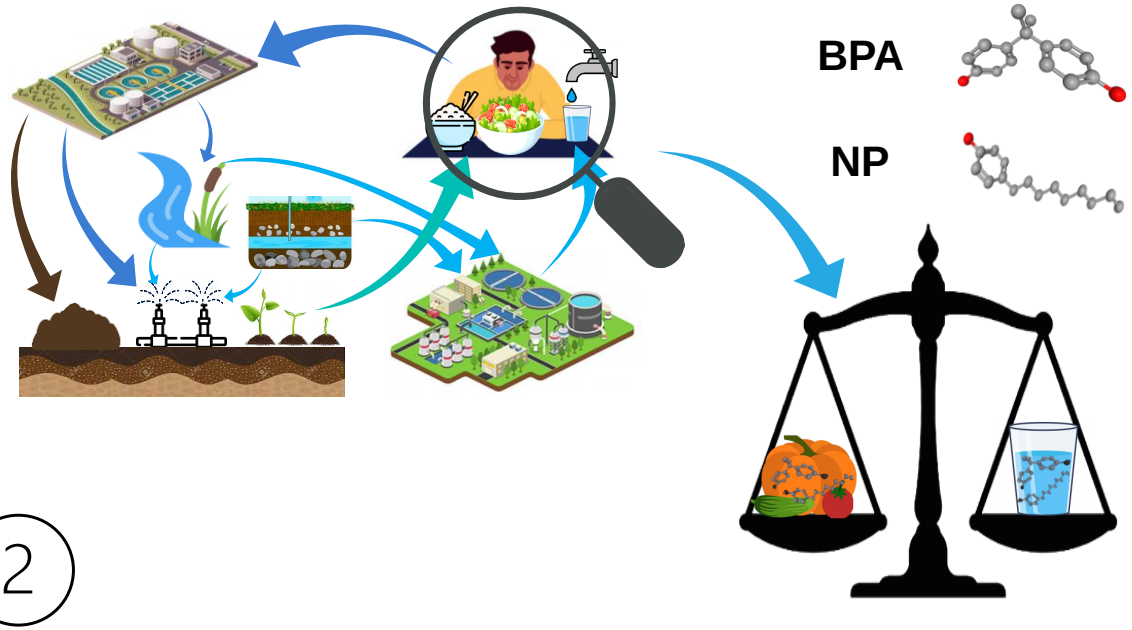

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DATA COLLECTION FOR WWTPs AND TERRITORY CHARACTERISTICS

TECHNO-ECONOMIC MODEL UPGRADING

TECHNO-ECONOMIC MODEL APPLICATION TO SELECTED WWTPs

SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

TECHNO-ECONOMIC MODEL RESULTS

PARAMETERS WEIGHTS AND SCORES

Positive impacts

- Water saving
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POSITIVE IMPACTS MODELS

Techno-economic model

INPUT

- WWTP's effluent parameters
  - Flowrate
  - COD
  - TSS
  - N
  - P
  - Salinity
- Territory parameters
  - Type of crop
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MODEL

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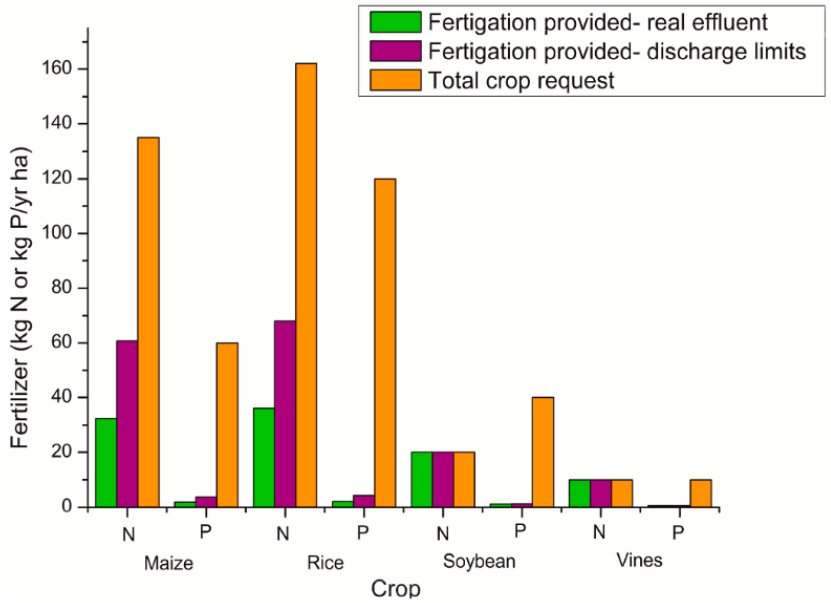
OUTPUT

Example



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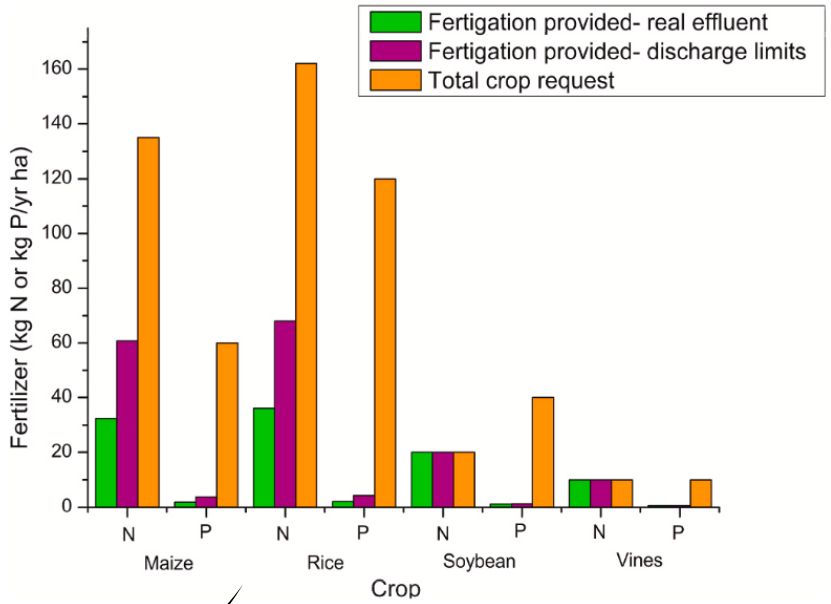

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SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

NEGATIVE IMPACTS MODEL

Health risk apportionment

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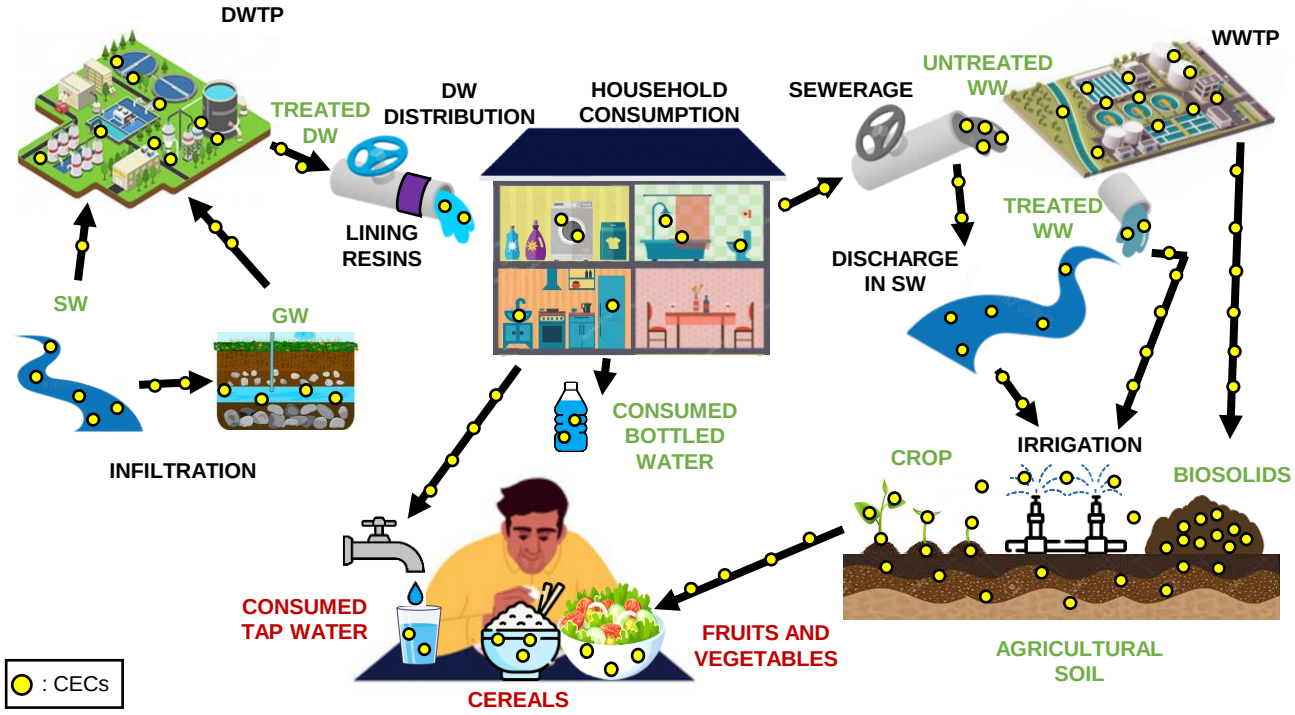

Negative impacts

Human risk

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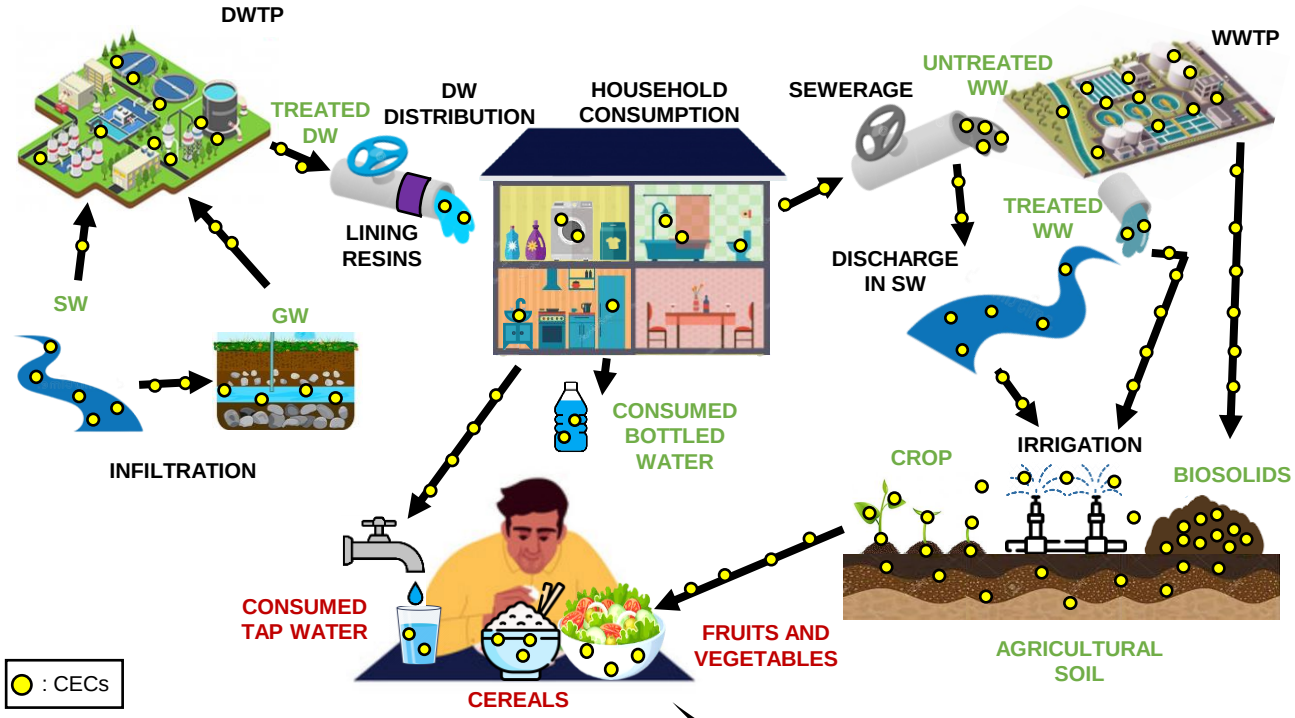

MIND THE GAP

What is the contribution of WW irrigated crops' consumption compared to other sources of risk?

Apportionment of human health risk between the consumption of food originating from WW irrigated crops and DW

BPA

NP

Negative impacts

Human risk

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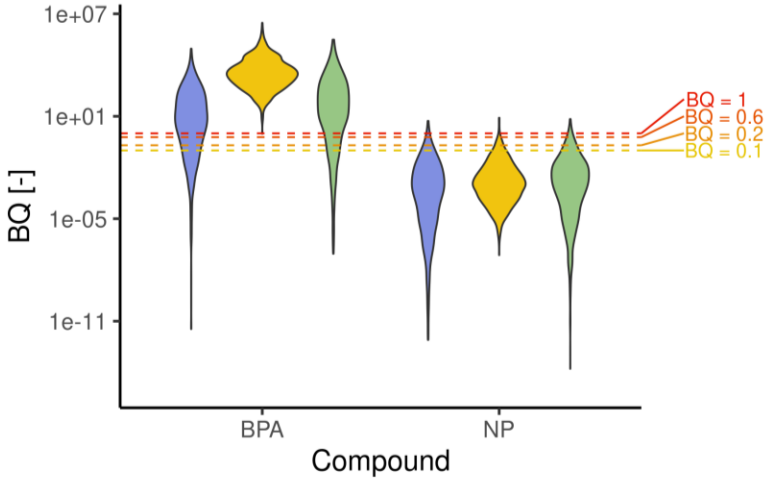
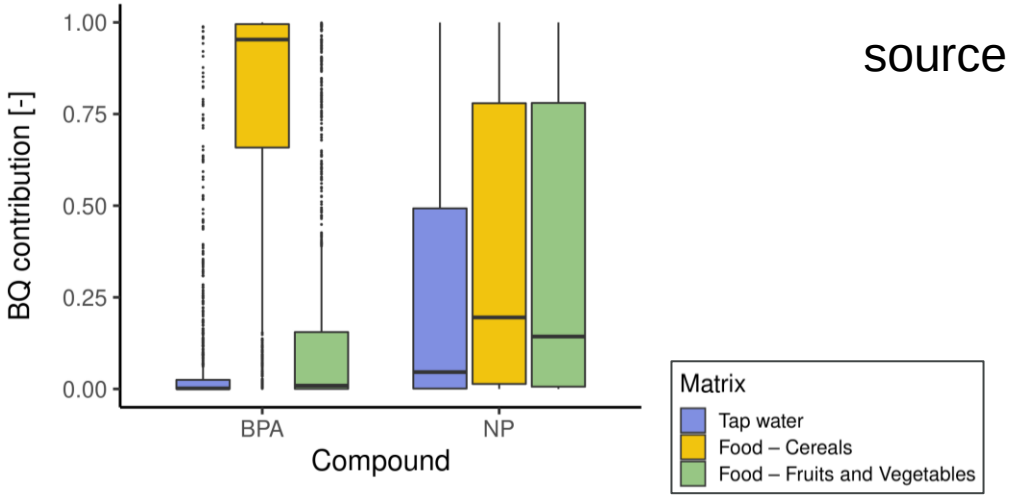
NEGATIVE IMPACTS MODEL

Health risk apportionment

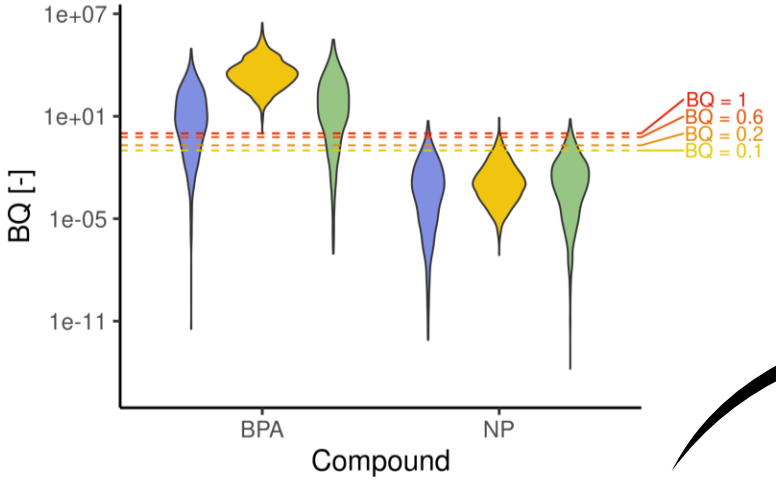


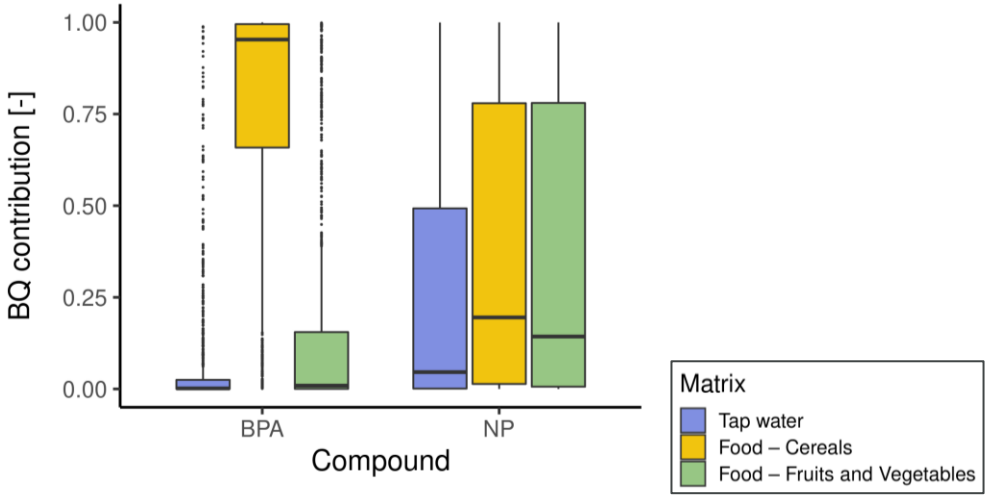


- Health risk due to NP is not negligible, but BPA risk is significantly higher
- Crops' food intake is the main alkylphenols exposure source compared to tap water

NEGATIVE IMPACTS MODEL

Mitigation measures





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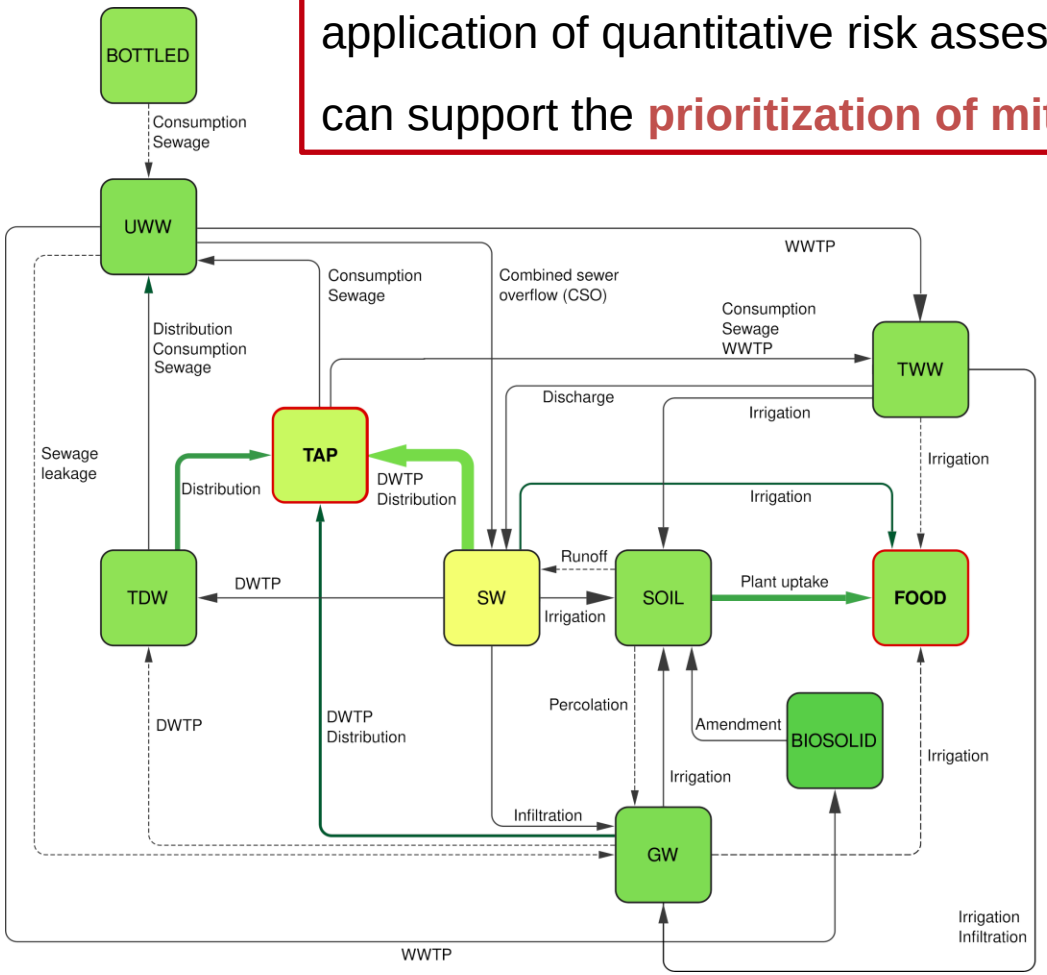

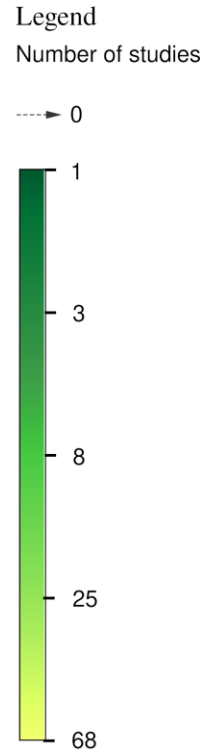

NEGATIVE IMPACTS MODEL

Mitigation measures

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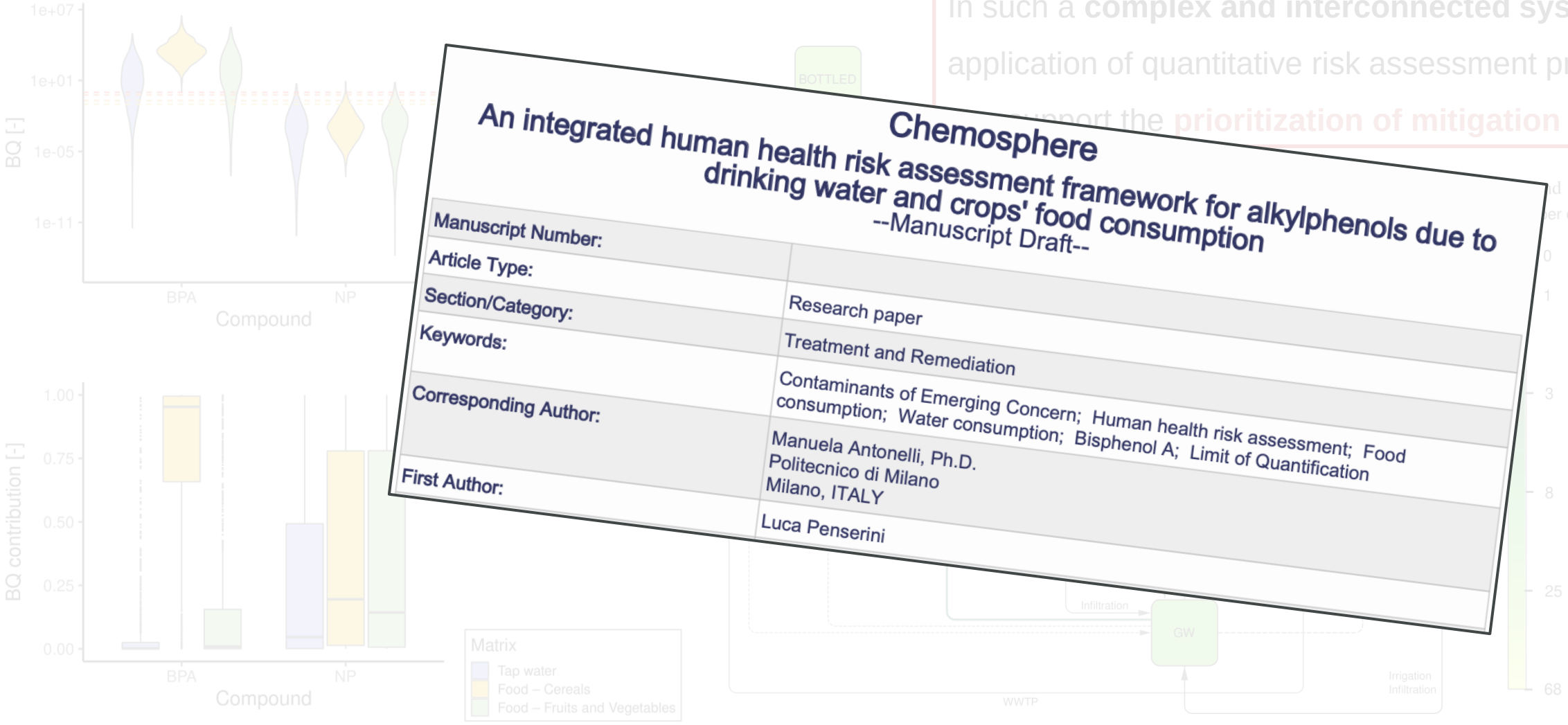

Chemosphere

An integrated human health risk assessment framework for alkylphenols due to drinking water and crops' food consumption

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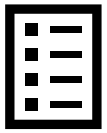
FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS

Next steps

- Development of a univocal framework to uniform the risk assessment procedures to comply with the most recent regulation



- Integration and combination of the different risk assessment approaches

- Integration and combination of positive and negative impact models

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GUEST SPEAKER

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Agricultural water reuse in Germany:

Insights into FlexTreat

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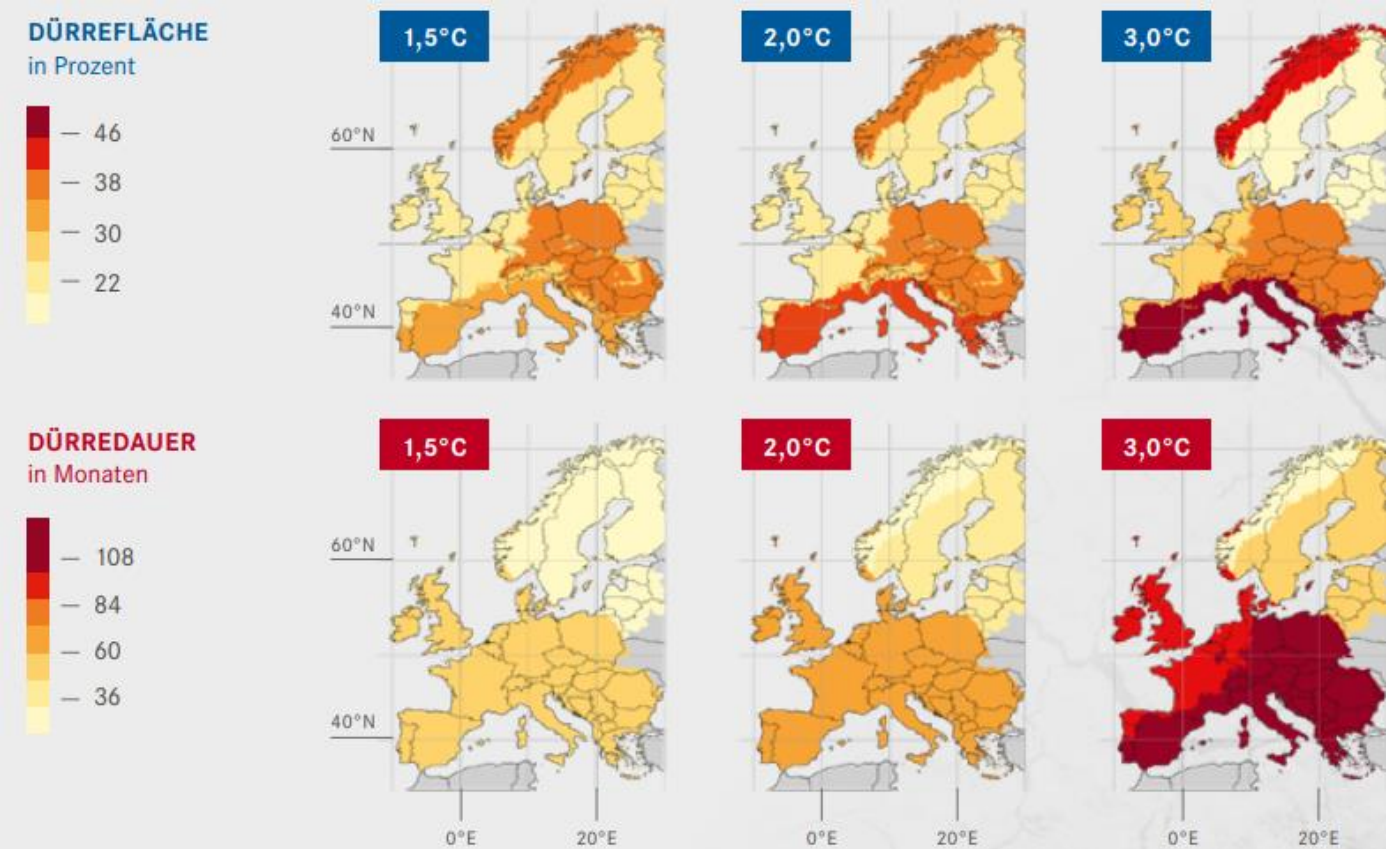
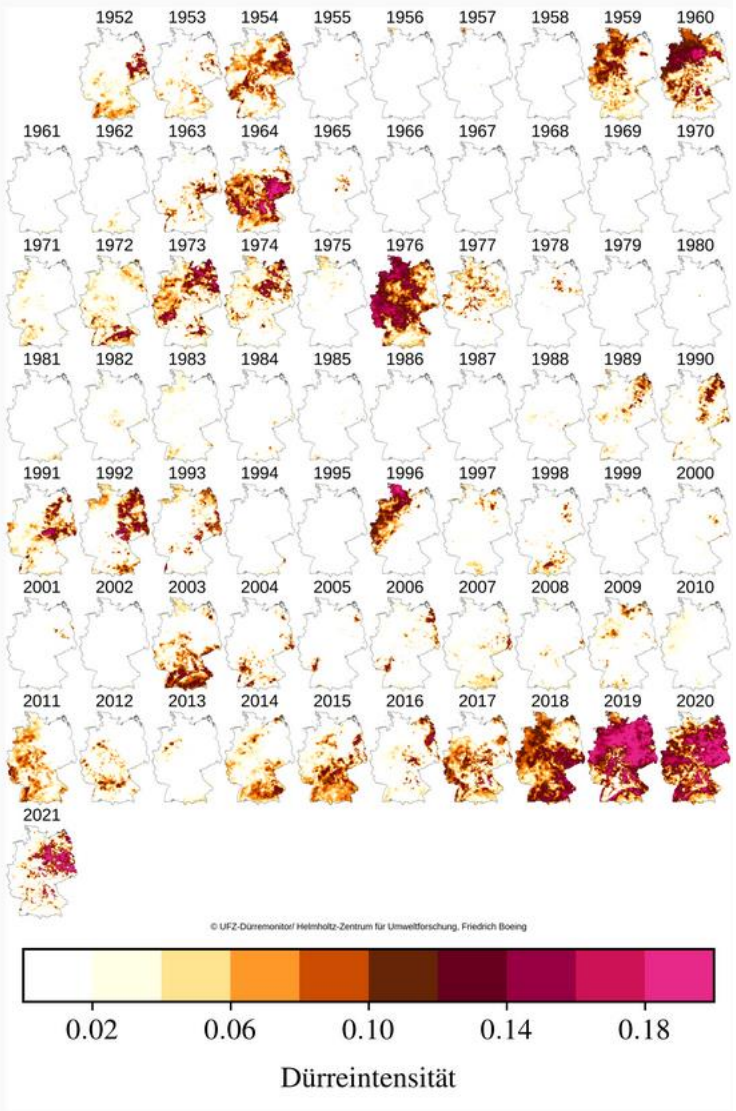
Context: Drought in Germany and Europe





Helmholtz UFZ Droughtmonitor (2021)

Water Reuse in Europe

Shown:
„Number of schemes practising reuse“

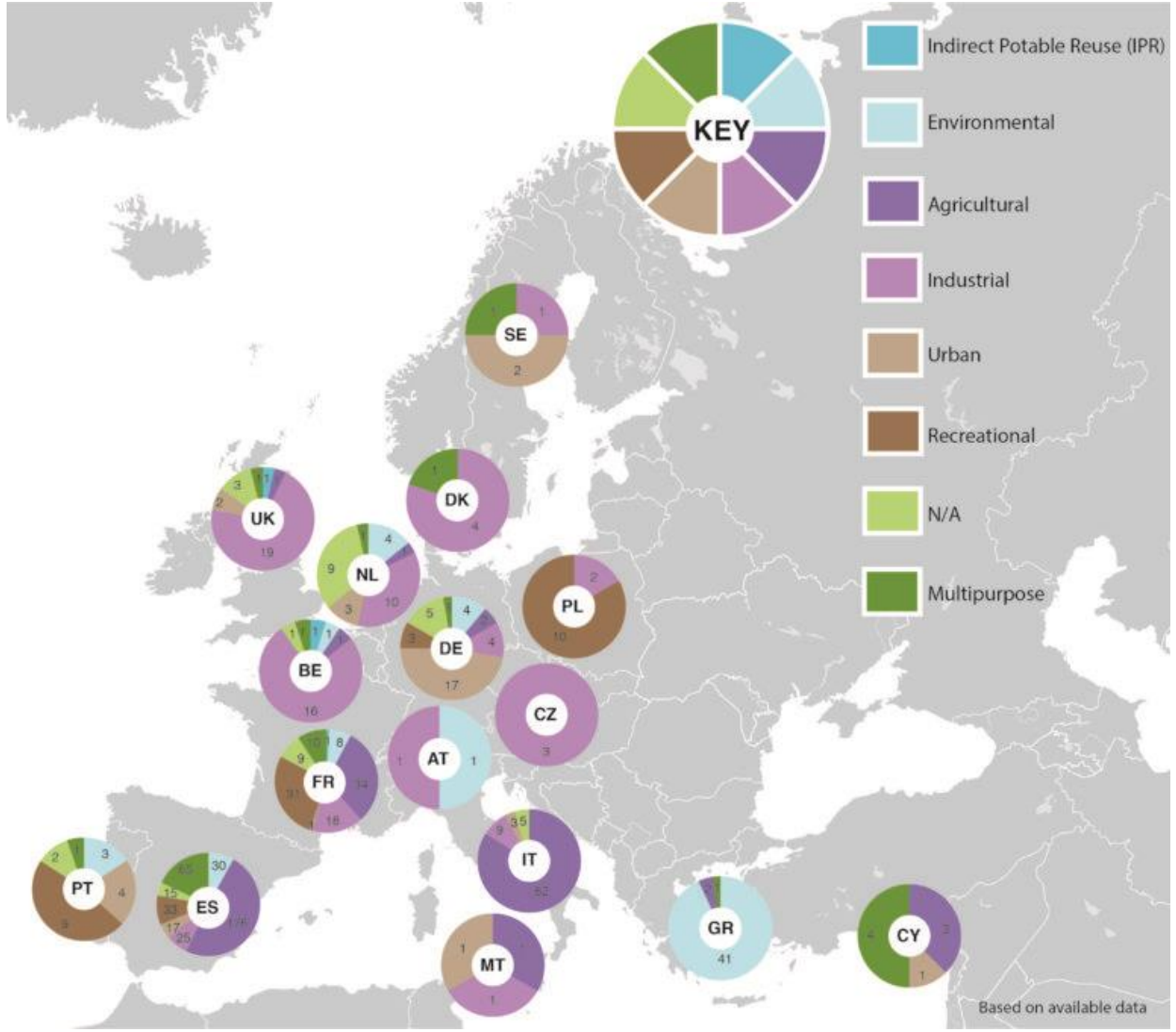
North

SWE: ~ 4

GER: ~30

IT: ~80

South



Water Reuse Europe (2017)

EU minimum requirements for water reuse

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EU Ordinance 2020/741

- Quality classes
- Quality requirements

Table 1 – Classes of reclaimed water quality and permitted agricultural use and irrigation method

Minimum reclaimed water quality class	Crop category (*)	Irrigation method
A	All food crops consumed raw where the edible part is in direct contact with reclaimed water and root crops consumed raw	All irrigation methods
B	Food crops consumed raw where the edible part is produced above ground and is not in direct contact with reclaimed water, processed food crops and non-food crops including crops used to feed milk- or meat-producing animals	All irrigation methods
C	Food crops consumed raw where the edible part is produced above ground and is not in direct contact with reclaimed water, processed food crops and non-food crops including crops used to feed milk- or meat-producing animals	Drip irrigation (**) or other irrigation method that avoids direct contact with the edible part of the crop
D	Industrial, energy and seeded crops	All irrigation methods (***)

Table 2 – Reclaimed water quality requirements for agricultural irrigation

Reclaimed water quality class	Indicative technology target	Quality requirements				
		E. coli (number/100 ml)	BOD_5 (mg/l)	TSS (mg/l)	Turbidity (NTU)	Other
A	Secondary treatment, filtration, and disinfection	≤ 10	≤ 10	≤ 10	≤ 5	*Legionella* spp.: < 1 000 cfu/l where there is a risk of aerosolisation Intestinal nematodes (helminth eggs): ≤ 1 egg/l for irrigation of pastures or forage
B	Secondary treatment, and disinfection	≤ 100	In accordance with Directive 91/271/EEC (Annex I, Table 1)	In accordance with Directive 91/271/EEC (Annex I, Table 1)	-	
C	Secondary treatment, and disinfection	≤ 1 000			-	
D	Secondary treatment, and disinfection	≤ 10 000			-	

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Project goals

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Work packages:

1. Innovative advanced treatment chains
   - Synergies with stages for organic micropollutant removal
2. Digital Green Tech
   - Innovative process control concepts / Digital Twin
3. Risk Management and Integrated Evaluation
   - Water quality, health risks, system resilience, economical and ecological dimensions
4. Pro-active implementation of project outcomes

Context Goals:

- „Guideline risk management“ for EU Ordinance
- Guideline „Technologies for save water reuse“

Technical Innovations

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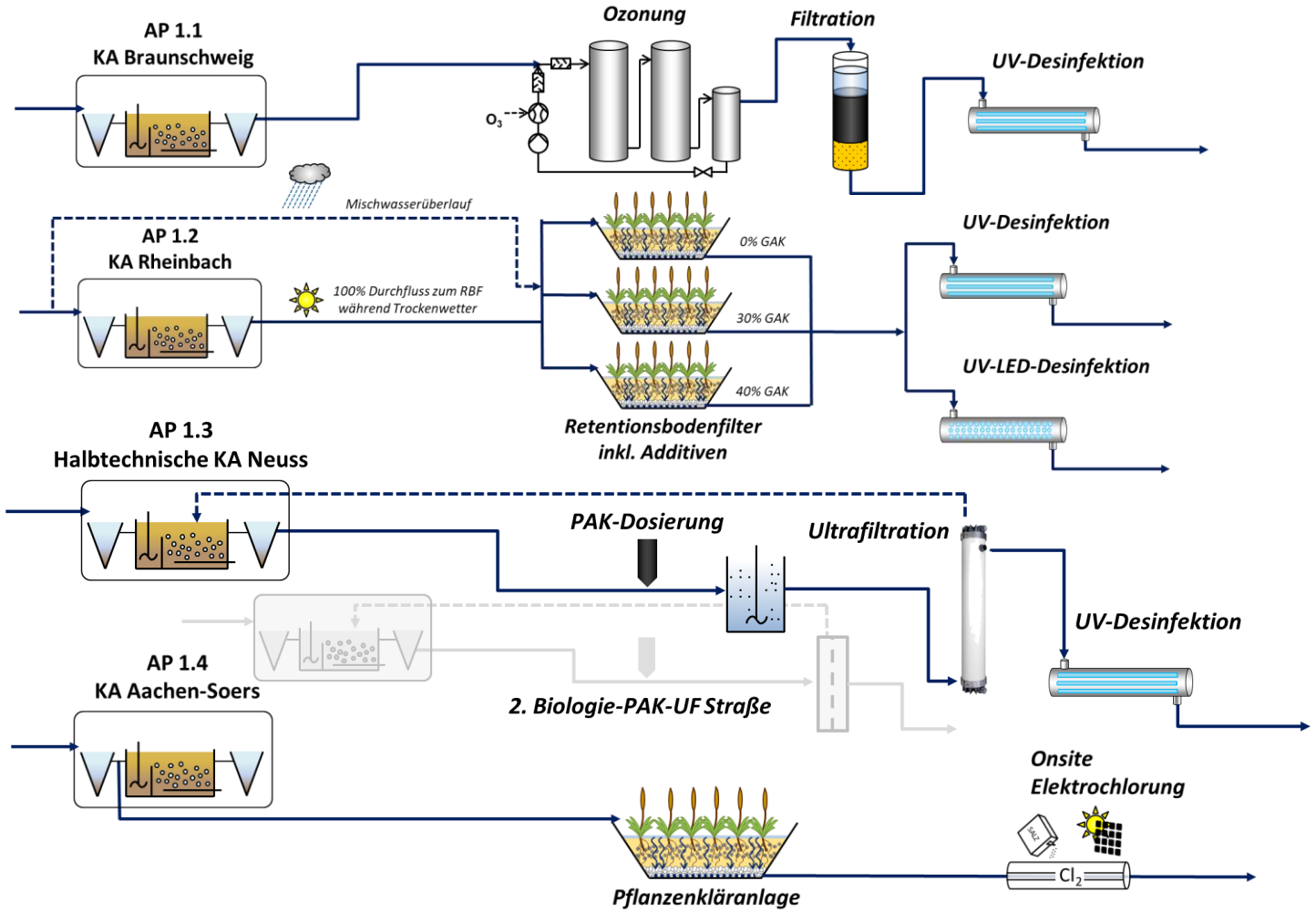
Extension of *Best Available Technologies* (BAT) for agricultural water reuse



TECH1 Ozonation + Biofiltration + UV

TECH2 RBF$^+$ + UV

TECH3 UV-LED

TECH4 inline-PAC + UF

TECH5 „Low-Tech“ + eChlorination

Risk Management

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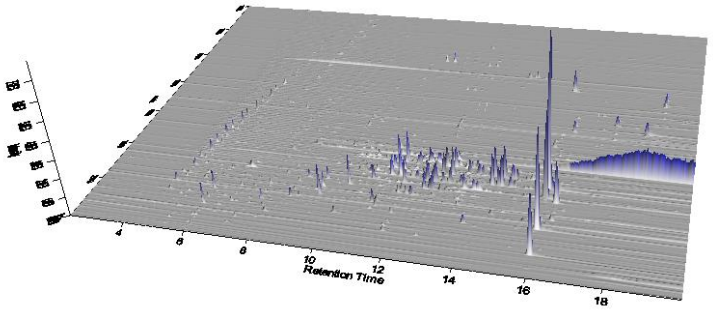
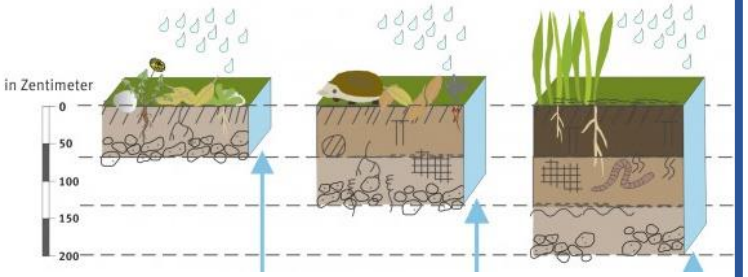
chemical risks

target- & non-target-methods



crop analyses &
infiltration prediction



salt management

microbiological risks

ARB- und ARG-abatement

regrowth potential

mobile qPCR-system

integrated evaluation

Invest- & operation cost, LCA,
ecological footprint, water quality,
resilience

based on WavE I:
concept with KPIs & KUOIs

Utilisation and transfer of results and technologies

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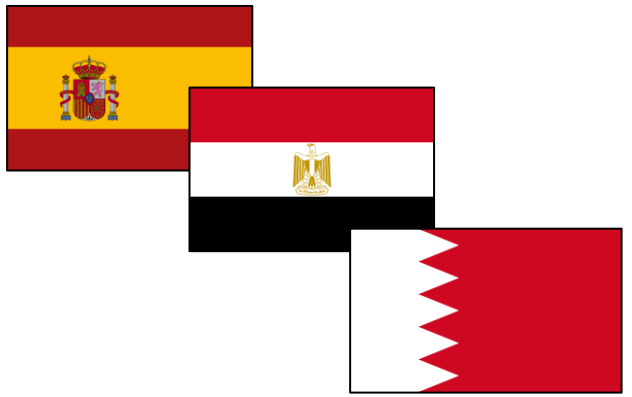
- Stakeholder dialogue
  - Farmers / Chamber of Agriculture
  - Operators/water companies
  - Federal Environment Agency

- Case studies
  (for potential market expansion)
  - Spain
    - Murcia
    - Talavera
  - Egypt
  - Bahrain



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QUESTION 2

Presentations! Which word stuck with you the most?

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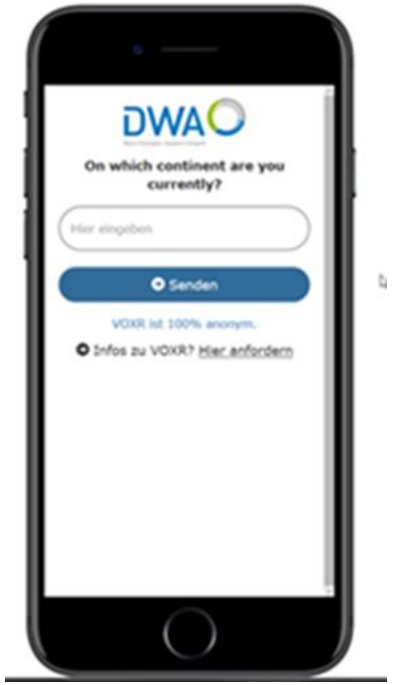

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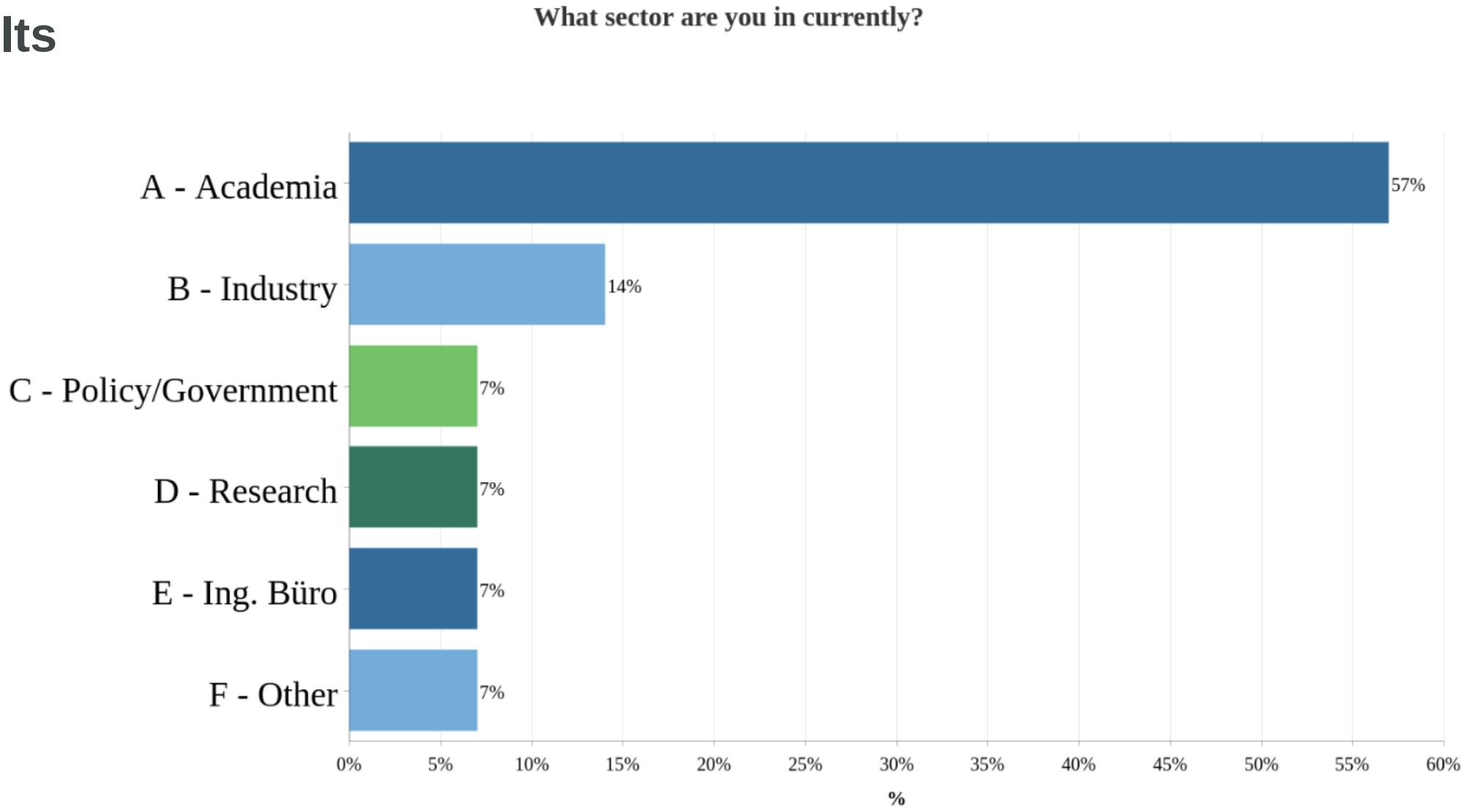

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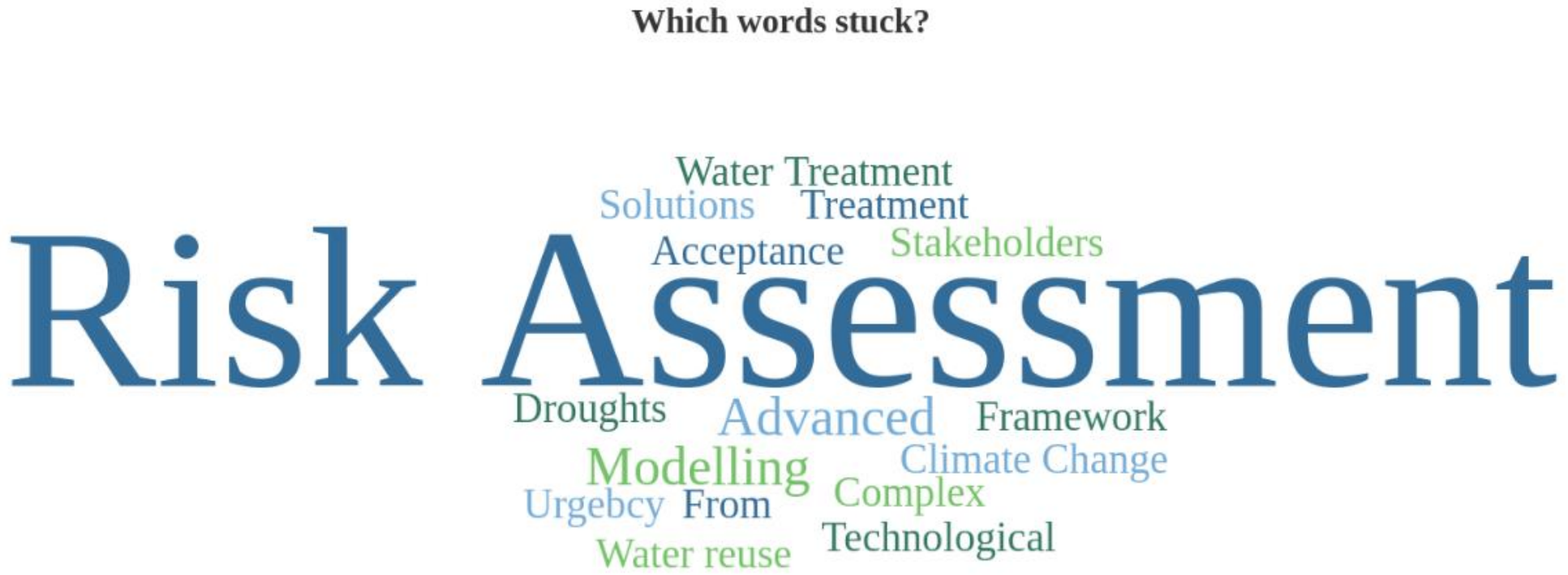

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