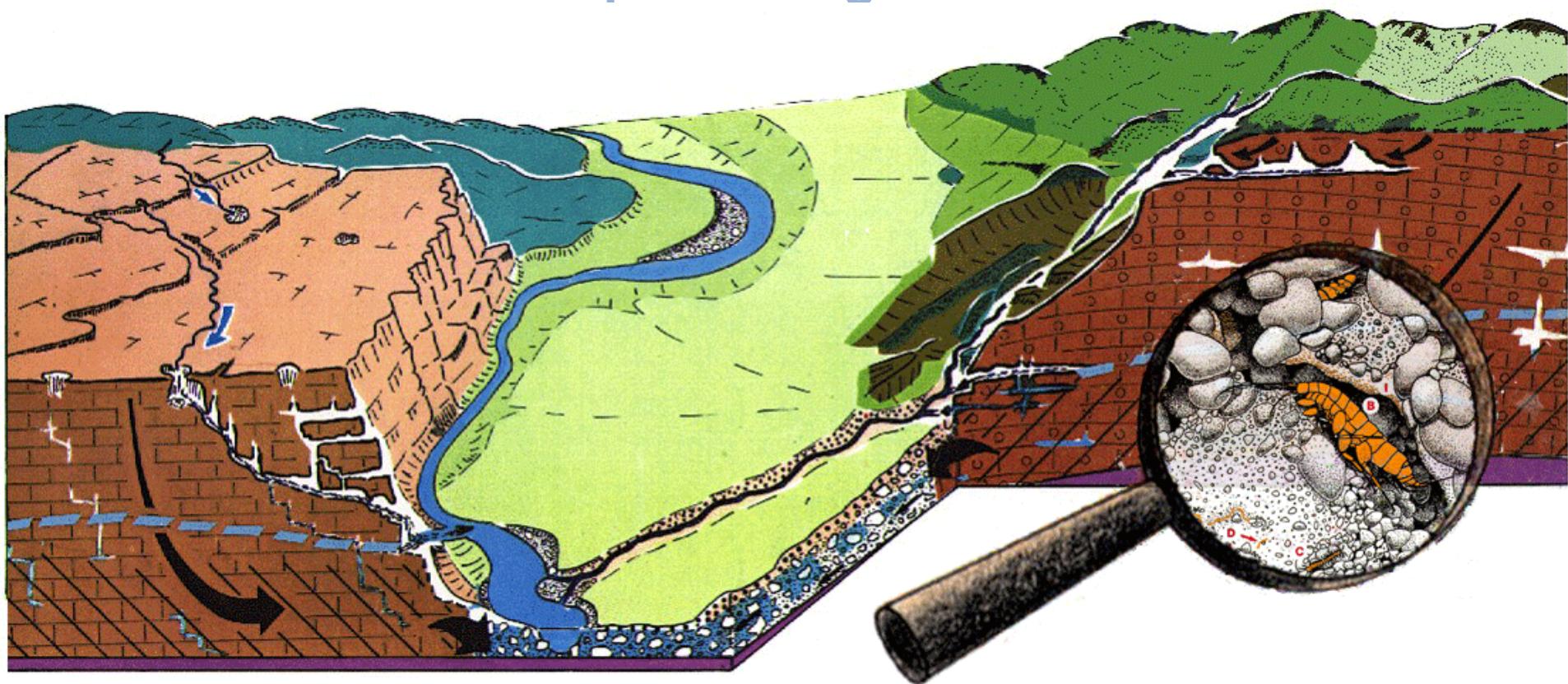


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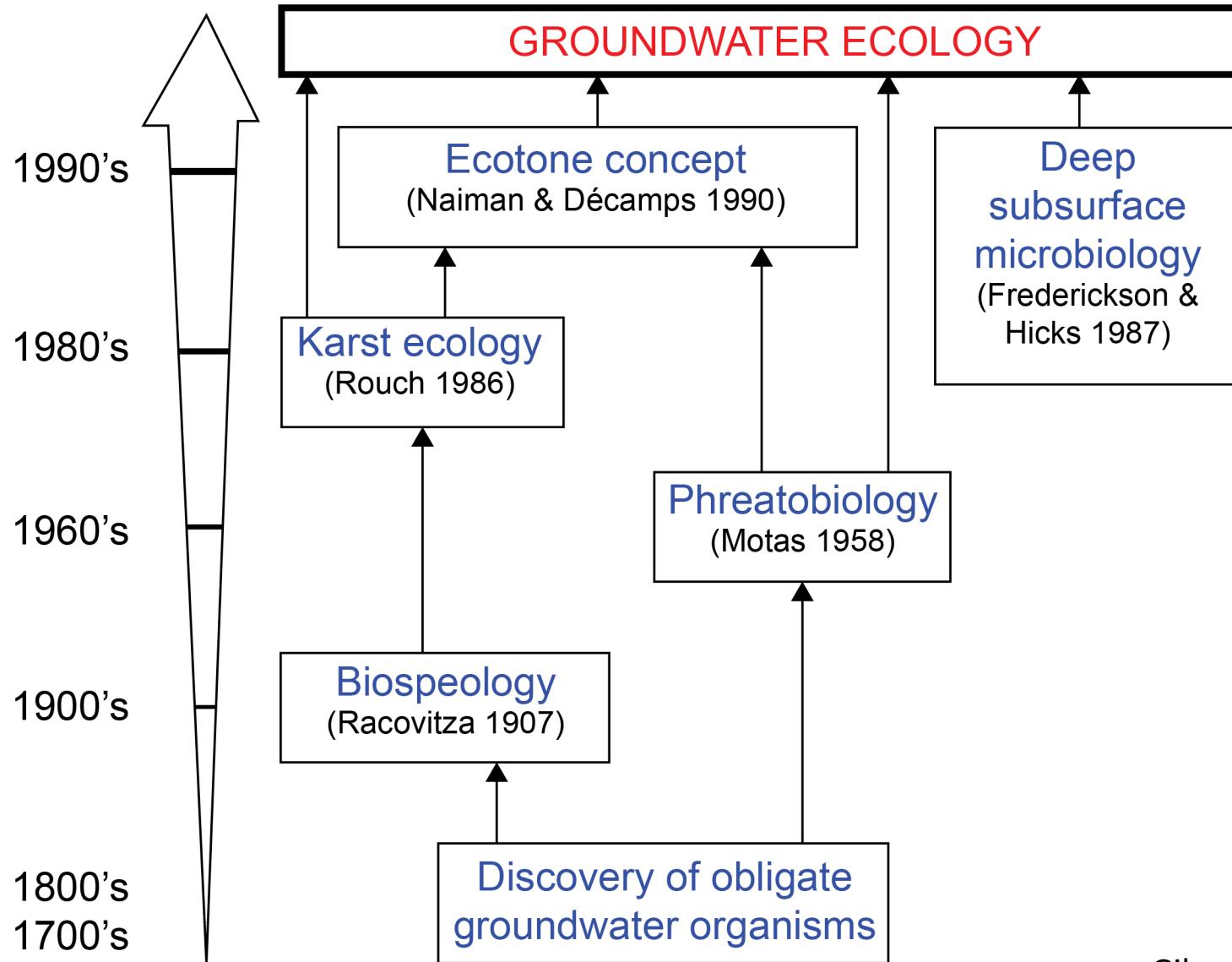
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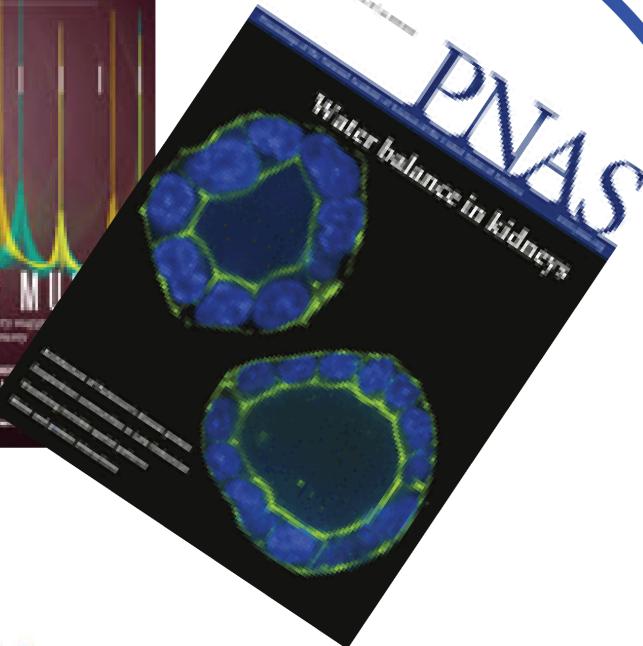
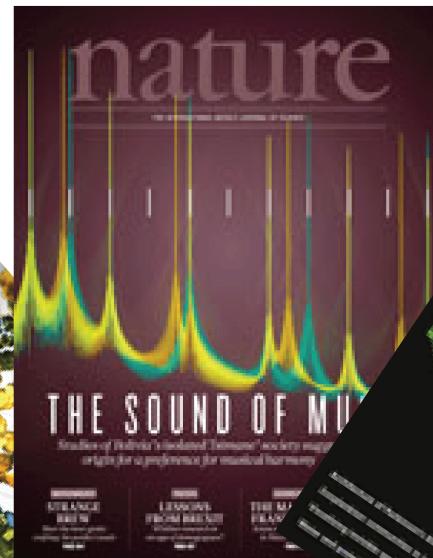
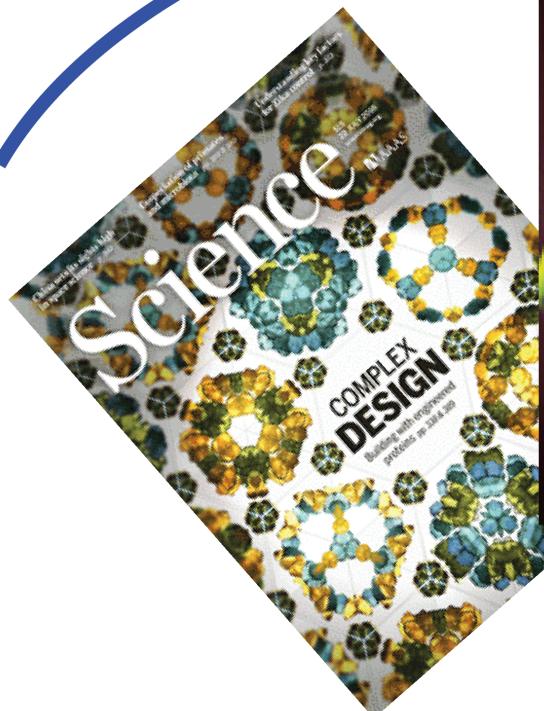
# Groundwater ecology as a mature research field

Distribution, evolution and functional role of biodiversity



# Implementing scientific knowledge in groundwater ecology

MAKING SCIENCE



IMPLEMENTING SCIENCE



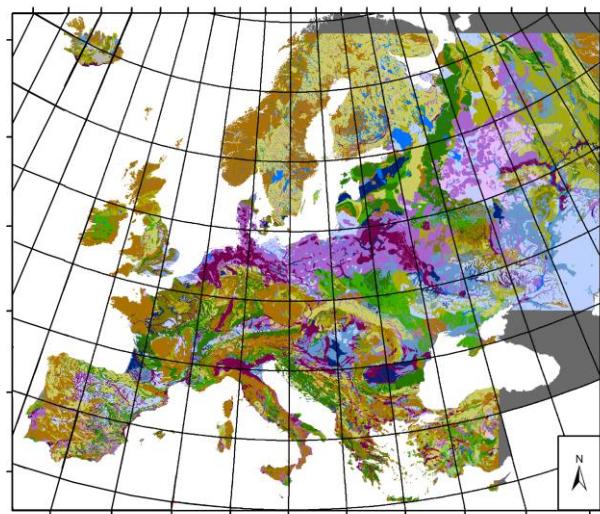
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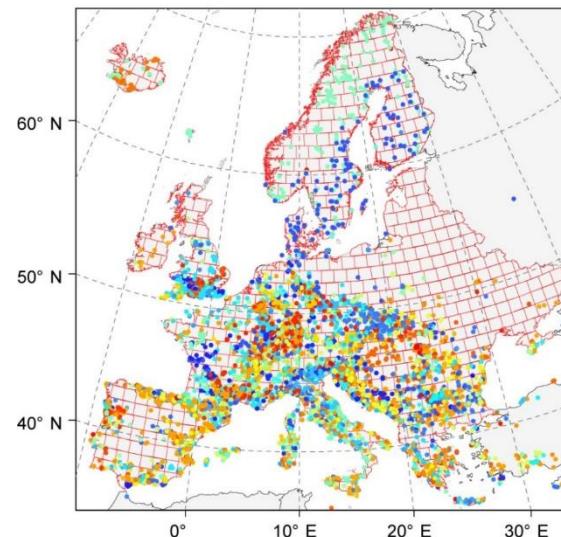
# Meeting the needs of policy makers at national to continental scale

The groundwater habitat map of Europe (GHME)



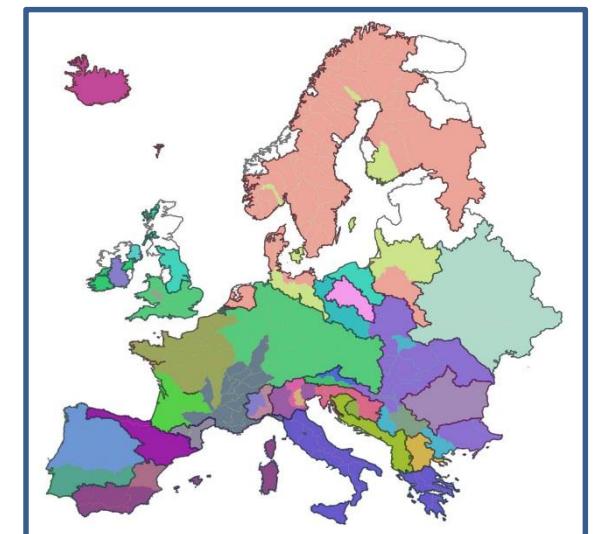
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The European groundwater crustacean dataset (EGCD)



2014-2015

The groundwater bioregional map of Europe (GBME)



2015-2016

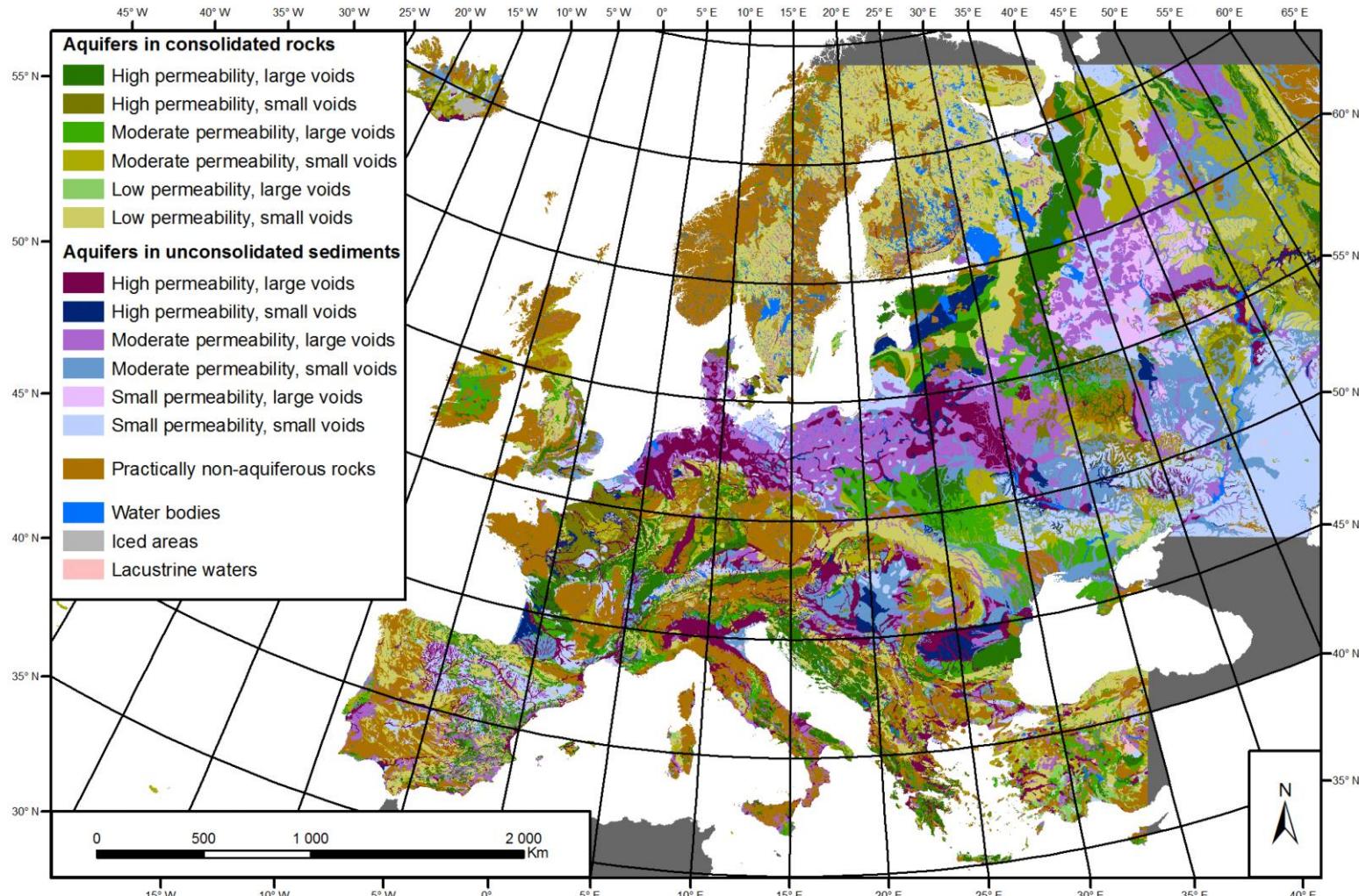


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Hydrogeology Journal (Cornu et al. 2013).

2013 Editors' choice

Available on the Global Freshwater Biodiversity Atlas



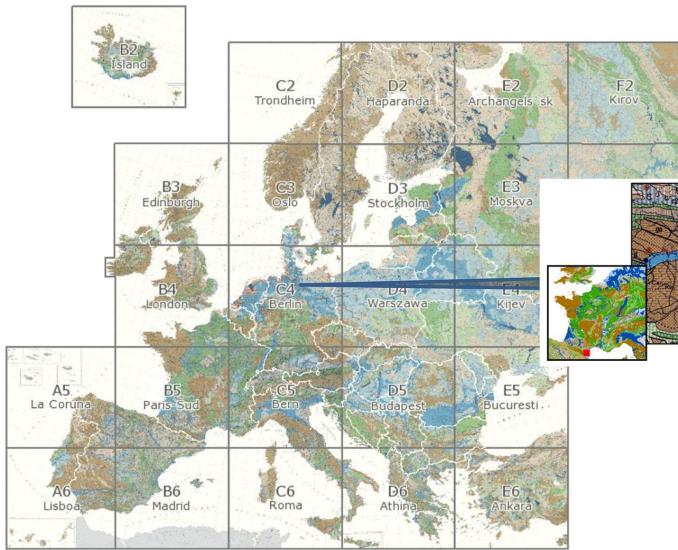
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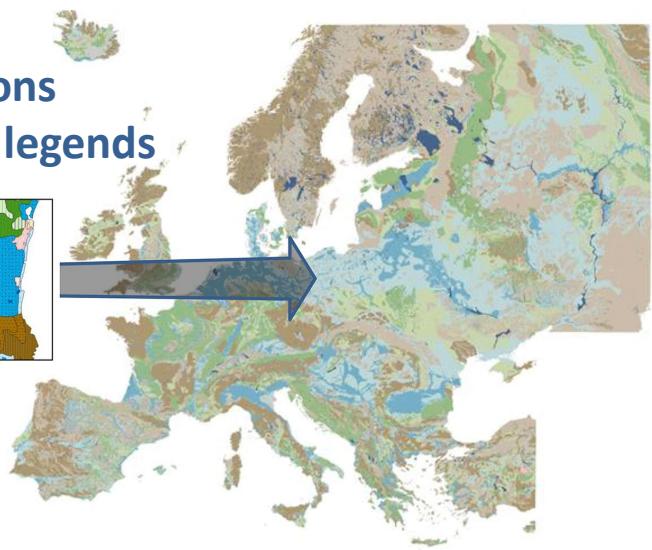
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## Georeferenced IHME

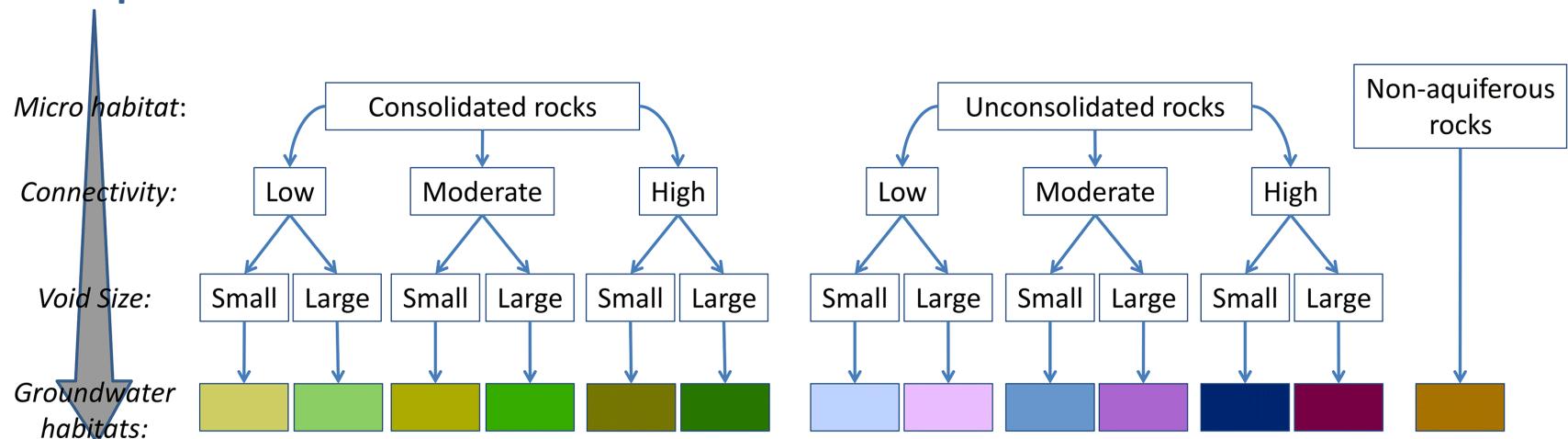


61,275 polygons  
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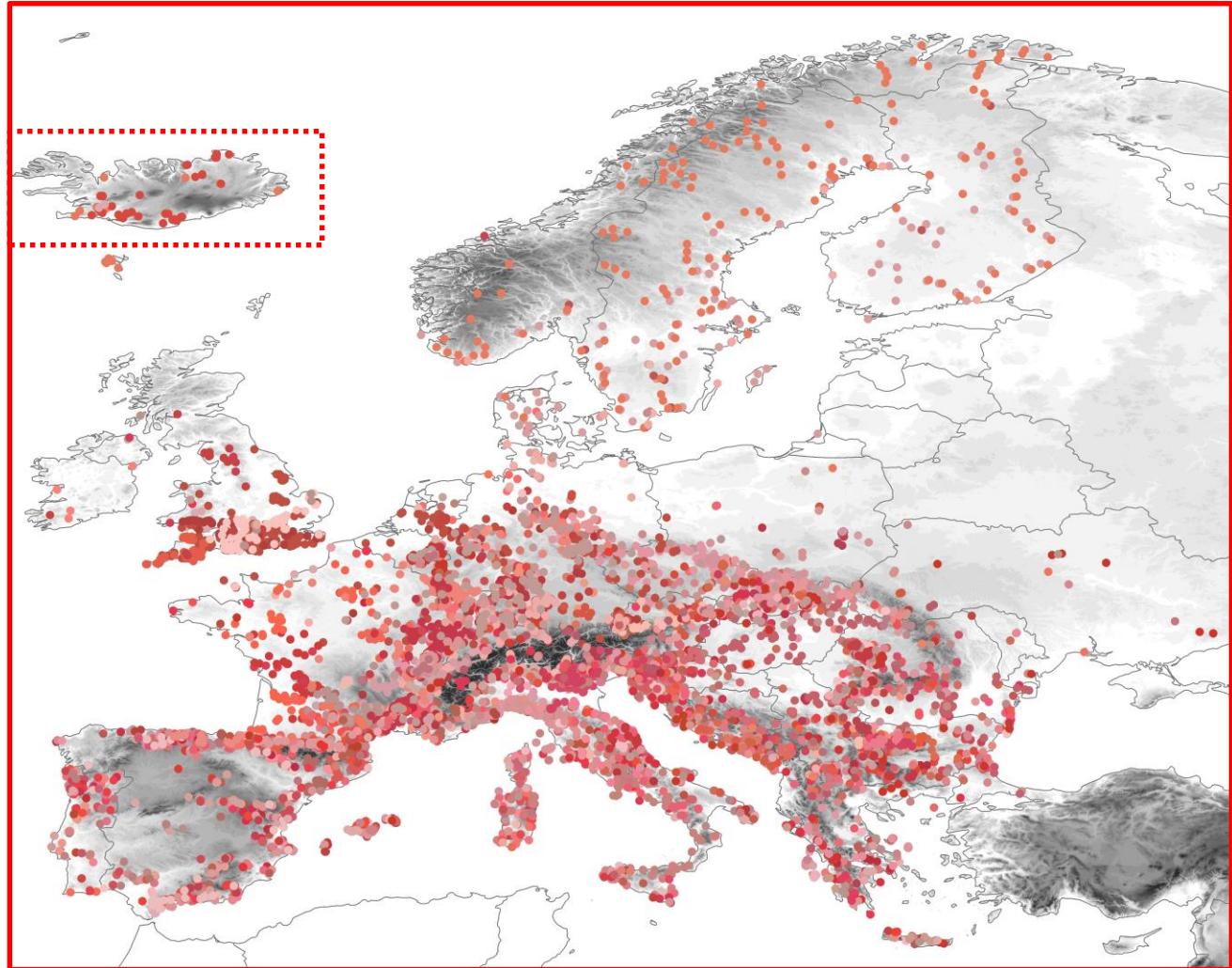
## Vector version of IHME



## From aquifers to habitats



# The European groundwater crustacean data set (EGCD)



21,700 records, 12 orders, 46 families, 165 genera  
and 1570 species of groundwater Crustacea



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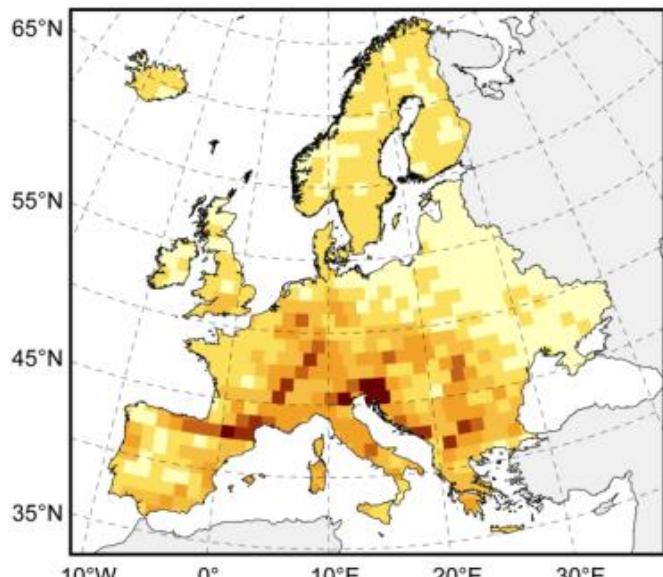


# Patterns and drivers of groundwater biodiversity in Europe

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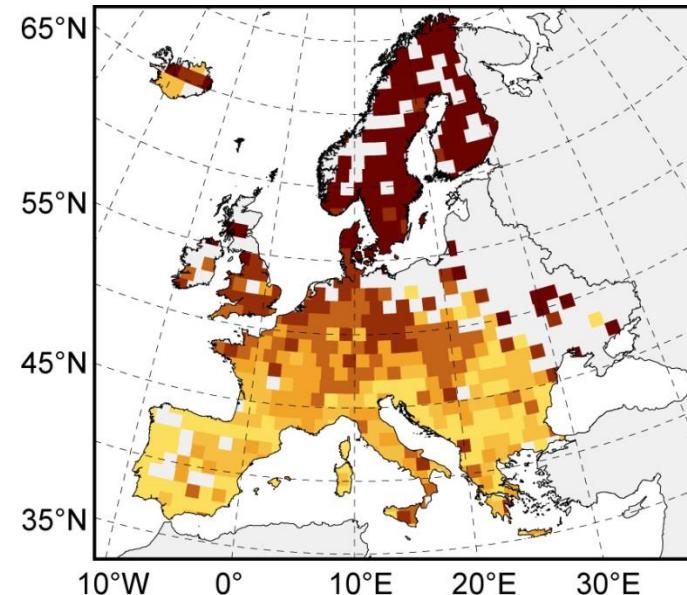
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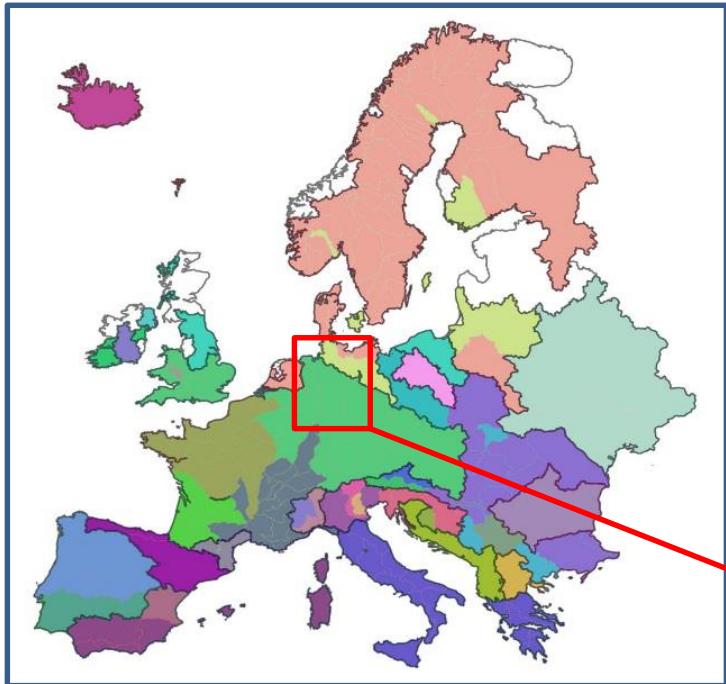
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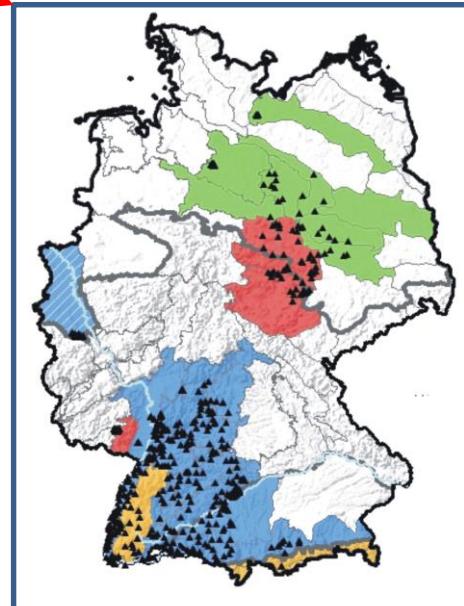
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Fuzzy statistics applied to EGCD\*

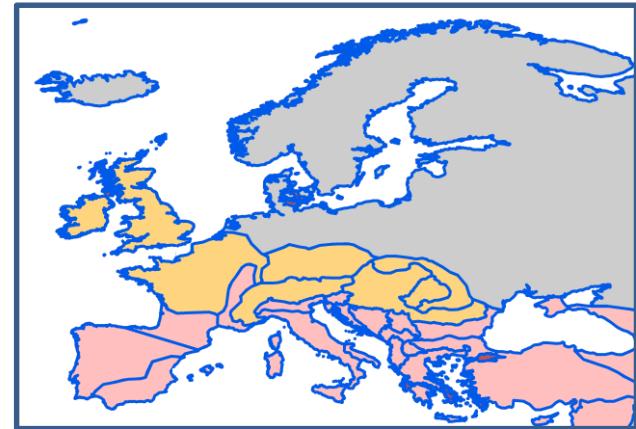


Stoch *et al.* (in progress)

MDS



Expert knowledge



Stygofauna Mundi  
(Botosaneanu, 1986)



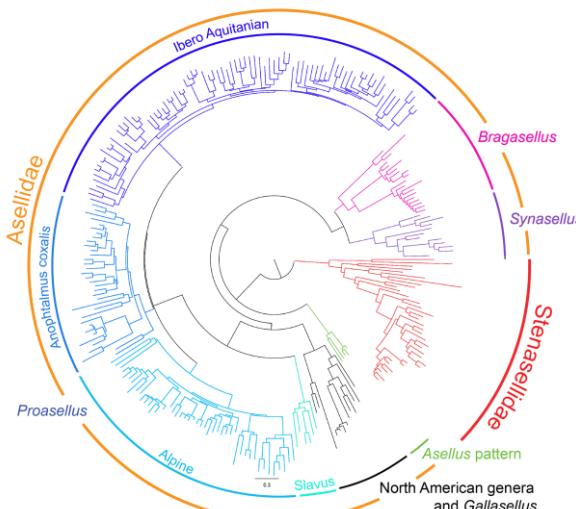
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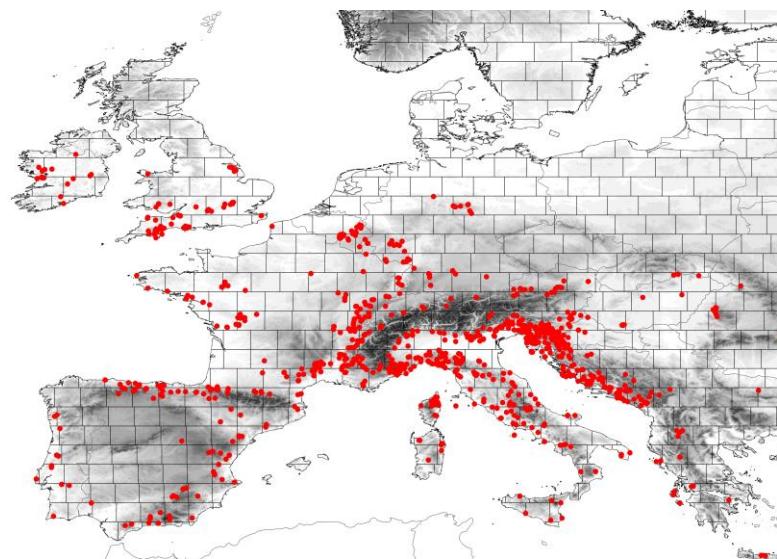
# The next generation of biodiversity data bases and maps



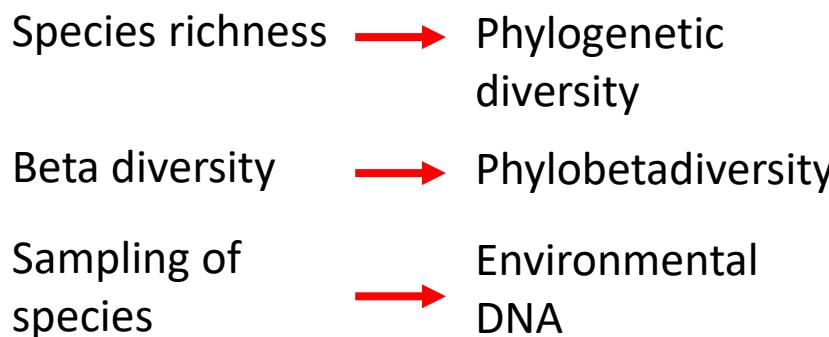
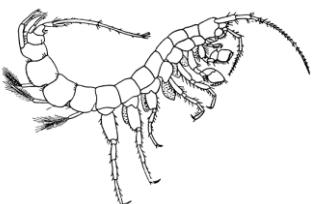
Large molecular phylogenies



DNA sequences from > 1000 sites



Morphology-based approaches



DNA-based approaches



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# Take home messages

- Mature research field of limnology



« We know so few »



« Data are not available in a ready-to-use format »



- Little constraints for integrating groundwater ecology into national and EU policies

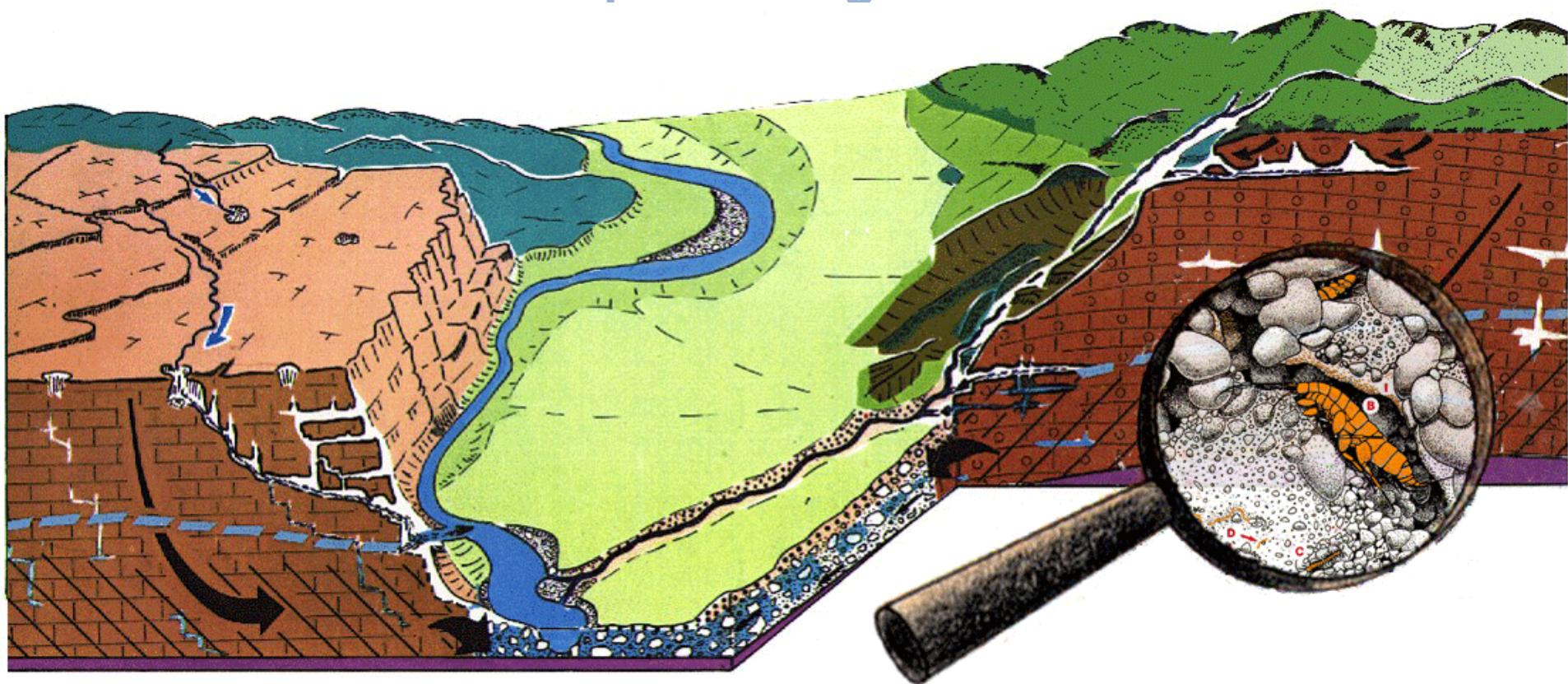


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