

### Integrating More Efficient In Situ Technologies to Best Meet RAOs

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### **Presentation Outline**

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#### Problem Statement

- We Need ISCO & ISCR Technologies
- We Can Improve our ISCO & ISCR Technologies

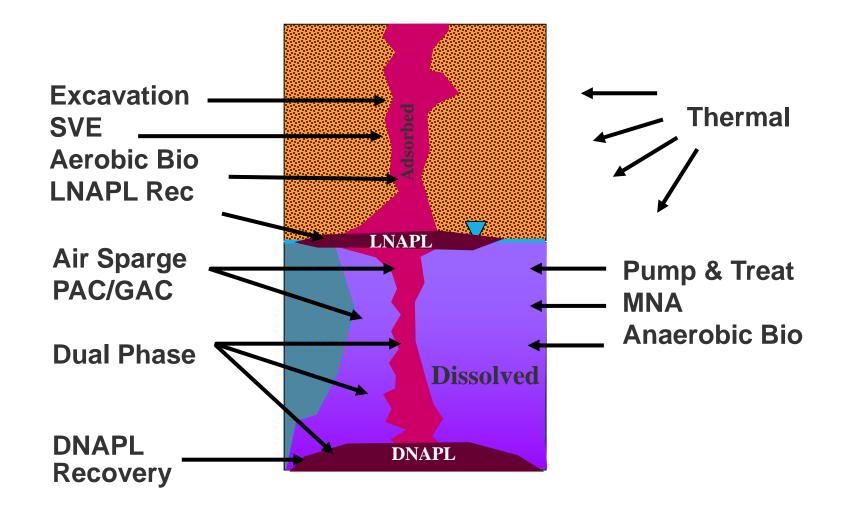
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- Mode of Action
- Recognized Limitations (partial oxidation, rebound, longevity, metals)
- Case Studies using Improved Technologies

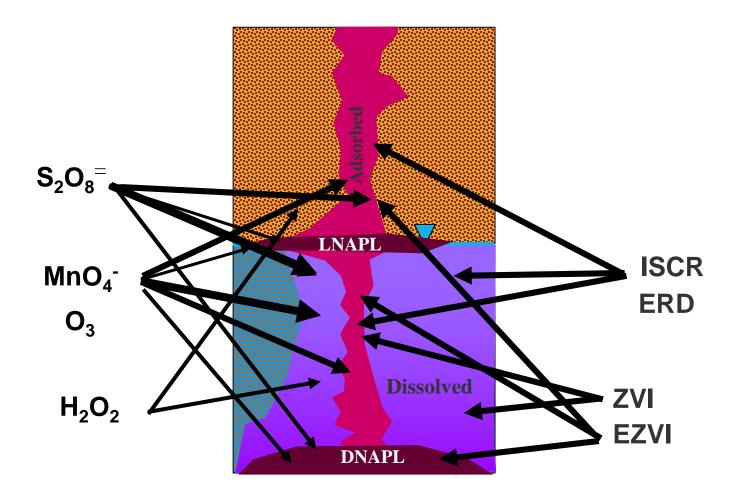
#### What is ERD/ISCR?

- Mode of Action
- Recognized Limitations (excessive CH4, heavy metals, ketones)
- Case Studies using Improved Technologies
- Summary and Conclusions

### **Conventional Remediation Technologies**



### Applicability of ISCO/ISCR Technologies



Fast, Effective (terminal destruction),

Cost Efficient and In Situ

### Why Do We Need ISCO/ISCR?

### ♦ Speed

- Many conventional technologies can take years to complete
- Long term O&M

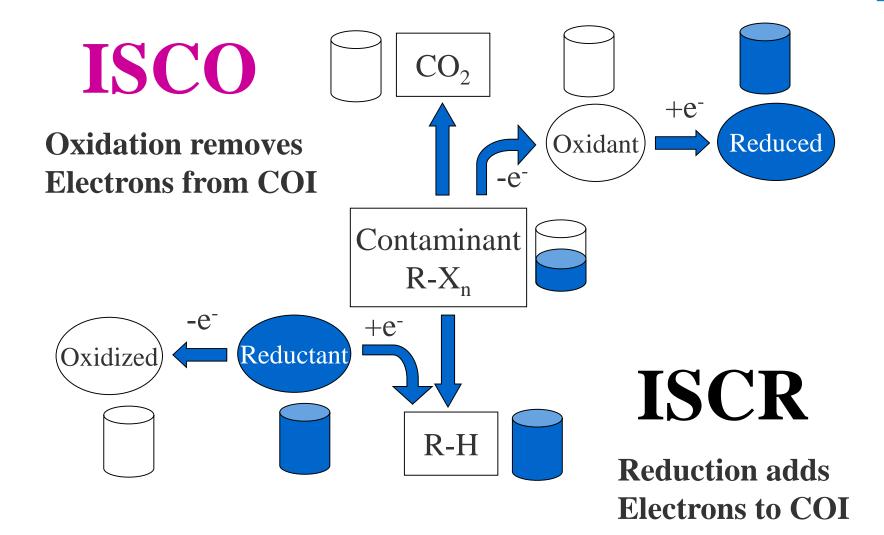
#### Efficacy

- Many cannot reach RAO / MCLs
- Many require treatment / disposal of impacted media
- Most are ineffective with DNAPLs
- Ultimately, complete destruction of COI not always achieved

#### Cost

- Many have high O&M
- Sustainability can be questionable

### **Understanding ISCO/ISCR Reactions**



### **ISCO = Breaking Chemical Bonds**



- Oxidant must be able to accept electrons
  - Capacity = Equivalent weight (MW / No. electrons)
- Ultimate end point is mineralization
  - Partial oxidation is common

Bond Type	Volts (eV)
Carbon-Carbon (single) Long chain hydrocarbons PAHs, DRO, GRO	2.5
Carbon-Carbon (one and a half) Aromatic Type - BTEX and PCP	2.0
Carbon-Carbon (double) HVOCs, PCE, TCE, DCE, VC	1.5
Carbon-Hydrogen (Alkanes)	1.0

# Oxidation Potentials of Common ISCO

Oxidation Potentials	Volts	Fenton's <ul> <li>Treats wide range of contaminants</li> </ul>
Fluorine (F <sub>2</sub> )	2.87	<ul> <li>Short subsurface lifetime</li> <li>Difficult to apply in reactive soils</li> </ul>
Hydroxyl radical (OH●)	2.80	<ul> <li><u>Persulfate</u></li> <li>• Treats wide range of contaminants</li> </ul>
Persulfate radical (SO <sub>4</sub> $\bullet$ )	2.60	• Sulfate radical forms slower than the hydroxyl radical, allowing a larger radius of influence
Ferrate (Fe <sup>+6</sup> )	2.20	Provect-OX
Ozone (O <sub>3</sub> )	2.08	<ul> <li>Generates Ferrate (Fe IV, V, VI possible)</li> <li>Treats wide range of contaminants</li> </ul>
Persulfate $(S_2O_8^{-2})$	2.01	<ul> <li>Extended <i>in situ</i> lifetime w/ continual production</li> <li>Avoids Rebound</li> </ul>
Hydrogen peroxide (H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )	1.78	<ul> <li>Ozone</li> <li>Treats wide range of contaminants</li> </ul>
Permanganate (MnO <sub>4</sub> -)	1.68	<ul> <li>Short subsurface lifetime</li> <li>Limited use in saturated zone</li> </ul>
Chlorine (Cl <sub>2</sub> )	1.49	Permanganate –
https://sites.google.com/site/ecpreparation/ferrate	-vi	•Treats limited range of contaminants

- Partial oxidation of TPHs, etc
- Long subsurface lifetime
- Potential effects on hydrogeology

#### Higher oxidation potential = stronger the oxidizer

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### Limitations with Conventional ISCO



#### Non-Beneficial Consumption of Oxidant

- Oxidants can be self-consuming
- Soil Oxidant Demands can be very high and very significant
- Use of Extreme Activation Chemistries
  - pH extremes are simply not conducive to biological activity
  - pH extremes can mobile heavy metals creating secondary plumes
  - Many COI not always achieved

#### Lack of Longevity

- Oxidants last days to weeks (months for permanganate)
- Persulfate activators also do not persist

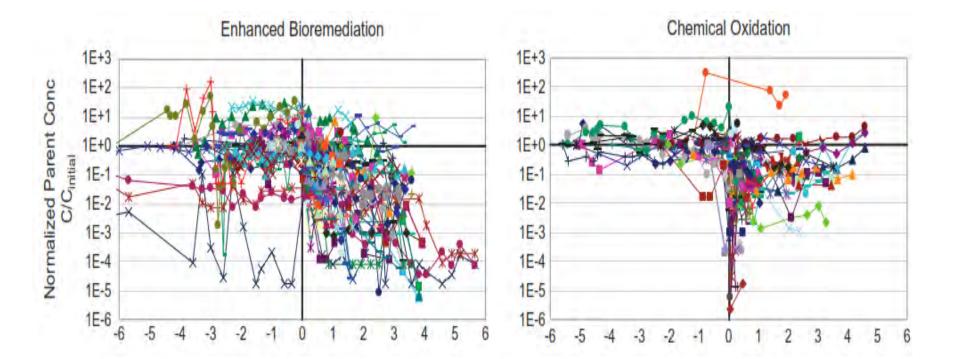
#### These lead to... Contaminant Rebound

- Observed at most every ISCO site that uses conventional reagents
- Ineffectiveness and inefficiency represents angst, time and money

### Why Do Contaminants Rebound?

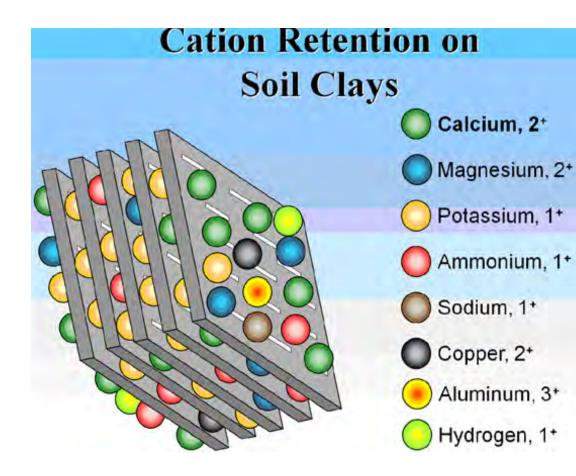
Figure 1. Temporal concentration records for wells at source depletion sites. Concentration is normalized by the initial measured concentration. Sampling time is normalized by the time of the initial source depletion treatment.

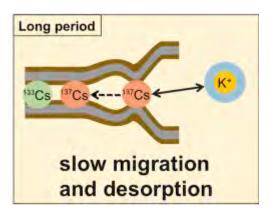
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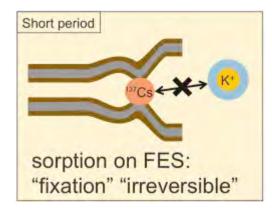


X-axis showing sampling time (years) relative to initial treatment (Time 0)

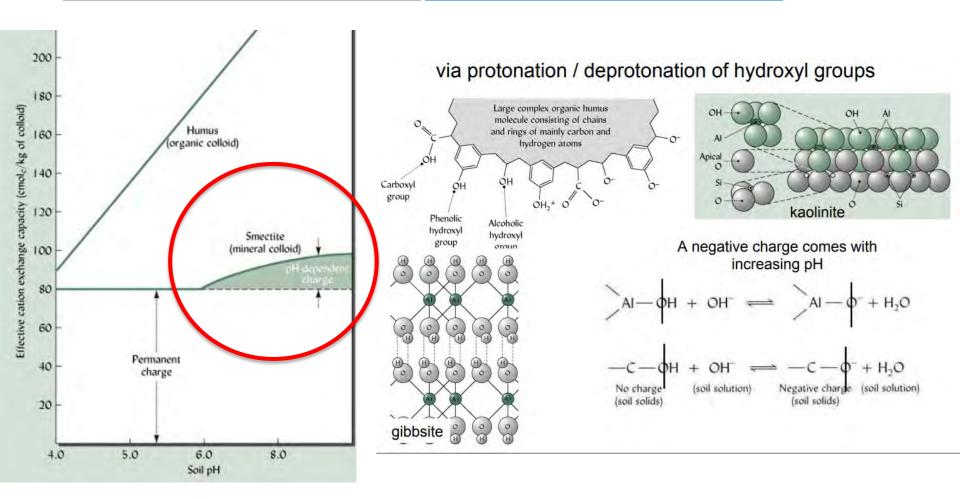
### **Rebound from Desorption**







### **pH Dependent Rebound**



Negative charge on a compound can increase at higher pH (more protons) due to ionization of hydroxyl and carboxyl groups (not alcohols >18).

### **Base-Activated Persulfate and Rebound**





March 2010 - The Use of Lime to Activate Klozur Persulfate and Its Impact on Contaminant Soil Concentrations

Hydrated lime,  $Ca(OH)_2$ , and in some instances quicklime, CaO, have been used successfully as an activator for Klozur® Persulfate for the treatment of petroleum and chlorinated solvent contaminated soils. Due to its relatively low solubility, the most common method of use with Klozur persulfate is soil blending, either *in situ* or *ex situ*. Lime provides several benefits as an activator, including:





· Relative low cost

Philip Block, Ph.D.

"In conclusion, it is evident that the standard EPA test method 3545 does not adequately account for reversible, lime encapsulation due to a lack of pH adjustment prior to extraction. This may lead to erroneous conclusions that lime application is adequate in remediating contaminated soils, and that it provides equivalent benefit to lime activated persulfate treatment. Adjusting the pH to circum-neutral levels prior to extraction will provide a more accurate estimation of the contaminant destruction that is capable with lime and lime activated persulfate". FMC (now PeroxyChem) March, 2010.

### **MnO<sub>2</sub> Potential Rebound**

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In the presence of an organic compound (R), MnO4 reactions yield an oxidized intermediate (Rox) or CO<sub>2</sub>,... plus MnO<sub>2</sub>

 $R + MnO_4 - \rightarrow MnO_2 + CO_2 \text{ or } Rox$ 

MacKinnon and Thomson (2002) J. Contam. Hydrology Vol 56 p. 49-74.



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Interphase mass transfer during chemical oxidation of TCE DNAPL in an aqueous system

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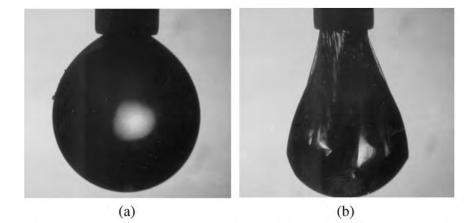
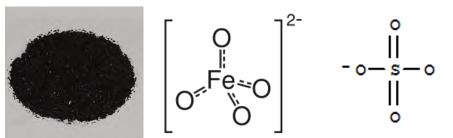


Fig. 7. (a) Photograph of a TCE droplet suspended in phosphate buffered de-ionized water from the tip of a syringe needle prior to chemical oxidation with  $MnO_4^-$ . (b) Photograph of a TCE droplet following chemical oxidation with  $MnO_4^-$ . Needle diameter=0.8 mm.

### What is **Provect-OX**®?

- Sodium Persulfate + Ferric Oxide ISCO Reagent
  - Chemical Oxidation via Sulfate (SO4•) Radical
  - Chemical Oxidation via Ferrate (Fe6+•) Radical
- Enhances Biological Attenuation via Sulfate and Iron Reduction Processes
- Terminating Reaction Results in Pyrite: An Abiotic Reactive Particle with similar Kinetics to ZVI (BiRD / Pseudo-ISCR)
- Easily Transitions from Oxidation to Biological Attenuation to Abiotic Mineralization
- Safely Handled Catalyzed Process without the Hazards of Extreme Activators Caustics





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### **Provect-OX Oxidation Potentials**

Ferrate salts can be prepared from iron salts, hypochlorite and a base:

2 Fe<sup>+3</sup> + 3 OCl<sup>-</sup> + 4 OH<sup>-</sup>  $\rightarrow$  2 FeO<sub>4</sub><sup>-2</sup> + 3 Cl<sup>-</sup> + 2 H<sub>2</sub>O S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub><sup>-2</sup> + ACTIVATOR [Fe<sup>+3</sup>]  $\rightarrow$  SO<sub>4</sub>•<sup>-</sup> + e<sup>-</sup>  $\rightarrow$  SO<sub>4</sub>•<sup>-2</sup>

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### Ferrate Chemistry is Complex...

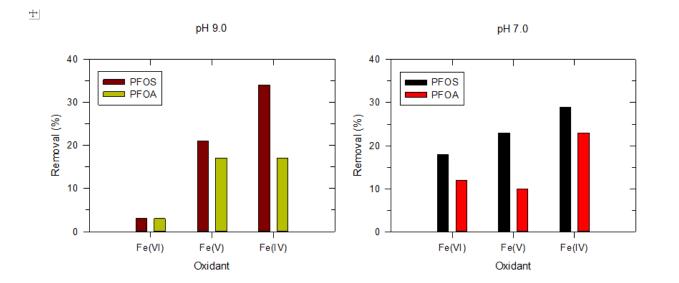
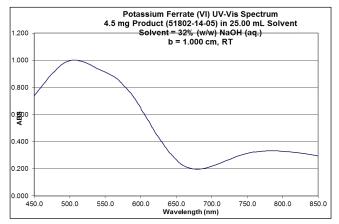


Figure 3. Oxidation of perfluorooctylsulfonate and perfluorooctanoic acid by one application of ferrates at pH 9.0 and 7.0 after five days.





### **Provect-OX Integrated Reactions**



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#### **Sodium Persulfate + Ferric Oxide ISCO Reagent:**

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 S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub><sup>-2</sup> + Fe<sup>+3</sup> -----> Fe<sup>(+4 to+6)</sup> + SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> + SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>

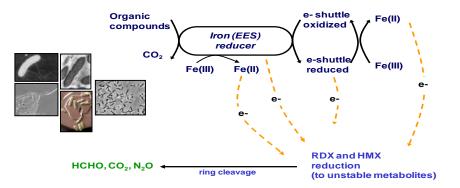
#### Sulfate Reduction of Benzene

Fe<sup>2+</sup> + 2S<sup>2-</sup> -----> FeS<sub>2</sub> + 2e

 $> C_6 H_6 + 3.75 SO_4^{2-} + 3 H_2 O --> 0.37 H^+ + 6 HCO_3^- + 1.87 HS^- + 1.88 H_2 S^-$ 

#### Iron Reduction of Benzene

 $\succ$  C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> + 18 H<sub>2</sub>O + 30 Fe<sup>3+</sup> -----> 6 HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> + 30 Fe<sup>2+</sup> + 36 H<sup>+</sup>



Adapted from Kwon and Finneran , Biodegradation, 2008 , V19(5), Page 705

#### Generates Reaction Minerals In Situ (e.g., Mackinawite)

## Longevity of ISCO Reagents – POX2

- Na persulfate solubility = 55.6 g/100 mL at 20C
- K persulfate has solubility of 5 g/100 mL at 20C
- K persulfate can provide an extended release of oxidant for many months versus weeks



- Buffered, self-activating ISCO + sustained bioremediation technology
- Allows permeable reactive barrier (PRB) approaches
- Introduction to excavations that include access limitations
   (e.g., buildings, roads, etc.)

### Provect-OX Case Study 1 TPH in Groundwater, Kansas

- Relatively low concentration/low risk TPH site (>C9, mid-range and highrange)
- Groundwater testing showed isolated impacts in shallow perched waterbearing zone (DTW 15 to 20 ft bgs)
- Soil sampling did not identify a significant residual source
- Client requested a remediation strategy that would facilitate regulatory site closure quickly due to a pending property transaction (one time injection event)
- Cleanup had to achieve Kansas residential cleanup standards for groundwater



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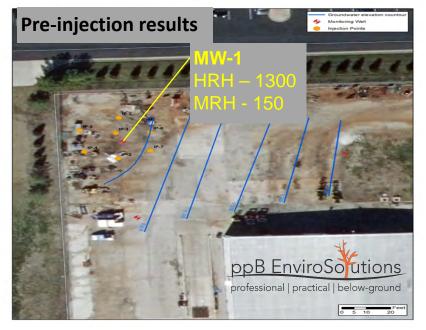
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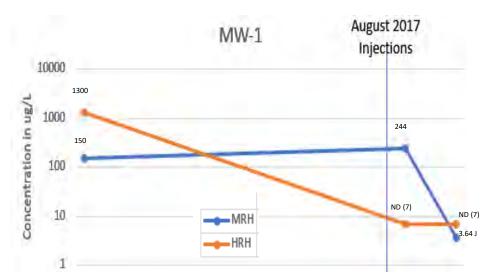




- 2,400 lbs Provect-OX injected
- Approx. 500 ft<sup>2</sup> impacted area
- 7 injection points on 12 foot centers
- 2 day injection event
- ROI > 6-ft in clay soils, <50 psi (KHDE)
- RAO <Residential Groundwater Standards
  - TPH-MRH <150 ppb
  - TPH-HRH <1,000 ppb</p>



### **Case Study 1 - Results**



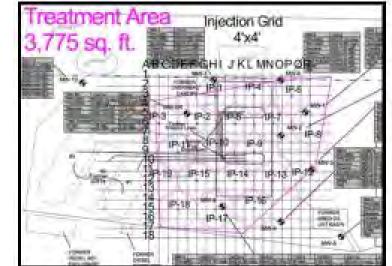
- HRH not detected 1 week after injection event (1,300 to < 7 ppb)</p>
- >97% reduction in MRH 3 months after one injection event (155 to < 4 ppb)</p>
- All groundwater cleanup goals achieved 3 months after injection event
- ♦ Total project cost < \$50k
- ♦ Received regulatory closure < 1 year





### Provect-OX Case Study 2 Former Gas Station, West VA

- 3,775 ft<sup>2</sup> area impacted by BTEX (max 77 ppb), MTBE (max 72 ppb), TBA (max 1,480 ppb)
- Primarily clay with water at 5 ft bgs
- Treatment interval from 6 to 12 ft bgs
- RAO = significant reductions
- ♦ 7,300 lbs of Provect-OX
- Applied via 19 direct push points
- Two monitoring wells targeted



Courtesy Innovative Environmental Technologies, Inc. *Design and Implementation* 

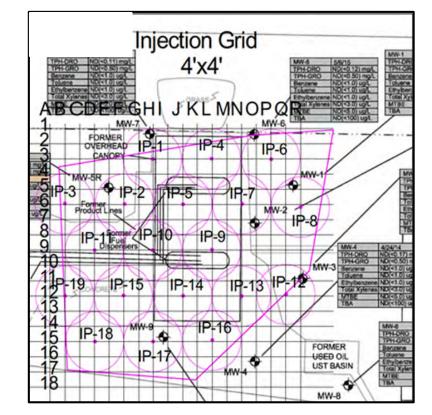
### **Case Study 2 – Results**

#### ♦ MW-9 (Highest Conc) – 1 Year

- Benzene 77 ug/L to ND
- Ethylbenzene 66 ug/L to ND
- MTBE 72 ug/L to ND
- TBA 1,480 ug/L to ND

#### MW-5R – 2 Year

- Benzene 12.2 ug/L to 2.01
- Ethylbenzene 36 ug/L to ND
- Sulfate 1,350 mg/L
- Iron 38.1 mg/L



### Provect-OX Case Study 3 Soil Mixing CHC/TPH Impacts

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### Mendota Site

- ♦ Active facility with desire for one-time application
- ♦ 500 tons of contaminated, vadose zone soil
- PCE >35,000 mg/kg and Toluene >4,000 mg/kg
- Goal was to reduce below site-specific soil saturation limits
- PCE goal ca. 2,000 mg/kg and Toluene goal ca.1,000 mg/kg
- 12,100 lbs Provect-OX
- 5 day application period
- Goals reached
- ♦ <\$25K; <30 days</p>
  - ♦ PCE 38,000 mg/kg to 900 mg/kg
  - ♦ Toluene 4,000 to <100 mg/kg



Courtesy Fehr-Graham, Inc.

### Provect-OX Case Study 4 F-7 Listed Waste, Closed Landfill

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- Benzene, MEK and para 1,4-DCB main COIs (>500 ppb)
- ♦ MCB, TCE and 1,2-DCA also present (<500 ppb)
- Historically, waste drummed and shipped off site
- Changes in Regulatory Policy increased disposal cost 10x
- Landfill owner/operator
   wanted on-site treatment
   options



Example Landfill from www.hdrinc.com

### **Provect-OX Case Study 4 - Results**

#### Batch reactor treatment

- ♦ 45 USG (375 lbs) F-7 in HDPE drum
- ♦ 22.5 lbs Provect-OX (6% wgt basis)
- Intermittent mixing for 8 days
- ♦ >87% removal all COIs 5 to 8 days
- Cost \$0.85/USG or \$500/week



Analyte*	Sampling Time	Unit Values =	mg/L		
(Method)	0 (untreated)	Day 2 Day 5 D		Day 8	
Metals ICP/TCLP EPA 6010 (preparation 3010 / leachate 1311)					
Arsenic	4.4	5.9	7.6	6.6	
Chromium	<0.10	0.12	0.13	<0.10	
Selenium	<0.50	0.53	0.80	<0.50	
Volatile Organics EPA 8260					
Benzene	0.62	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	
Chlorobenzene	0.25	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	
Lab 1,2-Dichlorobenzene	1.11	0.75	0.25	<0.05	
МЕК	170	83	22	2	
1,2-Dichloroethane	0.43	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	

### Provect-OX Coupled Oxidation w/ Sustained Bioremediation



- Sulfate radical and ferrate (site-specific)
- Safely handled; all in one bag or supersack
- Uses Fe<sup>+3</sup> as activator
  - No heat generated = safer
  - Conserves oxidant
  - Enhances bioattenuation Fe + SO<sub>4</sub>
  - Encourages the formation of pyrite
  - Minimizes heavy metal mobilization
- Terr-OR buffer / reactive ferrate stabilizer



- When Chelated Fe<sup>+2</sup> used as activator EDTA Consumes the Oxidant
- When Caustic is used as activator
  - Short lived reaction
  - Secondary plumes / metals (Cr)
  - Can generate heat
  - Handling and safety issues (50% sodium hydroxide)
- pH 10+ Does Not Support Biological reactions
- Does Not Manage Rebound



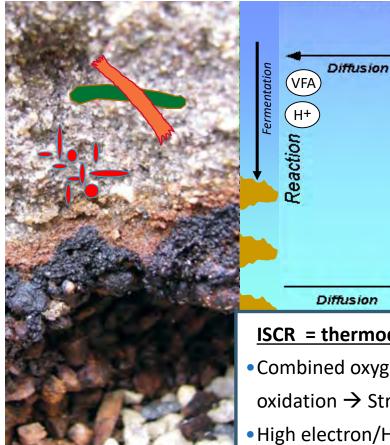
### What is *In Situ* Chemical Reduction?

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- In 2004, ISCR was defined as "<u>a synergistic process that combines</u> <u>biotic + abiotic reactions and creates highly reducing, electron-rich</u> <u>conditions</u>" (Mueller and Brown, 2004)
  - ISCR is <u>not</u> enhanced anaerobic bioremediation/ERD
  - ISCR is <u>not</u>ZVI only or BiRD or et cetera

Process	Amendments
Enhanced Anaerobic Degradation / ERD	Molasses, (emulsified) vegetable oils / lecithins, sodium lactate, polylactic acid, whey, simple H release compounds
<i>In Situ</i> Chemical Reduction / ISCR	Provect-IR™, ABC®+, EHC®, DARAMEND®
Antimethanogenic ISCR Reagents	Provect-IR <sup>®</sup> , Provect-IRM <sup>®</sup> , Aquablok <sup>®</sup> -CH4, and to some degree ABC-CH4 <sup>™</sup>

### Carbon Fermentation + ZVI Corrosion = **ISCR Multiple Reaction Mechanisms**





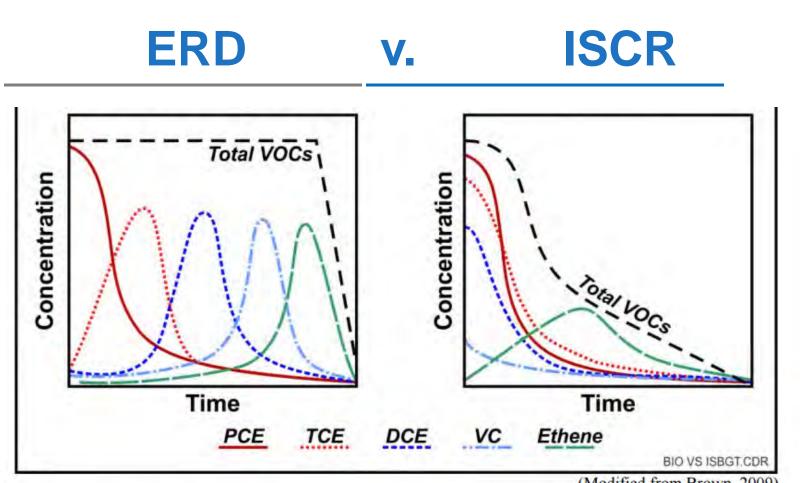
Production of organic acids (VFAs): electron donors for reduction of COIs,  $O_2$ ,  $NO_3$ ,  $SO_4$  By preventing basification, reduces precipitate formation on ZVI surfaces to increase rate of iron corrosion /H<sub>2</sub> generation / reactivity **<u>ZVI Reactions:</u>** H<sub>2</sub> and Fe<sup>+2</sup> and generation  $Fe^0 \rightarrow Fe^{2+} + 2e^{-}$  $2H_{2}O \rightarrow 2H^{+} + 2OH^{-}$  $2H^++ 2e^- \rightarrow H_{2(gas)}$  $R-CI + H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow R-H + CI^-$ 

**ISCR** = thermodynamic conditions for dechlorination:

Combined oxygen consumption from carbon fermentation and iron

oxidation  $\rightarrow$  Strongly reduced environment (-250 to -500 mV)

High electron/H<sup>+</sup> pressure



(Modified from Brown, 2009)

#### Figure 2. Abiotic versus Biological Degradation Pattern for Chlorinated Solvents



### Why Add Carbon/ZVI to Reduce ORP?

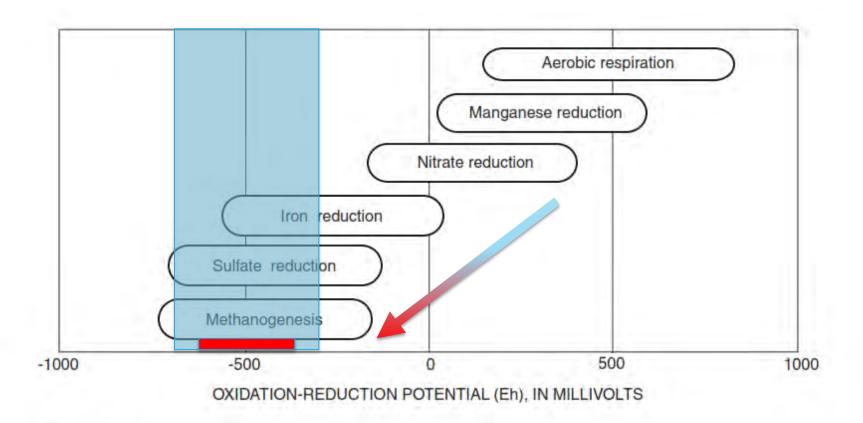
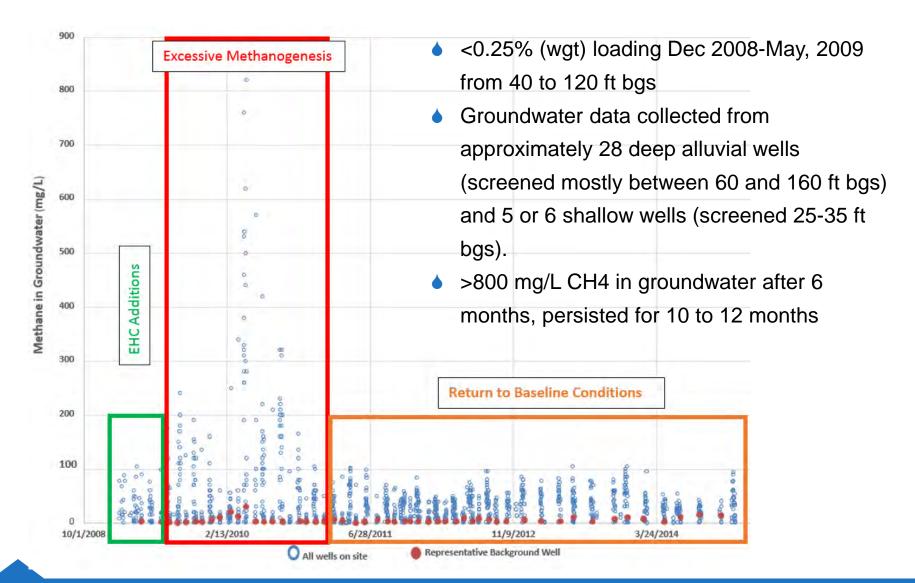


Figure 2. Oxidation-reduction potentials for selected microbial processes. (Modified from Stumm and Morgan, 1981.)

### **Excessive Methane Production**

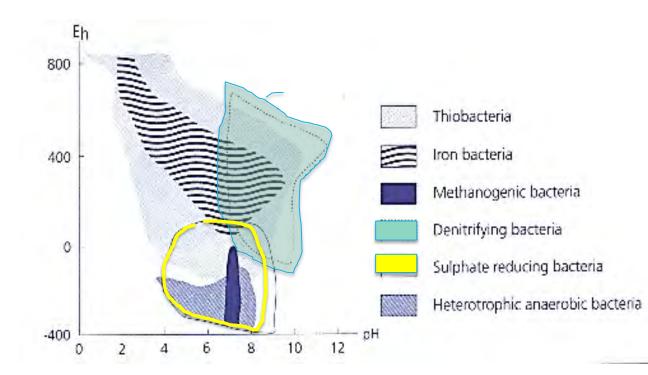


# Excessive CH4 16 months post EVO



### Idealized Eh pH Ranges for Microbial Growth

Microbe	Doubling Times
Dehalococcoides spp.	24 to 48 hours
Methanogens with cytochromes	10 hours
Methanogens without cytochromes	1 hour

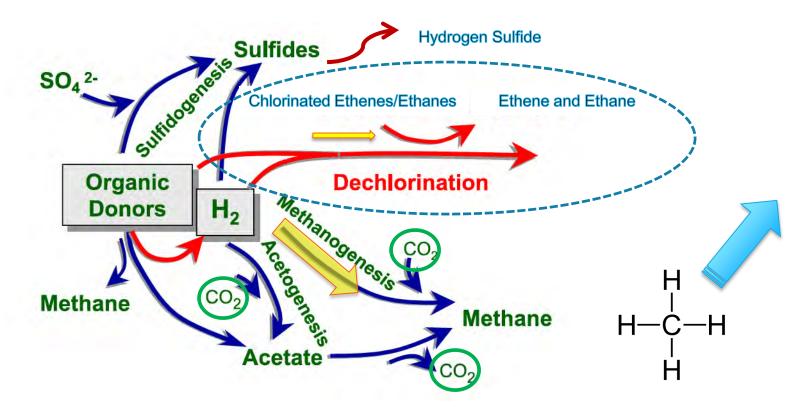


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### **Hydrogen is the Currency**

Where Does it Go? = Cost and Efficiency Issues: Methanogens dominate anaerobic ecosystems and they can hinder dechlorination by competing for H<sub>2</sub> with dechlorinating bacteria (Yang and McCarty, 1998; yellow arrows modified by Provectus).



# **Issue 1: Cost and Efficiency**

Production of methane is a direct indication that hydrogen generated from the electron donor amendments was used by methanogens instead of the target microbes (*e.g., Dehalococcoides spp.*), substantially reducing application efficiency.

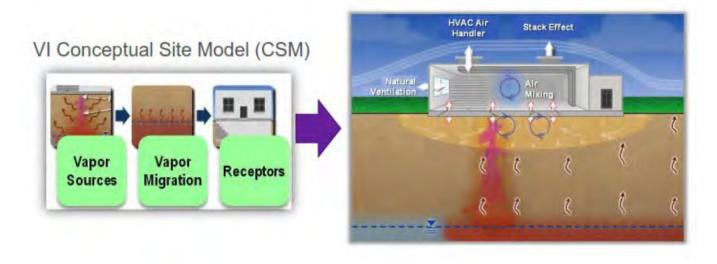
Constituent	Groundwater Concentration (mg/L)	Molecular Weight (g/mol)	Moles of H <sub>2</sub> to Reduce Mole Analyte	Moles of H <sub>2</sub> Acceptor In Treatment Area
Contaminant Electron Acceptors (To E	nd Product Ethene)			
Tetrachloroethene (PCE)	10.0	165.8	4	1,393
Trichloroethene (TCE)	7.0	131.4	3	364
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene (cDCE)	0.0	96.9	2	0
Vinyl Chloride (VC)	0.0	62.5	1	0
	Complete Dechlorin	ation (Soil+Grou	ndwater) Subtotal	1,757
Native Electron Acceptors				
Dissolved Oxygen	9.0	32	2	199
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	9.0	62	3	682
Sulfate	50.0	96.1	4	736
Fe <sup>+2</sup> Formation from Fe <sup>+3</sup>	20.0	55.8	0.5	63
Mn <sup>+2</sup> Formation from Mn <sup>+4</sup>	10.0	54.9	1	64
	·····	Baseline Geoc	hemistry Subtotal	1,745
Hydrogen Waste for Methane Formatio	on			
Methane Formed	20.0	16	4	1,769
	Initial Treat	ment Area Hy	drogen Usage	5,271

Even in a highly oxidized setting with relatively high total concentrations of PCE and TCE, generating just 20 mg/L of methane constitutes greater than 33% of the total amendment consumption based on moles of H<sub>2</sub>.

# **Issue 2: Vapor Intrusion**

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"Migration of hazardous vapors from any subsurface vapor source, such as contaminated soil or groundwater, through the soil and into an overlying building or structure" (EPA, 2015)



#### 4 Innovation that Provides Sustainable Solutions to Complex Local Challenges, Worldwide Ch2MH:

# **Methane Impacts Vapor Intrusion**

### **ERD** and Potential Methane Hazards



- Area Primary Release Distant from Primary Release Vadeace Zone Capillary Erinde Groundwater Flow
- "Biodegradation may result in the formation of by-products that are potentially hazardous" (EPA Final VI Guide)
- "Certain hazardous chemicals (e.g., methane) can pose explosion hazards when they gradually increase in amount in structures (e.g., confined spaces) or buildings as time passes to a point where there is an imminent and substantial danger to human health and public welfare" (EPA Final VI Guide)
- "EPA recommends using the chemical-specific LELs to identify potential explosion hazards (e.g., for methane and other petroleum hydrocarbons)" (EPA Final VI Guide)
- · However, there is no consensus on a standard of practice
  - "Evaluation of potential methane hazard requires consideration of concentration, pressure, and volume," not just concentration (Eklund, 2014)

# What Does the US EPA Say?

#### €PA United States Environmental Protection Agency ALL EPA OTHIS AREA Advanced Search SEARCH LEARN THE ISSUES | SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY | LAWS & REGULATIONS | ABOUT EPA Vapor Intrusion Contact Us **Top Questions/Tasks Vapor Intrusion** 1. What is Vapor Intrusion? Contact Rich Kapuscinski. kapuscinski.rich@epa.gov. (703) 305-7411 Office of Solid Waste Emergency Soil Contamination Response (OSWER) **USEPA Headquarters** Contaminated Groundwater Ariel Rios Building This website provides some key information on vapor intrusion for members of the general public and environmental 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W. professionals. In addition to basic information about vapor intrusion, the site contains technical and policy documents, Mail Code: 5204P

tools and other resources to support vapor intrusion environmental investigations and mitigation activities.

If you have concerns about vapor intrusion where you live or work, please contact your state health department.

#### EPA Technical Documents, Tools and Other Resources to Support Vapor Intrusion Assessment and Mitigation Activities

#### Documents

 New! Technical Guide for Assessing and Mitigating the Vapor Intrusion Pathway from Subsurface Vapor Sources to Indoor Air (June 2015)

#### Important Links

Washington, D.C. 20460

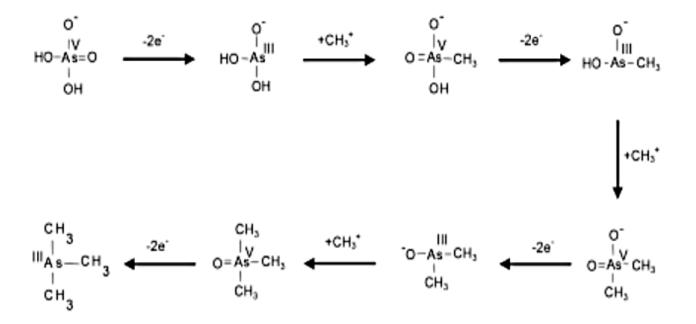
Basic Information Events Related Links Contact Us OUST's Vapor Intrusion Compendium.

#### http://www.epa.gov/oswer/vaporintrusion/

# **ISCR Issue 3: Arsenic Mobilization**

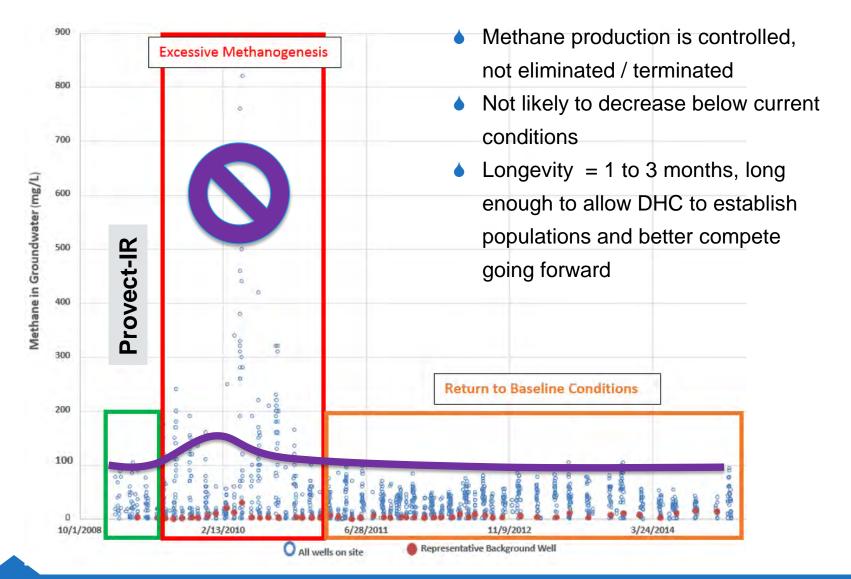
• Methanogens (and other organisms) methylate metals and they are not able to participate in precipitation reactions.

Moreover, the overall toxicity of the site is not increased via the generation of methylmetal(loids) as a consequence of the treatment process (example – biomethylation of arsenate).



Challenger mechanisms for biosynthesis or Arsenate (Challenger, 1945)

# **Controlled Methanogenesis**



### What is Red Yeast Rice (RYR) Extract?

- RYR extract is a substance extracted from rice that has been fermented with a yeast called *Monascus purpureus*.
- RYR extract contains a number of natural statins most importantly, Monacolin K - otherwise known as Lovastatin® / Lipitor® /etc.
- In addition to Monacolin K, RYR also contains 9 other statins, mono-unsaturated fatty acids, vitamins and other nutrients that will effectively stimulate anaerobic bacteria.
- RYR is used as a food coloring, food additive and preservative, and is widely consumed directly by humans.



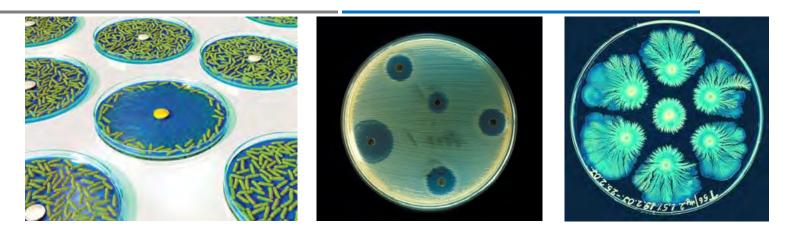






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# Why Does RYR Produce Statins?



- Many microorganisms produce bioactive compounds that inhibit / regulate the growth and development of other organisms
- Example, antibiotics such as penicillin which is produced by mold of *Penicillium* genus

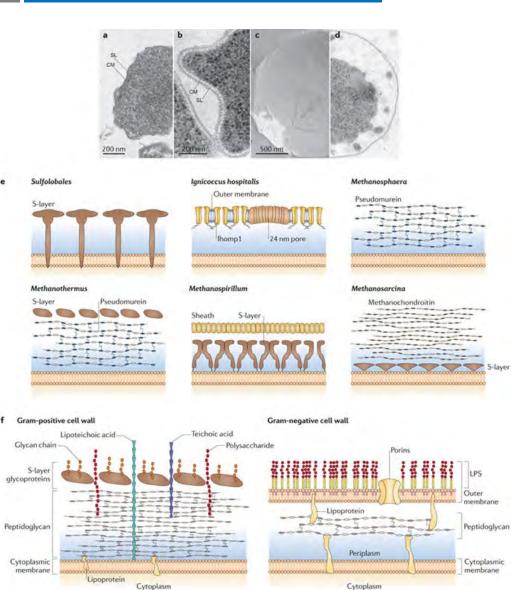






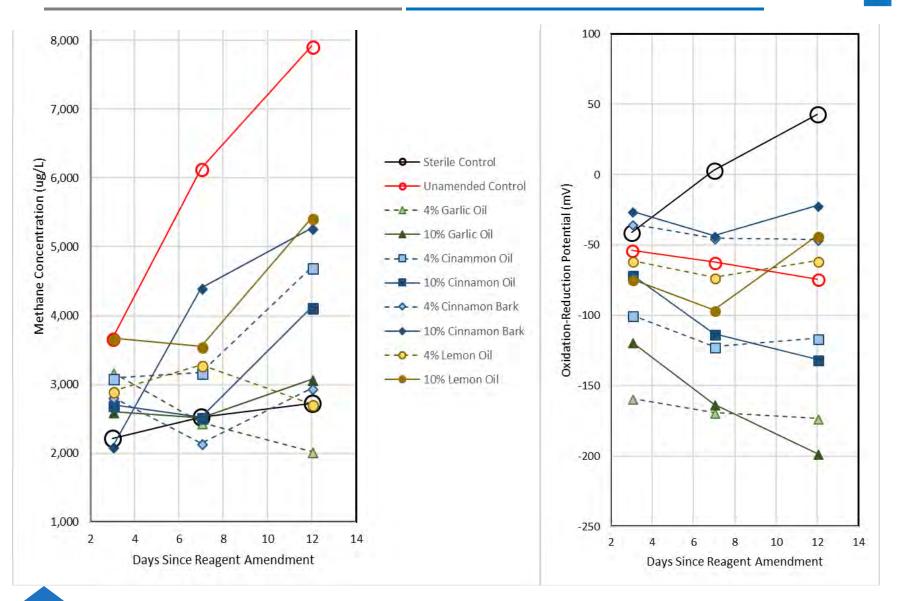
## **How Does RYR Control Methanogens?**

- Bacteria cell walls contain peptidoglycan (murein).
- Methanogens cell walls contain pseudomurein.
- Pseudomuerin is biosynthesized via activity similar to that of 3-hydroxyl-3-methylglutaryl-coenzyme A (HMG-CoA) reductase, which is a key enzyme in the cholesterol biosynthesis pathway in humans (Alberts *et al.*, 1980).

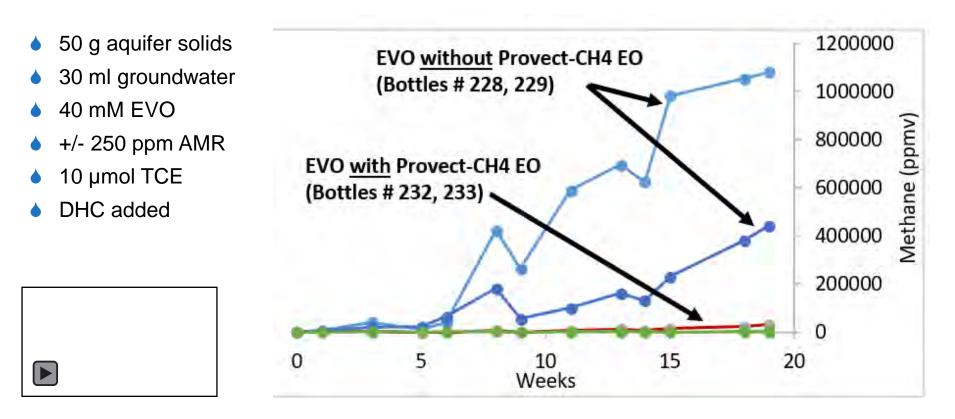


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# **Oil-Based AMRs: Initial Studies**



# **AMR Studies - Clemson Univ.**



#### 19 weeks incubation cumulative methane production

- ♦ No AMR CH4 >100,000 ppmV closed headspace; > 900 µmol (> 480 ppm) in water
- ♦ + AMR CH4 <10,000 ppmV closed headspace; < 10 µmol (< 5 ppm) in water</p>
- ♦ 90 to >99% reduction in methane production with Provect-CH4 Ego

# **AMR Studies - DVGW Germany**

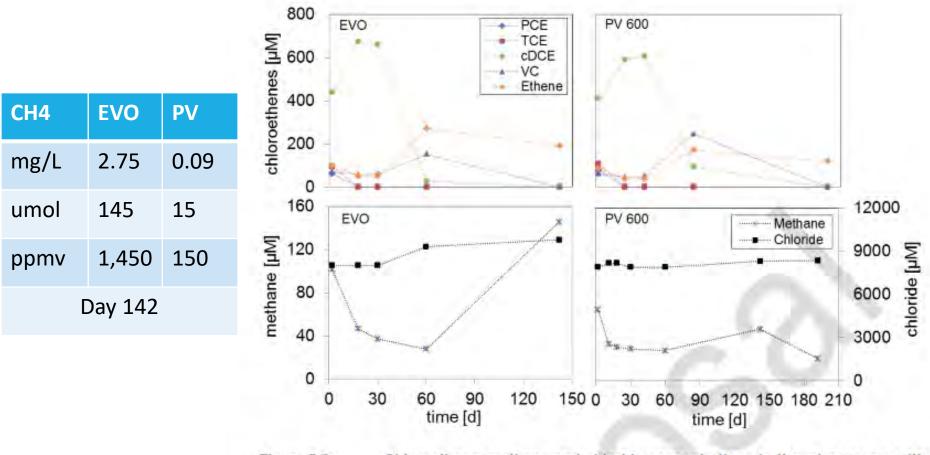
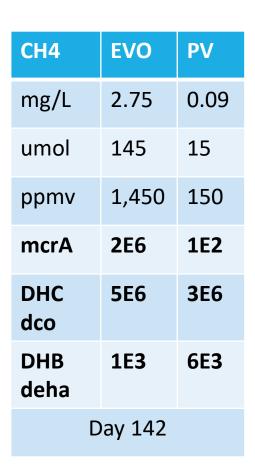


Figure 5-8: Chloroethene, methane and chloride concentrations in the microcosms with EVO and with Provect-CH4™

# **AMR Studies - DVGW Germany**



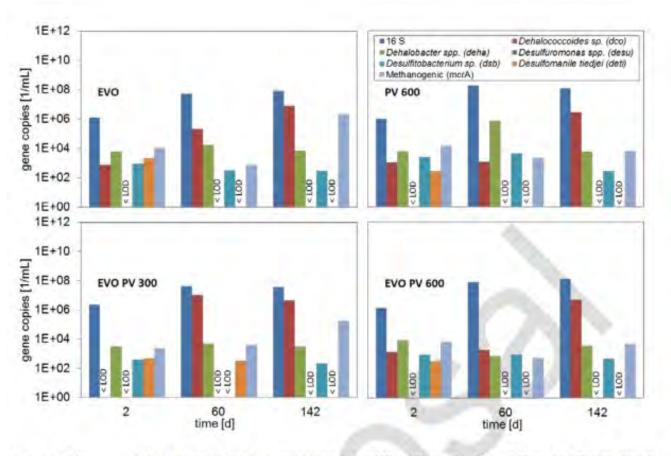


Figure 5-7:

qPCR results for the microcosms EVO with and without Provect-CH4<sup>™</sup> (limit of detection (LOD) = 10 copies/mL)

# **Provect-ERD CH4 Ole® Ego**



### Liquid, Antimethanogenic ERD reagent

**Photograph 1**. Provect-ERD CH4<sup>™</sup> 15:1 Water:Oil (Left), 85% Carbon + 4% AMR Self-Emulsifiable Oil Concentrate (Middle), and 85% Carbon Self-Emulsifiable Oil Concentrate, no AMR (Right).

#### **Product Data**

The materials are all combined at our own manufacturing facilities in the USA (and Europe) at proportions and formulations optimized for a given site. ERD-CH4<sup>™</sup> is manufactured using 100% food grade ingredients that provide fast- and slow-release characteristics. Provect-CH4<sup>®</sup> antimethanogenic reagent (AMR) is typically added at three to five weight percent of the mass of the fermentable carbon. The common dosage of ERD-CH4 provides groundwater concentrations of 1,000 to 3,000 ppm TOC plus a minimum 150 ppm of AMR within the targeted treatment area.

Color	Translucent Yellow
Density (lbs. / gal)	7.75 to 8.46 (varies based on AMR)
Physical State	Liquid
Odor	Earthy
Viscosity (Brookfield, 30 rpm @25°C)	50-100 cps
pH – 1% w/v in water	7.3

Oil Sample	AI	Р	S	Zn	Fe	Mg	Ca	Na	к
Self-Emulsifiable Vegetable Oil	1.2	1,265	17.2	19.6	1,4	138	135	15.4	507
	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to
	1.3	1,751	28.2	39.7	2.3	143	187	15.9	954

All units mg/kg oil

## Provect-IR® Solid, Antimethanogenic ISCR Reagent

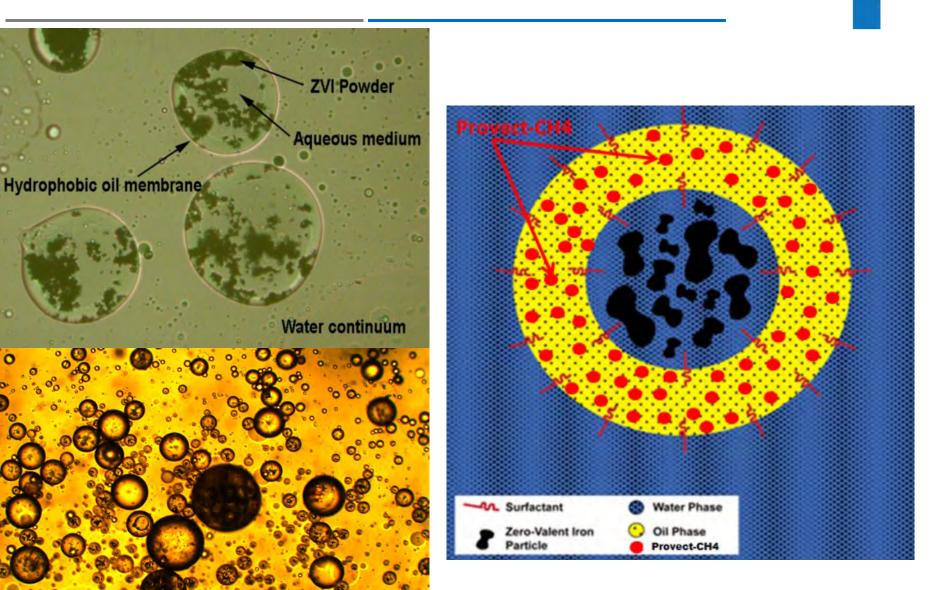
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- Provect-CH4 AMR Technology
- Multiple, Complex, Hydrophilic, Timed-Release organic carbon source (plant materials, Kelp, Ca Propionate) @ 390 g H donor / lb product
- 15% (wgt) Small (ave. 25 μm) ZVI particles ca. 25 ft surface area / lb
- Integrated Vitamins, minerals and nutrients (yeast extract) specially selected for anaerobes
- Chemical oxygen scavenger to maintain ZVI
- Package in 50 lb <u>safety</u> bags or 2,000 lb supersacs.



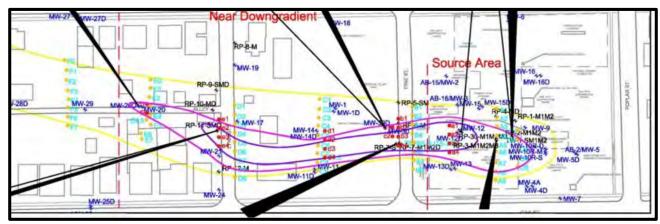


## EZVI-CH4<sup>™</sup> AMR DNAPL Technology



## Provect-CH4 Case Study Industrial Site, Indiana

- Seymour Former Manufacturing Facility
  - ♦ Maximum cVOCs of 60,000 ug/L
  - Impacts extend to residential area
  - Primarily sand with clay and silt lenses
  - Excavation, thermal, and original ISCR technologies
  - Continued destruction of plume with methane control
- Emulsified vegetable oil (2 injections) with Provect-CH4
- ♦ 85% reductions with 1.9 ppm of methane produced



**Courtesy Mundell & Associates** 

## Antimethanogenic ISCR Case Study Northern NJ



### Site Conditions and Scope

- Target downgradient property
- TCE, DCE and VC impacts
- Fine sands, silt and clay underlain by bedrock
- Treatment interval 15 to 60 ft bgs
- Significant mass reduction, limiting further off-site migration
- AMRs included
- Freezing conditions with snowfall



# **Case Study – Northern NJ**

### Final Scope of Work

- 58 direct push points
- Ca. 140,000 lbs of IR
- Two Provect-IR Barriers
- Two mobilizations
- Sea containers to store IR
- Facility open during injection



**Reactive Barrier 1** 



**Daily Truck Deliveries** 



#### **Reactive Barrier 2**

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# **Case Study – Northern NJ**

### Groundwater Results

- 1 Year of Monitoring
- ♦ TCE Reduced >99%
- Reductions in DCE and VC
- Provect-IR lifespan >10 years
- ♦ CH4 ca. 0.50 to < 5 ppm</p>

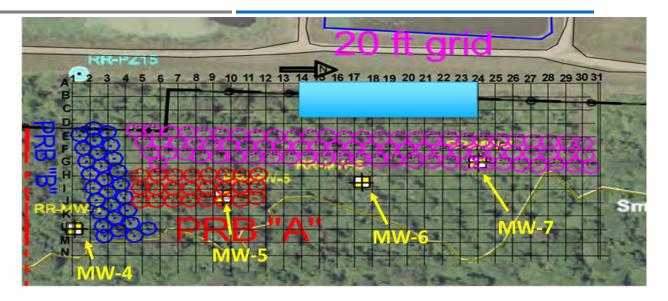


	MW-33D		
	7/12/17	9/18/18	
VOC (µg/l)			% Reductions
Trichloroethene	184,000	17.9	99.99%
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	66,000	2,530	96.17%
Vinyl chloride	1,360	925	31.99%

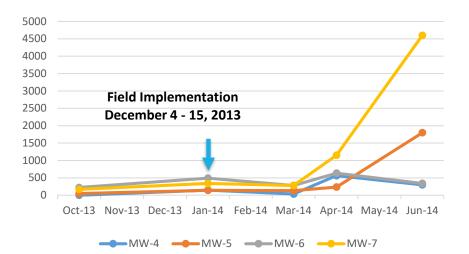
	MW	-29D	
	7/13/18	9/17/18	
VOC (µg/l)			% Reductions
Trichloroethene	18,800	4.5	99.98%
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	10,200	168	98.35%
Vinyl chloride	156	52.8	66.15%

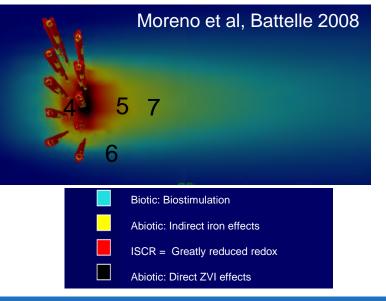
	MW-34D		
	7/12/18	9/17/18	
VOC (µg/l)			% Reductions
Trichloroethene	3,600	1	99.98%
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	620	6.5	98.95%
Vinyl chloride	24.5	1.8	92.65%

## **Interpreting Field Data**



Methane (ppb)





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## **Case Study: Provect-IR®**

- Active Dry Cleaning Facility, southern Michigan
- Shallow groundwater 5 ft bgs confined by a clay layer at 12 ft bgs.
- PCE (max. 35 ppm) and TCE (max. 14 ppm) along with an accumulation of anaerobic catabolites *cis* 1,2-DCE (max. 25 ppm) and some VC (max. 4 ppm).
- Source area up to 70 ppm total CVOCs
- Groundwater migrates through a sandy aquifer into a damaged storm sewer.

A sanitary sewer feeder from the active dry cleaner exacerbating the PCE migration problem by allowing warm water with potential contaminants and surfactants to enter the groundwater.

Consultant and Agency selected
 Provect-IR over conventional ERD
 and ISCR reagents known to
 induce methane production.



## **Provect-IR Field Pilot: Focused on CH4**



Depth Interval		Amount of Prove	ect-IR Injected (Ib)	
(ft bgs)	Point 1	Point 2	Point 3	Point 4
11 to 12	75	100	100	150
9 to 10	75	100	100	100
7 to 8	50	50	50	50
TOTAL	200	250	250	300

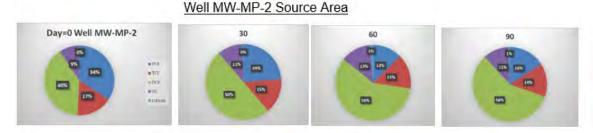
#### Table 1. Summary of Provect-IR Applications for Field-Scale Pilot Test

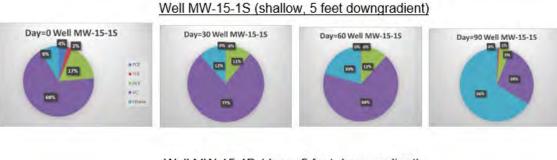
Figure 1. Pilot Test Area

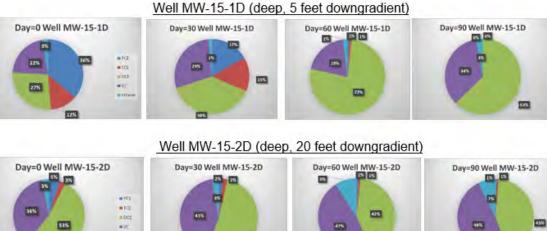


# Active Dry Cleaner – 90 Days

- Total CVOCs reduced by 62 to >99%
- No accumulation of DCE or VC as dead-end catabolites
- No groundwater methane accumulation during any sampling event (ranged from 1.7 mg/L @ Time=0 to a high of 2.2 mg/L @ 60 days after Provect-IR additions.
- Soil gas methane baseline
   <20 ppmv to a high of 94 ppmv 30 days after the injection event (Day 60 and Day 90 <20 ppm)</li>



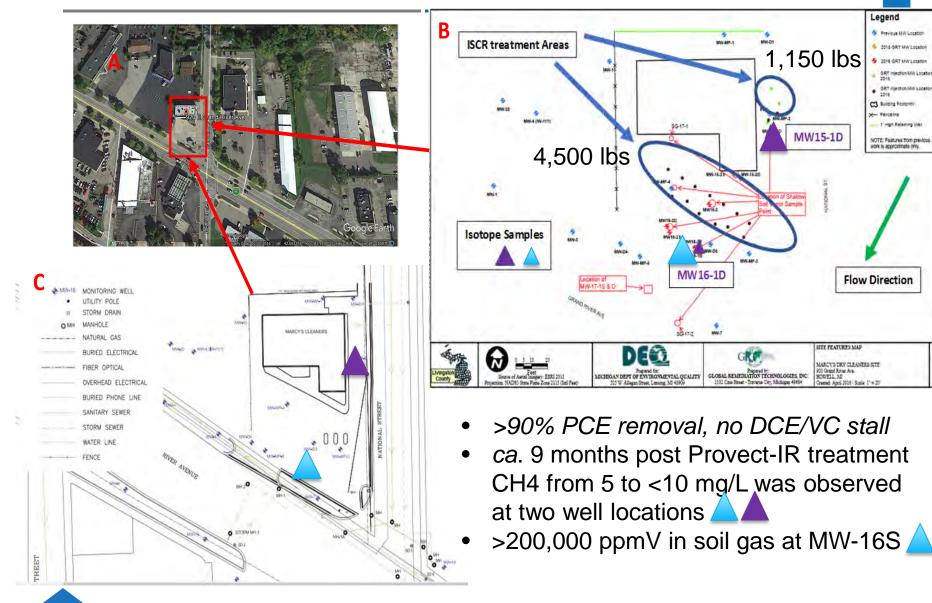




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## **Phase II Implementation (March 2016)**

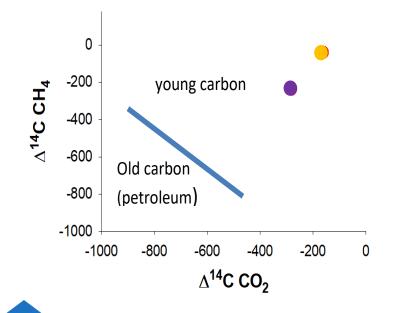


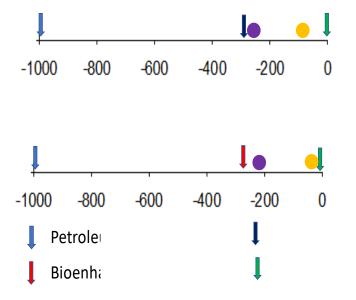
# **Origin of CH4 After 9 Months**

#### $\Delta^{14}C$ and $\delta^{13}C$ Data Review

Sample Identification	Туре	F Modern	Fm Err	Age (years)	Age Err	δ <sup>13</sup> C	$\Delta^{14}$ C
MW-16-1D-CO2, groundwater	CO2	0.8469	0.0020	1,340	20	-71.48	-159.96
MW-15-1D-CO2, groundwater	CO2	0.7261	0.0024	2,570	25	-16.65	-279.81
MW-16-1D-CH4, groundwater	CH4	0.9669	0.0019	270	15	-57.96	-40.95
MW-15-1D-CH4, groundwater	CH4	0.7677	0.0016	2,120	15	-60.61	-238.54

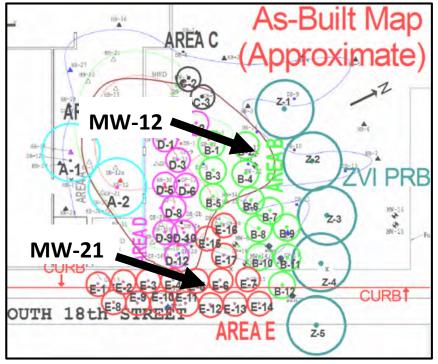
Potential CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub>  $\Delta^{14}$ C Source Values





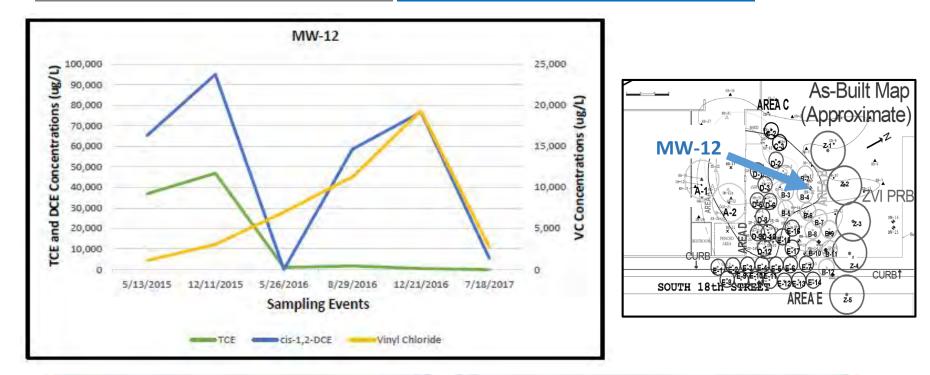
### Combined Provect-IR / EZVI Case Study East Orange, New Jersey

- Former Manufacturing Facility
- Historical use & release TCE
- Primarily clay, silts, fine sands
- Treatment interval 17 to 27 ft bgs
- Source Area: EZVI applied
- Plume Area: "Provect-IR"
- MW-12 and MW-21 TCE Source
- Goal was limit plume migration



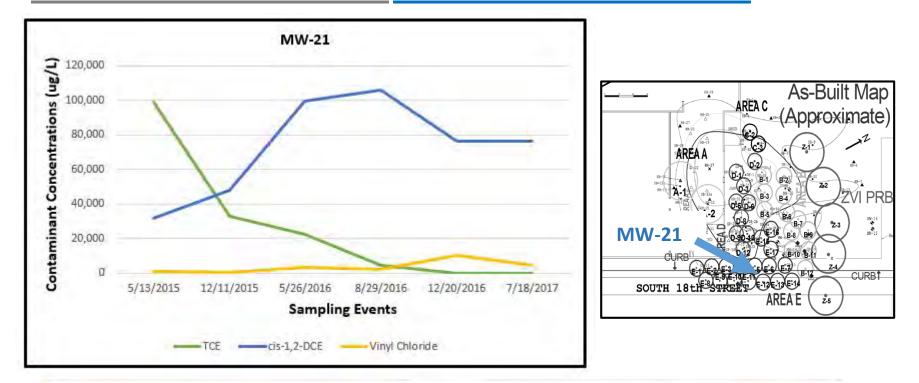
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# **Results MW-12 (treated area)**



MW-12										
Sampling Date	05/13/2015	12/11/15	05/26/16	08/29/16	12/21/16	07/18/17				
TCE	36,900	46,900	1,060	1,790	550	<5.3				
cis-1,2-DCE	65,200	95,000	73.400	58,600	76,600	5,420				
Vinyl Chloride	1,100	3,060	7,000	11,300	19,300	2,710				

# **Results MW-21 (side gradient)**



MVV-21										
Sampling Date	05/13/2015	12/11/15	05/26/16	08/29/16	12/20/16	07/18/17				
TCE	99,100	32,800	22,100	4,280	330 J	<53.0				
cis-1,2-DCE	31,400	47,900	99,400	106,000	76,100	76,500				
Vinyl Chloride	1,080	375	2,930	2,140	10,100	4,290				

# Case Study – East Orange, NJ

### • Field Parameters and Geochemical Data

- ORP still reducing 2 years after injection
- Dissolved gasses continue to increase
- Methanogenesis controlled (ca. < 10 ppm) for > 2 years

-	MW-12									
Sampling Date	05/13/2015	12/11/15	05/26/16	08/29/16	12/21/16	07/18/17				
Depth to GW (ft)	20.43	23.95	21.34	22.02	23.28	19.35				
ORP (mV)	+113	-57	-166	-99	-147	-106				
рН	7.20	7.54	6.65	6.71	6.13	6.49				
Sulfate (mg/L)	50.5	34.8	<10	NA	<10	4.6				
Methane (µg/L)	12.9	3.5	1,600	NA	1,440	3,410				
Ethane (µg/L)	0.82	0.26	86.7	NA	60.9	71.9				
Ethene (µg/L)	1.8	0.79	348	NA	1,170	2,170				

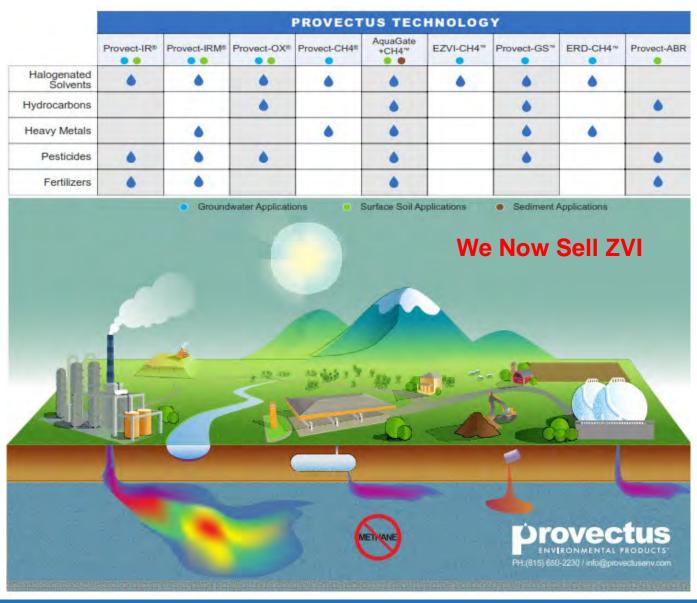
MW-21									
Sampling Date	05/13/2015	12/11/15	05/26/16	08/29/16	12/20/16	07/18/17			
Depth to GW	18.73	20.84	19.42	19.85	20.69	18.58			
ORP (mV)	+19	-92	-38	-102	-150	-78			
pH	7.58	8.92	6.22	6.17	5.86	6.30			
Sulfate (mg/L)	11.9	11.6	<10	NA	<10	<2.0			
Methane (µg/L)	ND	0.53	844	NA	1,120	3,270			
Ethane (µg/L)	ND	ND	57	NA	49.3	61,5			
Ethene (µg/L)	ND	ND	82.8	NA	300	678			

# Summary



- Natural statins in RYR, essential plant oils and other materials can be used to effectively and specifically control methanogenic activity
- The methane control technology has been integrated into various products designed for the environmental remediation industry
  - Provect-CH4® ERD Supplement / Methane Inhibitor
  - > ERD-CH4® Ole Ego™ Liquid, Antimethanogenic ERD Reagent
  - > **Provect-IR®** Solid, Antimethanogenic ISCR Reagent
  - > **Provect-IRM®** Antimethanogenic ISCR Reagent for Metals
  - > AquaGate®-CH4<sup>™</sup> Antimethanogenic In Situ Sediment Capping Technology
  - > EZVI-CH4<sup>™</sup> Antimethanogenic Source Area / DNAPL Treatment
- The main benefit is improved performance = "better gas mileage"
- Other potential benefits relate to safety, regulatory compliance, and sustainability

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