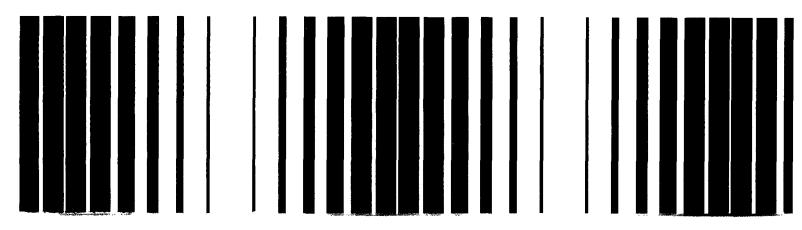


Seminar on Characterizing and Remediating Dense Nonaqueous Phase Liquids at Hazardous Sites

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Speaker Biographies

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Principal Hydrogeologist, GeoTrans, Inc., Sterling, VA

Robert M. Cohen is a principal hydrogeologist with GeoTrans, Inc. He received a B.S. from Dickinson College and an M.S. from Pennsylvania State University, with degrees in geology. Since 1982, Mr. Cohen has been with GeoTrans, Inc. where he has directed numerous environmental contamination and ground water resource development projects.

Mr. Cohen has been involved in the evaluation of various nonaqueous phase liquid (NAPL) contamination sites, including several chemical waste landfills in the Niagara Falls, New York area (Love Canal and 102nd Street hazardous waste landfills, among others) as well as the Fairfax, Virginia, Tank Farm petroleum release site, PCB sites in Florida, and several sites contaminated with chlorinated solvents. In 1987, Mr. Cohen co-authored a paper on the investigation and hydraulic containment of four NAPL contaminated chemical waste landfills in Niagara Falls, New York. In 1990, he co-authored a review paper on NAPL contamination and in 1992 he co-authored the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Dense Nonaqueous Phase Liquids (DNAPLs) Workshop Summary document. Also in 1992, Mr. Cohen co-authored a paper on evaluating visual methods to detect NAPLs in soil and water. Along with Dr. James W. Mercer, Mr. Cohen recently completed an EPA guidance document entitled "DNAPL Site Evaluation."

David K. Kreamer

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David K. Kreamer is presently the Director of the interdisciplinary Water Resources Management Graduate Program at the University of Nevada—Las Vegas. He also is an associate professor of geoscience and a member of the Graduate Faculty in Civil and Environmental Engineering. Prior to joining the faculty of University of Nevada—Las Vegas, he was an assistant professor of civil engineering at Arizona State University. Dr. Kreamer's undergraduate work was in microbiology and chemistry; he holds a M.S. and a Ph.D. in hydrology, with a minor in geosciences, from the University of Arizona.

Dr. Kreamer's present responsibilities include teaching, research, service, and program administration. He has researched many water-related topics, particularly the fate and transport of environmental contaminants, NAPLs, vadose zone hydrology, radioactive waste disposal, ground water hydrology, landfills, monitoring well design, and water resources management. He has been an invited lecturer at many conferences including a presentation in Brazil for the American Participant Program administered through the Executive Branch of the U.S. Government. He has given national lectures and training for EPA, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, and the National Ground Water Association. In addition, he has presented workshops at the Hanford Nuclear Site and for the states of Alaska, Arizona, and Idaho.

Dr. Kreamer has been an external peer reviewer for risk assessment methodologies at the Rocky Flats Plant as part of the Rocky Mountain Consortium and for the Early Site Suitability documentation for the hydrology of Yucca Mountain. He served as a member of EPA's Science Advisory Board subcommittee on carbon-14 migration as carbon dioxide gas from high level nuclear waste repositories. He has worked at many CERCLA (Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act) and RCRA (Resource Conservation and Recovery Act) sites, including Johnston Atoll in the Pacific Ocean. Dr. Kreamer has authored over 40 professional publications.

James W. Mercer

President, GeoTrans, Inc., Sterling, VA

James W. Mercer received a B.S. from Florida State University, and a M.S. and a Ph.D. from the University of Illinois, with degrees in geology. Dr. Mercer began working at the U.S. Geological Survey in 1971, where his research involved geothermal reservoir simulation and engineering. He worked on the simulation of isothermal two-phase flow (light nonaqueous phase liquids [LNAPLs] and water) and subsequently worked on the simulation of two-phase heat transport (steam and water). His work was published in the 1970s. In 1979, Dr. Mercer co-founded GeoTrans, Inc. and in 1980 he began simulation analysis of the Love Canal hazardous waste site in Niagara Falls, New York. In 1985, Dr. Mercer received the Wesley W. Horner Award of the American Society of Civil Engineers for the work that he performed at the Love Canal site.

Dr. Mercer became involved at other sites in Niagara Falls, New York, including the Hyde Park and 102nd Street landfills. He continued to study the physics of DNAPL flow and co-authored a paper on SWANFLOW, a three-dimensional multiphase flow code. He also became involved in characterizing DNAPL sites. In 1987, Dr. Mercer lectured on NAPLs for the National Water Well Association's Distinguished Seminar Series and in 1989 he lectured on characterizing oily wastes for EPA. In 1990, Dr. Mercer published a paper entitled "A Review of Immiscible Fluids in the Subsurface: Properties, Models, Characterization and Remediation." In 1991, he participated in the DNAPL Workshop sponsored by EPA's Robert S. Kerr Environmental Research Laboratory. Along with Mr. Robert M. Cohen, Dr. Mercer recently completed an EPA guidance document entitled "DNAPL Site Evaluation." Throughout the 1980s, Dr. Mercer continued to work on numerous sites and projects involving NAPLs, with work ranging from site characterization to evaluation of various types of remediation.

Charles J. Newell

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Charles J. Newell has a B.S. in chemical engineering and a M.S. and a Ph.D. in environmental engineering from Rice University. He has ten years of experience working as an environmental consultant on surface water, ground water, and NAPLs issues. Dr. Newell currently serves as a vice president and environmental engineer at Groundwater Services, Inc. His project experience includes ground water flow modeling, solute transport modeling, design and construction of ground water and NAPL remediation systems, and field evaluation of emerging remediation technologies.

Dr. Newell directed the development of the OASIS ground water modeling software system under a two-year contract from EPA's Center for Groundwater Research. He has applied this software to solute transport studies and risk assessments at several industrial sites. He participated in the DNAPL Workshop sponsored by EPA's Robert S. Kerr Environmental Research Laboratory. Dr. Newell has co-authored EPA publications that address both DNAPLs and LNAPLs issues. Dr. Newell served as an instructor on ground water modeling for the Graduate Environmental Engineering Program at the University of Houston and is a contributing author to the Standard Handbook of Environmental Engineering.

Dense Nonaqueous Phase Liquid (DNAPL) Contamination and Transport

David K. Kreamer

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- DNAPL Site Characterization
- Options for DNAPL Remediation

DNAPLs

DNAPL Contamination and Transport

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DNAPLs

DNAPL Contamination and Transport

Talk Outline

- DNAPL Properties
- Vadose Zone Movement
- Groundwater Movement

Terminology

NAPL: Nonaqueous Phase Liquid

DNAPL: Dense Nonaqueous Phase Liquid

LNAPL: Light Nonaqueous Phase Liquid

Terminology (Cont.)

LNADI	Floaters		
LNAPLs	Sp. Gravity < 1.0		
WATER	Sp. Gravity = 1.0		
DNAPLs	Sinkers		
DNAPLS	Sp. Gravity > 1.0		

DNAPLs

Classification

Halogenated Vs. Non-Halogenated

Volatiles Vs. Semi-Volatiles

Miscellaneous

DNAPLs Examples

Halogenated Semi-Volatiles

	Rank
Chlordane	11
Aroclor 1260	13
Dieldrin	30

^{*} ATSDR (Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry) List of Hazardous Substances

Pentachlorophenol

DNAPLs

Examples

Halogenated Volatiles	Rank
Chloroform	8
Trichloroethylene (TCE)	10
Tetrachloroethylene (PCE)	22
Carbon Tetrachloride	33

^{*} ATSDR List of Hazardous Substances

DNAPLs Examples

Non-Halogenated Semi-Volatiles

	Rank
Benzo(a)Anthracene	40
Naphthalene	60
Phenol	85
Chrysene	95

* ATSDR List of Hazardous Substances

DNAPLs

Examples

Miscellaneous

Rank

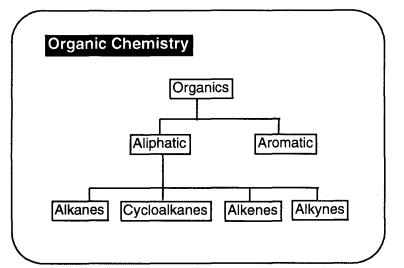
Mercury

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Creosote

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Organic Chemistry

Alkanes (Paraffins)

$$C_n H_{2n+2}$$

- Saturates
- Single Bonds

DNAPLs

Carbon Tetrachloride

1,1,1-Trichloroethane

1,2-Dichloropropane

Organic Chemistry

Alkenes (Olefins)

 $C_n H_{2n}$

- Unsaturates
- At least one C=C (double) Bond

$$H = C = C$$

Ethene

Propene

DNAPLs

Trichloroethylene (TCE)

Tetra(per)chloroethylene (PCE)

Organic Chemistry

Alkynes

 $C_n H_{2n-2}$

- Unsaturates
- At least one C≡C (Triple) Bond

$$H-C \equiv C-H$$

Acetylene

Organic Chemistry

Aromatics

- Carbon atoms connected in a planar ring structure with bonds in "resonance"
- Different from Cycloalkanes

Organic Chemistry

Aromatics

Cycloalkanes

- Corner represents carbon atom
- Corner represents CH₂



Benzene

Cyclohexane

Organic Chemistry

Aromatics



Benzene



Benzene

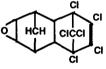
Benzene

Benzene

DNAPLs ОН Naphthalene Phenol Benzo(a)Anthrazene CI CI



Pentachlorophenol



Dieldrin

Why is it difficult to figure out Pesticides?

Example: Co-ral (livestock insecticide)

Aliases: Muscatox, Resistox, Coumaphos, Bay 21/199, Asuntol, Baymix, Meldane.

Chemical Name:

O,O-diethyl-O-(3-chloro-4-methyl-1-2-oxo(2H)-1-benzopyran-7-yl)-

phosphorothionate.

3-chloro-4-methyl-7-coumarinyl diethyl phosphorothionate

Specific Gravity: 1.47 (Verschueren, 1983)

Selected Pesticide Names

Name	Other Name or Ingredient	Purpose
Ambush	Aldicarb, Temik	Systemic Insecticide
Compound 497	Dieldrin	Insecticide
Seedrin Liquid	Aldrin	Insecticide Fumigant
	(Vers	schueren, 1983)

Selected Pesticide Names

Name	Other Name or Ingredient	Purpose	
Grisetin	Griseofulvin	Fungicide	
Co-op Brushkiller 112	Iso-Octyl esters of 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T	Herbicide	
Warf-12	Warfarin	Rodenticide	
	(Verschueren, 1983)		

DNAPLs

Interesting Names/Abbreviations

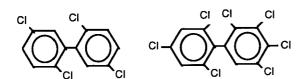
- TCA = Trichloroacetic acid S.G. 1.63 = 1,1,1 Trichloroethane S.G. 1.35 = Tucson Commission on the Arts S.G. ?
- ABS = Teepol 715 = AAS
- TDE = DDD

DNAPLs

Poly Chlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)

- Mixtures of poly chlorinated biphenyls
- Relatively non-flammable, useful heatexchange and dielectric properties
- Electrical Industry: Capacitors & Transformers
- Also used in Lubricating and Cutting Oils, Pesticides, Adhesives, Plastics, Inks, Paints, and Sealants

PCBs - Examples



2,2',5,5' - Tetrachloro biphenyl

2,2',3',4,4'5',6-Heptachloro biphenyl

DNAPLs

PCBs (Cont.)

- Generally, more Chlorine => more Water Soluble
- Degree of chlorination often indicated by trade name
 - Aroclor 1242 42 % Chlorine (S.G. 1.42)
 Aroclor 1260 60 % Chlorine (S.G. 1.44)
 - Phenoclor DP6 and Clophen A60 have approximately 6 Chlorine atoms/molecule.

Creosote

- A mixture of phenols and phenol derivatives.
- Obtained by the destructive distillation of wood tar, or from the fractional distillation of coal tar.
- Most common wood preservative

Composition of Creosote

	Aqueous Solubility (mg/l)	Log K _{ow}	K _{oc}
Naphthalene	31.700	3.37	1,300
Acenaphthalene	3.930	4.33	
Fluorene	1.980	4.18	
Phenanthrene	1.290	4.46	23,000
Fluoranthene	0.260	5.33	
Pyrene	0.135	5.32	84,000
		(J.M.Henson, 1989)	

DNAPLs

Physical Characteristics

- Density
- Viscosity
- Solubility
- Octanol Water Partition Coeff. (Kow)
- Vapor Pressure and Henry's Coeff.

DNAPLs

Physical Characteristics (Cont.)

- Interfacial Tension
- Wettability
- Dielectric Constant
- Light (Photo) Related Reactions

DNAPLs

Density

- Mass (of fluid) per unit volume (g/mL)
- Similar expressions include
 - Specific Weight
 - Specific Gravity

DNAPLs

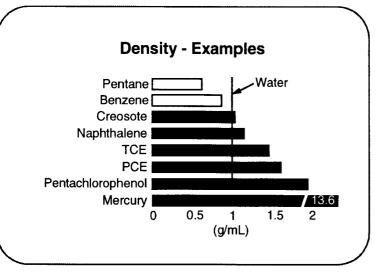
Density (Cont.)

Specific Weight

• Weight per unit volume (lbs/ft³)

Specific Gravity

- Density Relative to Water
- Wt. of given vol. of Liquid
 Wt. of same vol. of Water



DNAPLs Viscosity

• Measure of a fluid's resistance to flow

• Main Cause : Molecular Cohesion

• Absolute (Dynamic) Vs. Kinematic

• Typical Units : Centipoise (cp)

• 1cp = 0.01poise = 0.01g/s.cm

DNAPLs Viscosity (Cont.)

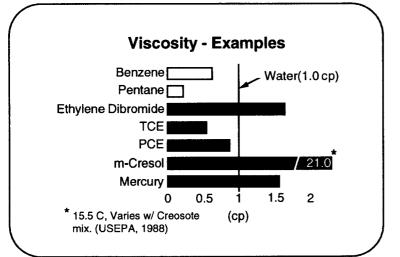
"Mobility" Increases with Increasing Temp.

As Temperature Increases, the Cohesive forces Decreases, and the Absolute Viscosity Decreases, thus Increasing its "mobility"

DNAPLs Viscosity (Cont.)

• May change with time

Crude Oil, after loosing lighter Volatile compounds due to evaporation, may become heavier and more viscous



DNAPLs Hydraulic Conductivity (K)

- $K = fn [Fluid density (p) & Viscosity (\mu)]$
- $\bullet \quad \mathsf{K} = \frac{\mathsf{k} \, \rho \, \mathsf{g}}{\mu}$
- In Saturated Porous Media, Fluids with

$$\rho > \rho$$
 or $\mu < \mu$

will move faster relative to Water.

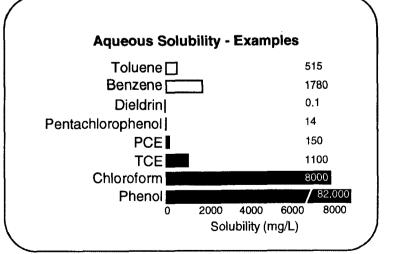
DNAPLs Aqueous Solubility

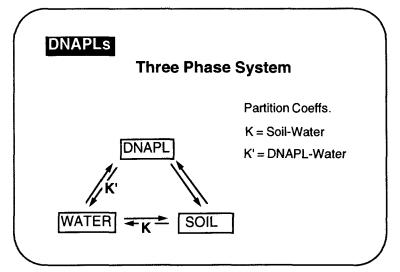
- Equilibrium Concentration of a Chemical or Compound in Water.
- mg/L
- Influencing Variables
 - Molecular Weight & Structural Complexity
 - Dissolved Salts or Minerals
 - Cosolvency in mixed solvent system
 - pH

DNAPLs Aqueous Solubility (cont.)

Factors affecting rate of dissolution

- Solubility of the Compound
- Groundwater Flow Conditions
- Contact Area
- Contact Time

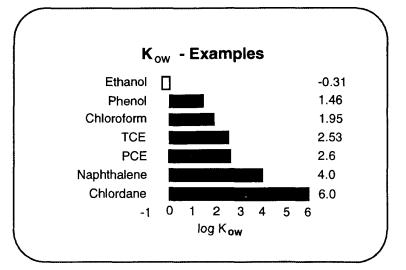




Octanol-Water Partition Coeff. (K_{ow})

- Tendency of a chemical to partition between Organic and Aqueous phase
- Kow = Con. in Octanol phase

 Con. in Aqueous phase
- Low K_{OW} => Hydrophillic
- High Kow => Hydrophobic



Cosolvency

- Addition of a second solvent to a mixture, changes the original solubility of a chemical.
- Two solvents change other properties as well

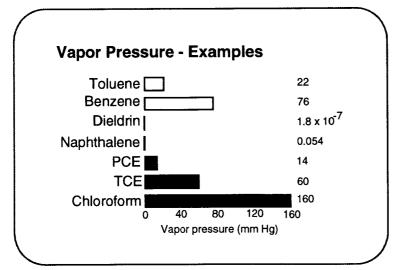
Vapor Pressure

- Determines how readily vapors volatilize from pure liquid phase
- Partial pressure exerted at the surface of the liquid phase by the free molecules
- Directly dependent upon temperature
- atm, mm Hg

Vapor Pressure (Cont.)

- Migration Controlled by Diffusion
- Soil-Vapor Monitoring
- Soil Venting

(Mercer,1989)



Henry's Law Constant (K_H)

• K_H= Con. of a compd. in the vapor phase

Con. in the aqueous phase

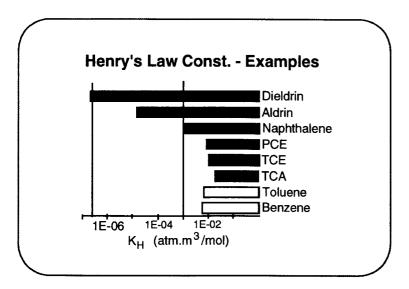
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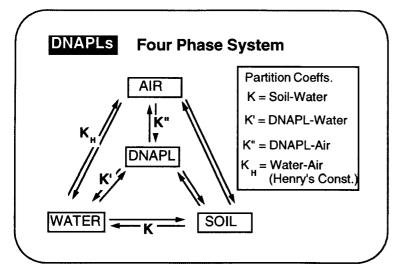
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$$K_H = \frac{\text{Vapor Pressure (atm)}}{\text{Solubility (mol/m}^3)} \frac{\text{atm-m}^3}{\text{mol}}$$

Henry's Law Constant (Cont.)

Soil-Gas Monitoring Implications

Higher the K_H for a compound, the more readily it will partition into the vapor phase, and will be more amenable to Soil-Gas monitoring.





Interfacial Tension

Interfacial Tension

Force exerted on the interface between two liquids



Interfacial Tension (Cont.)

- Measured as the force required to draw a thin platinum wire ring through the interface between two liquids.
- Typical Unit : dynes/cm
- Magnitude of Interfacial Tension is lesser than the larger of Surface Tension for pure liquids

Interfacial Tension (Cont.)

- Higher the I.T., less likely emulsions will form, and better the phase separation after mixing.
- Lower the I.T. between a DNAPL and water, higher the instability of the interface, and more likely the immiscible fingering.

The Blender Test

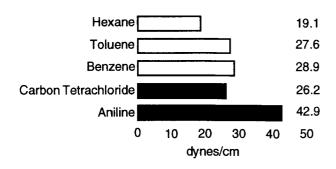
Put a drop of DNAPL in a small vial of water and blend the contents using a blender apparatus.

The effect of shear on the hydrocarbon-water mixture can be examined.

Indicates whether emulsions can form under certain pumping conditions

(Mercer, 1989)

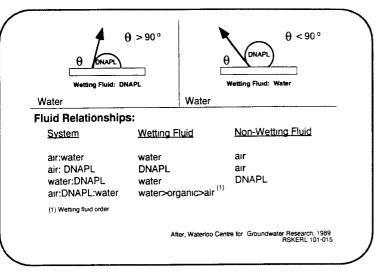
Interfacial Tension-Examples



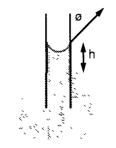
Wettability

- Describes the preferential spreading of one fluid over solid surfaces in a two fluid system.
 - (S.G.Huling et al., 1991)
- Inferred from the Contact (Wetting) angle [-O-]
 (USEPA, 1990)
- The wetting angle is typically measured against a clean, polished mineral surface (usually calcite and quartz).

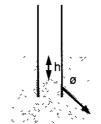
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Capillary Rise Theory

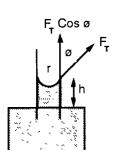


Adhesive dominant



Cohesive dominant

Capillary Rise Theory



Upward Force :

F_T Cos ø (2 š r)

Downward Force :

(š $r^2 h$) (ρg)

$$h = \frac{2 F_{\tau} Cos \emptyset}{\rho g r}$$

Electrical Properties

- Dielectric Constant
- Other Electrical Properties

Light (photo) Related Reactions

- Fluorescence
- Light-Induced Reactions
- Photoassisted Degradation

Fluorescence

- Spontaneous emission of visible light resulting from a concomitant movement of electrons to higher and lower orbital states when excited by UV radiation.
- NAPLs can be identified by visual examination of soil or water samples using this property.

(R.M.Cohen et al., 1992)

Fluorescence (Cont.)

- The examination is made in a dark room by scanning the sample in a clear plastic bag with the UV light.
- The sample fluoresce depending upon the contaminants.
- Nearly all crude Oils, petroleum products, aromatics, and many Unsaturated Aliphatics fluoresce.

(R.M.Cohen et al., 1992)

Light (Photo) -Induced Reactions

- DNAPL is sorbed onto Solid-Phase Extraction Membranes (SPE) from the aqueous phase
- Silver Nitrate reagent is sprayed on the SPE tabs and exposed to UV light.

(E.J.Poziomek et al., 1993)

Light (Photo) -Induced Reactions (Cont.)

- DNAPL presence indicated by the development of gray coloration on the tabs.
- Proven effective for PCBs

(E.J.Poziomek et al., 1993)

DNAPLs

Photoassisted Catalytic Degradation

- Isothermal, parallel plate, fluidized bed reactor
- Titanium dioxide (TiO₂) illuminated with near ultraviolet light.
- Cr-doped TiO₂ tested under visible light excitation.

(Dibble, 1989)

DNAPLs

Photoassisted Catalytic Degradation

(Cont.)

- Reactor effluents analyzed by Gas Chromatography
- Gaseous TCE tested, 100 % conversion to carbon dioxide and hydrogen chloride
- High flowrates possible over long periods of time

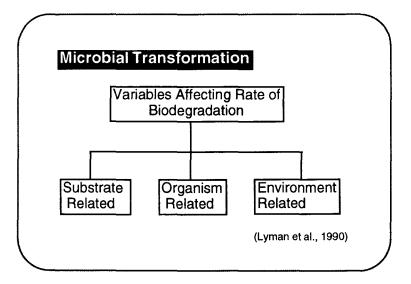
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Immunological Response

- Immunoassays use polyclonal antibodies
- Semi quantitative
- Available tests for PCBs in soil and other NAPLs

Microbial Ecology of Subsurface

- 1x10⁶ to 1x10⁸ microbes/gm soil (more in pristine environments)
- > 90% of microbes attached to soil
- Metabolically active
- Metabolically versatile
- Oxic and anoxic conditions



Substrate Related

- Physico Chemical Properties
- Concentration

(Lyman et al., 1990)

Organism Related

- Species Composition of Population
- Spatial Distribution
- Population Density
- Inter & Intra Species Reactions
- Enzymatic Makeup and Activity

(Lyman et al., 1990)

Environment Related

- Temperature
- pH
- Moisture
- Oxygen Availability
- Salinity
- Other Nutrient Availability
- Soil Toxicity

(Lyman et al., 1990)

Selected Types of Aerobic & Anaerobic Respiration - Microbial Metabolism of Organics

Process	Electron Acceptor	Metabolic Products	Relative Potential Energy
Aerobic Heterotrophic Respiration	O ₂	CO ₂ ,H ₂ O	<u> </u>
Denitrification	NO ₃	CO_2 , N_2	HIGH
Iron Reduction	Fe ³⁺	CO ₂ , Fe ²⁺	
Sulfate Reduction	SO ₄ -	CO_2 , H_2S	
Fermentation	Glucose	EtOH	
Methanogenesis (Adapted from Suffita et al., 1991)	CO ₂ ,	CO ₂ ,CH ₄	LOW

Halogenated Aliphatic Compounds

Anaerobic Conditions

PCE k_1 TCE k_2 DCE k_3 VC k_4 k_4 CO₂

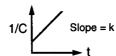
Rate Reactions

Zero-Order

First Order

- $C_t = C_0 kt$
- $C_t = C_0 e^{-kt}$
- $t_{1/2} = C_0/2k$
- $\bullet t_{1/2} = 0.693/k$





Rate Reactions (Cont.)

Hyperbolic Reactions

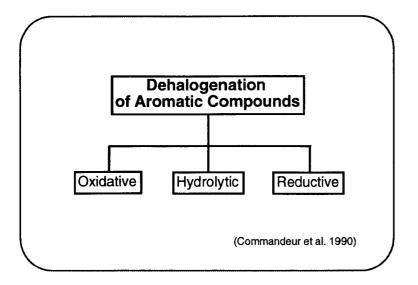
$$\mu = \mu_{\rm m} \frac{\rm S}{\rm K_o + S}$$

Monod Equation

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mu & = \mbox{Specific growth rate (1/t)} \\ \mu & = \mbox{Max specific growth rate (1/t)} \end{array}$

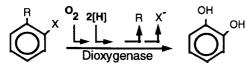
K = Saturation Coeff. (mg/L)

S = Growth limiting substrate concentration (mg/L)



Oxidative Dehalogenation

- Halogen is lost fortuitously during oxygenation of the ring
- Only in aerobic conditions

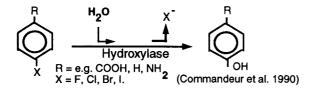


R = e.g. COOH, H, NH X = F, Cl, Br, I.

(Commandeur et al. 1990)

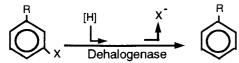
Hydrolytic Dehalogenation

- Hydrogen is specifically replaced by a 'OH' group
- O₂ atom in the hydoxyl group is derived from water instead of oxygen
- Aerobic and Denitrifying conditions



Reductive Dehalogenation

- Halogen is replaced by a Hydrogen
- Halogenated aromatic compound acts as the terminal electron acceptor
- Sulfogenic and Methanogenic conditions



R = e.g. COOH, H, NH $_{\mathbf{Z}}$ (Commandeur et al. 1990)

PCB Degradation

Anaerobic Conditions

- Reductive Dechlorination (Chlorines replaced by H's)
- Reduces Toxicity
- Enhances Aerobic Degradability

(J.M.Henson, 1989)

PCB Degradation (Cont.)

Anaerobic Conditions

- Soils previously exposed to PCB's showed activity.
- · Added 700 ppm Aroclor 1242

Time 0

- 1% mono chlorinated biphenyls

Time 16 wks - 76% mono chlorinated biphenyls

- Penta-chlorinated biphenyls gone
- Most activity in first 4 weeks

(J.M.Henson, 1989)

PCB Degradation (Cont.)

Aerobic Conditions

- Lower Chlorinated Compounds more Susceptible
- Treatment Evaluations should Perform Mass Balance
- GC/MS to Detect Preferential Degradation

(J.M.Henson, 1989)

PCB Structure and Biodegradability

• The less chlorinated the biphenyl, the faster aerobic degradation takes place.

(Biphenyls with more than 5 chlorines substituted are resistant to degradation)

 Dioxygenation takes place on the ring with the least chlorine atoms.

(Furukawa, 1982)

PCB Structure and Biodegradability (Cont.)

- Nonchlorinated vincinal ortho and meta positions favor dioxygenation
- PCBs with chlorine substituents on both rings are more recalcitrant than isomers containing an unchlorinated ring.
- Congeners with substituted ortho positions are recalcitrant.

(Furukawa, 1982)

Cometabolism

Definition

The degradation of a compound that does not provide a nutrient or energy source for the degrading organisms but is broken down during the degradation of other substances.

(Alexander M., 1979)

Cometabolism (Cont.)

- Does not provide a growth substrate
 - => The Population increase characteristic of metabolic degradation reaction does not take place.
- Rate of degradation is often slower

(Alexander M., 1979)

Rules of Thumb for Biodegradability

Rules of Thumb for Biodegradability

Branching

Highly branched Compounds are more resistant.

Chain Length

Short chains are more resistant

Oxidation

Highly oxidized compounds, like halogenated compounds, may resist further oxidation under aerobic conditions but may be more rapidly degraded under anaerobic conditions.

(Lyman et al., 1990)

Rules of Thumb for Biodegradability

Substituents (Number of)

- Increased substitution hinders oxidation responsible for breakdown of alkyl chains
- No significant oxidation of PAH's with more than three rings
- On aromatic ring, the more the chlorines the more resistant the compound.

(Lyman et al., 1990)

Rules of Thumb for Biodegradability

Substituents (Position of)

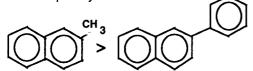
- Ortho and meta substituted aromatics with methyl, chloro, nitro or amino are more resistant than corresponding para substituted.
- Meta-disubstituted phenois and phenoxyls are more resistant than ortho or para isomers.

(Lyman et al., 1990)

Rules of Thumb for Biodegradability

Substituents (Type of)

For Naphthalene compounds, nuclei bearing single small alkyl groups (methyl, ethyl, or vinyl) oxidize faster than those with a phenyl substituent



Rules of Thumb for Biodegradability

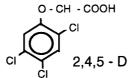
Some Examples

Biodegradable

Recalcitrant







2,4,-dichlorophenoxy acetic acid (2,4 - D)

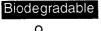
2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy acetic acid (Atlas and Bartha, 1987)

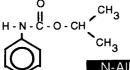
- N - C - CH₂CI

chloroacetanilide)

Rules of Thumb for Biodegradability

Some Examples





N-Alkyi Propham

(Isopropyl-N-phenyl-carbamate) (A (Atlas and Bartha, 1987)

substitution

Propachlor (N-isopropyl1-2-

Critical Evaluation of

Biorestoration Claims

- Reduction in Subsurface Concentration -Mass Balances
- Increase in Biomass/Activity
- Production of Catabolites
- Consumption of Terminal Electron Acceptor

Critical Evaluation of Biorestoration Claims (Cont.)

- Adaptation/Acclimation Phenomena
- Biodegradation Kinetics
- All factors relative to appropriate Abiotic Controls

DNAPLs

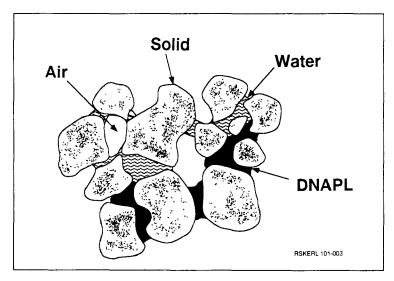
Vadose Zone Movement

- Nonaqueous Phase Movement
- Aqueous Phase Movement
- Vapor Movement

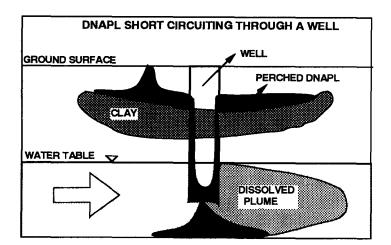
VADOSE ZONE

Nonaqueous Phase Movement

- Wetting Front Instabilities
- Blockage by Water and Stratigraphic Layers
- Perched Layers



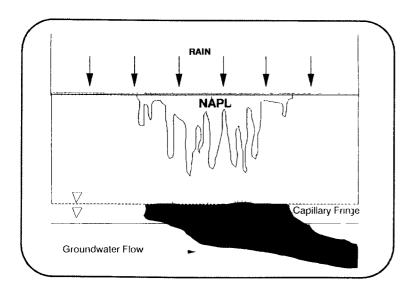
DNAPL, WATER, AND AIR IN POROUS MEDIA



VADOSE ZONE

Aqueous Phase Movement and Leaching

- Leaching and Water Movement
- Unsaturated Zone Hydraulic Conductivity



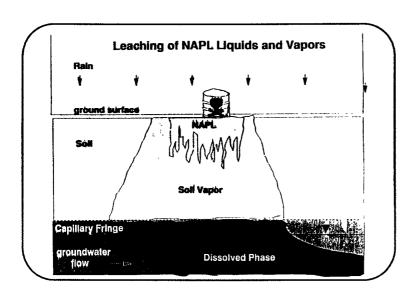
Sample Numbers Required to Estimate Various Soil, Water, and Chemical Transport Properties to Within 10, 20, 50% of the Mean Value at 95% Confidence Interval

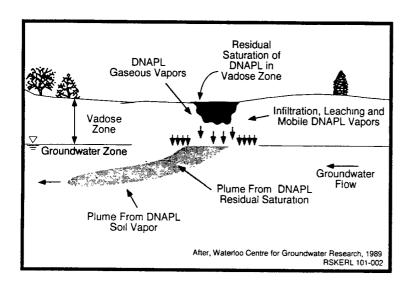
Parameter	10%	20%	50%	Comments
Porosity	4	1	1	4 Studies
Bulk Density	4	1	1	8 Studies
Soil pH	3	1	1	4 Studies
Saturated "K"	576	144	23	12 Studies
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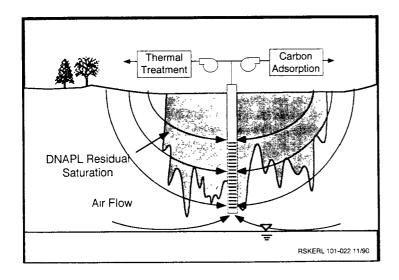
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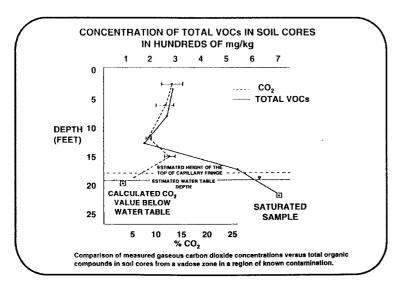
Vapor Movement of DNAPLs

- Leaching of Vapors
- Advective Gaseous Flux
- Diffusion









DNAPL Movement in Groundwater

- Nonaqueous Phase
- Aqueous Phase

GROUNDWATER

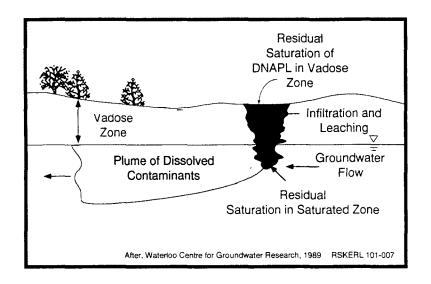
Nonaqueous Phase Movement

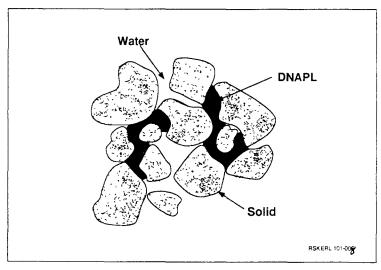
- Non-Geological Considerations
- Movement
- Porous Vs. Fractured Rock

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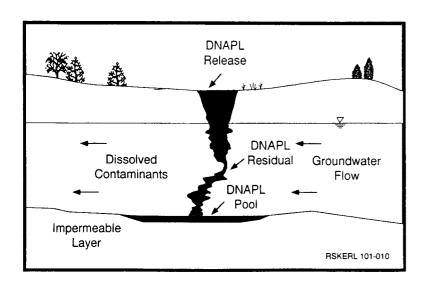
Non-Geological Considerations

- Spill Size
- Types of DNAPL Spilled





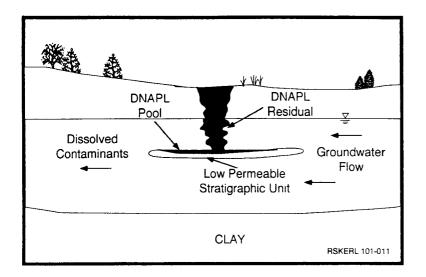
DNAPL & WATER IN A POROUS MEDIA

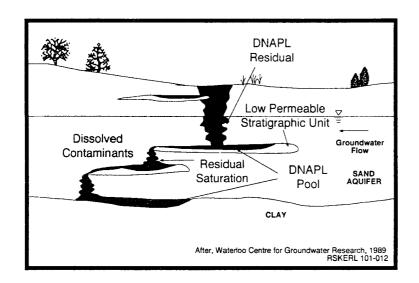


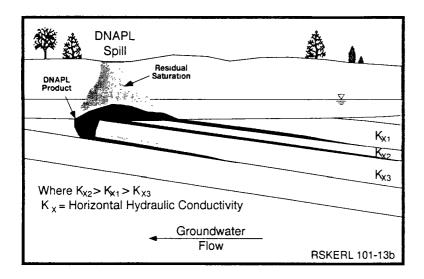
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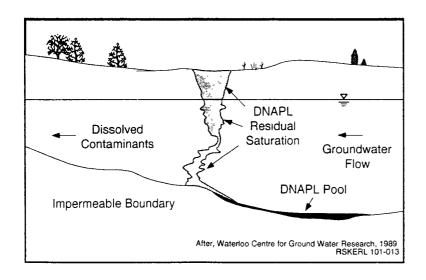
Considerations in Movement

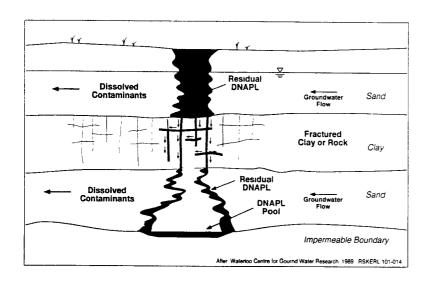
- Initial Penetration of Groundwater
- Effect of Pore Size
- Downward Migration
- Mobilization

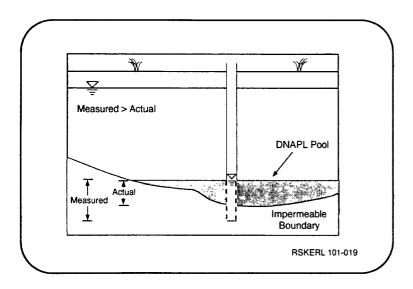


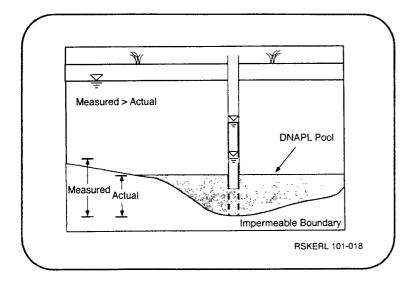


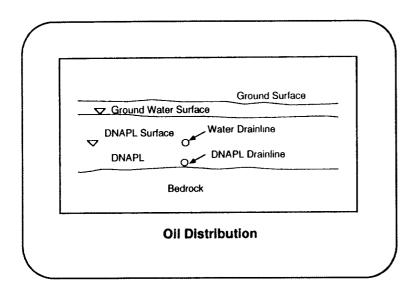


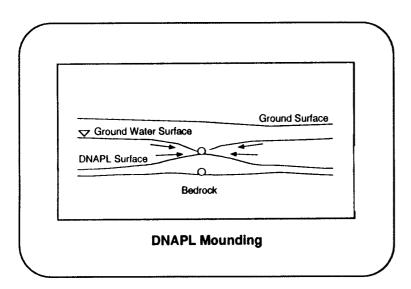


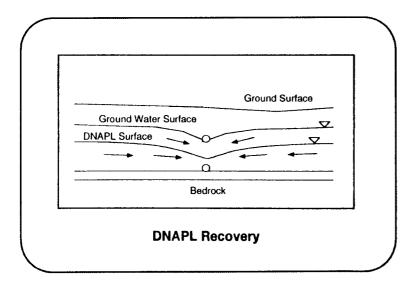


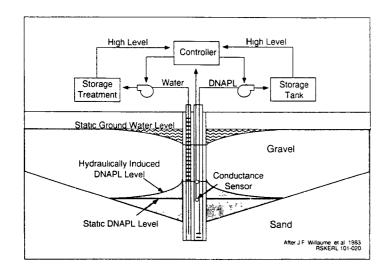


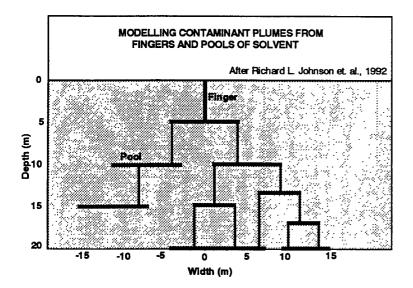


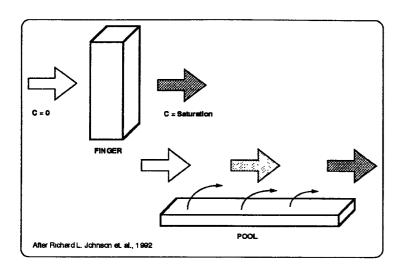


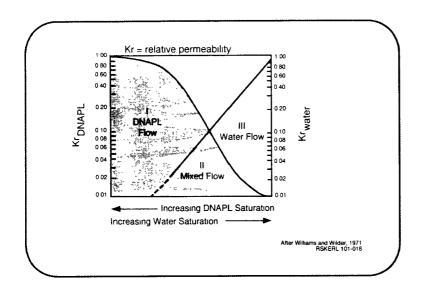


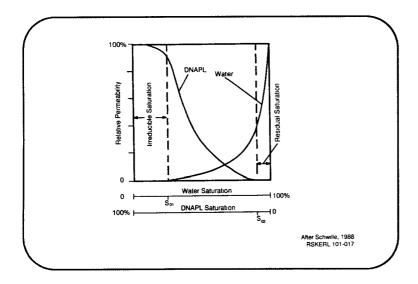


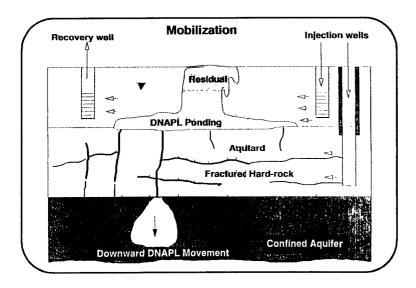


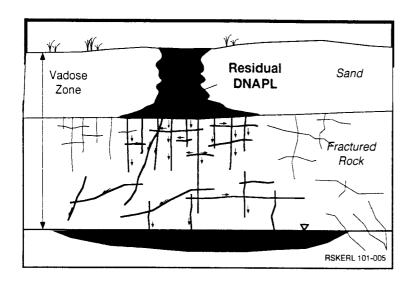


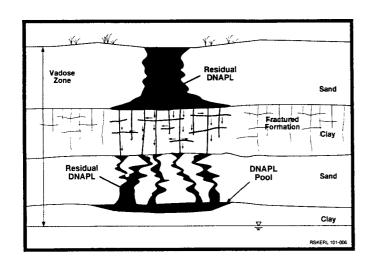


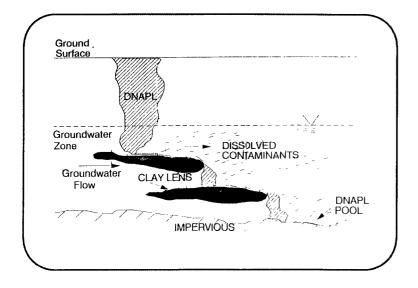


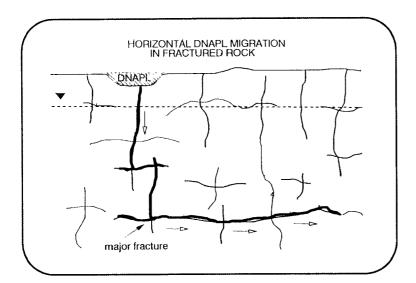












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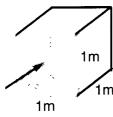
Aqueous Phase Movement

- Dissolution Process and Rates
- Preferential Dissolution
- Advection and Dispersion
- Retardation
- Facilitated Transport

DNAPLs

Dissolution

Example



Contaminated Soil Section Hydraulic Conditions

$$K = 10^{-3}$$
 cm/sec $i = 1\%$, $n = 30\%$

$$=> V = 0.03 \text{ m/day}$$

$$Q = 1m^2 x 0.03 \text{ m/day}$$

$$= 0.03 \text{ m}^3/\text{day}$$

DNAPLs Dissolution (Cont.)

Example (Cont.)

Case 1 30 L/m³ of TCE

s.g. = 1.46 = > (43.8 kg)

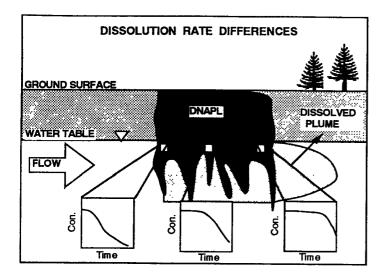
Solub. = 1100 mg/L

10% Solub = $110 \text{mg/L} = 1.1 \times 10^{-4} \text{kg/L}$

Time to dissolve = 37 Years

Case 2 30 L/m³ of Dieldrin (s.g. 1.74), S=0.1mg/l

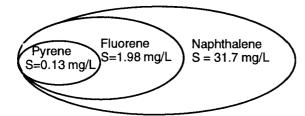
Time to dissolve = 479,452 Years



Preferential Dissolution

- In a mixture, such as creosote, certain compounds dissolve more readily than others.
- The mixture "ages" (Changes composition with time).

Preferential Dissolution



Advection and Dispersion

Advection

Transport of solutes along streamlines at average groundwater velocity.

Dispersion

Transport of solutes by hydraulic mixing process due to local variations in groundwater velocity.

Advection and Dispersion

Instantaneous
Point Source

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Dispersion at time 0

Dispersion at time 1

Dispersion at time 2

Retardation

$$R = 1 + \frac{k_p \rho_d}{n}$$

$$k_p = f_{oc} x k_{oc}$$

$$\rho_d = \text{bulk density}$$

$$n = \text{effective porosity}$$

Facilitated Transport

- Cosolvent effect
- Particle Transport
 - Organic
 - Inorganic
 - Biological

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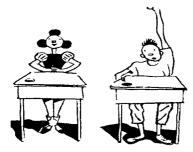
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Questions?



DNAPL Site Characterization

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- I. DNAPL Investigation Motivation
- 11. Characterization Objectives and Conceptual Model Development
- III. DNAPL Site Identification
 - A. Historical Information
 - **B. Site Data Interpretation**
 - C. NAPL Detection Methods
- **IV. Noninvasive Methods**
 - A. Aerial Photograph Interpretation
 - **B. Soil Gas Surveys**
 - C. Surface Geophysics
- **V. Invasive Methods**
 - A. Concerns and Risks
 - **B.** Risk Minimization
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 - D. Monitor Wells
 - E. Fluid Measurement Data

DNAPL SITE CHARACTERIZATION

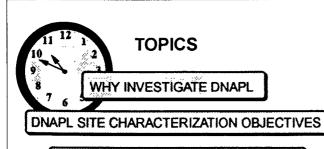
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METHODS FOR DIRECT DETECTION OF NAPL IN SOIL AND WATER

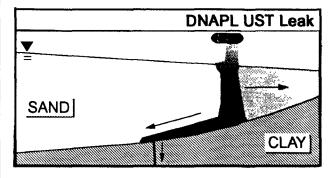
DNAPL SITE IDENTIFICATION

WHY CHARACTERIZE DNAPL?

 Subsurface DNAPL cannot be adequately characterized by investigating miscible contamination due to differences in transport principles and properties

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DIFFERENT TRANSPORT MECHANISMS DNAPL v. Dissolved Contaminants

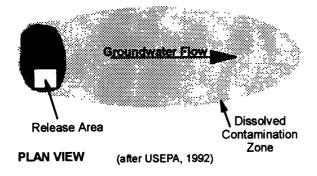


WHY CHARACTERIZE DNAPL?

 DNAPL movement extends the source of groundwater contamination from the release area to the limits of DNAPL migration ("the moving landfill" analogy)

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DEFINED AREAS AT A DNAPL SITE



WHY CHARACTERIZE DNAPL?

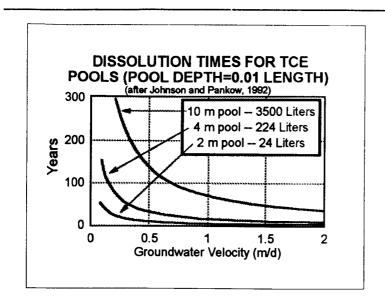
 DNAPL migration dominates contaminant mass loadings to offsite areas, streams, wells, etc.

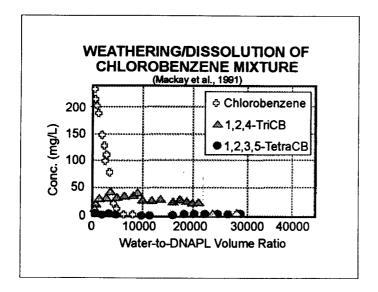
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WHY CHARACTERIZE DNAPL?

 DNAPL can persist for decades as a significant source of groundwater and soil gas contamination

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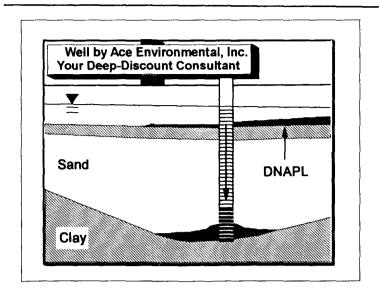


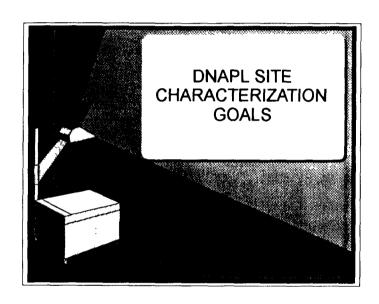


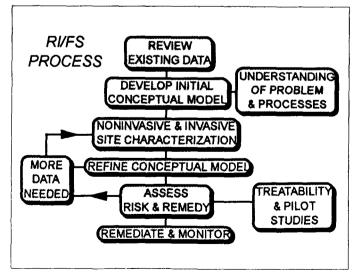
WHY CHARACTERIZE DNAPL?

 To avoid selecting an inappropriate remedy or exacerbating the contamination problem by remedial activities

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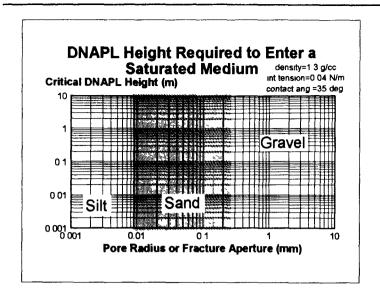
KEY OBJECTIVES OF DNAPL SITE CHARACTERIZATION

- Determine DNAPL properties
- Identify DNAPL release/source areas
- Define stratigraphy
- Delineate DNAPL distribution
- Minimize investigation risk

DNAPL PROPERTIES

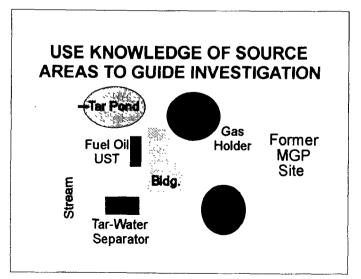
- Composition (yields information on solubility, volatility, toxicity, etc.)
- Density
- Viscosity
- Wettability
- Interfacial tension

DNAPL PROPERTIES: SIGNIFICANCE OF DENSITY AND VISCOSITY Thicker, less dense Thinner, denser SAND CLAY



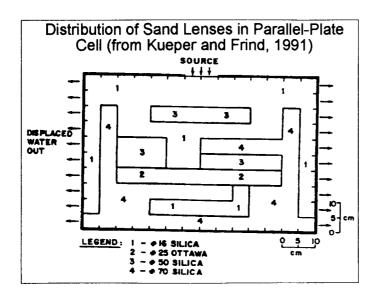
IDENTIFY DNAPL RELEASE AREAS AND VOLUMES

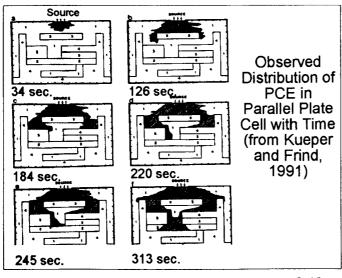
- Site history information
- Air photos and maps
- Knowledge of industrial practices
- Field investigations and data interpretation

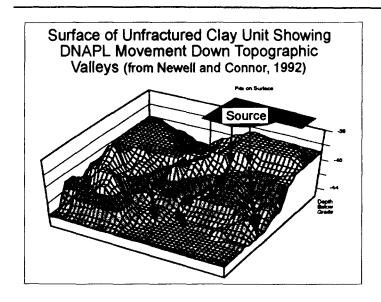


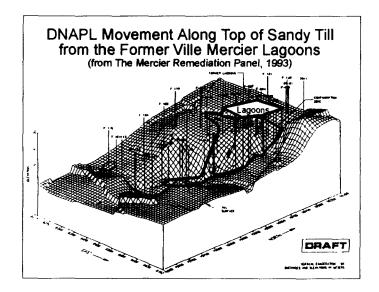
DEFINE STRATIGRAPHY

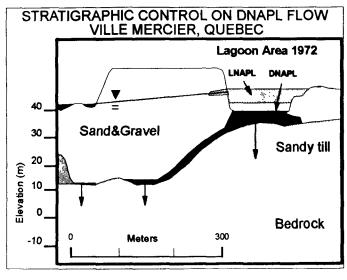
- Stratigraphic barriers and traps
- Migration pathways
 - ► Fractures in rock or cohesive soil
 - ► Coarse lenses and layers
 - ► Rootholes, burrow holes
 - ➤ Manmade structures (sewers, foundations, wells) and backfill
 - ► Heterogeneity and anisotropy

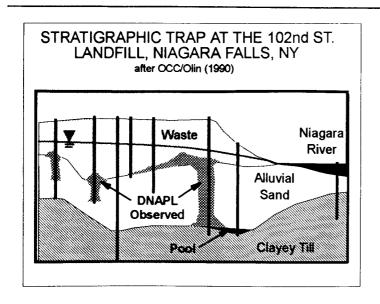


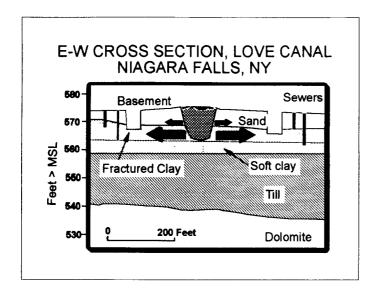


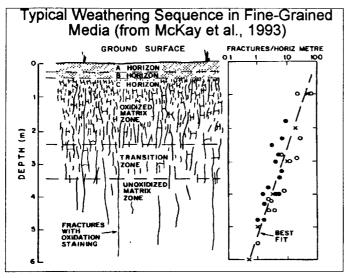


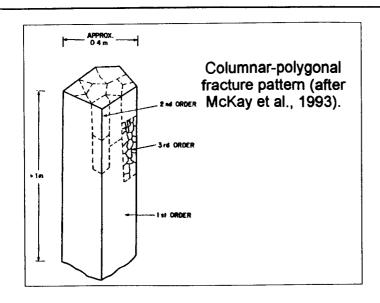


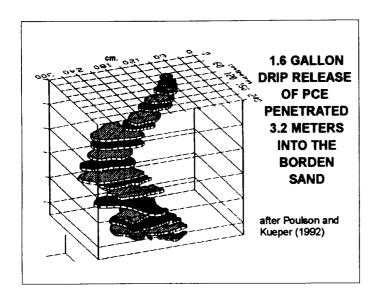


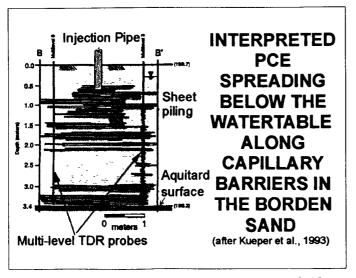










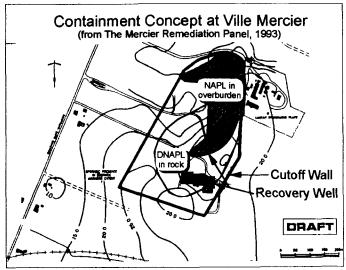


GEOLOGIC VARIABILITY

- Results in complex contaminant distribution
- Limits effectiveness of remedies which rely on fluid delivery systems to flush and/or contact contaminants
- External agents (injected air, cosolvents, waterflood, etc.) will follow high K zones
- Favors containment strategy

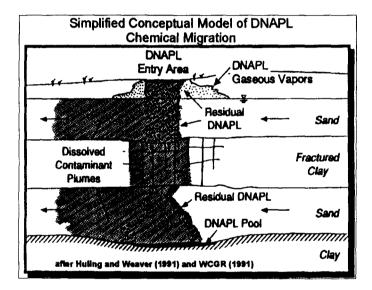
DELINEATE DNAPL DISTRIBUTION: Mobile and Residual

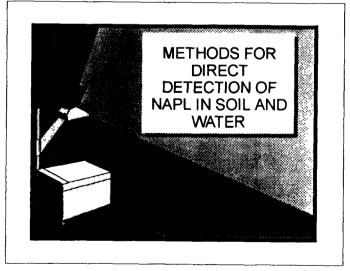
- Review site history and data
- Noninvasive methods
- Invasive methods
- Data synthesis



MINIMIZE RISK ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTIGATION

- Worker health and safety concerns
- Risk of inducing unwanted DNAPL movement by invasive field activities
 - ► Outside-in approach
 - ► Noninvasive methods
 - ► Optimize invasive methods and materials
 - ► Phased characterization





DNAPL DETECTION

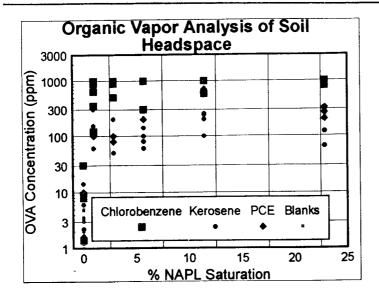
- To minimize risk of causing DNAPL migration during drilling
- To delineate DNAPL zone for remedy design

DIRECT VISUAL DETECTION OF NAPL IN SOIL AND WATER

- Inexpensive
- Immediate
- Difficult where NAPL is clear and colorless, at low saturation, or distributed heterogeneously

SAMPLE SCREENING

• Organic Vapor Analysis (OVA)



DIRECT DETECTION METHODS

- Unaided
- UV fluorescence
- Hydrophobic dye shake test
- Centrifugation
- Use syringe needle to extract and place suspect globules into a water column
- Use hydrophilic filters or hydrophobic materials for phase separation

HYDROPHOBIC DYE SHAKE TEST

Add water and hydrophobic dye powder to soil in container

Cap and shake



Examine for presence of dyed NAPL

HYDROPHOBIC DYE

- Sudan IV powder dyes organic fluids red upon contact but does not partition into water or air
- Few mg powder used per sample
- 100 grams costs about \$19.
- Imitant and potential mutagen
- Other color hydrophobic dyes available

UV FLUORESCENCE DETECTION OF NAPL

- Fluorescent NAPLs include nearly all petroleum products, all aromatic compounds, and many unsaturated aliphatic hydrocarbons (e.g., TCE & PCE)
- Saturated aliphatic hydrocarbons such as dichloromethane generally do not fluoresce unless mixed with fluorescent impurities

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UV FLUORESCENCE DETECTION OF NAPL

- SW-LW blacklight cheap and simple to use
- Can examine soil-water slurry in polybag; squeeze sample to bring fluid to surface
- UV analysis used for decades by oil industry to identify petroleum in well cuttings

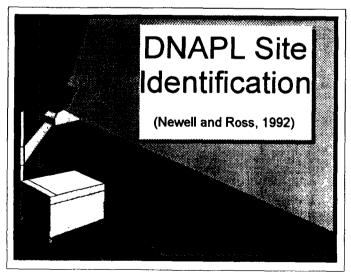
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VISUAL METHOD CONCLUSIONS

 The hydrophobic dye shake test, followed by UV fluorescence, are simple, practical, and inexpensive means for direct NAPL detection

VISUAL METHOD CONCLUSIONS

 For volatile NAPLs, organic vapor analysis can be used to screen samples for further examination, and possibly to infer NAPL presence



IS IT A DNAPL SITE???

INDUSTRY TYPE

DNAPL DETECTED IN WELLS, GROUNDWATER, SOIL OR ROCK SAMPLES

PROCESS OR WASTE PRACTICE

DNAPL INDICATED BY CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

DNAPL)

DNAPL SUGGESTED BY CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

DATA ADEQUATE?)

SITE HISTORY INFORMATION

- Corporate owner/operator records
- Government records
- Universities, libraries, historic societies
- Personnel interviews or depositions
- Aerial photographs and maps

INDUSTRIES USING DNAPLS

- ► Chemical
- ► Solvents&refrigerants
- ► Electronic/computer
- ► Metal parts/products
- ► Music instruments
- ► Aircraft/automotive
- ► Office machinery
- ► Plastics
- ► Pharmaceuticals
- ► MGPs (1850-1950)

- ► Dry cleaning
- ► Textile processing
- ► Metal degreasing
- ► Metal machining
- ► Storage/transfer
- ► Paint removal
- ► Wood preserving
- ► Steel coking
- ► Waste disposal

COMMON SUSPECT AREAS

- Floordrains/sumps
- Pits, ponds, lagoons
- Sewer systems
- Septic tanks
- Leach fields
- Disposal areas
- Pipelines
- Disturbed areas

- Process tanks
- Wastewater tanks
- UST areas
- AST areas
- Chemical storage and transfer areas
- Loading docks
- Drainage paths

DETECTING NAPL IN WELLS

- Survey fluid column with interface probe
- Pump or bail samples from top and bottom of fluid column
- Use other discrete-depth sampler
- Inspect fluid on weighted cotton string, bailer cord, probe wire, etc.

INFERRING NAPL PRESENCE FROM CHEMICAL ANALYSES

- Chemical concentration in groundwater
 >1% of pure phase or effective solubility limit
- Chemical concentration in soil >10,000 mg/kg (1% of soil mass)

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INFERRING NAPL PRESENCE FROM CHEMICAL ANALYSES

- Chemical concentration in groundwater calculated from soil-water partitioning relationship and soil analysis > effective solubility (Feenstra et al., 1991)
- Extremely high OVA concentrations

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SUSPECTING NAPL BASED ON FIELD CONDITIONS

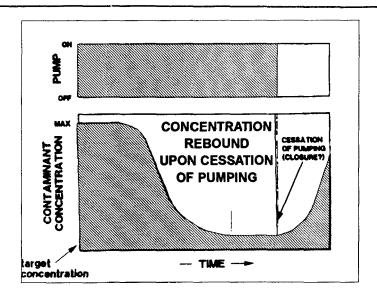
- DNAPL chemical concentrations increase with depth in a pattern that is inconsistent with advective transport
- DNAPL chemical concentrations increase counter to the hydraulic gradient from a release area presumably due to DNAPL spreading

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SUSPECTING NAPL BASED ON FIELD CONDITIONS

- Erratic concentrations of NAPL chemicals in groundwater, soil and soil gas
- Dissolved NAPL chemical concentrations rebound after turning off a pumping system

2 of 3



SUSPECTING NAPL BASED ON FIELD CONDITIONS

- Presence of DNAPL chemicals in groundwater that is older than potential release dates (using tritium for age dating)
- Deterioration of wells and pumps

3 of 3

IS IT A DNAPL SITE??? DNAPL DETECTED IN INDUSTRY) WELLS, GROUNDWATER, TYPE SOIL OR ROCK SAMPLES PROCESS ' DNAPL INDICATED OR WASTE BY CHEMICAL ANALYSIS **PRACTICE DNAPL SUGGESTED** DNAPL BY CHEMICAL ANALYSIS USE DATA ADEQUATE?)

DATA AND CONDITIONS THAT CAN HELP INDICATE NAPL PRESENCE OR ABSENCE

- Many wells with screens across the water table and in stratigraphic traps
- Multi-level fluid sampling capability
- Extensive chemical analysis
- Defined stratigraphy & release history

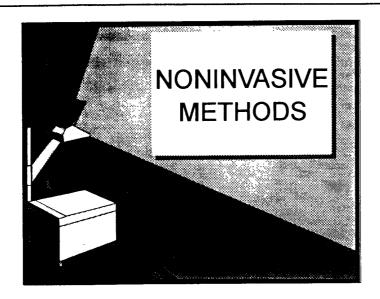


TOPICS

- Noninvasive methods
- Invasive methods and concerns

STRATEGY

- Phased study
- Site-specific application of methods
- Outside-in approach
- Noninvasive methods
- Optimize invasive methods



NONINVASIVE METHODS

- Air photo interpretation
- Soil gas analysis
- Surface geophysics

NONINVASIVE METHODS

- Can often be used during the early phases of field work to optimize the cost-effectiveness of a site study.
- Conceptual model refinements derived using these methods reduce the risk of spreading contaminants during later invasive field work.

AIR PHOTO INTERPRETATION

- Historic conditions (i.e., waste disposal practices and areas, ponded fluids, disturbed soils, vegetative stress, etc.)
- Photogeology (to interpret geologic and hydrologic conditions)
- Fracture trace analysis (to identify surface expressions of fracture zones)

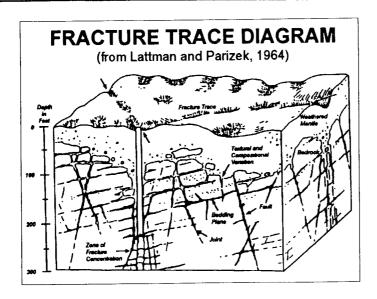
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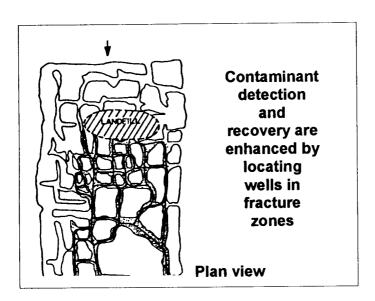
- Provides free listing of available images from government and private vendors
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FRACTURE TRACES

- Linear surface expressions of subsurface zones of fracture concentration, typically
 5-60 ft wide and near vertical, that are mapped by stereo-interpretation of air photos
- Surface features used to map fracture traces include: straight valley segments; aligned sags, depressions, soil tone anomalies, etc.

Groundwater flow and chemical migration are concentrated in bedrock fractures, particularly where permeability is enhanced by dissolution.

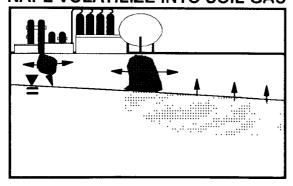




FRACTURE TRACE APPLICATIONS

- To identify preferential zones of fluid flow and chemical migration
- To site monitor and recovery wells

VOCs IN GROUNDWATER AND NAPL VOLATILIZE INTO SOIL GAS

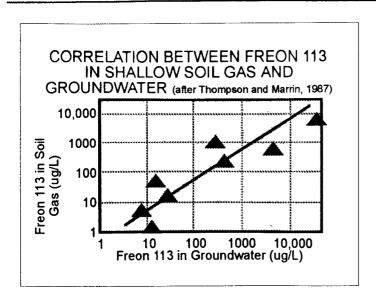


SOIL GAS SURVEYS

- Delineate volatile NAPL in vadose zone
- Delineate shallow groundwater contamination
- Very limited capacity to delineate deep groundwater contamination
- Results can be misleading if subsurface conditions are misunderstood
- Requires confirmation by analysis of soil and fluid samples

SOIL GAS GRAB SAMPLING

- Typical procedure:
 - ► Drive hollow probe to 3-10 ft
 - ► Pump and purge soil gas from probe
 - ► Collect sample from gas stream in glass or stainless steel container
- Can collect and analyze 20-50 samples/day
 \$110-\$190 each
- Onsite analysis facilitates direction of survey
- With introduction of volatile tracers into tanks or pipelines, can be used for leak detection

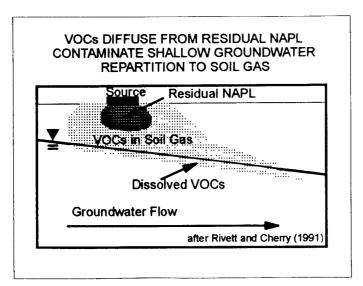


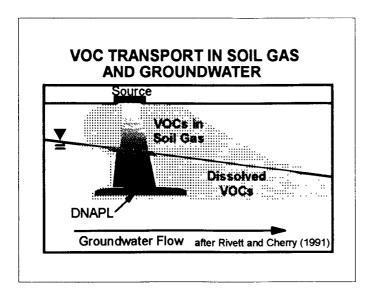
TYPICAL NAPL ANALYTES AND PRODUCTS DETECTABLE BY SOIL GAS ANALYSIS

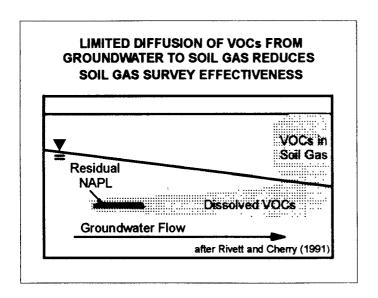
- BTEX compounds
- Carbon Tetrachloride
- Chloroform
- 1,1-Dichloroethane
- 1,1,-Dichloroethene
- 1,2-Dichloroethene
- Methylene Chloride
- Tetrachloroethene
- 1,1,1-Trichloroethane
- 1,1,2-Trichloroethane
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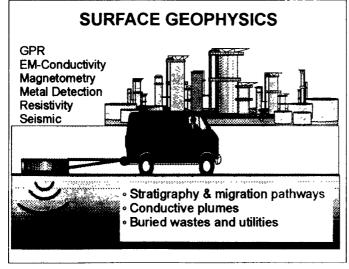
- Gasoline
- Jet Fuel
- Diesel Fuel
- Heating Oil
- Coal Tar
- Solvents & Cleaning Fluids
- Refrigerants
- Paint Thinners

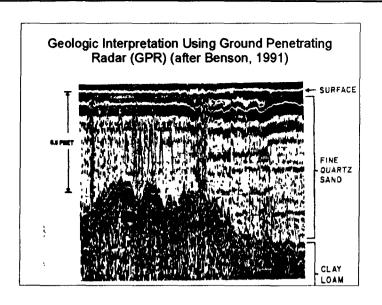
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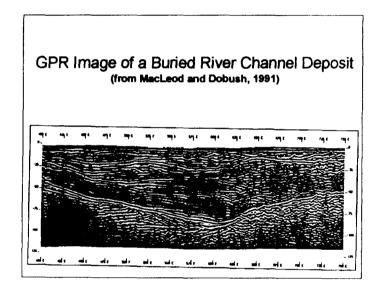


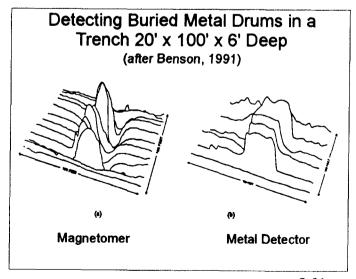


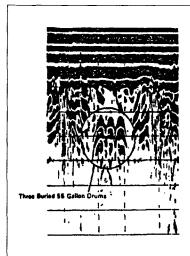




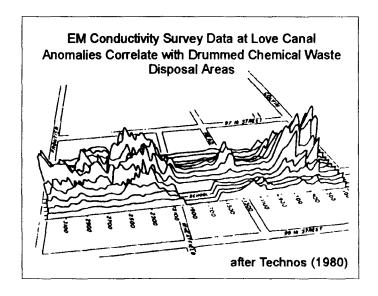








GPR Image of 3 Buried 55-Gallon Drums (from Benson, 1991)



DIRECT DETECTION OF DNAPL USING SURFACE GEOPHYSICS

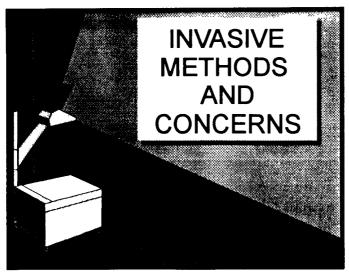
- GPR to provide detailed stratigraphic images and detect anomalous dielectric properties due to NAPL presence
- EM Conductivity or Electrical Resistivity to monitor reductions in electrical conductivity due to NAPL presence

FAVORABLE CONDITIONS FOR DIRECT DETECTION OF DNAPL

- Simple stratigraphy
- Large quantities
- Baseline pre-release survey
- Expert investigators

SURFACE GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS

- Enhance delineation of release areas, stratigraphy, and migration routes
- Direct detection of NAPL is limited by lack of cost-effective methods and geophysicists trained in methods potentially applicable at NAPL sites



TEST PIT AND TRENCHES

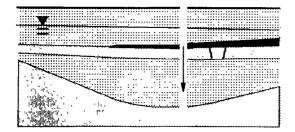
- Delineate
 - Stratigraphy
 - ► Waste disposal areas
 - ► Grossly contaminated areas
 - ► Buried pipelines, USTs, etc.
- Sampling
- Large, continuous exposure
- Limited risk of vertical migration

INVASIVE METHOD CONCERNS AT DNAPL SITES

- Increased health and safety risk
- Material compatability
- Cross-contamination potential (DNAPL >> dissolved)
- Data acquisition and interpretation

INVASIVE METHOD RISKS

- Drilling and well installations may create vertical pathways for DNAPL movement
- Pumping may induce DNAPL migration



INVASIVE METHOD RISKS

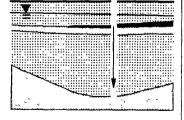
- Induced NAPL transport may:
- ► Heighten the risk to receptors
- ► Increase remedial difficulty and cost
- ➤ Generate misleading data leading to development of a flawed conceptual model and a flawed remedy

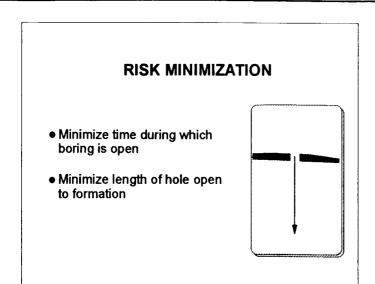
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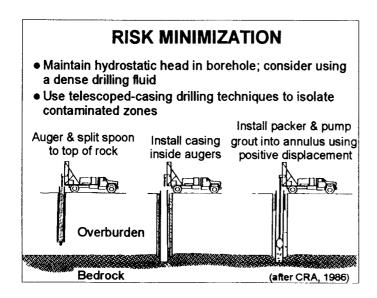
- Fractured and/or heterogeneous media
- Subtle NAPL barrier layers
- Multiple NAPL release locations
- Large NAPL release volumes
- Mobile NAPL (low viscosity, high density)

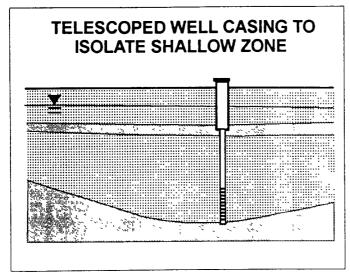
RISK MINIMIZATION 13 suggestions

- Use knowledge of stratigraphy and DNAPL distribution to guide drilling
- Characterize DNAPL zone from top down
- Avoid unnecessary drilling in the DNAPL zone



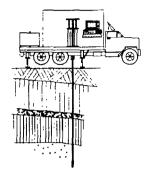






RISK MINIMIZATION

Use less invasive
"Direct-Push" sampling
methods (i.e., Cone
Penetrometer, GeoProbe, HydroPunch) to
examine stratigraphy, soil
gas, and fluids with depth



CONE PENETROMETER

Advantages

+ Efficient for stratigraphic logging of soft soils

- + Continuous measurement
- + Sensors measure penetration resistance, pore pressure, radiation, fluorescence . . .
- + Soil gas and fluid sampling
- + No cuttings
- + Less intrusive; can grout hole

Limitations

- Unable to penetrate dense formations
- Limited depth capability
- Limited soil and fluid sampling capability
- Limited well construction capability
- Needs confirmation
- Limited availability

RISK MINIMIZATION

- Carefully examine samples as drilling progresses to avoid drilling through a barrier layer below DNAPL
 - ► Visual evidence (sheens, staining, globules, etc.)
 - ➤ Organic vapor analysis
 - ► Hydrophobic dye test and/or UV examination
 - ➤ Examine fractures, soil ped faces, macropores, coarser lenses
 - ➤ Dissect samples to reveal inner surfaces

RISK MINIMIZATION

- Consider chemical compatability of well materials
 - ► PVC & ABS -- degraded by aromatics and organic solvents
 - ► Carbon steel -- corrodes
 - ► Fluoropolymers -- good resistance except to fluorinated solvents; very expensive
 - ➤ Stainless steel generally recommended due to good resistance (however, DNAPL may wet steel)
 - ➤ DNAPL may shrink bentonite; however, bentonite-cement grout may be appropriate

RISK MINIMIZATION

- Outside-in approach
- Noninvasive methods
- At many sites, the
 DNAPL zone can be
 characterized by limiting drilling to shallow depth;
 deeper units can be characterized by drilling
 beyond the DNAPL zone

BEDROCK DRILLING/TESTING PROTOCOL

- Pressure grout surface casing to top of rock
- Core 15' rock interval
- Packer-pump test, collect sample
- Pressure grout test interval
- Ream grout to 6", pressure test, regrout if needed
- Continue coring, testing and grouting to base of aquifer

DNAPL SITE DRILLING RISKS

- Some potential for causing downward DNAPL migration occurs with all drilling methods
- "Safe" methods for drilling and constructing wells through DNAPL zones have not been adequately demonstrated

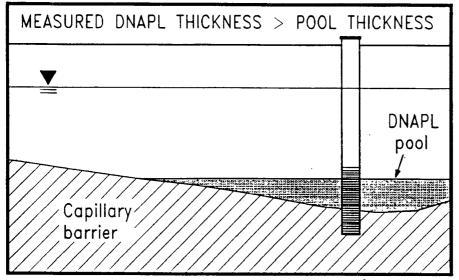
MONITOR WELL USE

- Characterize immiscible fluid distribution, flow directions and rates, groundwater quality, and hydraulic properties
- Well design and location influence DNAPL fluid movement and distribution in the well environment
- Qualitative nature of DNAPL distribution data

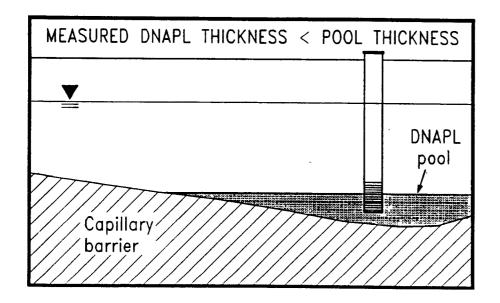
FLUID MEASUREMENT METHODS

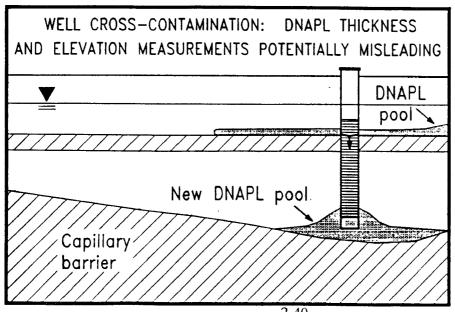
- Interface probe
- Hydrocarbon and water detection pastes
- Transparent bailers
- Other depth-discrete bailers
- Weighted string

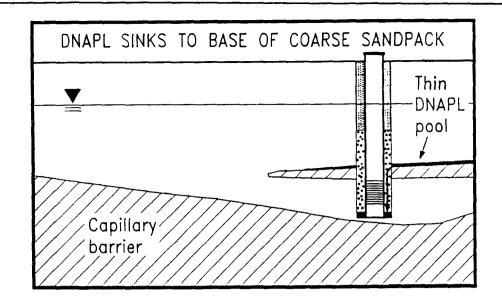
Consider the potential for crosscontamination and the cost to decontaminate equipment.

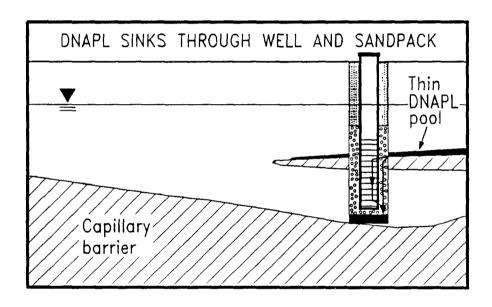


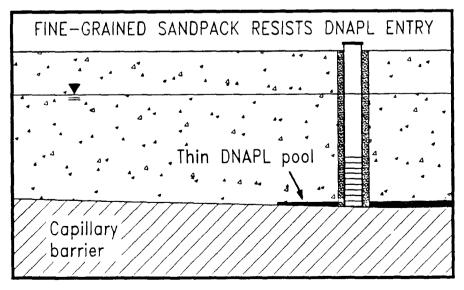
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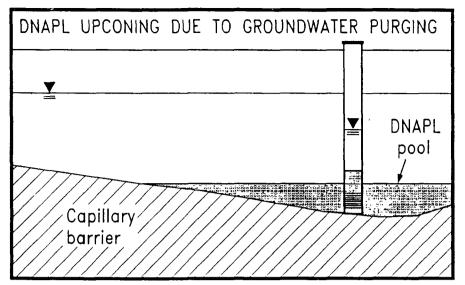




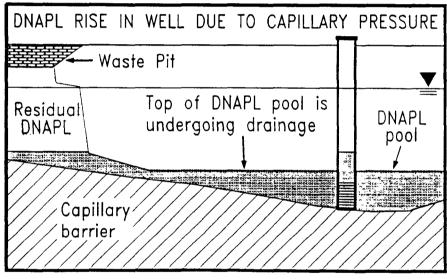








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DNAPL WELL DESIGN SUGGESTIONS

- Complete to top of capillary barrier beneath DNAPL
- Screen across entire continuous DNAPL thickness
- Sandpack coarser than media (consider hydrophobic sandpack)
- Competent materials

FLUID MEASUREMENT DATA

- Interpret with caution
- Compare well fluid distribution measurements to boring data

INTEGRATED INVESTIGATION AND DATA ANALYSIS

- No practical cookbook approach
- Site-specific conditions and issues
- Phased characterization to meet risk and remedy assessment needs
- Apply standard and special methods to deal with DNAPL site concerns and data needs

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Options for DNAPL Remediation

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1. Introduction

- A. Design Process
- B. Can We Clean Up DNAPL Sites?
- C. How Remediation Technology Evolves

II. Proven DNAPL Remediation Options

A. Remediating DNAPLs in the Unsaturated Zone

- 1. Excavation
 - a. Applicability
 - b. Design Basis Information
 - c. Design Process
 - d. Case Study
- 2. Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE)
 - a. Applicability
 - b. Design Basis Information
 - c. Design Process
 - d. Case Study

B. Remediating DNAPLs in the Saturated Zone

- 1. Pumping DNAPL
 - a. Applicability
 - b. Design Basis Information
 - c. Design Process
 - d. Case Study
- 2. Pump-and-Treat (DNAPL Dissolution)
 - a. Applicability
 - b. Design Basis Information
 - c. Design Process
 - d. Case Study

- 3. In-Situ Biodegradation
 - a. Applicability
 - b. Design Basis Information
 - c. Design Process
 - d. Case Study

C. Other DNAPL Remediation/Control Approaches

- 1. Treatment Train
- 2. Containment
 - a. Hydraulic Containment
 - b. Physical Barriers
 - c. Natural Dilution/Attenuation
 - d. Case Study

III. Emerging DNAPL Remediation Technologies

A. Implementing Emerging Remediation Technologies

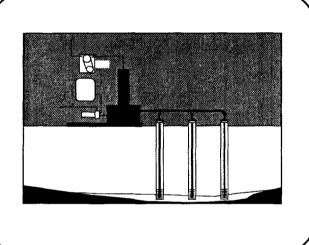
- **B. Selected Emerging Technologies**
 - 1. Air Sparging in the Saturated Zone
 - 2. Dewatering/Soil Venting
 - 3. Surfactants and Other Mobility-Increasing Agents
 - 4. Chemically-Enhanced Dissolution
 - 5. Bioventing
 - 6. Steam Injection
 - 7. Pumping Systems: Horizontal Wells and Wellpoint Pumps
 - 8. Permeable Reaction Walls (Magic Sand)

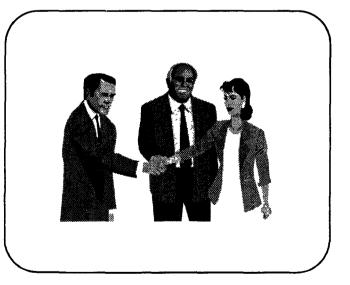
OPTIONS FOR DNAPL REMEDIATION



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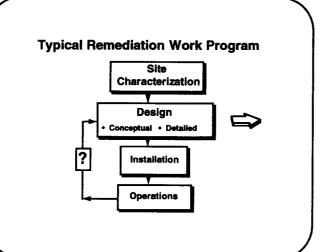


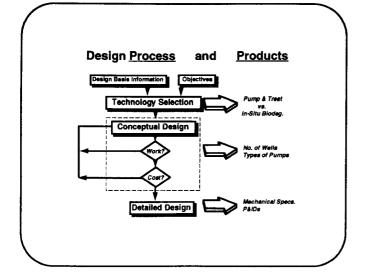


Roadmap

- Introduction
 - -Design Process
 - -Can We Clean Up DNAPL Sites?
 - -How Remediation Technology Evolves
- Five Proven Remediation Technologies
- Emerging Technologies







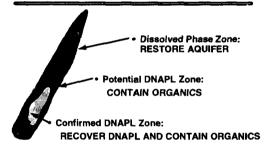
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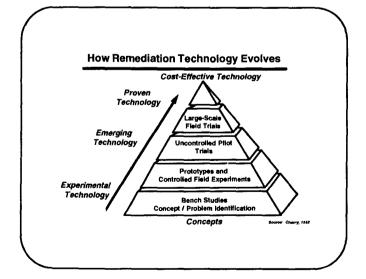
- •No Proven Technologies to:
 - -Remove All DNAPL
 - -Reach Drinking Water Standards





GENERAL DNAPL MANAGEMENT STRATEGY





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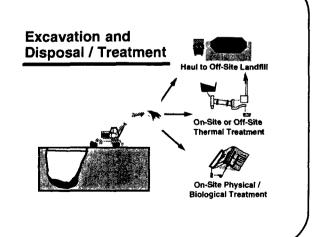
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Five Proven Remediation Technologies

- EXCAVATION AND DISPOSAL / TREATMENT
 - Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE)
 - Pumping DNAPL
 - Pump & Treat (Dissolution)
 - In-Situ Biodegradation





Applicability of Excavation

- Standard Construction Practice to 25 **Feet Depth**
- Dewatering Required if Below Water **Table**
- Unconsolidated Material
- Best Technology for Small Volumes



Design Basis Information: Excavation

- Excavation: Depth, Volume
- Disposal: Type of Waste, Distance
- Thermal Treatment: BTU Content, Type of Soil
- On-Site Treatment
 - -Soil Vapor Extraction -Biodegradation

Design Process: Excavation/Disposal

- Excavation Cost: \$ 20 \$ 50 per cubic yard
 - -Depth of Excavation?

 - Area of Excavation?
 Need to Control Fugitive Dust, Vapors?
 Safety Issues?
- Off-Site Disposal

 - -Need for On-Site Pretreatment?
 -Distance to Landfill?
 -Hazardous Waste Landfill: \$100 \$500 per cubic yard

Design Process: Treatment

• Thermal Treatment

- -High Vs. Low BTU? -Presence of PCBs, Dioxin? -Low Temperature Treatment

\$ 100 - \$ 200 / ton \$ 300 - \$ 1,000 / ton

-Thermal Destruction On-Site Treatment

- -Site Available for Treatment?
- -Volatile or Biodegradable?
 -Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE)
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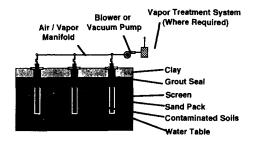


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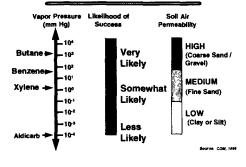
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Soil Vapor Extraction



Applicability of SVE



Design Basis Information: SVE

- Air Permeability
 - Estimated from Soil Properties Measured With Test in Field
- Contaminant Characteristics

 - DNAPL Composition Volatility (Vapor Pressure, Henry's Law Coefficient)
- Air Flow

 - Stratigraphy
 Need for Impermeable Cap
 Water Table and Need for Pumping



SVE Design Process

- Choose Number of Vapor Extraction Wells
- Choose Well Spacing, Inlet Wells, Seals
- Design Well Screens and Construction
- Remember Vapor Treatment
- Check for Groundwater Upwelling

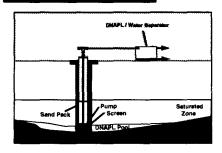


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Pumping DNAPL



Applicability of DNAPL Pumping

- Sites With Large Amounts of DNAPL
- Look for Wells With Free-Phase DNAPL
- Easier to Remove Chlorinated Solvents
- Potentially Higher Gradient Under Confined Conditions

Design Basis Information: DNAPL Pumping

- General
 - Types of Chemicals, Viscosity, Interfacial Tension Stratigraphy Hydraulic Conductivity
- Free-Phase DNAPL
 - -Thickness of DNAPL Pool -Relative Permeability of DNAPL
- Residual DNAPL.
 - -- Maximum Hydraulic Gradient -- Capillary Number





DNAPL Pumping Design Process

- Choose Location of DNAPL Wells
- Select Pumps and Materials
- Assess EOR Technologies
 - -Vacuum-Enhanced Pumping
 - -Waterflooding
 - -Surfactants
 - -Steam
- Design Treatment System

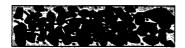


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- Pumping DNAPL
- → PUMP & TREAT (DISSOLUTION)
 - In-Situ Biodegradation



Pump-and-Treat (Dissolution)



- Dissolve Residual DNAPL
- Based on Number of Pore Volumes
- Key Concept: Effective Solubility

Applicability of Dissolution

- DNAPLs in Saturated Zone
- DNAPL with Very Soluble Components
- Sites With Low Amounts of DNAPL
- Highly Permeable Aquifers

Design Basis Information: Dissolution

- Mass of Residual DNAPL in Subsurface
- Effective Solubility of Key Contaminants
- Maximum Potential Groundwater Velocity
- Remediation Period



Dissolution Design Process

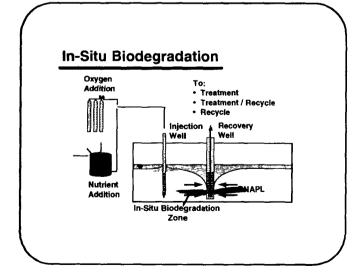
- Estimate Total DNAPL Mass
- Make Concentration Assumptions
 - -Constant Solubility
 -Effective Solubility
- Divide to Get Number of Pore Volumes
- Size Recovery Well System



Five Proven Remediation Technologies

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- → IN-SITU BIODEGRADATION





Applicability of In-Situ Biodeg.

- Sites With Non-Chlorinated Compounds

 - -Creosote Sites (Napthalene, PAHs)
 -Coal Tar
- Sites With Depressed Oxygen in Plume
- Aquifers With High Permeability

Design Basis Information: In-Situ Biodeg.

- Biodegradability of Contaminants
 - Chlorinated Compounds: No Non-Chlorinated Aromatics: Yes
- Presence of Indigenous Aerobic Microorganisms²
 - Bugs Almost Always Present NEVER ADD BUGS
- Water Chemistry

 - Iron Calcium Carbonate

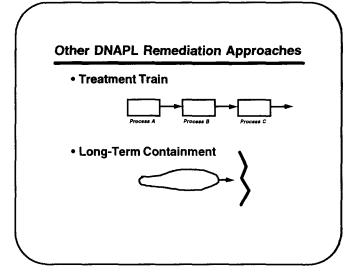


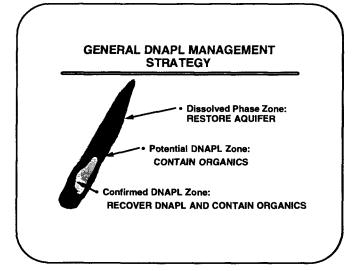
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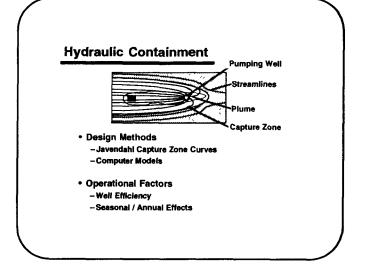
- Estimate Total DNAPL Mass
- Calculate Required Mass of Oxygen to Be Injected
 - Yield: 2 gm Oxygen for 1 gm Hydrocarbon
- Select Method to Add Oxygen to Injection Water

 - Bubble Air in Injection Water
 Pure Oxygen Hydrogen Peroxide 10 mg/l
 100 mg/l (?)
- Calculate Water Needed
- Size Recovery Well System





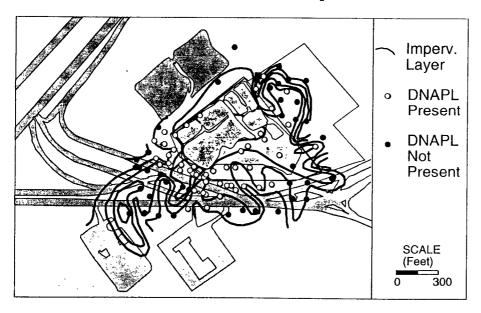


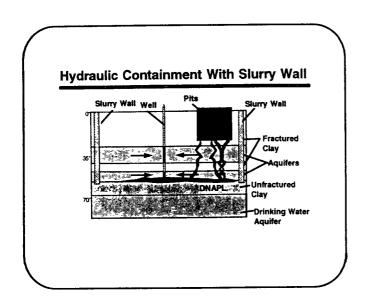


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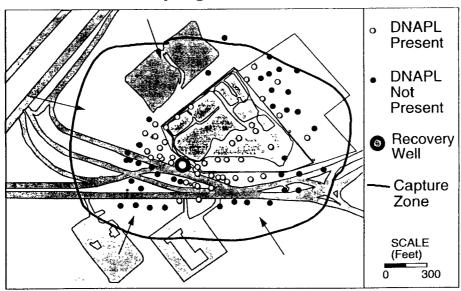
- Purpose
 - -Prevent Outward Migration of Organics
 - -Reduce Inflow of Ground Water
- Design
 - -Type of Barriers
 - -Configuration
- Construction
 - -Routinely Installed Down to 50 Feet
 - -Cost: \$ 10 \$ 20 per square foot for Slurry Wall

DNAPL Occurrence at Superfund Site

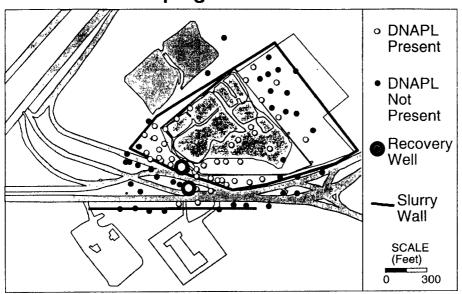




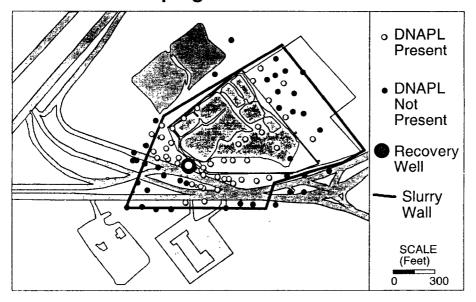
Capture Zone With No Slurry Wall Pumping Rate: 2 GPM



Capture Zone With Slurry Wall "A" Pumping Rate: 1 GPM



Capture Zone With Slurry Wall "B" Pumping Rate: 0.3 GPM



Natural Dilution / Attenuation

- Key Processes

 - -Hydrolysis -Natural In-Situ Biodegradation

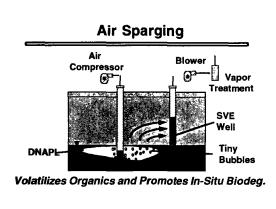
 - -Recharge
 -Discharge to Surface Water
- Assessment Techniques

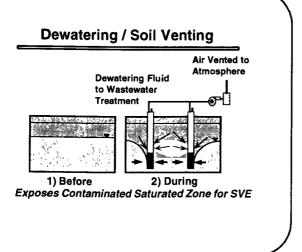
 - -Monitoring -Computer Modeling

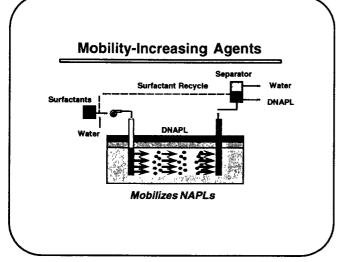
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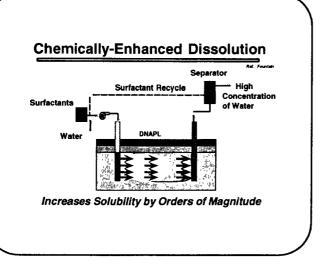
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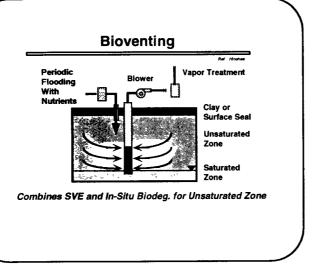


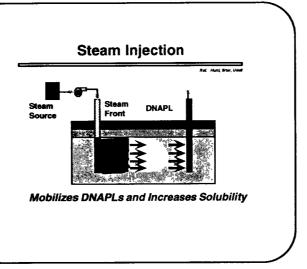


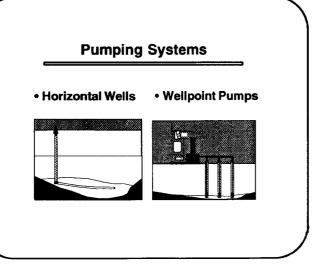


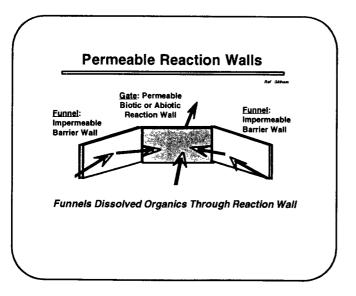












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