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Today's presentation

- LIFE Capture
- Problem statement
- Objective
- Method

Further steps

LIFE Capture

 Combining novel Analytical protocols for PFAS contamination with Technologies for sustainable Remediation

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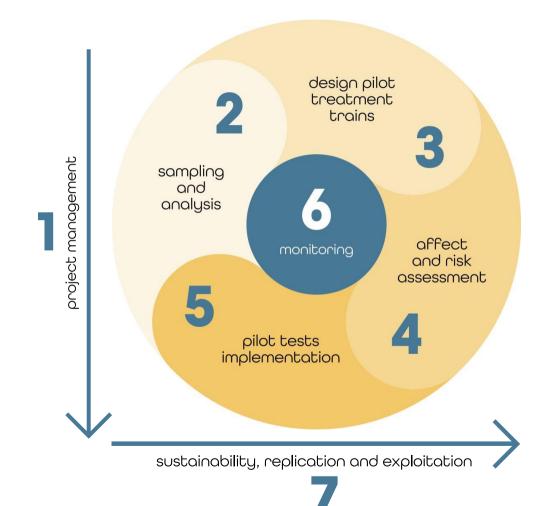












LIFE Capture: expected results and impacts

4 sites will be (partially) remediated during projects

Other replication sites in the following years

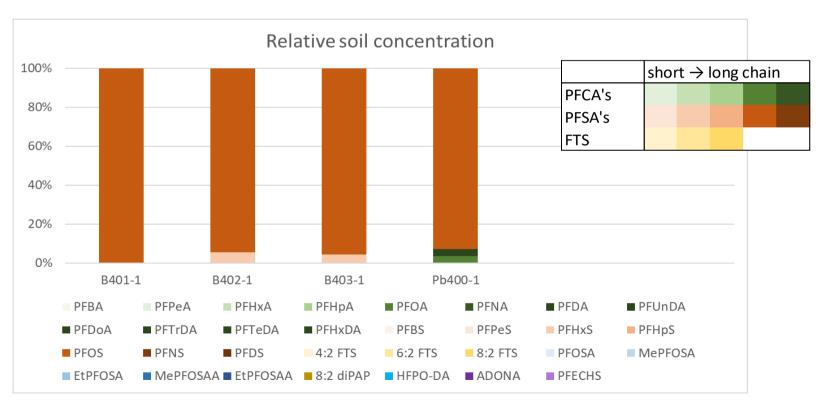
Problem statement

Identification → Assessment → Management of PFAS contamination in ground and groundwater

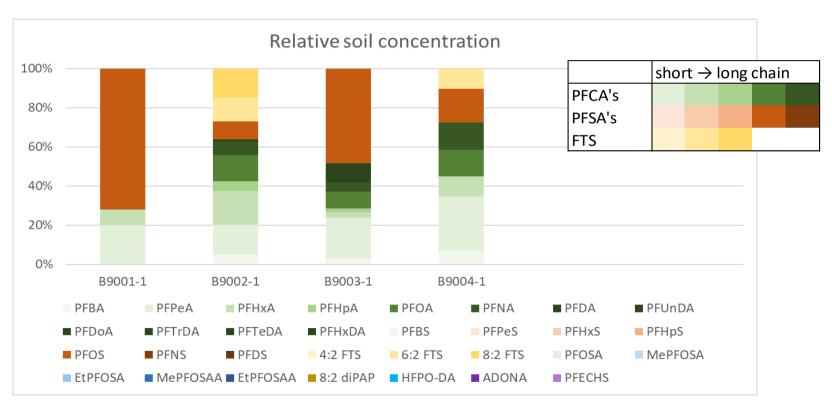
- Inadequate Identification
 - Target analysis
 - False negative results
 - Lack of adequate analysis protocols
 - Total PFAS



Case: 1993 foam intervention - soil



Case: 2013 foam intervention - soil

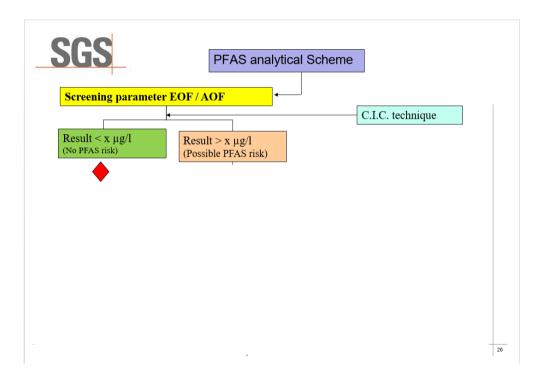


Objective

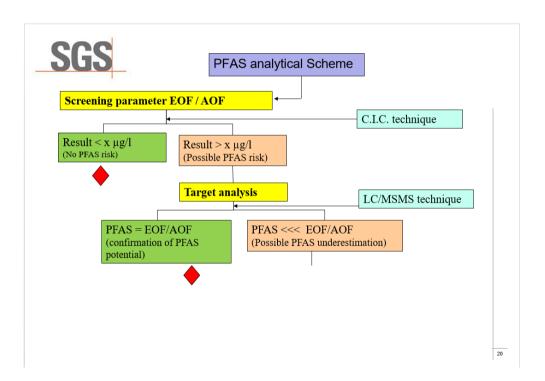
 Development of quantification protocol for total PFAS contamination



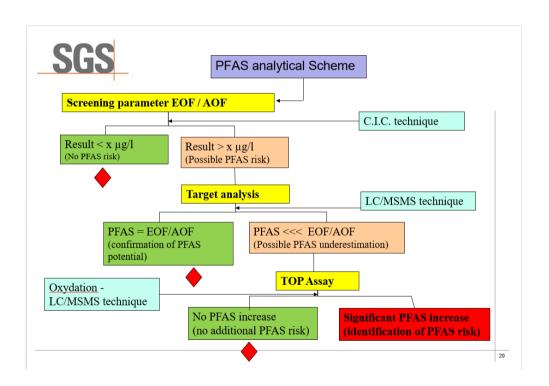
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- High increases => typical for « recent » pollutions
- Low increases => typical for « historical » pollutions

Could also depend on the applied target list.

Method: impact

Reduction of false negatives

- Potential reduction of number of analysis
 - Saves time
 - Saves money

Further steps

- In water: AOF: 2 μg/I
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Further steps

- In water: AOF: 2 μg/I
- In soil: EOF: 200μg/kg => 40μg/kg
- Top Assay in soil
 - Work in progress
 - Extract PFAS from soil
 - With water
 - With organic solvent (methanol)



















Thank you





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