

## The potential of biological ponds in the removal of micropollutants from municipal wastewater





> General aspects

> Biological pond as a tertiary treatment step

> An example of wastewater reuse: a system of ponds in Vodňany, Czech Republic

> Ecological risk assessment of micropollutants

Conclusions and discussion



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**Pollution** 

**Wastewater treatment** 

**Water scarcity** 

Wastewater reuse

Wastewater Wastewater **Pollution Water scarcity** treatment reuse



Nutrients

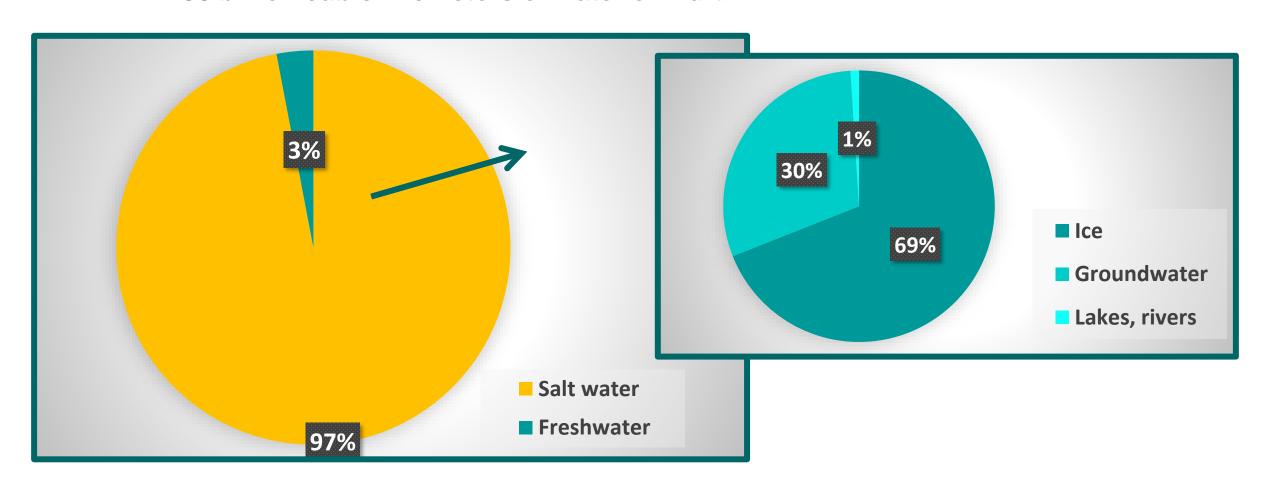
Viruses, bacteria

#### Pollutants

- Heavy metals
- Pesticides/herbicides
- Hormones
- CECs pharmaceuticals, personal care products, food additives

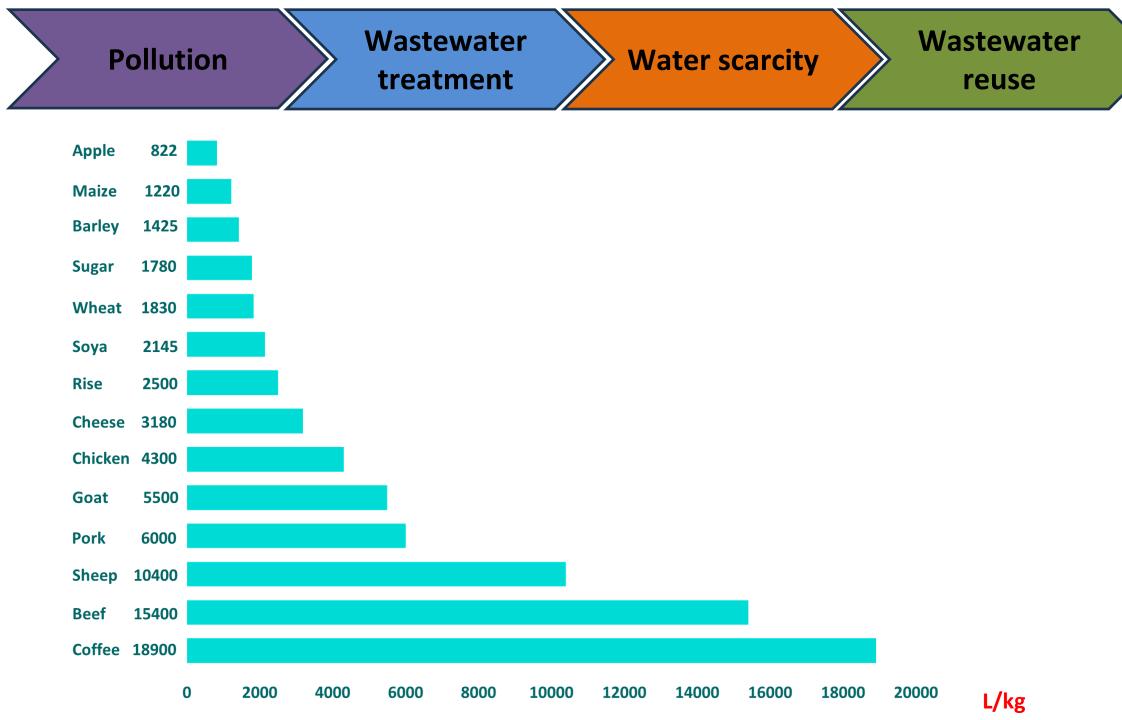


#### 1.36 billion cubic kilometers of water on Earth



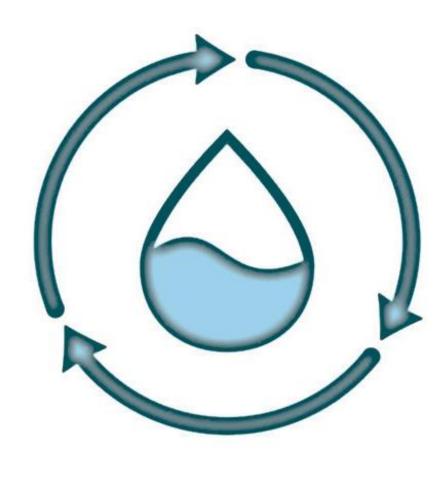
How many liters of water do we use every day?

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WASTEWATER





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### **Wastewater treatment plant**

- Average discharge 2151 m³/day
- 7000 inhabitants
- Mechanical filtration
- Sedimentation
- Activated sludge treatment

- Fate of a wide range of pharmaceuticals
- Risk assessment using probabilistic approach
- Bioaccumulation of pharmaceuticals by fish

ter Effluent Aquaculture pond

Influent

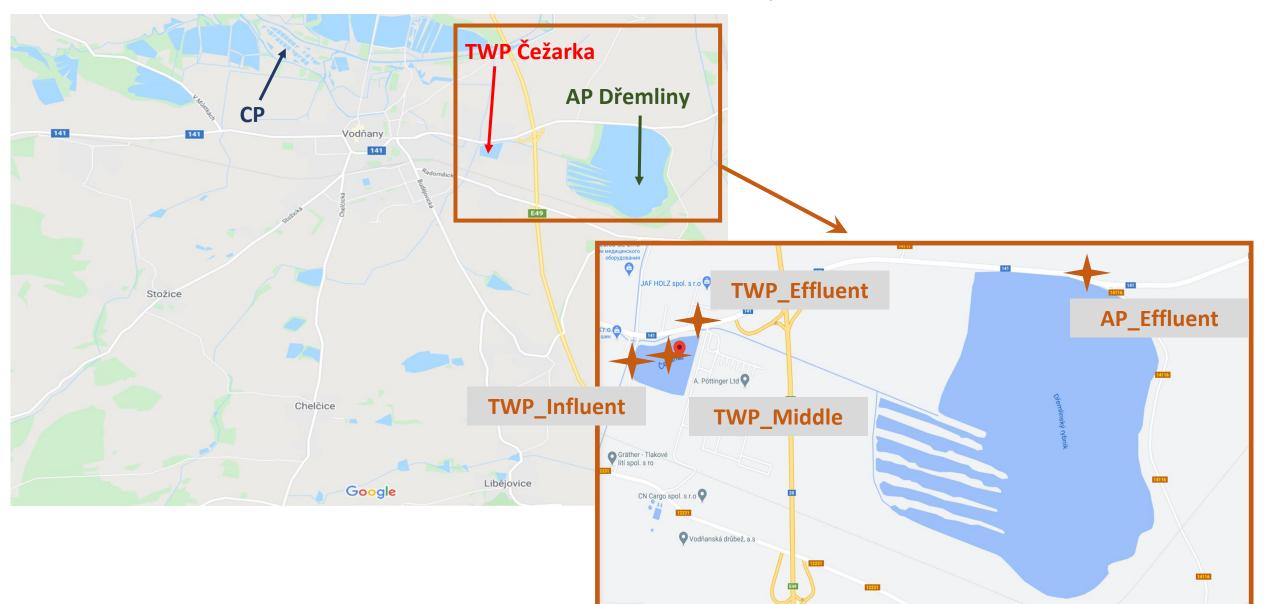
2.6 ha

Treated wastewater pond

**75** ha

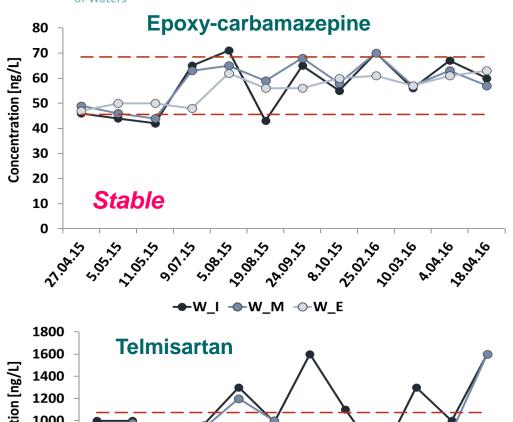


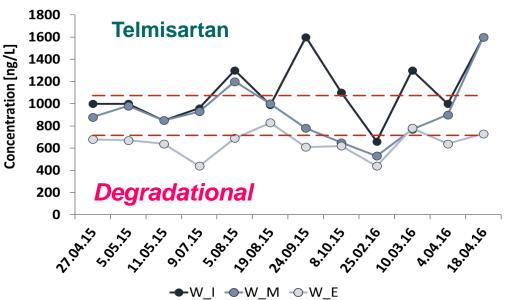


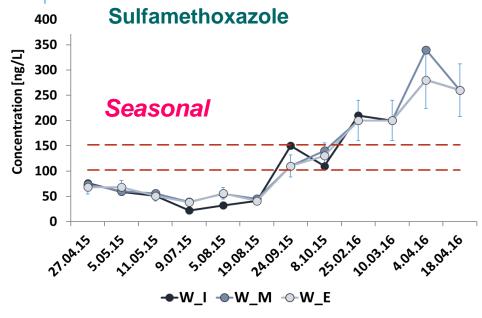


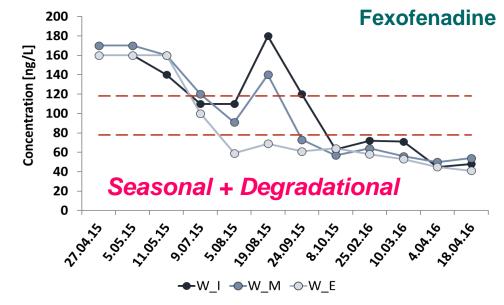












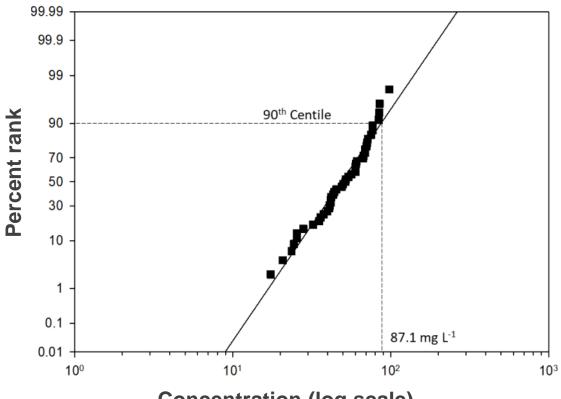




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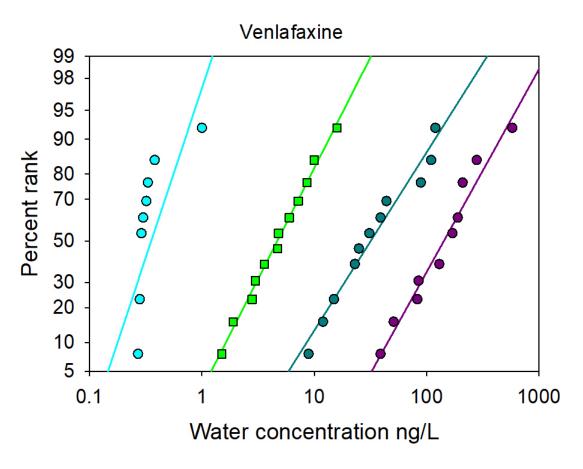


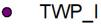
**Concentration (log scale)** 





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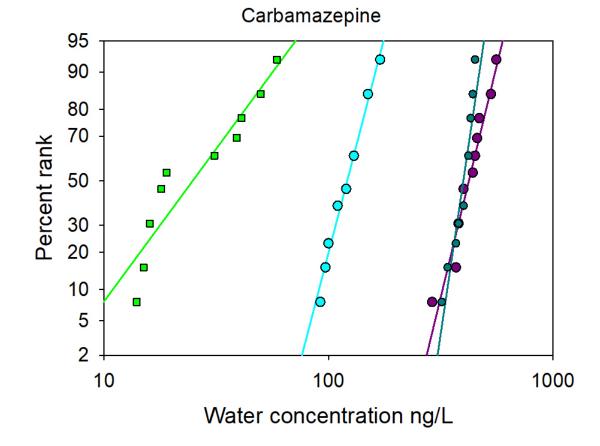




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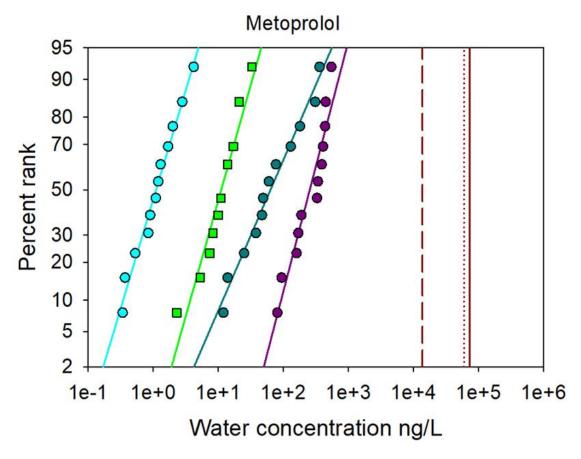
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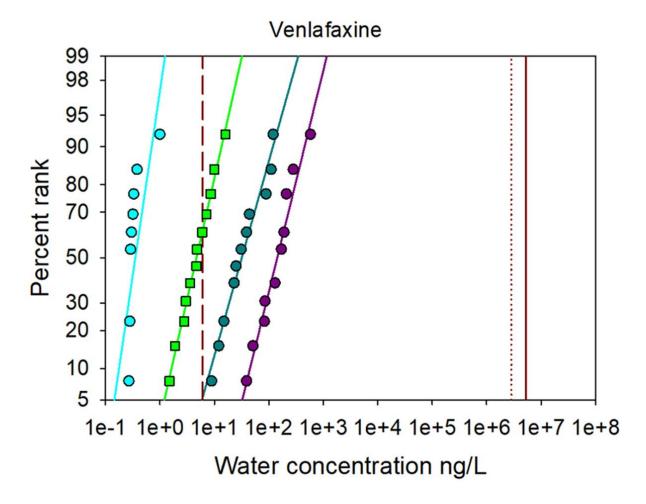
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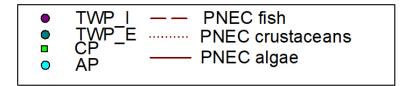






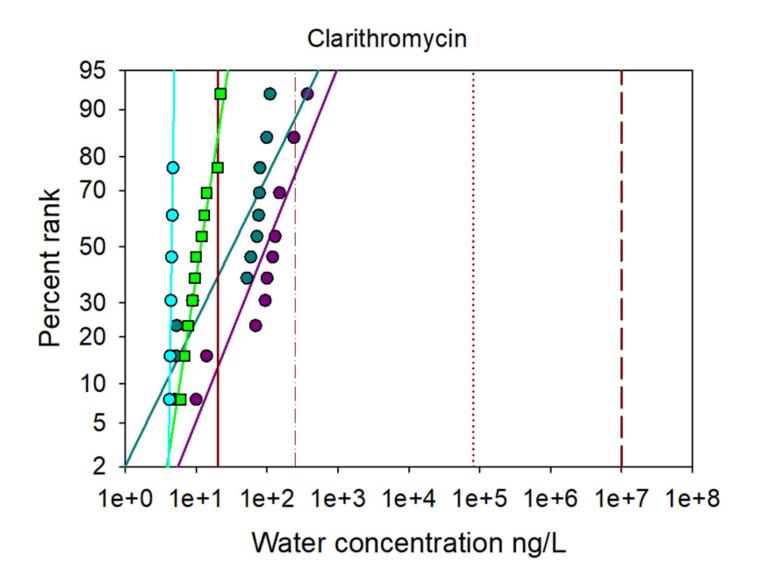


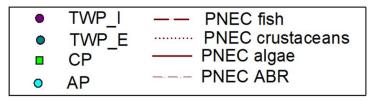












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**Wastewater treatment plant** 



**TWP** influent

**TWP** effluent

**AP** 

**Treated wastewater** pond



**Aquaculture pond** 

**Conclusions** 





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