

# The application and behaviour of nZVI during the treatment of chlorinated hydrocarbons in the field test at Spolchemie site



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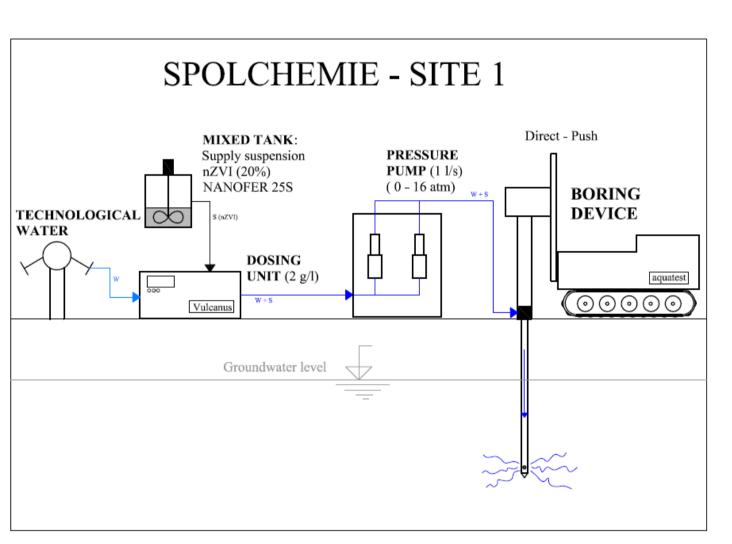
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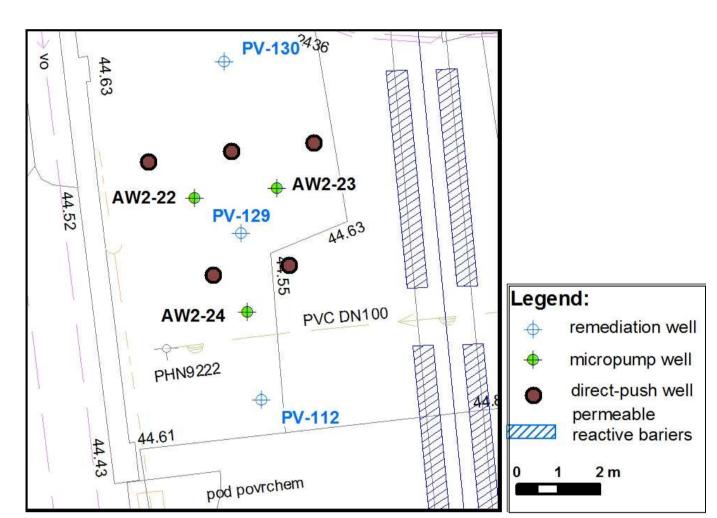
#### NANOFER 25S (9 months monitoring)

#### Introduction

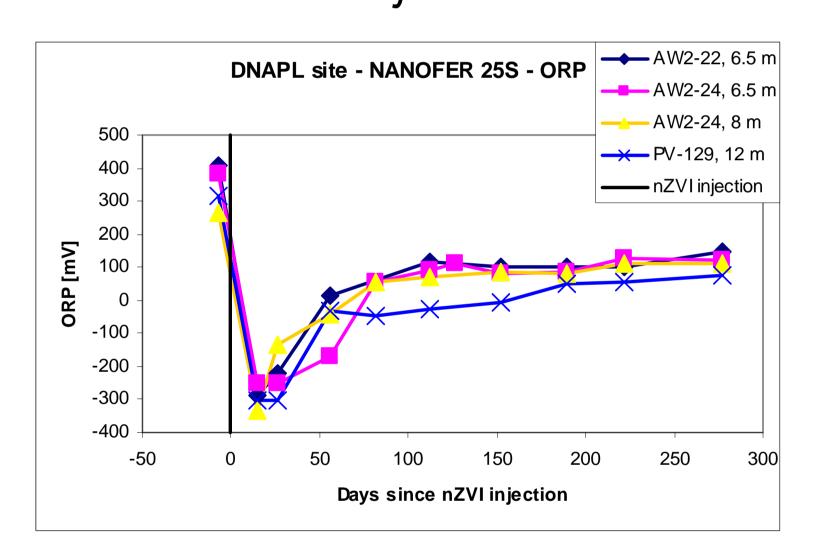
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- Application of 200 kg of NANOFER 25S (axilate stabilization) took place in Spolchemie DNAPL NanoRem site, Czech republic. Site is situated in Ustí nad Labem, geologically in heterogeneous quarternary terrace of the river Bílina with hydraulic conductivity **K= 1×10–5 m/s.**
- Concentration of injected suspension was 2.2 g/l (0.22 %), total injected volume was approximately 91 m³. Continual direct-push (DP) application to 5 DP-probes (injection horizon 5 to 10.5 m bgl) took 190 hours.
- Monitoring system contains 3 remediation wells (120 mm diameter) and 3 micropump wells (each equipped in 5, 6.5, 8, 9.5 and 11 m bgl).
- Monitoring of groundwater (GW) includes GWL measurment, physicochemical parameters measurment and following laboratory analysis: Chlorinated solvents, metabolites of the their reduction and selected anorganic parameters.





# Results – nZVI injection



- ✓ short-term decrease of ORP per 700 mV (+400  $\rightarrow$  -300 mV)
- ✓ long-term decrease after 277 days - 300 mV

**DNAPL site - NANOFER 25S - PCE** 

micropump wells

20 000

15 000

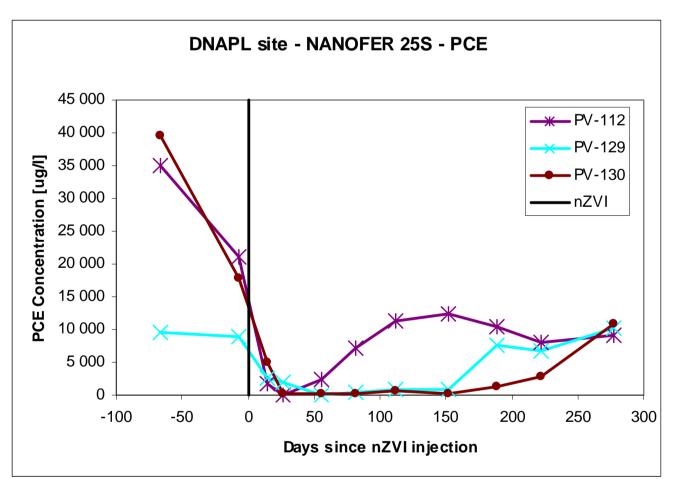
10 000

5 000

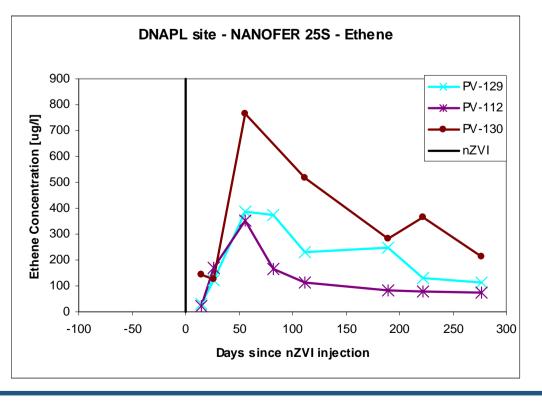
→ AW2-22, 6.5 m

AW2-24, 6.5 m

**→** AW2-24, 8 m



- ✓ short-term reduction 90 %
- ✓ long term-reduction after 222 days **25-85** %
- ✓ Decrease of **PCE** lasted **277** days (9 months)



✓ short-term reduction 60-80 % ✓ long term-reduction <10 %

Days since nZVI injection

- ✓ decrease of **PCE** lasted 100-150 days
- ✓ increase ethene concetration in one order of magnitude ✓ proof present

# CHC degradation

# Conclusions

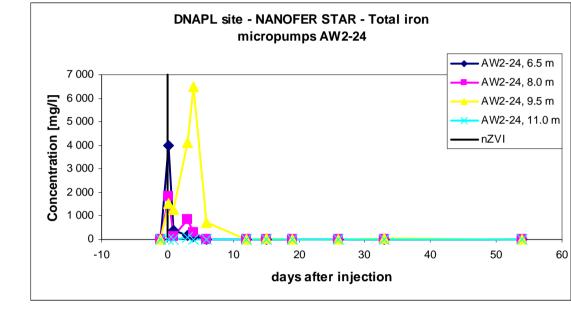
- >nZVI activity lasted more than 277 days (ORP decrease)
- **>Up to 85 % degradation of PCE after 222 days (7 months)**
- ➤ Degradation of PCE confirmed by decrease of its concentration and increase of ethene concentration
- >Micropump system is a very good technology for vertical stratification of contamination and other GW parameters in the aquifer

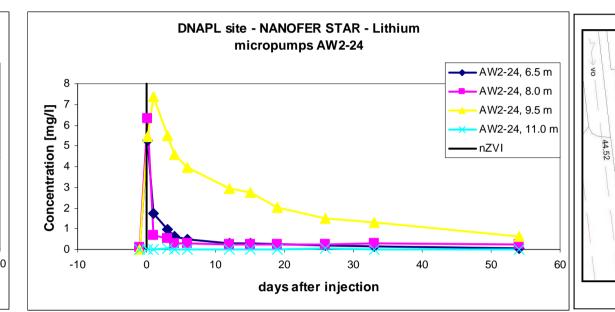
# NANOFER STAR (11 months monitoring)

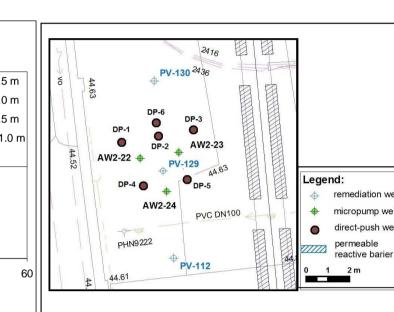
## Introduction

- Application of 300 kg of activated NANOFER STAR (no surface modification) took place in Spolchemie DNAPL NanoRem site, Czech republic. Site is situated in Ustí nad Labem, geologically in heterogeneous quarternary terrace of the river Bílina with hydraulic conductivity **K= 1×10–5 m/s.**
- Concentration of injected suspension was 5 g/l (0.5 %), total injected volume was 60 m³. Direct-push (DP) application to 6 DP-probes (injection horizon 6.5 to 10 m bgl) took 3.5 days. 1 kg of LiCl was injected as a tracer.
- Monitoring system contains 3 remediation wells (120 mm diameter) and 3 micropump wells (each equipped in 6.5, 8, 9.5 and 11 m bgl).
- Monitoring of groundwater (GW) includes GWL measurment, physicochemical parameters measurment and following laboratory analysis: Chlorinated solvents, metabolites of the their reduction and selected anorganic parameters.

#### Results – tracer test

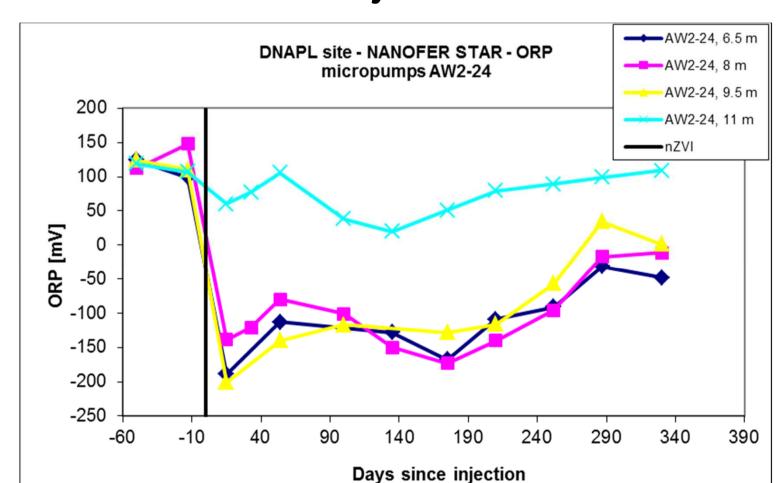




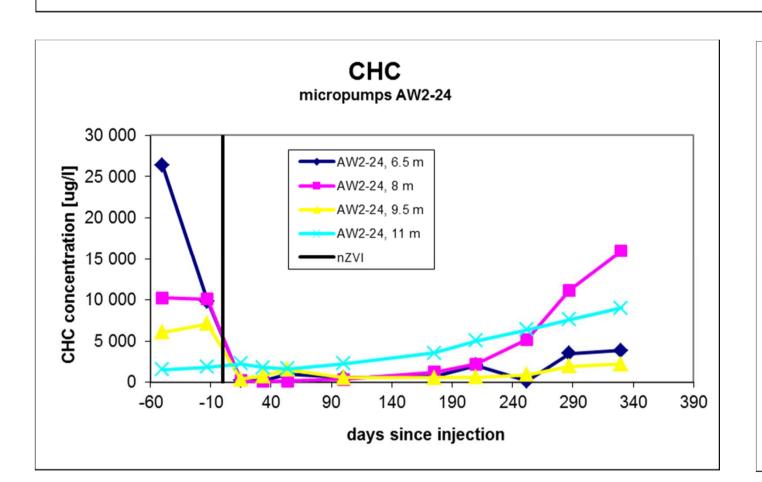


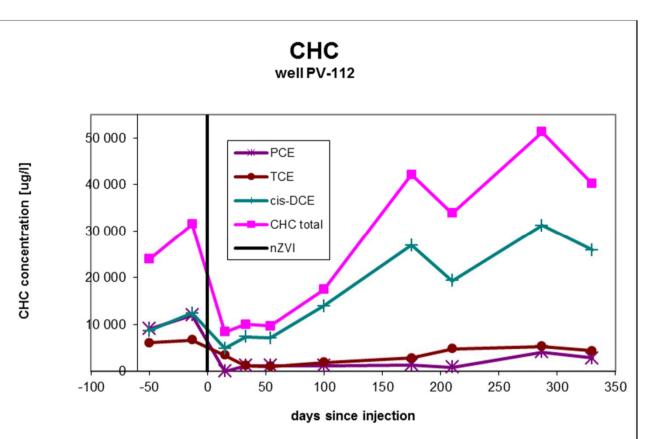
- ✓ horizon 6.5 to 10 m bgl was fully saturated by NPs (total iron up to 4 g/l)
- ✓ injected liquid was fully replaced by groundwater 15-33 days after injection (lithium concentrations were back at the background level)

### Results – nZVI injection

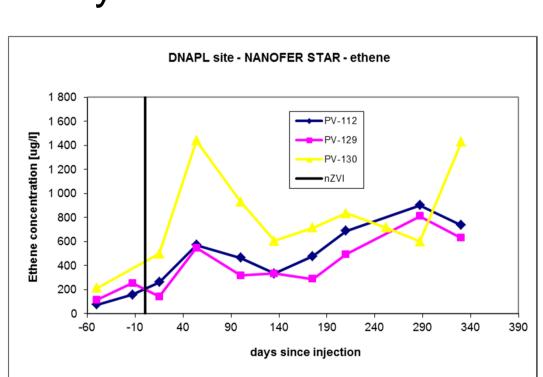


- √ immediate decrease of ORP per 350 mV (+130  $\rightarrow$  -220 mV) in the injection horizon
- √ decrease of ORP most contaminated horizons lasted 252 days





- ✓ dillution effect first 15-33 days only, no rebounding effect
- ✓ CHC reduction 90 %
- ✓ reduction lasted 252 days and partially continues until now



- ✓ dillution+reduction first 54 days
- √ 50 % reduction of PCE and TCE 330 days after the injection
- ✓ increase of degradation products as 1,2-cis-DCE
- ✓ significant increase of ethene concetration (7 times higher than before injection)
- CHC ✓ proof present degradation to non-toxic products

# Conclusions

- ➤Importance of tracer test soil was well saturated by NANOFER STAR, information how fast is the injected liquid replaced by contaminated groundwater
- ➤ Up to 90 % degradation of CHC after 330 days (11 months, micropumps)
- ➤50 % degradation of PCE and TCE and increase of 1,2-cis-DCE as a
- degradation product (wells PV-XXX, 330 days after injection)
- ➤Increase of ethene concentration proves full degradation of CHC to final product

