

# Seepage water. A new resource?

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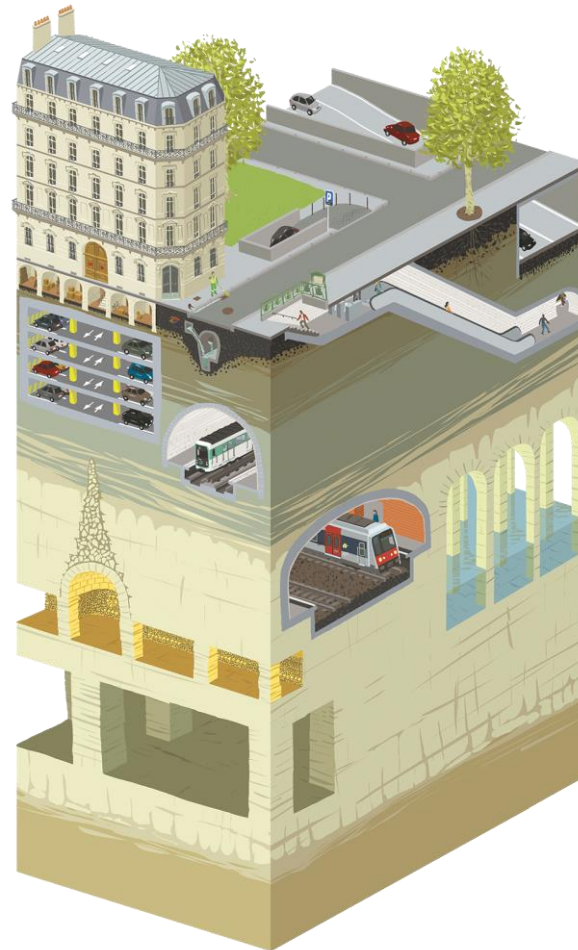
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# 1 Background

# Paris underground

The presence of **rivers**, combined with precipitation and permeable underground has as consequence that numerous underground infrastructures like **subway**, **train**, **parking** or basements of modern building are submerged in ground water and have to deal with seepage water (infiltration)



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# Discharge or reuse ?

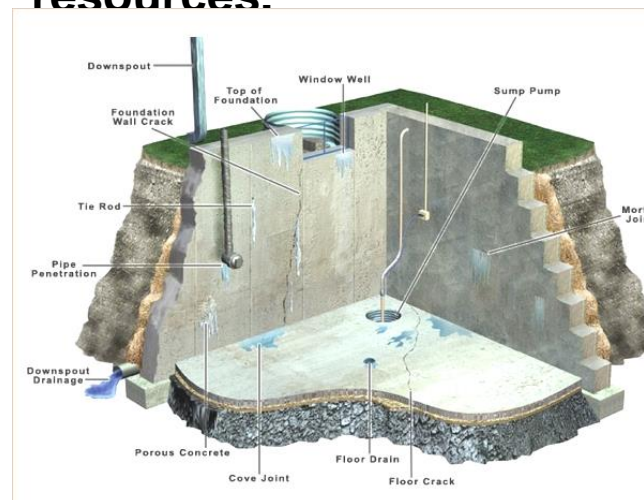
Paris is pumping about 20 000 m<sup>3</sup>/d to keep its underground infrastructure dry. This water is discarded principally into the combined sewers of the city and charged for collection and treatment.

Sewers discharge => treatment taxes -> municipality of Paris

Rivers Seine discharge => environmental taxes -> Water agencies

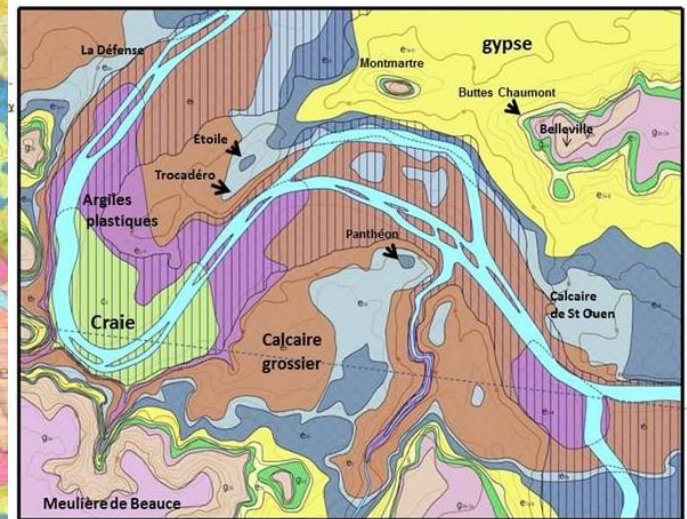
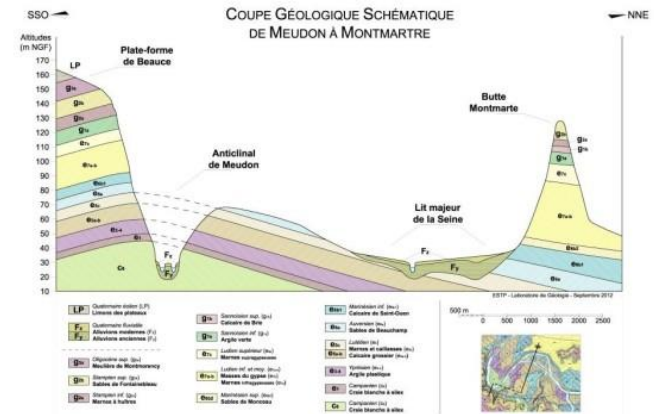
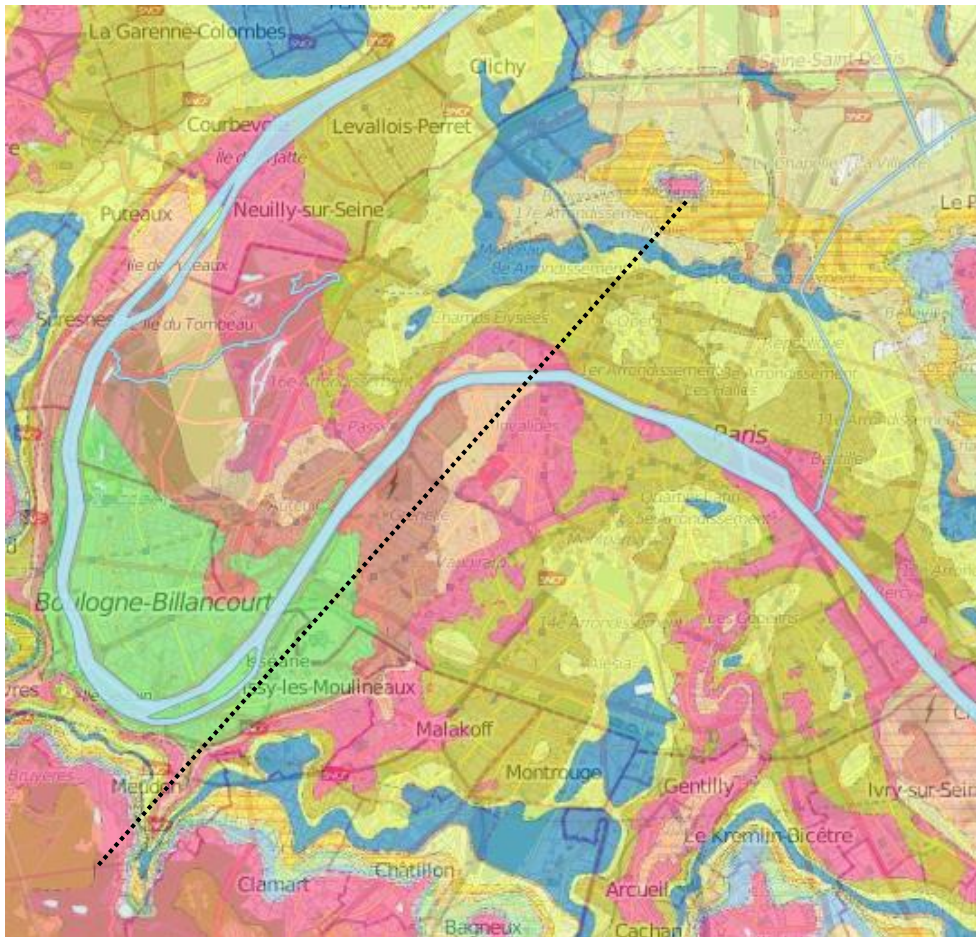
Paris is also using a huge amount of river water (200 000 m<sup>3</sup>/d) for urban uses like sewer flushing, street cleaning and watering.

**The seepage water could potentially be used for these city needs preserving natural water resources.**





# Hydrogeology



# 2 Approach

# Data collection

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- Waste water collection and treatment :  
volumes and basic quality data  
“Municipality of Paris”
- Public parking service delegation:  
volumes and basic quality data  
Saemens, Vinci, Indigo ...
- Sampling campaigns within  
public parkings

**Seepage water.  
Resource?**

**=>**

**Quantity  
Quality  
Use**

# Sampling and analysis

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- Collection at the underground inlet
- Analysis of
  - Physico-chemistry (on site)
  - Majors elements,
  - Heavy metal (selection)
  - Basic microbiology
  - Organic carbon
  - 3D fluorescence

Within Laboratory of the public drinking water company Eau de Paris (**AFNOR/ ISO**) and University laboratory (Stand. Water Methods APHA/ AWWA)



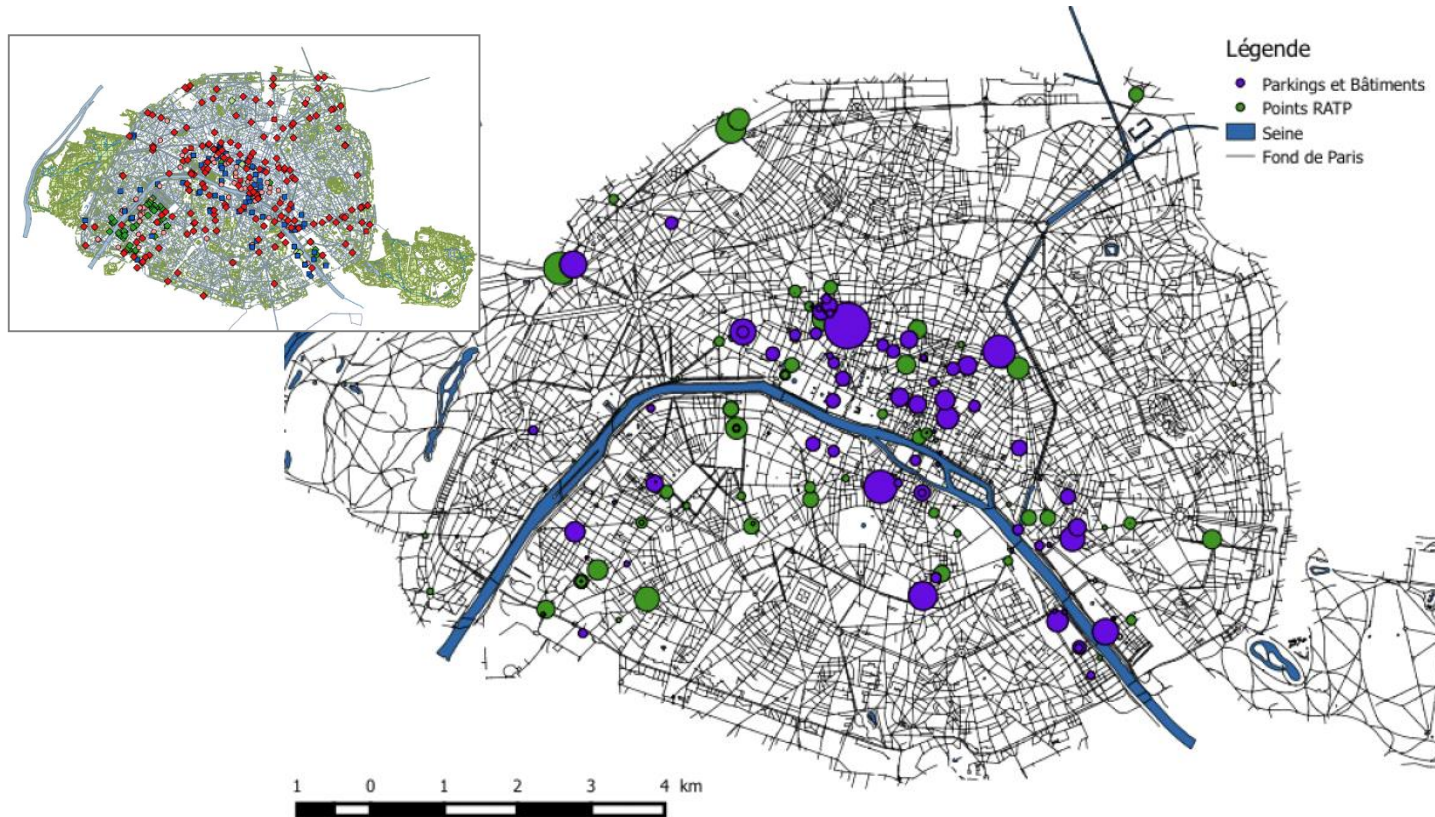
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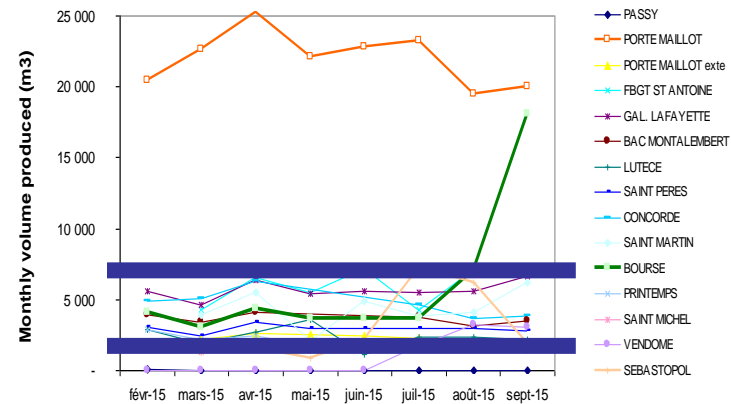
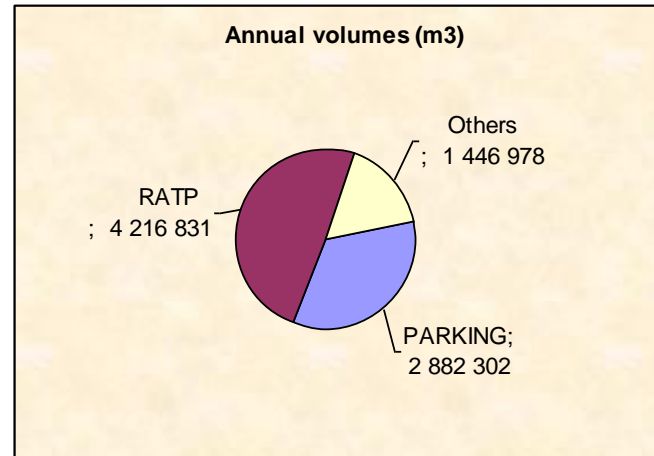
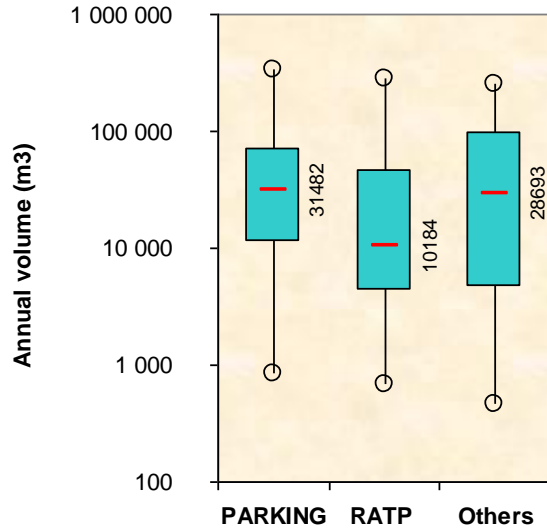
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# Results and discussion

# Where and how much is produced

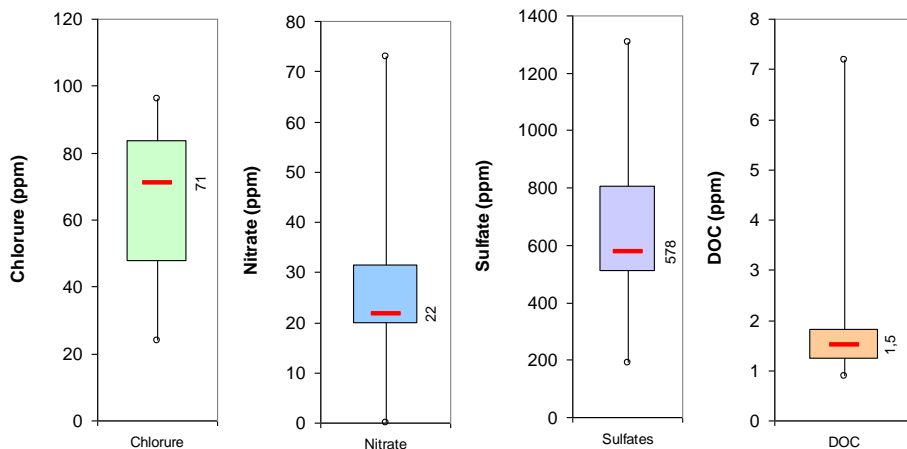


# Volumes



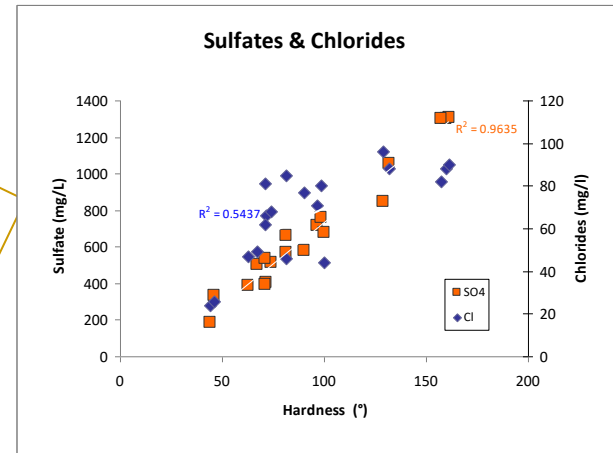
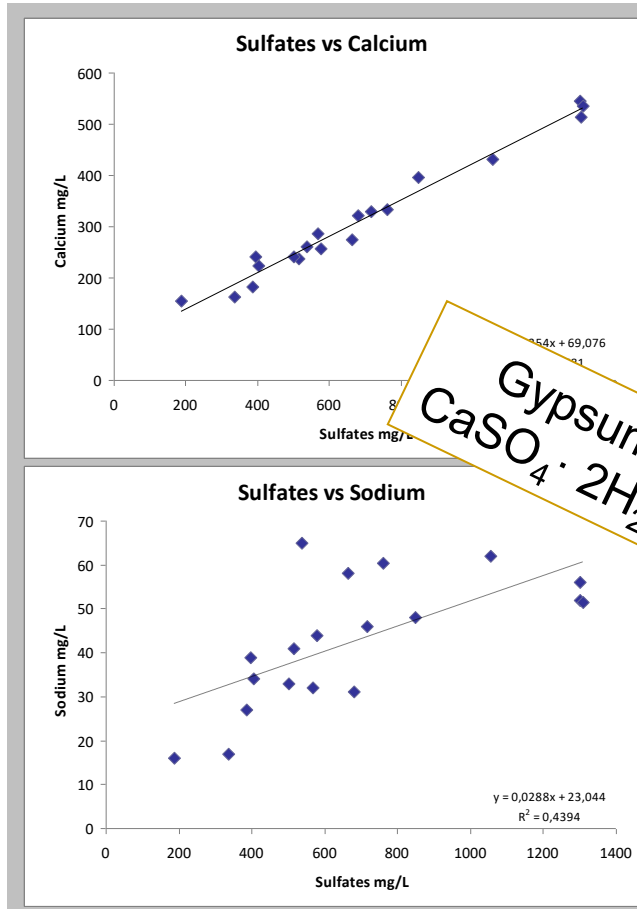


# Quality



| Parameter    |       | Seepage | RENP (2014) | diff   |
|--------------|-------|---------|-------------|--------|
| Temperature  | °C    | 17,0    | 17,8        | -4%    |
| pH           |       | 7,4     | >7,3        |        |
| Conductivity | µS/cm | 1880,7  | 715,0       | 163%   |
| S.S.         | mg/l  | 3,0     | 4,4         | -32%   |
| Hardness     | °f    | 94,5    | 35,4        | 167%   |
| TAC          | °f    | 25,4    | 25,7        | -1%    |
| COD          | mg/l  | 1,8     | 3,3         | -46%   |
| Bore         | µg/l  | 116,2   | 20,0        | 481%   |
| Calcium      | mg/l  | 312,1   | 113,0       | 176%   |
| Magnesium    | mg/l  | 46,7    | 17,3        | 170%   |
| Iron         | mg/l  | 55,3    | 0,3         | 20760% |
| Chloride     | mg/l  | 66,8    | 26          | 157%   |
| Nitrate      | mg/l  | 26,1    | 18,9        | 38%    |
| N-NH4        | mg/l  | 0,3     | <0,10       |        |
| Sodium       | mg/l  | 42,8    | 12,0        | 257%   |
| Sulfates     | mg/l  | 686,5   | 62,2        | 1004%  |
| PO4          | mg/l  | 0,037   | 0,05        | -25%   |
| E.Coli       | MPN   | 0 - 100 | 54          |        |

# Gypsum influence





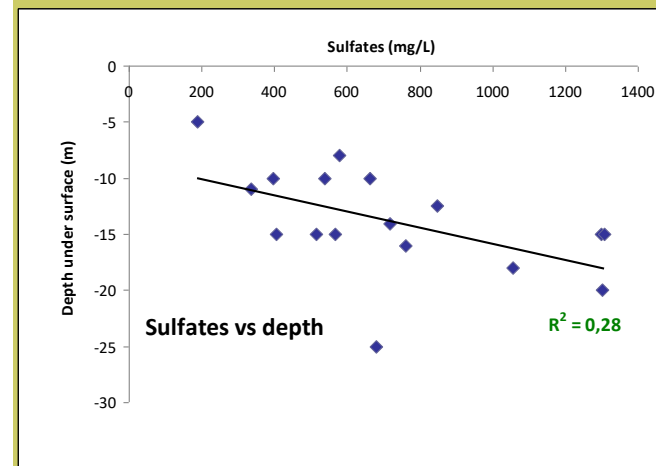
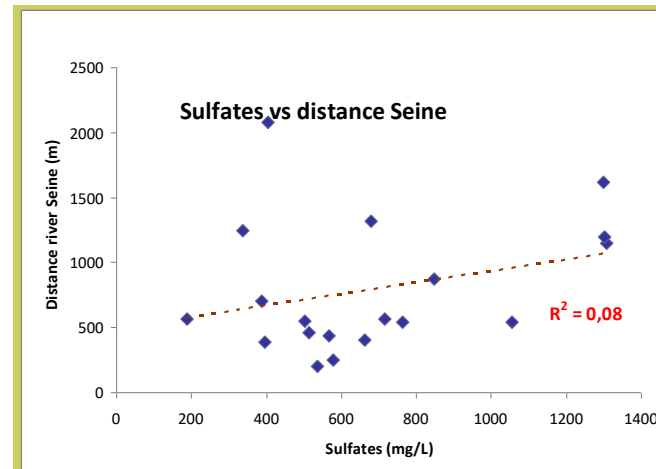
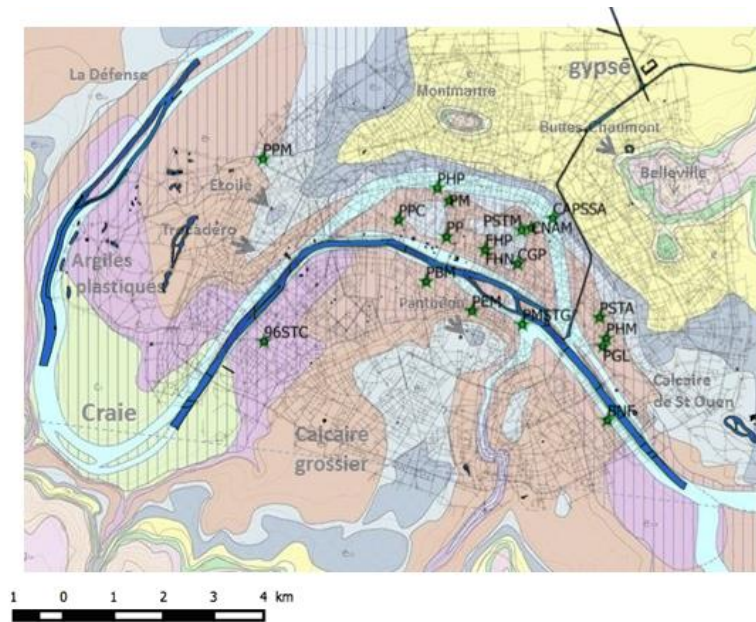
# Correlations

## o Principal component analysis

|              | volume | distance | NGF    | Conductivité | Dureté       | TAC          | COD    | Calcium      | Strontium | Chlorure     | Sodium       |
|--------------|--------|----------|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| volume       | 1      |          |        |              |              |              |        |              |           |              |              |
| distance     | 0,380  | 1        |        |              |              |              |        |              |           |              |              |
| NGF          | -0,255 | -0,423   | 1      |              |              |              |        |              |           |              |              |
| Conductivité | 0,332  | 0,356    | -0,277 | 1            |              |              |        |              |           |              |              |
| Dureté       | 0,411  | 0,330    | -0,283 | <b>0,770</b> | 1            |              |        |              |           |              |              |
| TAC          | -0,150 | 0,008    | -0,026 | -0,316       | 0,187        | 1            |        |              |           |              |              |
| COD          | -0,037 | -0,251   | 0,002  | -0,135       | -0,065       | 0,300        | 1      |              |           |              |              |
| Calcium      | 0,415  | 0,321    | -0,339 | <b>0,786</b> | <b>0,990</b> | 0,110        | -0,049 | 1            |           |              |              |
| Strontium    | -0,144 | -0,236   | 0,222  | 0,090        | 0,335        | <b>0,509</b> | 0,047  | 0,260        | 1         |              |              |
| Chlorure     | 0,256  | -0,013   | -0,012 | <b>0,528</b> | <b>0,738</b> | 0,278        | 0,097  | <b>0,716</b> | 0,266     | 1            |              |
| Sodium       | 0,245  | -0,197   | -0,099 | 0,466        | <b>0,622</b> | 0,079        | 0,109  | <b>0,638</b> | 0,232     | <b>0,908</b> | 1            |
| Sulfates     | 0,460  | 0,297    | -0,316 | <b>0,818</b> | <b>0,982</b> | 0,056        | -0,098 | <b>0,989</b> | 0,292     | <b>0,724</b> | <b>0,663</b> |

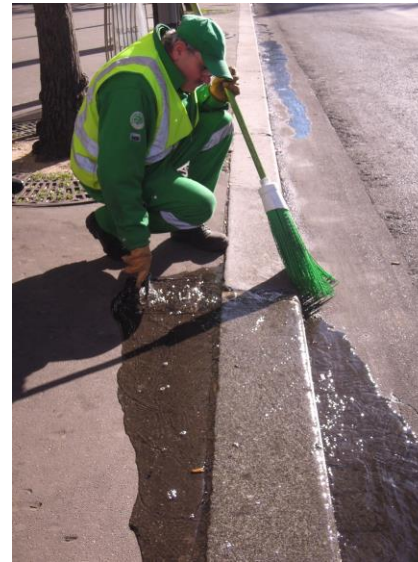
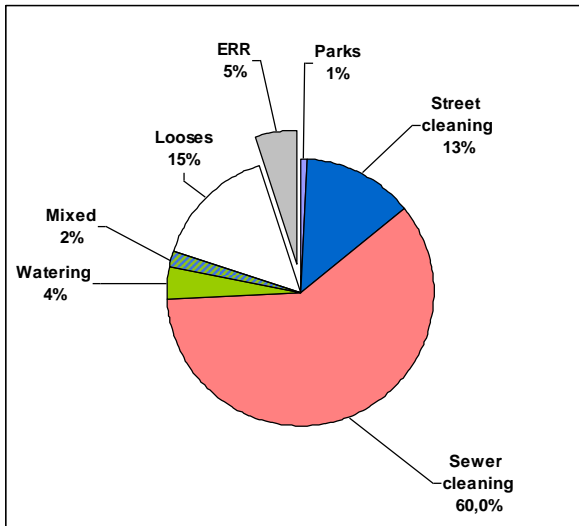
En gras, valeurs significatives (hors diagonale) au seuil  $\alpha=0,050$  (test bilatéral)

# Hydro-geology



# City water usages

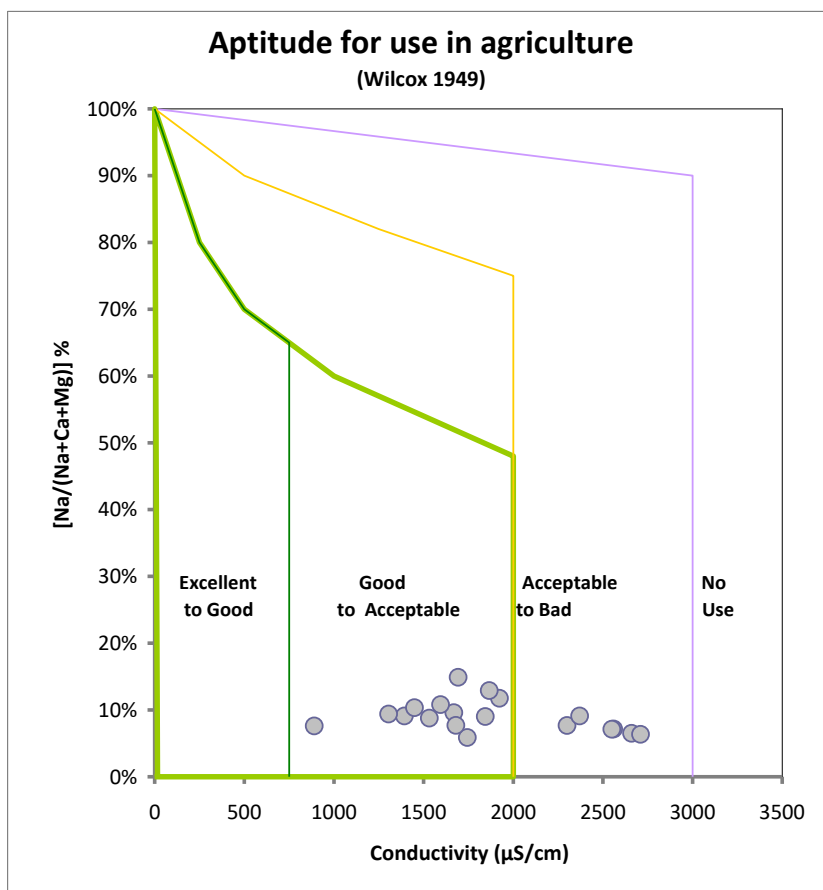
$V = 200\,000\text{ m}^3/\text{day}$   
 $\approx 1\text{ €}/\text{m}^3$



# RENIP water for : watering

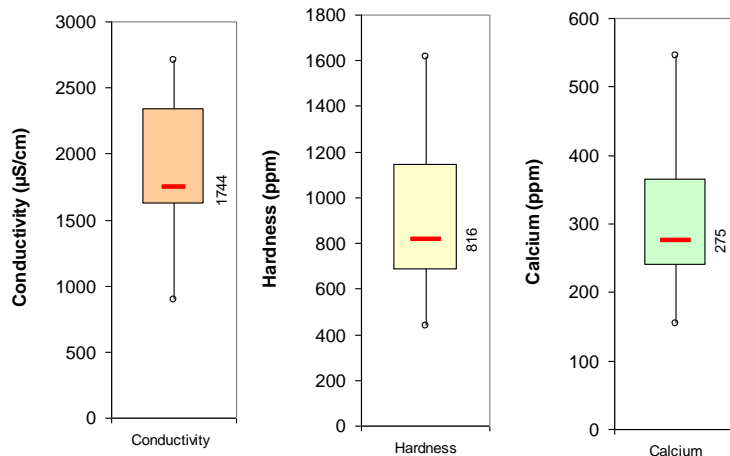
- Bacteria : OK
- Na : OK
- Conductivity : OK - limit
- SO<sub>4</sub> : limit

No limits for unrestricted irrigation with reclaimed water are exceeded (Spain, Portugal, France, WHO). Though the Portuguese norm for irrigation recommends 1000  $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$  and 575 ppm of sulfate



# RENIP water for : transport / cooling

- Sulfates
- Conductivity
- Hardness



## Langelier Saturation Index (LSI)

$$= \text{pH} - [10.0754 + 2.432636 \times e^{-(T/86.89927)} - 0.2006 \times e^{-(0.004624 \times \text{TDS})} - \log(\text{Ca Hardness}) - \log(\text{Total Alkalinity})]$$

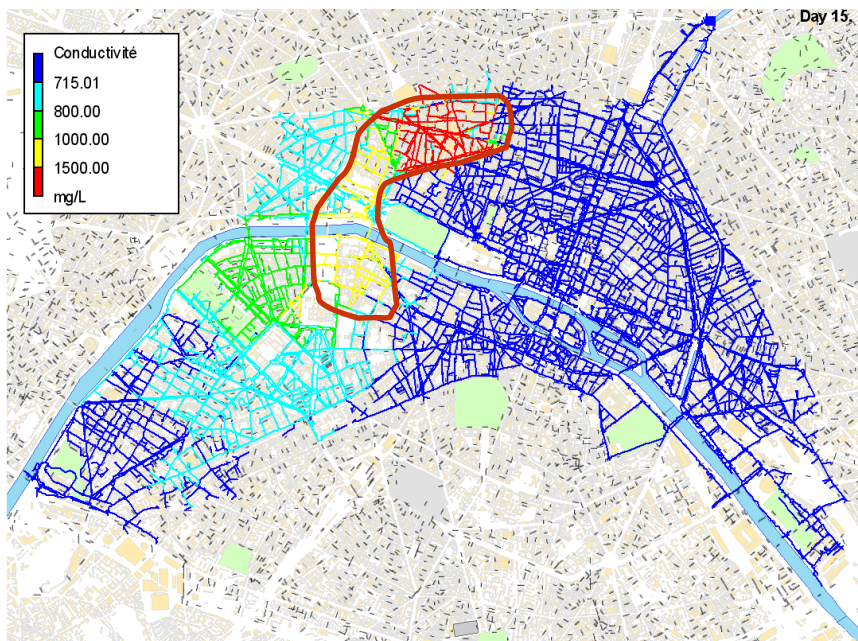
| LSI         | Indication                               |
|-------------|--|
| -2,0 < -0,5 | Serious corrosion                        |
| -0,5 < 0    | Slightly corrosion but non-scale forming |
| LSI = 0,0   | Balanced but pitting corrosion possible  |
| 0,0 < 0,5   | Slightly scale forming and corrosive     |
| 0,5 < 2     | Scale forming but non corrosive          |

Water is supersaturated with respect to calcium carbonate (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) and scale forming may occur.

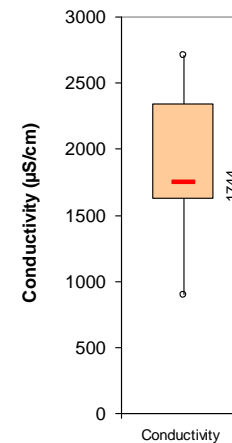


# Distribution

- Example of point « Opera »
  - Most important in volume (75 m<sup>3</sup>/h) and in charge (2700  $\mu$ S/cm)



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- Seepage water is an **abundant** resources which could contribute up to 10% of the municipal water use for cleaning and irrigation
- A big disparity exists between the point as well for quantity as for the quality
- The hypothesis of relationship between depth of the source and sulfate content is not confirmed
- **BUT** seepage water is « **harder** » to use because it contains 10 times more Sulfate and 3 times more Calcium than the Seine river water.
- It could therefore be used directly only for street and sewage cleaning. Any other use **needs dilution** or even pre- treatment.
- If we admit a dilution rate of 2 to 4, 75% of the sources (< 2500  $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ ) would be suitable for inclusion in the industrial water supply system.

# Thank you for your attention

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