

Groundwater flow

Scope of Study



To develop a sustainable method for remediation of chlorinated solvent plumes

- Inject ZVI in combination with organic substrates and bacterial culture into the groundwater to create a PRB with combined abiotic and biotic degradation
- > Monitor effectivity and longevity
- > To develop a geophysical method for documentation of injection, DCIP
- > Use multiple lines of evidence to do document distribution and degradation
- > Monitor production of methane and vinyl chloride in groundwater and distribution to soil vapor













Phase 1, laboratory

- Microcosm: five ZVI products (two ZVI-OCs, three S-ZVI products), KB-1[®] culture
- Column: two ZVI products (one ZVI-OC and one S-ZVI) to evaluate treatment longevity and reaction kinetics for design of PRB

Conclusions

- ZVI-OC: Complete degradation of TCE and cDCE after bioaugmentation with KB-1[®] culture
- > Design parameters for the PRB obtained







Phase 2, injection test

- Three different injection methods: Sonic, Spin[®] injection, Geoprobe DPT
- > Two different products

Conclusions

- > ROI 0,75 >1,75 m
- > Geoprobe is recommended, top-down
- > ZVI-OC is recommended for the PRB





Phase 3, PRB

> Creating PRB with ZVI-OC and KB-1[®] culture

> Monitoring



Documentation/monitoring

> Field measurements

- > Intact soil cores: visual inspection, magnetic susceptibility
- > MIP/EC, DCIP
- Groundwater level elevation, pH, oxidation-reduction potential (ORP), electrical conductivity, dissolved oxygen, and temperature

> Laboratory analyses

- cVOC concentrations
- > Dissolved hydrocarbon gases (ethene, ethane, methane), acethylene
- > Metals (including iron, calcium, magnesium, and manganese)
- > Anions (including chloride, sulfate, and nitrate)
- > Total organic carbon (TOC) and carbonate alkalinity
- > CSIA
- > Bacterial analysis, vcrA etc.
- > Fatty acids
- > Soil gas analysis (methane, VC)









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Phase 4, Reinjection and monitoring



Transect C

 Active area
Control/ Less active area





COWI



Transect C





CSIA

















GW monitoring, Transect D







Contaminant mass discharge

sum, cVOC	Transect A	Transect C	Difference (A-C)	Transect D	Difference (A-D)
	(mol/year)	(mol/year)	(%)	(mol/year)	(%)
Baseline	4,3	4,5	5	-	-
3 months after	4,2	4,6	8	-	-
9 months after	5,9	3,8	-35	-	-
15 months aftter (baseline before reinjection)	6,0	3,9	-34	-	-
24 months after	5,0	3,1	-38	-	-
36 months after	7,0	3,4	-51	0,5	-93







Conclusions

- > Production of cDCE and VC indicates a large degree of biotic degradation
- > In the active zone, almost complete degradation is observed
- The use of CSIA, has given a second line of evidence with respect to both production and degradation of the cVOCs
- > Dual isotopic plots over time indicate a change from solely biotic degradation to now a combined biotic and abiotic degradation
- > Production of methane is decreased compared to other projects
- > Production of methane and vinyl chloride is not a problem in soil gas
- > DCIP is a good method for documentation





Take Home Messages

- ZVI-OC in combination with KB-1[®] culture is a promising method for remediation of chlorinated solvent plumes
- > Adding a methane inhibitor is a good idea in urban areas
- > Future focus should address efficient injection methods and distribution of amendments
- > Use of multiple lines of evidence gives a much better understanding of the processes



