

***Removal of Endocrine Disrupting Compounds from Urban Waste Water using a novel process combining PAC (Powder Activated Carbon) and ballasted clarification***



# Agenda



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# **Actiflo® Carb**

## **Proces description, usages and references**

# Process descriptive

- **Ballasted clarification:**

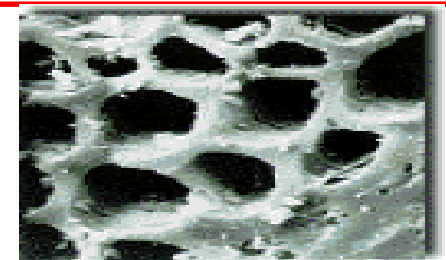
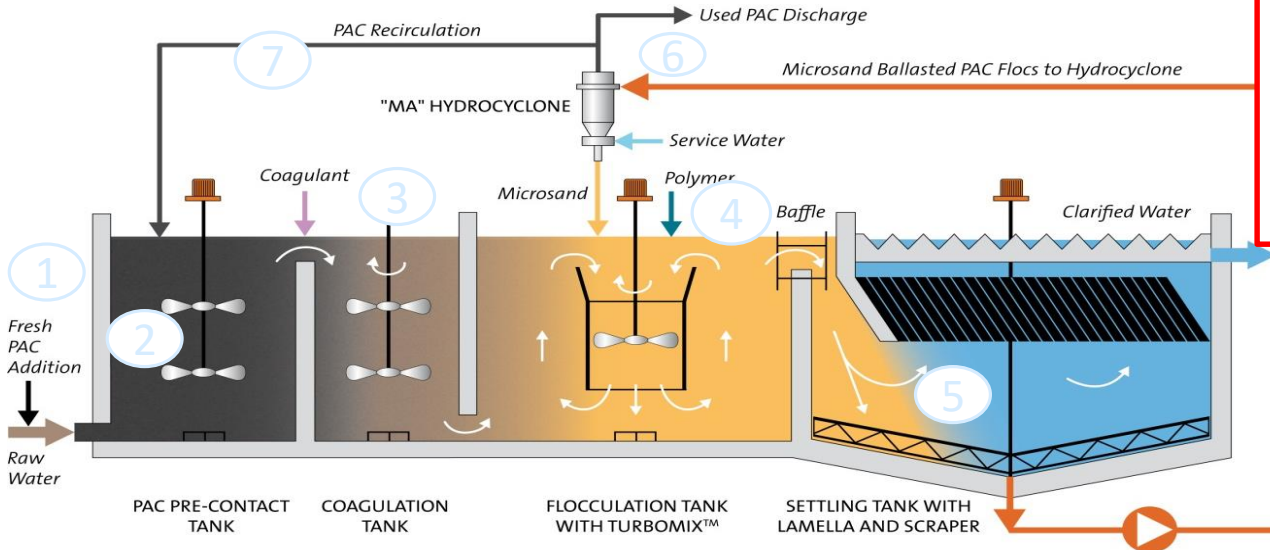
- Short flocculation time
- High clarification rate : 40 to 60 m/h (waste water)

- **Benefits of recirculated PAC**

- Constant availability of PAC for adsorption
- Continuous removal



- 1 = New PAC**
- 2 = PAC reactor**
- 3 = Coagulation**
- 4 = Flocculation**
- 5 = Clarifier**
- 6 = Cycloning PAC removal**
- 7 = PAC recirculation**



**PAC under microscope**

# Applications

- Any pollutants with an affinity with PAC

Waste  
water

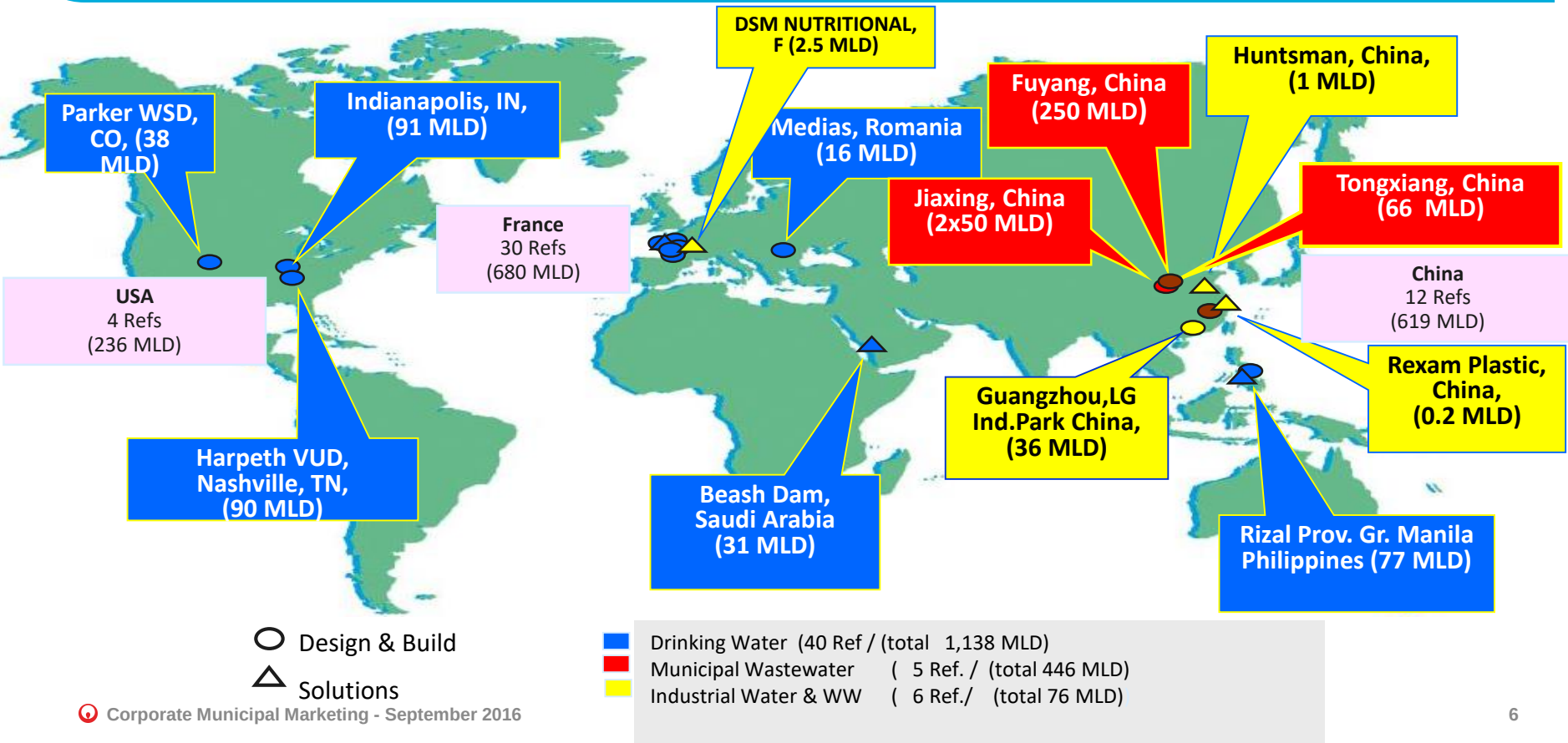
- Endocrine Disruptors (hormones...)
- Drugs residues (antibiotic, anti-inflammatory, anti-epileptic...)
- Biocides

Drinking  
water

- Natural Organic Matter
- Disinfection By Products
- **Pesticides** (atrazine, metaldehyde, DEA...)

Actiflo® Carb

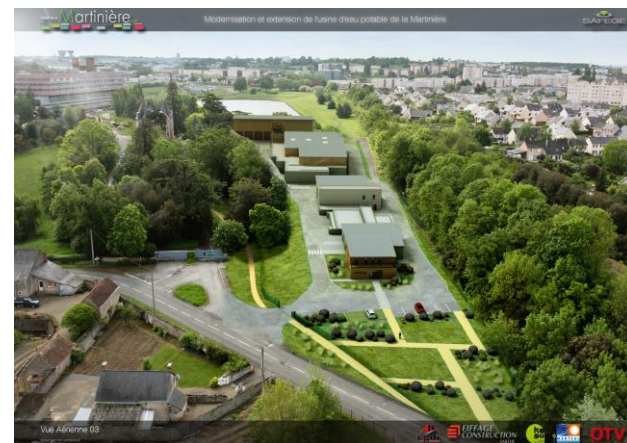
# A world wide extension





# Actiflo® Carb – Drinking water plants in operation

| SITE / FACTORY / PLANT NAME    | COUNTRY     | YEAR OF COMPLETION | DESIGN FLOW             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| AIRE-SUR-LA-LYS                | France      | 2010               | 4,167 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| BOUIL DE CHAMBON               | France      | 2009               | 500 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| CHÉZY-SUR-MARNE                | France      | 2013               | 450 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| CHOLET                         | France      | 2015               | 1,200 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| FEURS                          | France      | 2013               | 350 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| INDIANAPOLIS (TW MOSES), IN    | USA         | 2011               | 3,785 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| KERMORVAN                      | France      | 2012               | TBC                     |
| LA CHESNAIE COUTURES           | France      | 2014               | 500 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| LANDIVISIAU                    | France      | 2009               | 500 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| LANMEUR                        | France      | 2014               | 200 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| LE CREUSOT                     | France      | 2015               | 450 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| LUCIEN GRAND                   | France      | 2008               | 3,000 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| MERVENT, SITE DE LA BALINGUE   | France      | 2014               | 2,200 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| MIRE MORANNES                  | France      | 2009               | 200 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| MONTLUÇON EP                   | France      | 2016               | 1,200 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| MONTRY (SIPAEP MARNE ET MORIN) | France      | 2011               | 530 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| NANTES LA ROCHE EP             | France      | 2020               | 8,000 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| PARKER W&SD, CO                | USA         | 2011               | 1,577 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| PERROS GUIREC EP               | France      | 2009               | 400 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| PONT SCORFF                    | France      | 2015               | 300 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| RIZAL                          | Philippines | 2017               | 2,083 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| ROMORANTIN – LANTHENAY         | France      | 2016               | 460 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| SABLE USINE DE LA MARTINIÈRE   | France      | 2015               | 1200 m <sup>3</sup> /h  |
| SAINT MEZARD EP                | France      | 2011               | 250 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| TREGAT 2                       | France      | 2016               | 400 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| USINES NORD CMCU               | France      | 2015               | 450 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| Vienne COMBADE                 | France      | 2013               | 150 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| VITRE - USINE DE LA GRANGE     | France      | 2015               | 580 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| GRANVILLE                      | France      | 2018               | 350 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |
| AVRANCHE                       | France      | 2018               | 350 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |

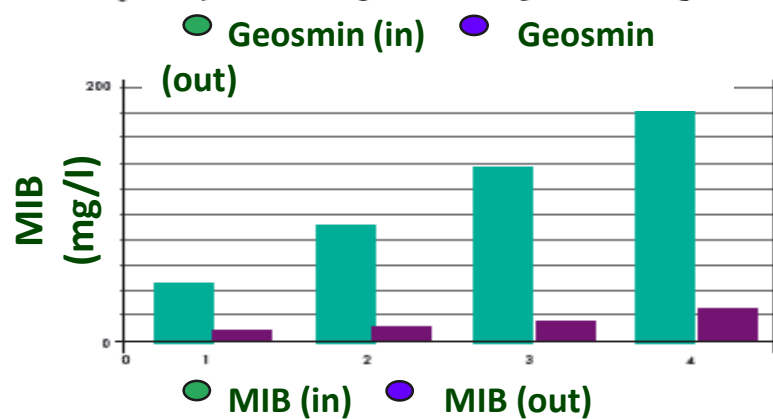
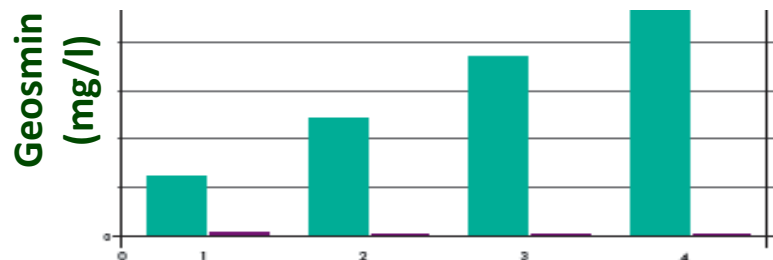


*In green: Actiflo® Carb plants operating with green polymers*

# Actiflo® Carb – Moses Indianapolis

- ❑ Surface water with colour and Algae
- ❑ TOC 3 to 6 mg/l & pesticides (50 to 75% removal)

## Geosmin & MIB Tests Results



|               | IN (ppb) | Out (ppb) | Removal (%) |
|---------------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| Atrazine      | 0.36     | 0.05      | 86          |
| DEA           | 0.26     | < LQ      | > 93        |
| DEDIA         | 0.37     | 0.03      | 92          |
| Isoproturone  | 0.40     | < LQ      | > 98        |
| Acetochlorine | 0.77     | < LQ      | > 94        |
| Bentazone     | 0.37     | 0.04      | 89          |
| Glyphosate    | 0.23     | < LQ      | > 68        |
| Acetochlorine | 0.22     | < LQ      | > 68        |

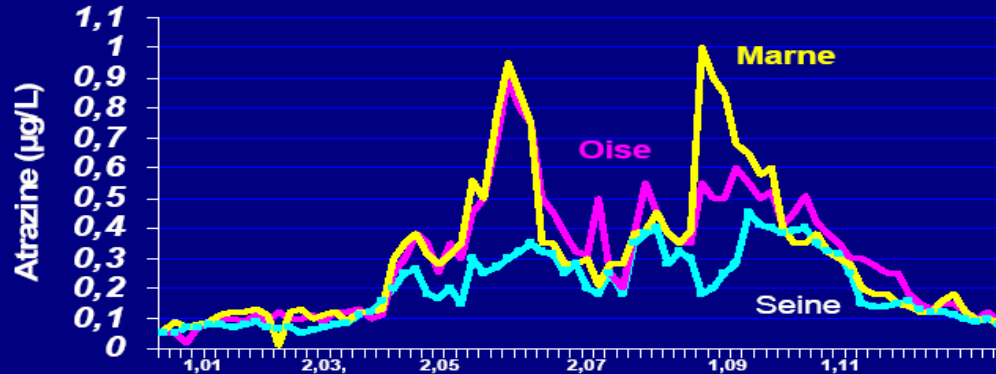
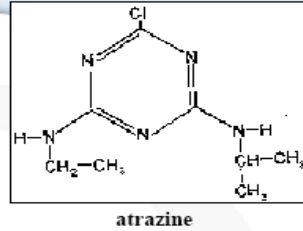
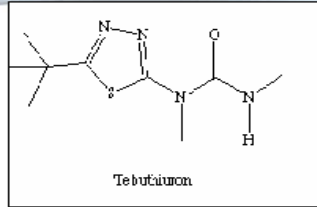
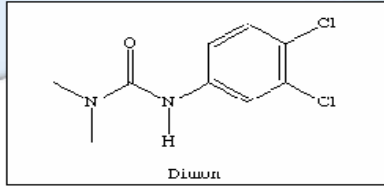


# **Actiflo<sup>®</sup> Carb for pesticides removal**

# Pesticide Removal : testing under “live” conditions

- *Dosing of pesticides in the raw water (reservoir) to simulate peaks of concentrations*

## Pesticides



# Pesticides removal

- Target concentration in the raw water: 0.3 µg/L

| Compounds   | Inlet T +1h | Outlet T + 1h | % removal | Outlet T + 24h | % removal |
|-------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
|             | [µg/L]      | [µg/L]        | [%]       | [µg/L]         | [%]       |
| Atrazine    | 0.39        | n.d.          | >95       | n.d.           | >95       |
| DEA         | 0.34        | n.d.          | >94       | n.d.           | >94       |
| DEDIA       | 0.36        | n.d.          | >94       | n.d.           | >94       |
| Isoproturon | 0.66        | n.d.          | >97       | n.d.           | >97       |
| Acetochlore | 0.81        | n.d.          | >97       | 0.24           | 70.4      |
| Bentazone   | 0.27        | n.d.          | >92       | 0.03           | 89.0      |
| Glyphosate  | 0.35        | n.d.          | >77       | n.d.           | >77       |
| AMPA        | 0.46        | n.d.          | >82       | n.d.           | >82       |

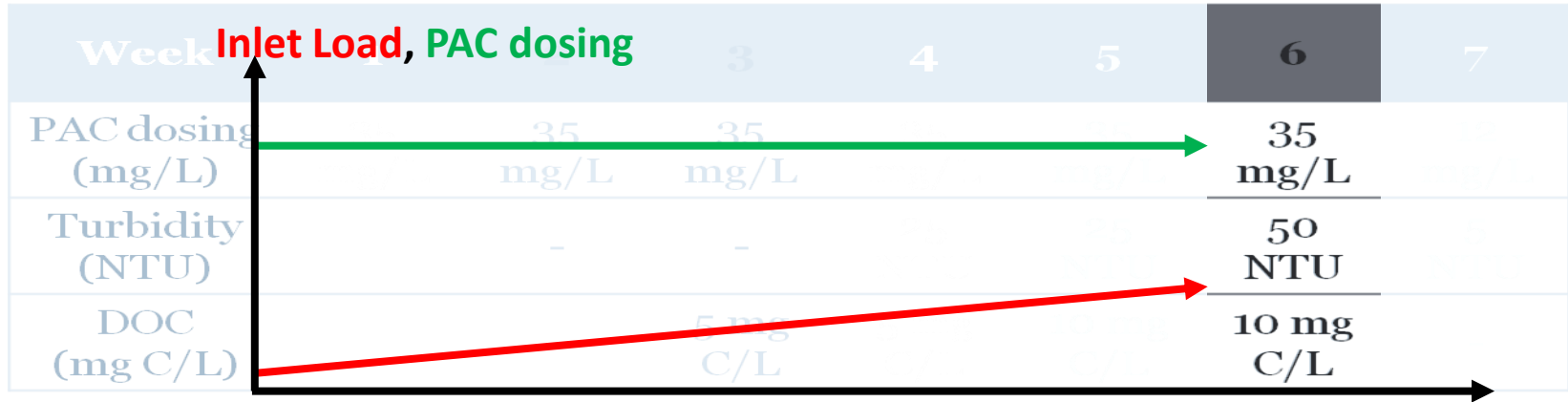
n.d.: below detection level

**Eff. Removal > 77 to 97%**



# Spiking program

- Main conditions target for each week



- Pesticide spiking changed each day (up to 1.5 µg/L)
  - Metaldehyde, carbetamide, metazachlor and propyzamide

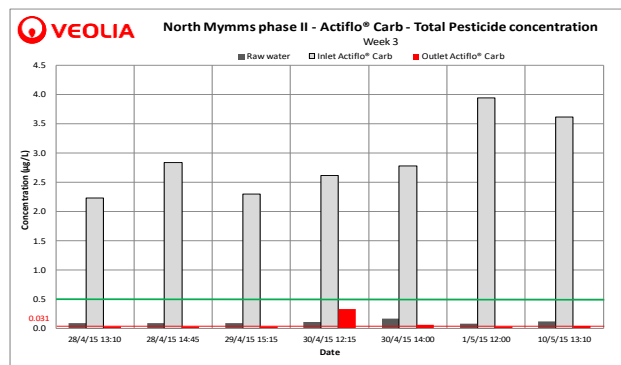
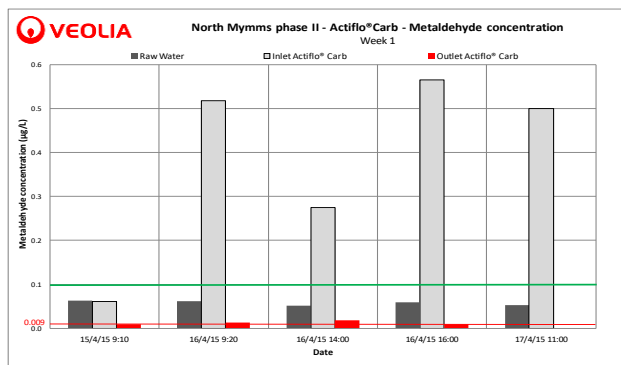
**Target: Test upper limits of Actiflo® Carb process**

# Actiflo® carb (most recent tests)

- Trials in 2015 for Metaldehydes removal: North Mymms WTW with Affinity Water – **DTP support of VWT (UK) for Metaldehyde ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CHO}$ )<sub>4</sub>**



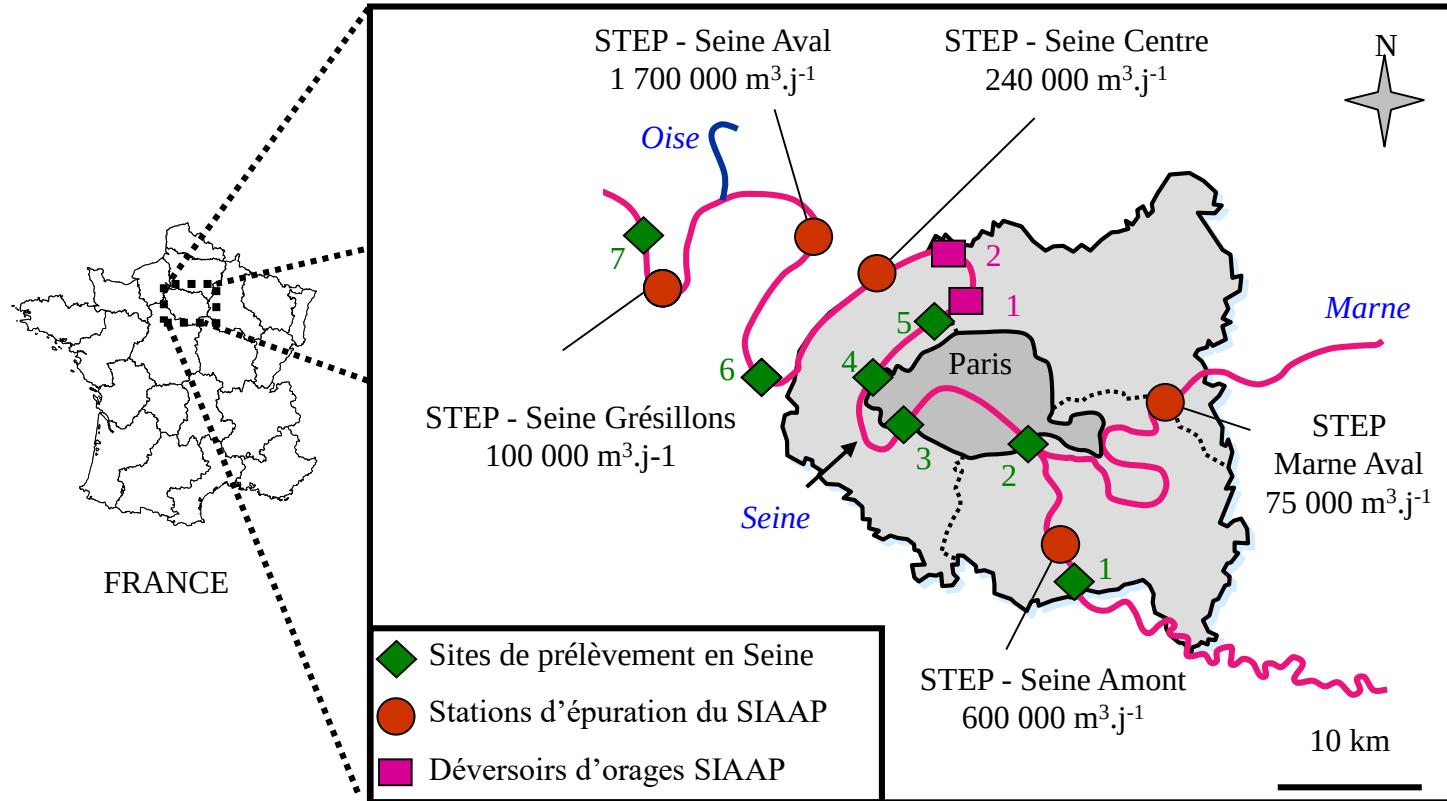
Particularly challenging compound  
for traditional technologies eg GAC  
 $\text{LogKow} < 0$



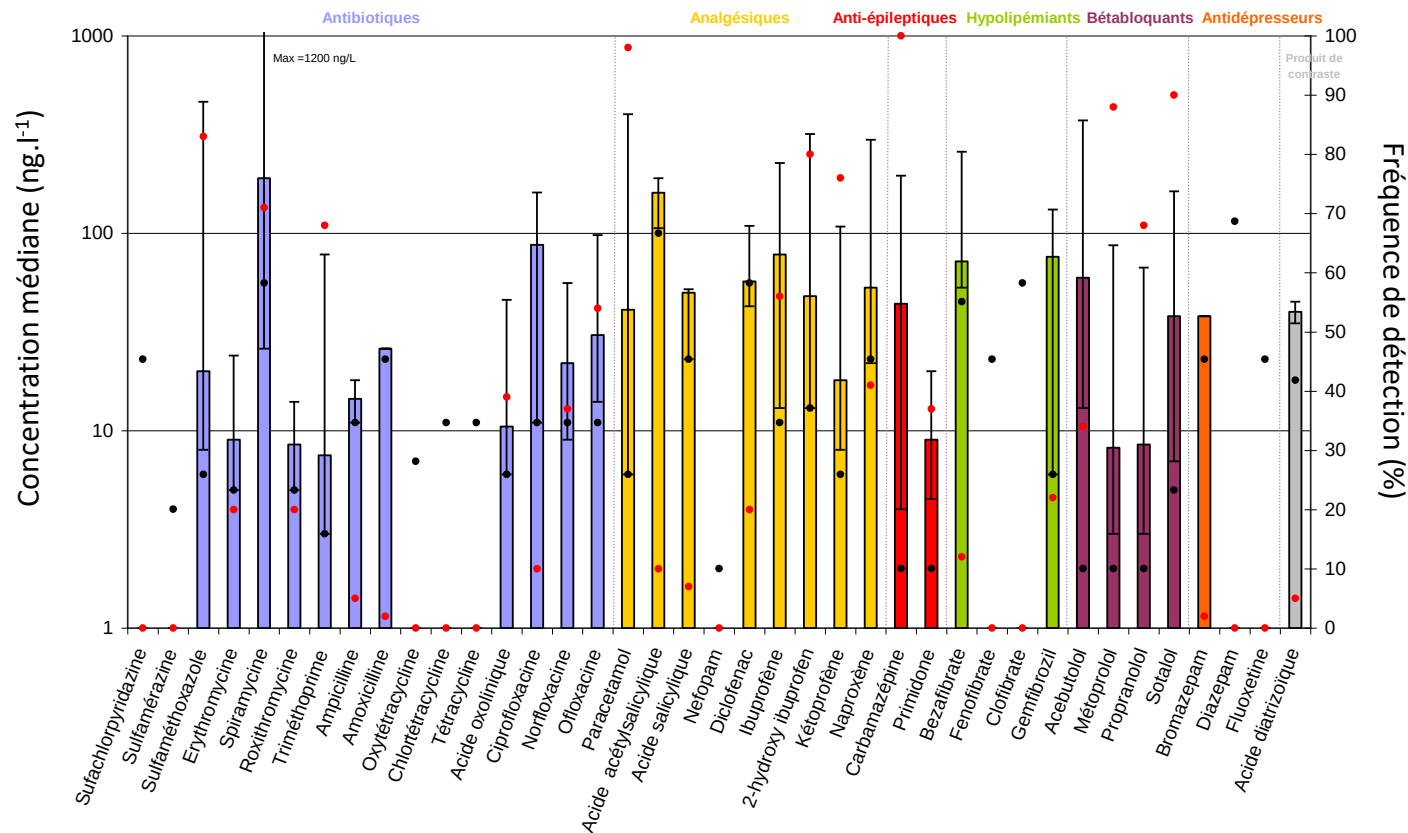
# Micropollutants in urban waste water



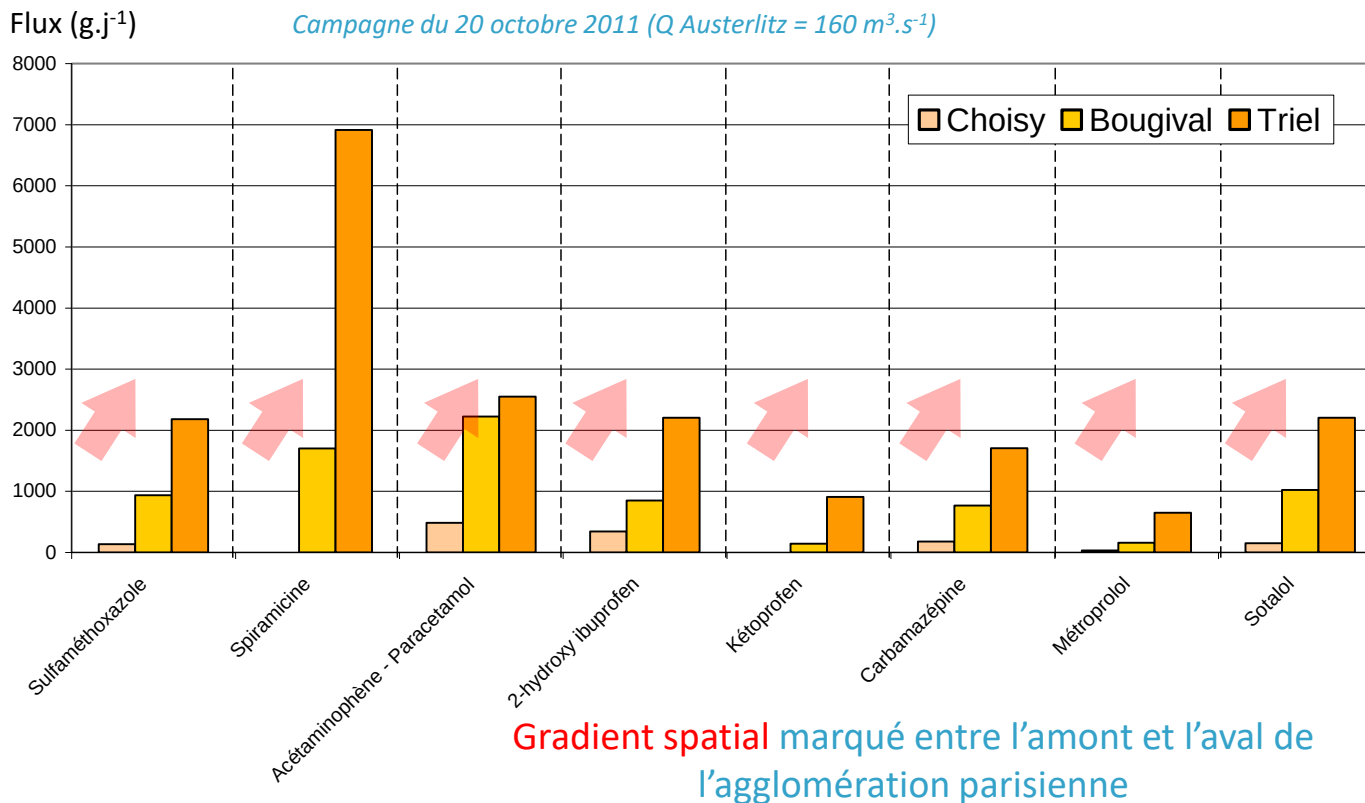
# Pharma residuals during 2010 - 2011



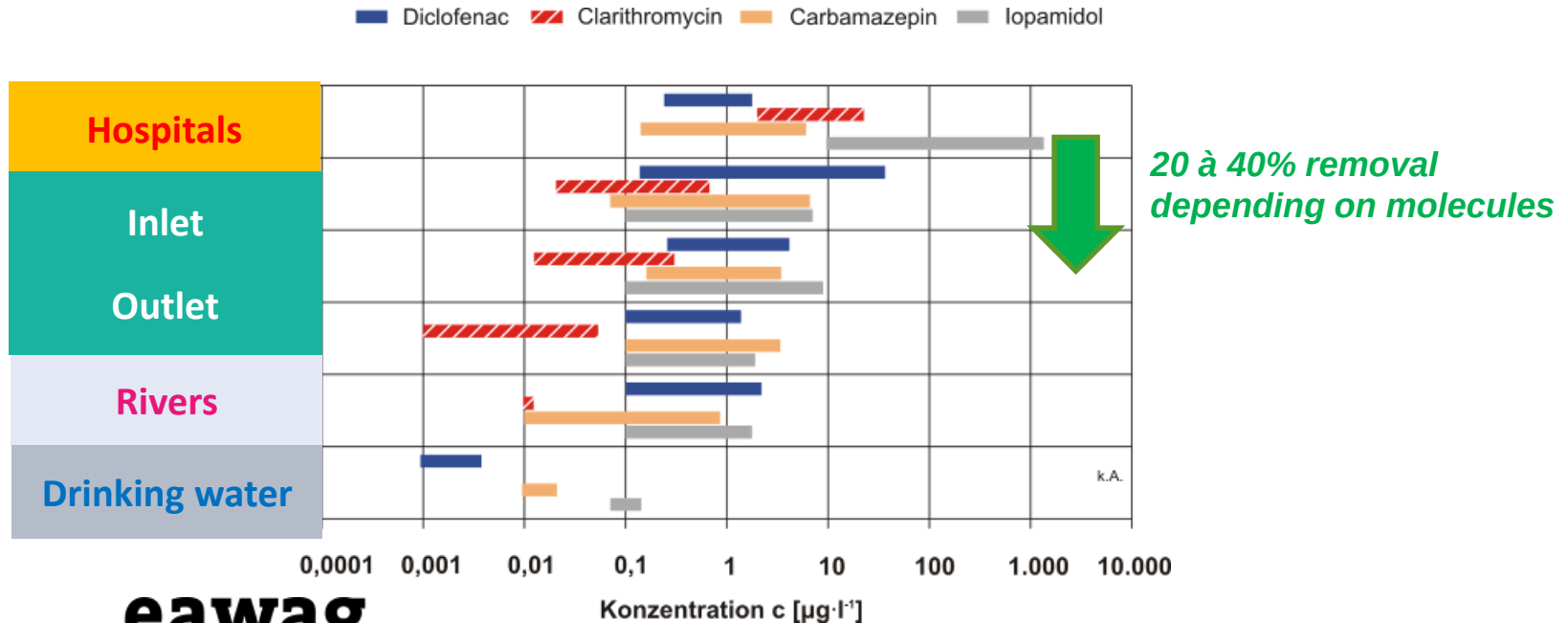
# Pharma residuals during 2010 - 2011



# Overview of some molecules across Paris



# The context: typical WwTW performances



# 12 months operational study with SIAAP\*

- Organisation & scientific plan
  - To operate on a real plant
  - 138 micropolluants analysed

## Daily monitoring

TSS, DOC, BOD, DOC, TKN,  $\text{NO}_3$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$ , Pt,  $\text{P-PO}_4$ , Colour, Turbidity, Abs. UV 254 nm

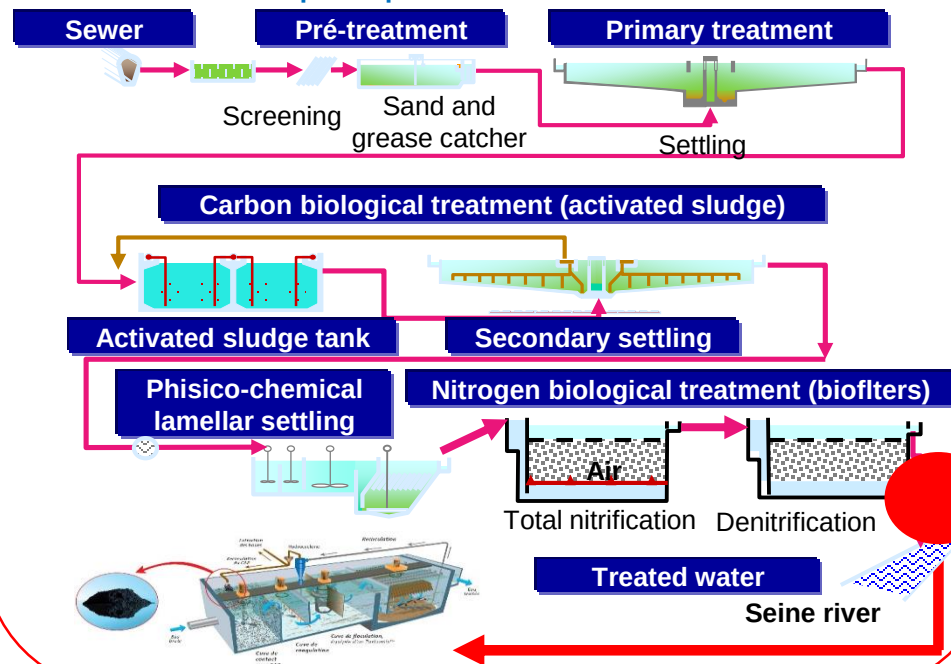
## Pharmaceutical and Hormones

Antibiotiques (humains et vétérinaires),  
analgésiques, bêtabloquants, hypolipémiants,  
antidépresseurs, antiépileptiques, diurétiques,  
antifongiques, hormones

## Other micropollutants

HAP, solvants chlorés, Alkylphénols,  
herbicides/insecticides, acides perfluorés,  
bisphénol A, Métaux

WwTW Seine Aval (Achères) 6 million  
Pop. eq. – removal C/N/P



# Micropollutants analysed

## Micropolluants organiques

Always found

Often found

Seldom found

### LISTE DCE

### MEDICAMENTS HUMAINS

### MEDICAMENTS VETERAIRES

### HORMONES

### DIVERS

|                        |                   |                   |                   |                     |             |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Naphtalène             | Alachlore         | Metronidazole     | Florfenicol       | $\alpha$ oestradiol | PFOA        |
| Acénaphthylène         | Atrazine          | Trimethoprim      | Sulfanilamide     | $\beta$ oestradiol  | PFOS        |
| Acenaphtène            | Chlorfenvinphos   | Sulfamethoxazole  | Dicyclanil        | Estrone             | Bisphénol A |
| Fluorene               | Diuron            | Ofloxacin         | Sulfadiazine      | Estriol             |             |
| Phenanthrene           | Isoproturon       | Ciprofloxacin     | Sulfathiazole     | Norethindrone       |             |
| Anthracene             | Pentachlorophénol | Roxithromycine    | Marbofloxacin     | Androstenedione     |             |
| Fluoranthene           | Simazine          | Paracétamol       | Ampicilline       | Gestodène           |             |
| Pyrène                 | Trifluraline      | Kétoprofène       | Norfloxacine      | Testosterone        |             |
| Benzo[a]anthracene     | HCH alpha         | Diclofenac        | Tétracycline      | Levonorgestrel      |             |
| Chrysène               | HCH bêta          | Ibuprofène        | Oxytétracycline   | Progesterone        |             |
| Benzo[b]fluoranthène   | HCH gamma         | Naproxen          | Sulfabenzamide    |                     |             |
| Benzo[k]fluoranthène   | HCH delta         | Acide salicylique | Danofloxacin      |                     |             |
| Benzo[a]pyrène         | Chlopyrifos       | Aténolol          | Enrofloxacin      |                     |             |
| Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrène | Aldrine           | Propranolol       | Orbifloxacin      |                     |             |
| Dibenz[a,h]anthracène  | Isodrine          | Fenofibrate       | Difloxacin        |                     |             |
| Benzo[ghi]perylène     | Endosulfan alpha  | Bezafibrate       | Sulfadiméthoxine  |                     |             |
| 1,2,4-trichlorobenzène | DDE pp            | Fluvoxamine       | Chlortétracycline |                     |             |
| Hexachlorobutadiène    | Dieldrin          | Oxazepam          | Penicilline G     |                     |             |
| Hexachlorobenzène      | Endrin            | Lorazepam         | Tylosine Tartrate |                     |             |
| BPA                    | DDD pp            | Carbamazépine     | Erythromycine     |                     |             |
| Nonylphénol            | DDT op            | Furosemide        | Monensin          |                     |             |
| 4-nonylphénol          | Endosulfan bêta   | Econazole         | Narasin           |                     |             |
| Octylphénol            | DDT pp            |                   | Sulfameter        |                     |             |
| Para-ter-octylphénol   |                   |                   | Sulfadimerazine   |                     |             |



HAP

Solvants chlorés

Herbicides / insecticides

Alkylphénols

Antibiotiques

Analgésiques

Bétabloquants

Hypolipémians

Antidépresseurs / anxiolytiques

Antiépileptique

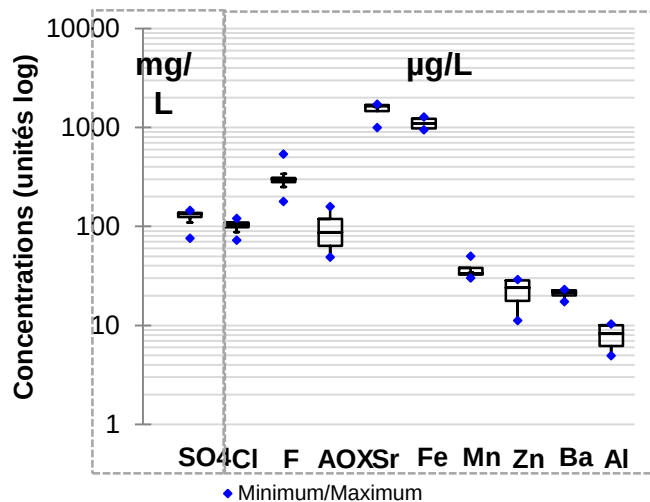
Diurétique

Antifongique

Hormones

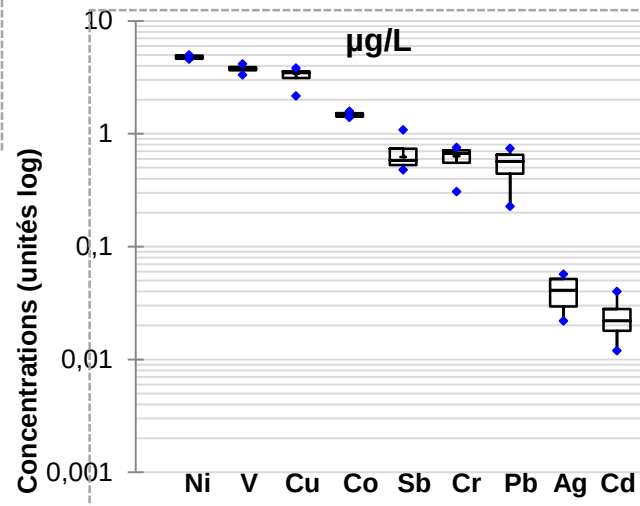
Perfluorés

# Box plot final effluent quality

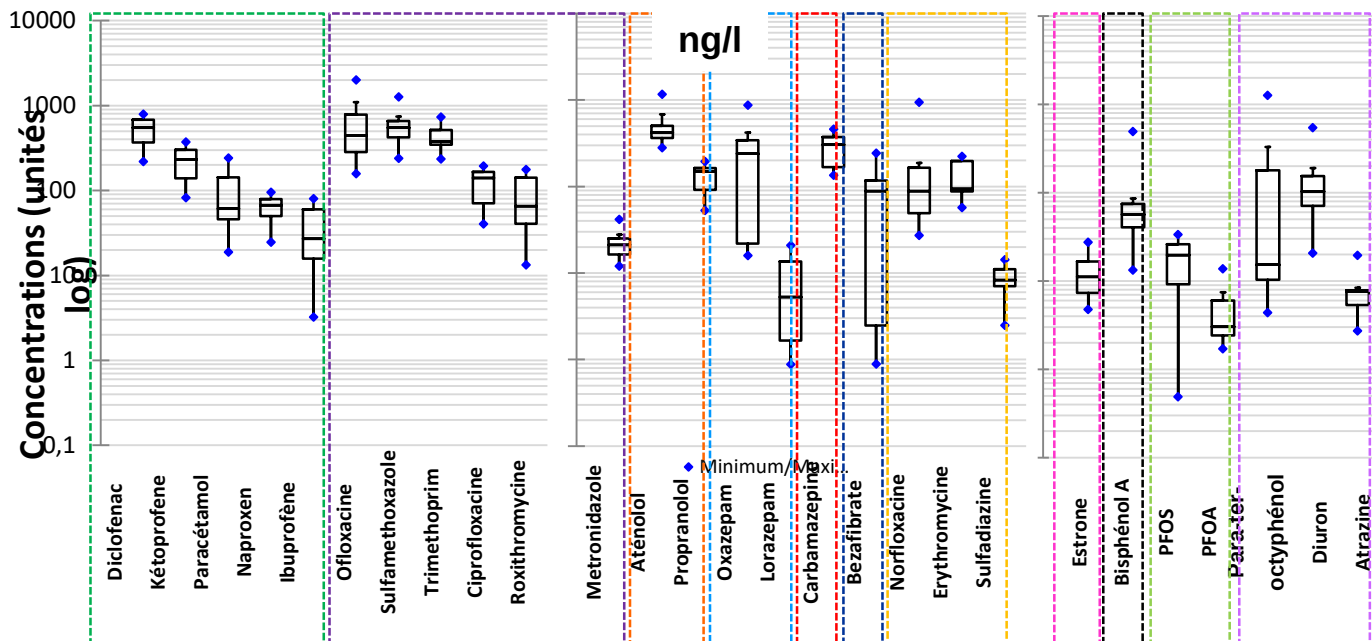


**Faible variabilité des concentrations et ordres de grandeur conformes aux suivis RSDE des usines du SIAAP**

*Résultats métaux  
(4 campagnes – 2 configurations, 11 campagnes en attente de résultats)*



# Box plot organic micropollutants



Plus forte variabilité des concentrations



# **Actiflo® Carb**

## **Micropollutants removal**

# Over 10 pilot plants trials since 2010

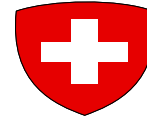
- **Avranches (France) – Pilot trials**

- 18 months Actiflo Carb (2010 – 2012)
- PAC alone and combined with O3



- **Industrial prototype – Cham (Lucerne, CH)**

- 6 months trials in 2011 in cooperation with :
- Industrial unit 50 to 100 m3/h



- **Industrial prototype – Milwaukee (USA)**

- 4 months trials in 2011
- Industrial unit 50 to 100 m3/h

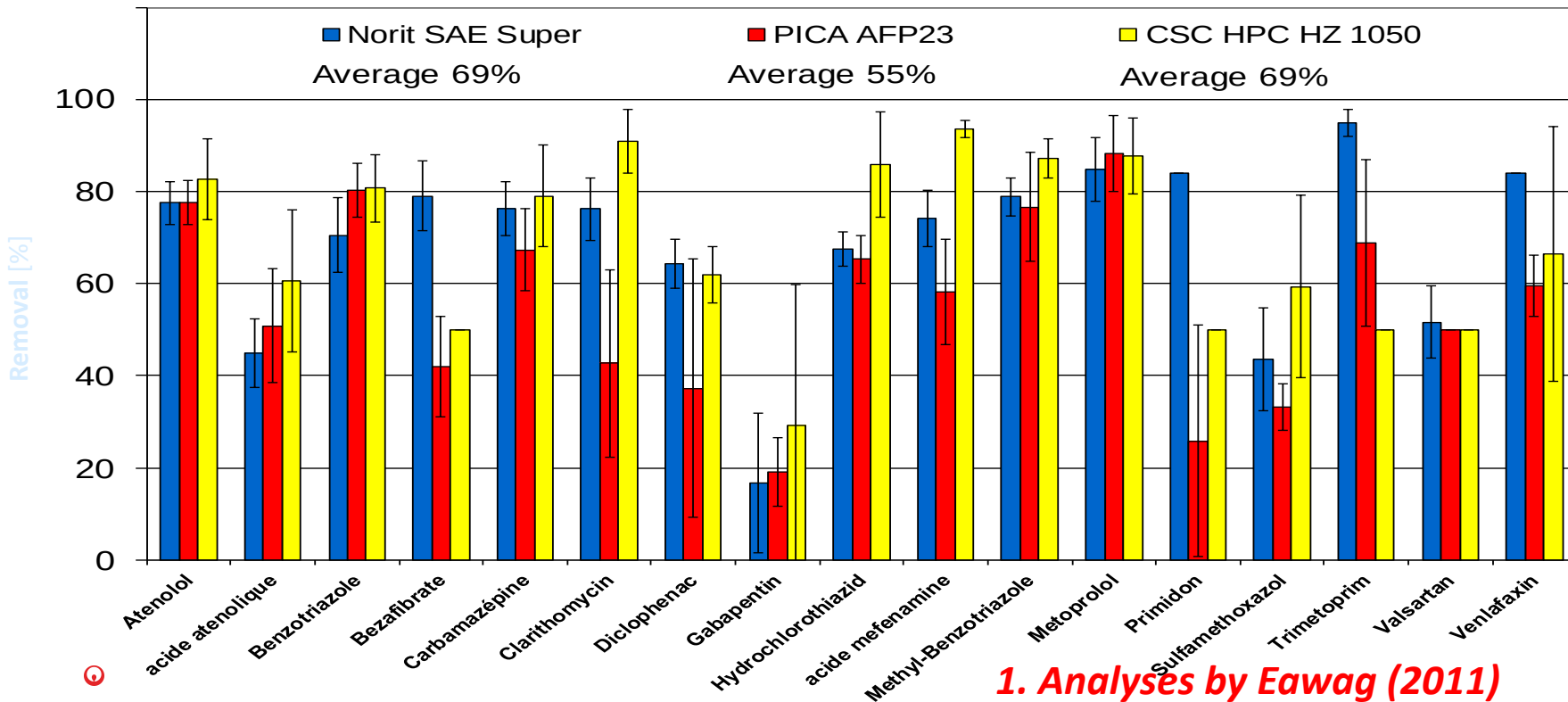
- **Aachen (Germany) – Pilot trials**

- 6 months trials - RWTH Aachen



# Various PAC tested (Norit, Jacobi, Calgon, etc...)

- CAP dose 10 ppm, CAP concentration in reactor 1 – 2 g/l
- Contact time 10 mn



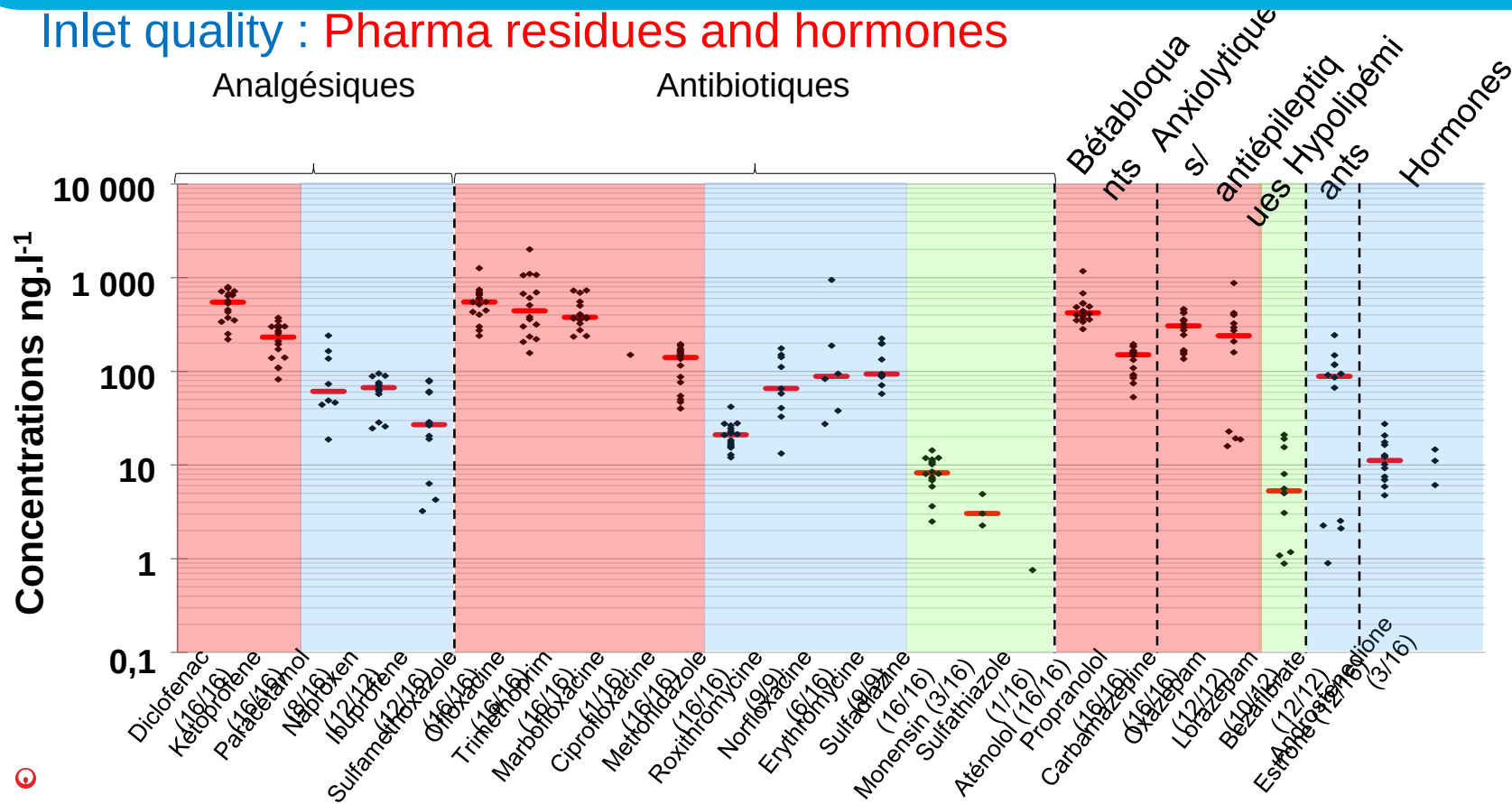
# Micropollutants removal

## ➤ Actiflo® Carb : micropollutants removal

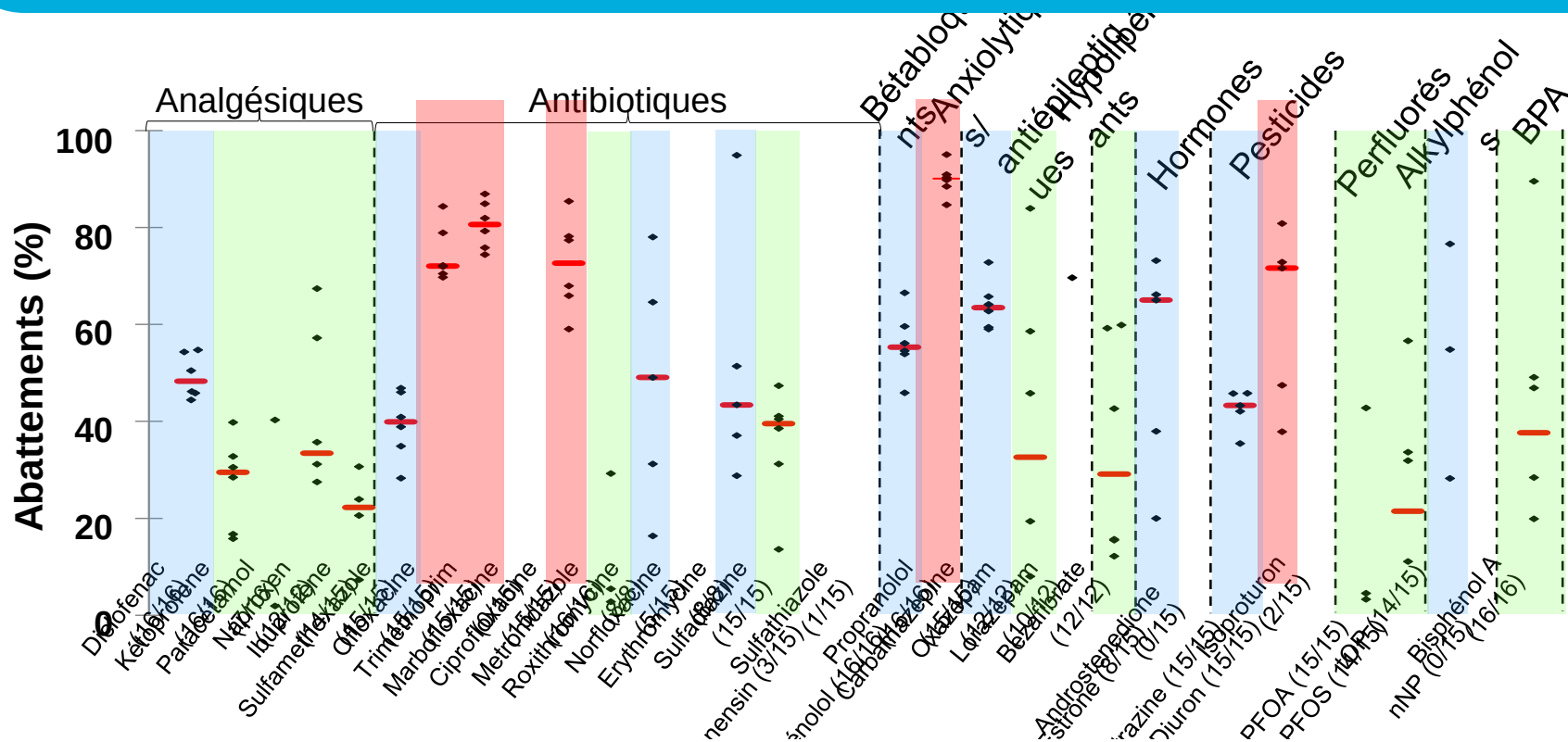
| Micropolluants   | Abattement en %           |        |        |         |        |        |           |             |           |         |
|------------------|---------------------------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|-----------|-------------|-----------|---------|
|                  | Sites et quantités de CAP |        |        |         |        |        |           |             |           |         |
|                  | Aachen                    |        |        | Achères |        |        | Avranches |             | Bruxelles | Lucerne |
|                  | 10 ppm                    | 20 ppm | 30 ppm | 5 ppm   | 10 ppm | 15 ppm | 20 ppm    | 20 ppm + O3 | 15-20 ppm | 10 ppm  |
| Atenolol         | /                         | /      | /      | 38      | 47     | 67     | 90        | 92          | /         | 76      |
| Metoprolol       | 88                        | 91     | 95     | /       | /      | /      | 69        | 76          | 82        | 85      |
| Propanolol       | /                         | /      | /      | 75      | 88     | 95     | /         | /           | 88        | /       |
| Clarithromycine  | 37                        | 70     | 63     | /       | /      | /      | /         | /           | 79        | 76      |
| Sulfamethoxazole | 28                        | 68     | 74     | 28      | 39     | 39     | 77        | 88          | 69        | 45      |
| trimethoprim     | /                         | /      | /      | 68      | 72     | 80     | /         | /           | 79        | 95      |
| Diclofenac       | 57                        | 89     | 91     | 38      | 45     | 60     | 82        | 97          | 71        | 65      |
| Bezafibrate      | /                         | /      | /      | 20      | 15     | 30     | /         | /           | 31        | 78      |
| Carbamazepine    | 83                        | 94     | 96     | 40      | 60     | 72     | 98        | 99          | 82        | 76      |

# Analysis results over 24 campaigns of sampling

- Inlet quality : **Pharma residues and hormones**



# Median removal

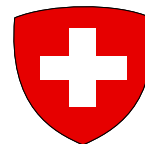
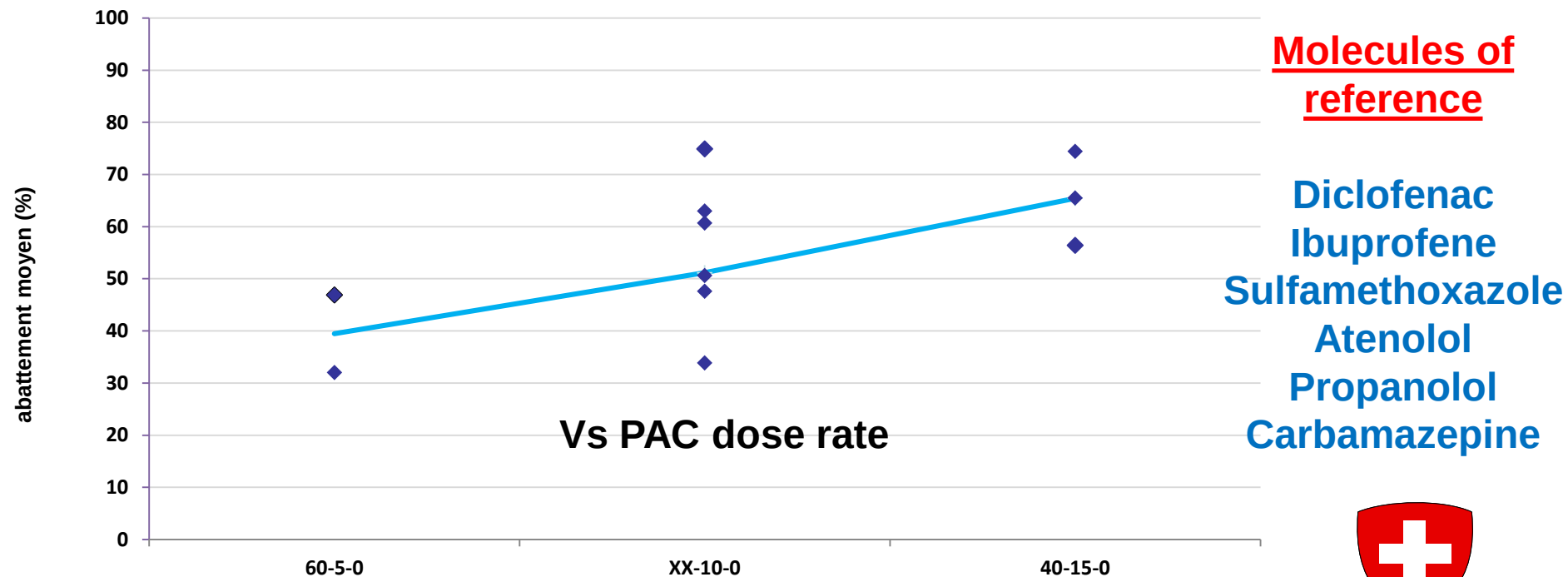


Average removal over 33 molecules :

> 70% for 5 molecules, [40 – 70%] for 11 molécules and < 40% for 9 molécules

# Mass removal

## Synthesis over 6 molecules (cumulative concentration)



# Actiflo<sup>®</sup> Carb

## “hard” COD removal



# Actiflo® Carb for industrial effluents (« Hard COD »)

|                        |        |           |                                                                             |           |                                                                                                                                              |
|------------------------|--------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Municipal waste water  | China  | Zhejiang  | Fuyang                                                                      | Tertiary  | Actiflo Carb operation as needed to reduce refractory COD from nearby paper mill                                                             |
| Industrial waste water | China  | Shandong  | Huntsman, Qingdao                                                           | HPI / CPI | Tertiary; removal of refractory COD from WW with dye chemicals used in textile industry; very high COD up to > 900 mg/l                      |
| Industrial waste water | France | haut-rhin | DSM Nutritional Products France, Village-Neuf (close to Basel, Switzerland) | Pharma    | Tertiary treatment after AS for TSS & refractory TOC/COD removal; and pharma micropoll removal                                               |
| Industrial waste water | Italy  | SIC       | Raffineria di Milazzo, Milazzo (Sicily)                                     | HPI / CPI | Secondary clarification of MBBR effluent with Actiflo Carb; removal of refractory COD up to 200 mg/l; reuse for fire protection water system |



# DSM references : Mulhouse, France



# DSM : results (Commissioning)

## ● Synthèse des essais de mise en route

| Date       | Débit alim | Vitesse | MES alim | COT alim | Dosage polymère | Dosage FeCl3 | Dosage CAP | Type CAP | pH rejet | MES rejet | COT rejet |
|------------|------------|---------|----------|----------|-----------------|--------------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
|            | m3/h       | m/h     | mg/l     | mg/l     | mg/l            | mg/l         | g/l        |          | upH      | mg/l      | mg/l      |
| 21/04/2015 | 60         | 30      | 500      | 40       | 0,7             | 100          | –          | –        | 7,0      | 7         |           |
| 22/04/2015 | 35         | 12      | 240      | 30       | 0,7             | 100          | –          | –        | 7,4      | 9         |           |
| 22/05/2015 | 65         | 32      | 65       | 140      | 1,5             | 250          | 1          | HCAP2    | 6,9      | 19        | 15        |
| 08/06/2015 | 65         | 32      | 30       |          | 1,5             | 250          | 1          | HCAP2    | 6,5      | 21        |           |
| 09/06/2015 | 65         | 32      | 15       |          | 1,5             | 350          | 1          | HCAP2    | 6,4      | 25        |           |
| 22/06/2015 | 70         | 35      | 250      | 140      | 1,5             | 350          | 1          | CPL      | 6,9      | 14        | 25        |
| 23/06/2015 | 70         | 35      | 140      | 150      | 1,5             | 350          | 1          | CPL      | 6,8      | 13        | 30        |
| 29/06/2015 | 70         | 35      | 120      | 200      | 1,5             | 550          | 1,7        | CPL      | 6,3      | 12        | 25        |

Taux de sable réglé à 7-10 g/L



# Messages to take home

# These processes deliver :

- TOC & Colour Removal
  - TOC < 2 ppm
  - When used in combination with upstream clarification UVT > 90 / 92%
- Taste & Odour Removal
- Pesticides Removal
- Algal Toxins removal
- THM Removal when using Actiflo Carb; Filtraflo Carb or Opacarb MF
  - THMs are formed by the reaction of free chlorine with natural organic matter (NOM), man-made organic matter or bromide
  - The NOM responsible for THMs consists of humic and fulvic acids produced by decaying organic matter
  - Chloroform is typically found at higher concentrations in potable water than any other THM.
  - THM5 < 100 ppb and generally below 50 ppb

*Many thanks for your attention*  
*We welcome your questions*

