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In-Situ Treatments using Nano-Scale Zero-Valent Iron Implemented in North America and Europe

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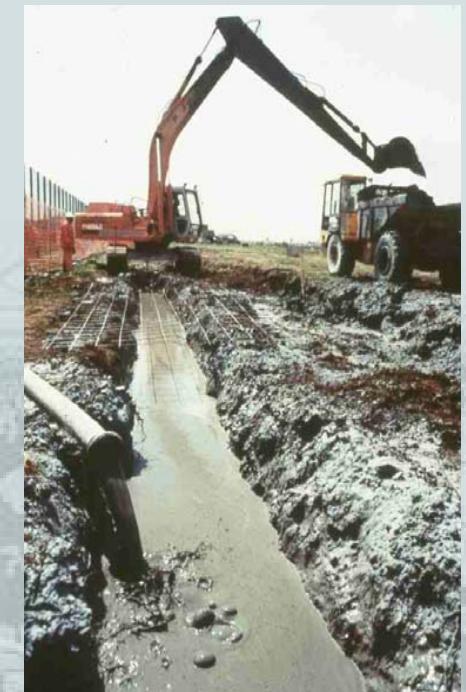


Presentation Outline

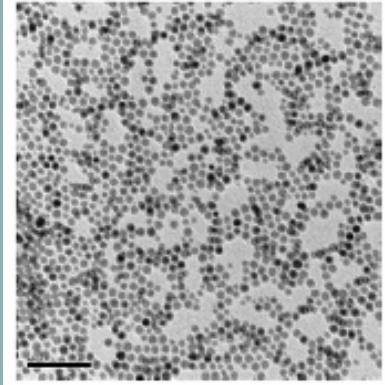
- Overview of ZVI technology
- NZVI treatment implementation steps
- Results
- Conclusions

Iron Filings

- Cost Considerations
- Specific surface ~500 m²/kg
- Typical quantities needed - Several metric tones

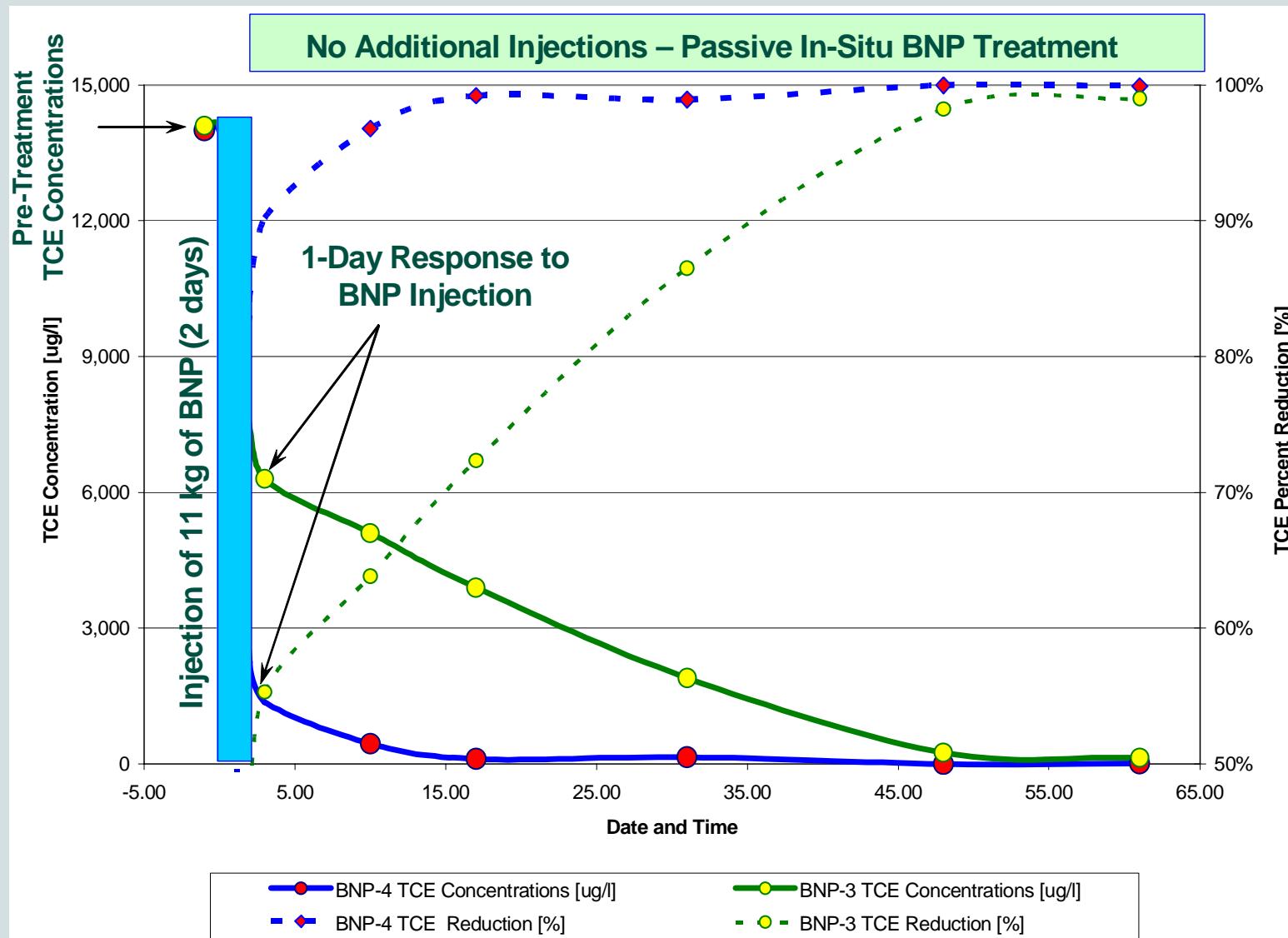


Nanoscale Zero-Valent Iron Particles



- Lehigh University
- Iron particles with palladium coatings (BNP)
- Nanoscale zero-valent Iron (NZVI)
- Specific surface for 50-60 nm ~ 25,000 m²/kg
- Specific surface for 2-5 nm ~ 142,000 m²/kg
- Treatment of:
 - Chlorinated solvents
 - Cr⁶⁺, etc.

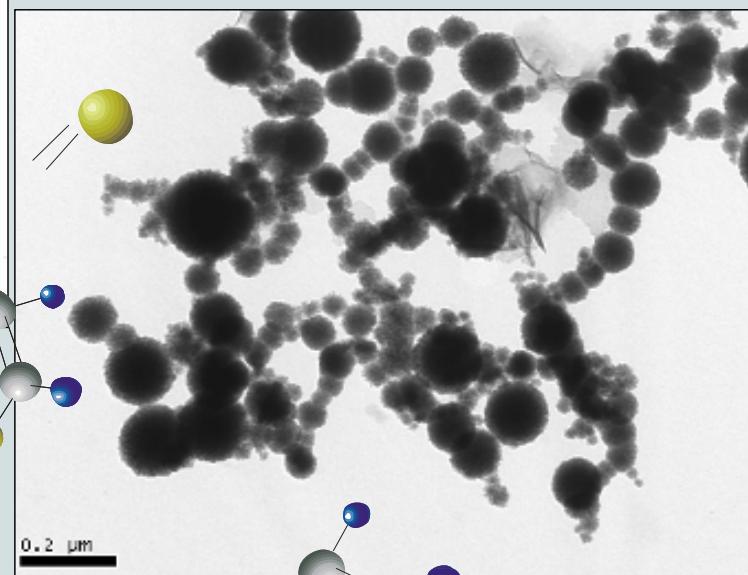
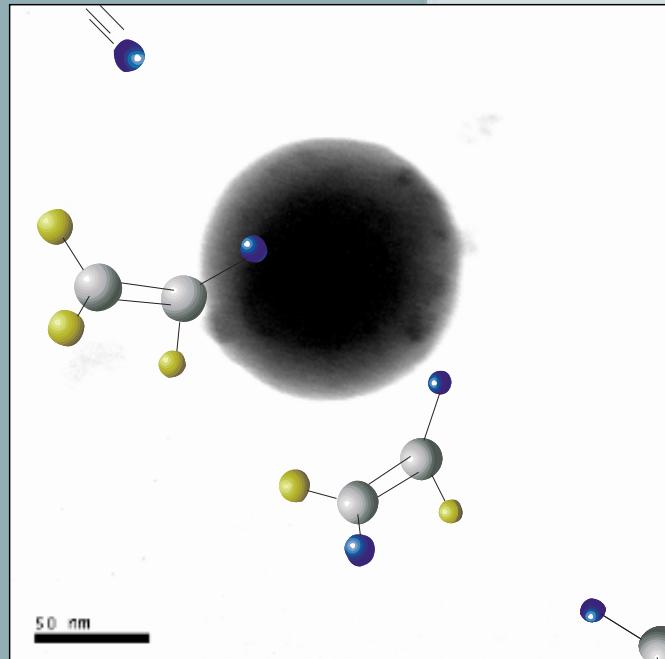
TCE Reduction, BNP-4 and BNP-3



Nanoscale Zero-Valent Iron Particles

- NZVI water slurry (no additives)
- Subsurface placement by gravity feed
- No special well construction needed
- Fast reaction time – real time monitoring and reactant dosage
- Minimum design requirements / permit level design
- Does not eliminate anaerobic bacteria activity
- Flexible remedial system that can be modified with time

Nanoscale Particles



NZVI Injection Equipment



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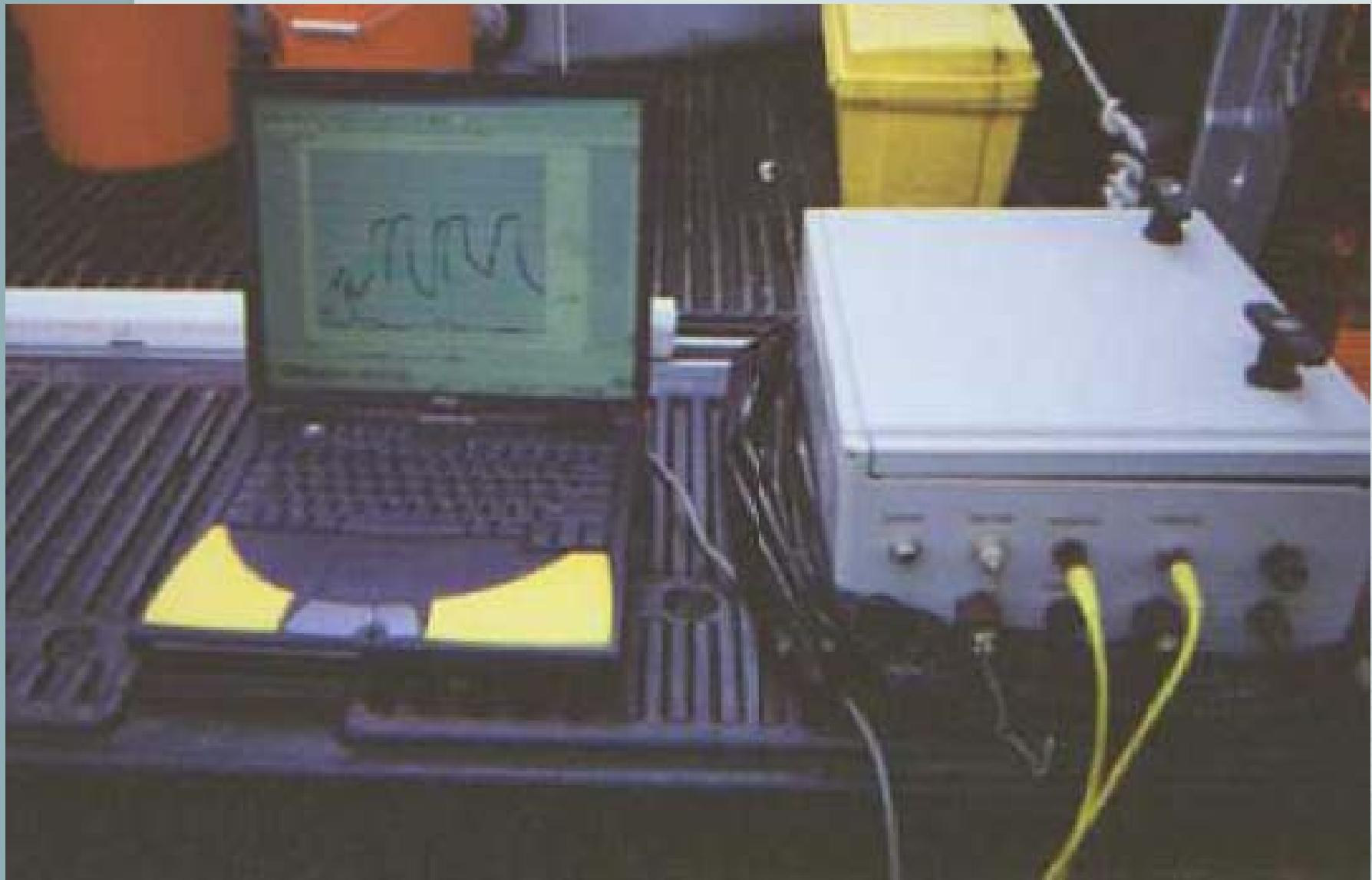
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Field Monitoring Equipment



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Parametric sensors



Data logger

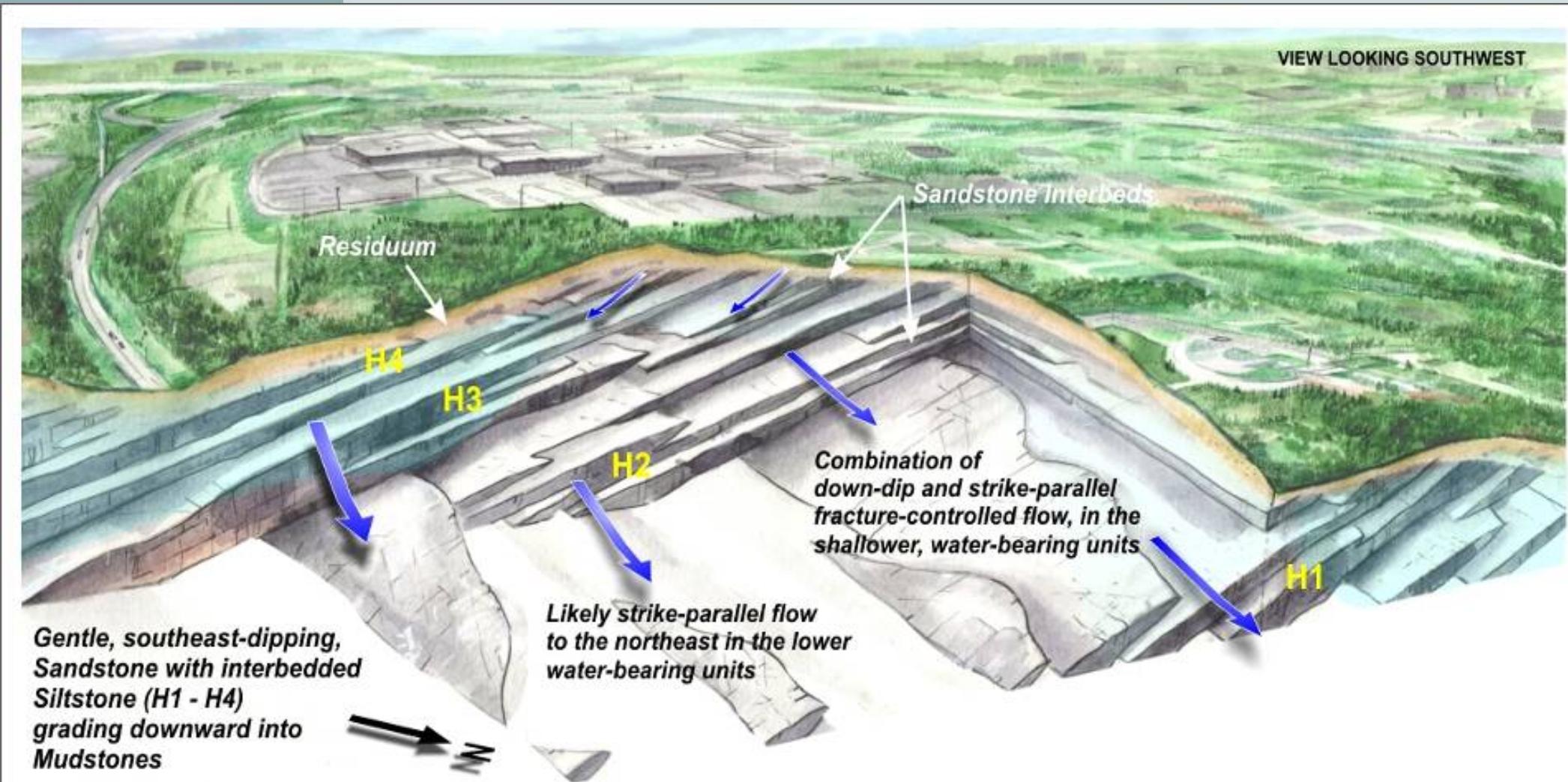


Trench for cables



Injection System

Conceptual Geologic and Hydrogeologic Model



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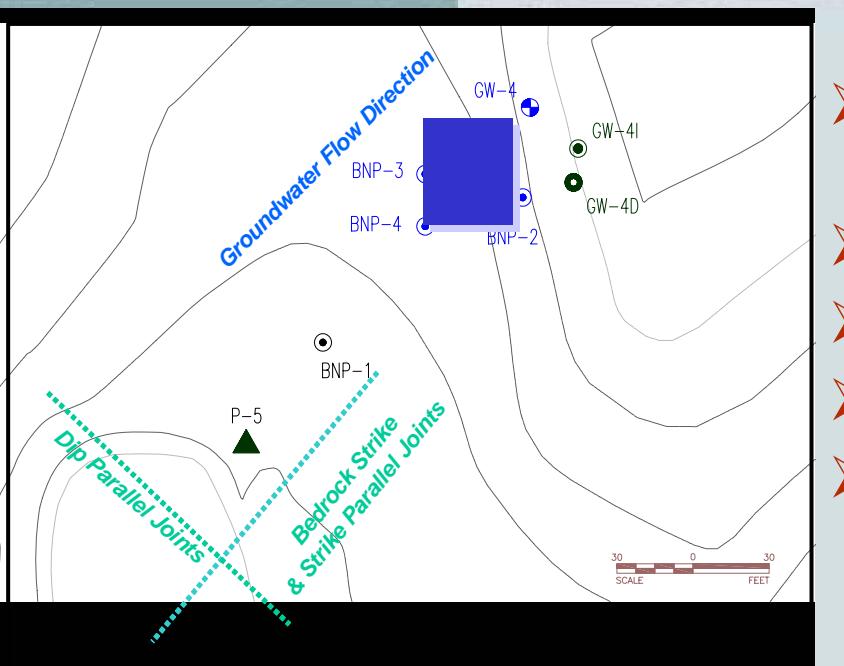
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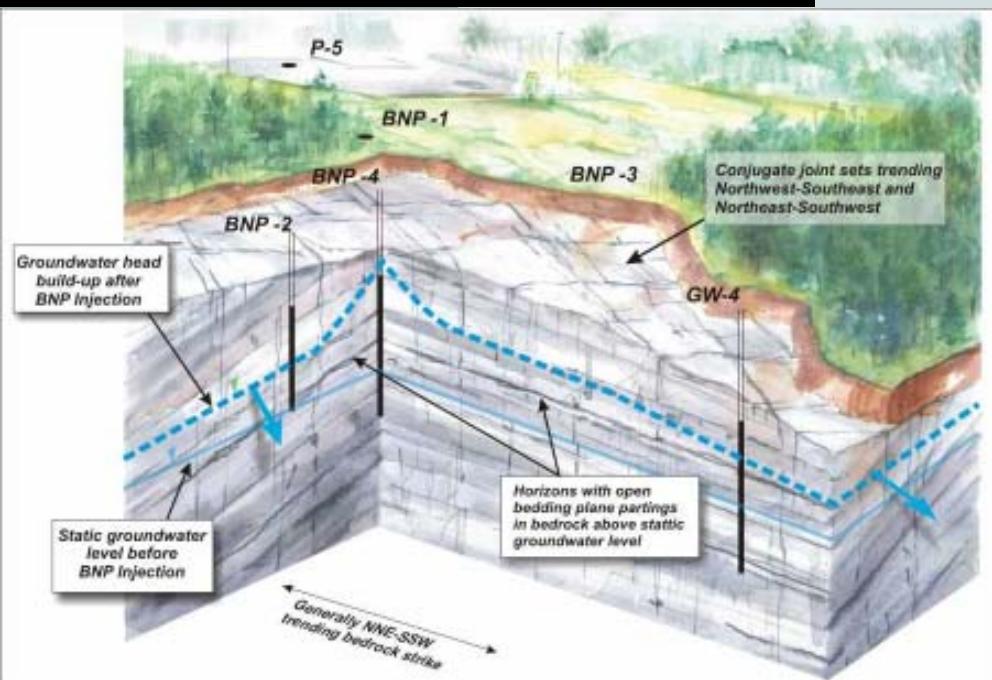
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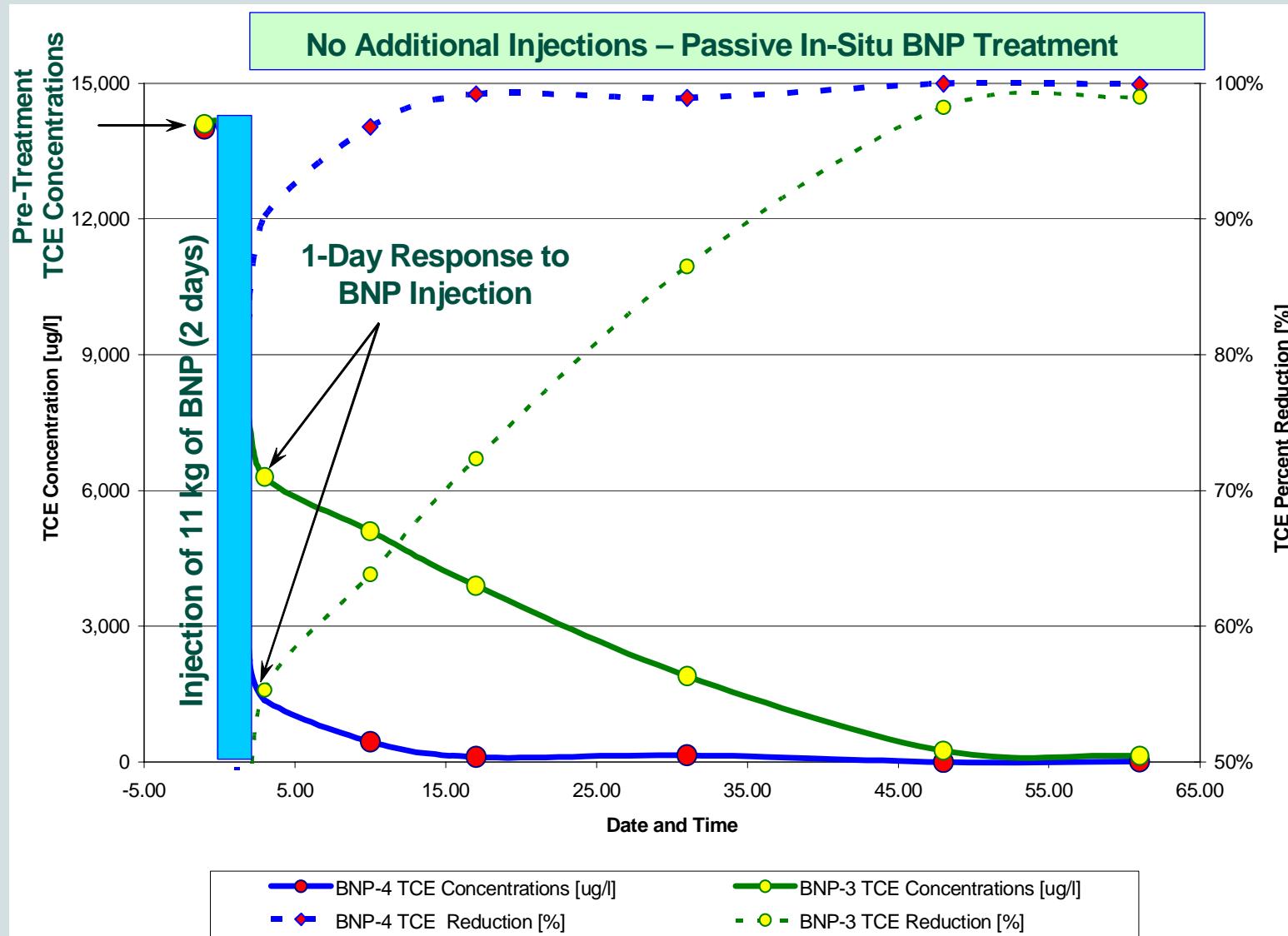
Test Design



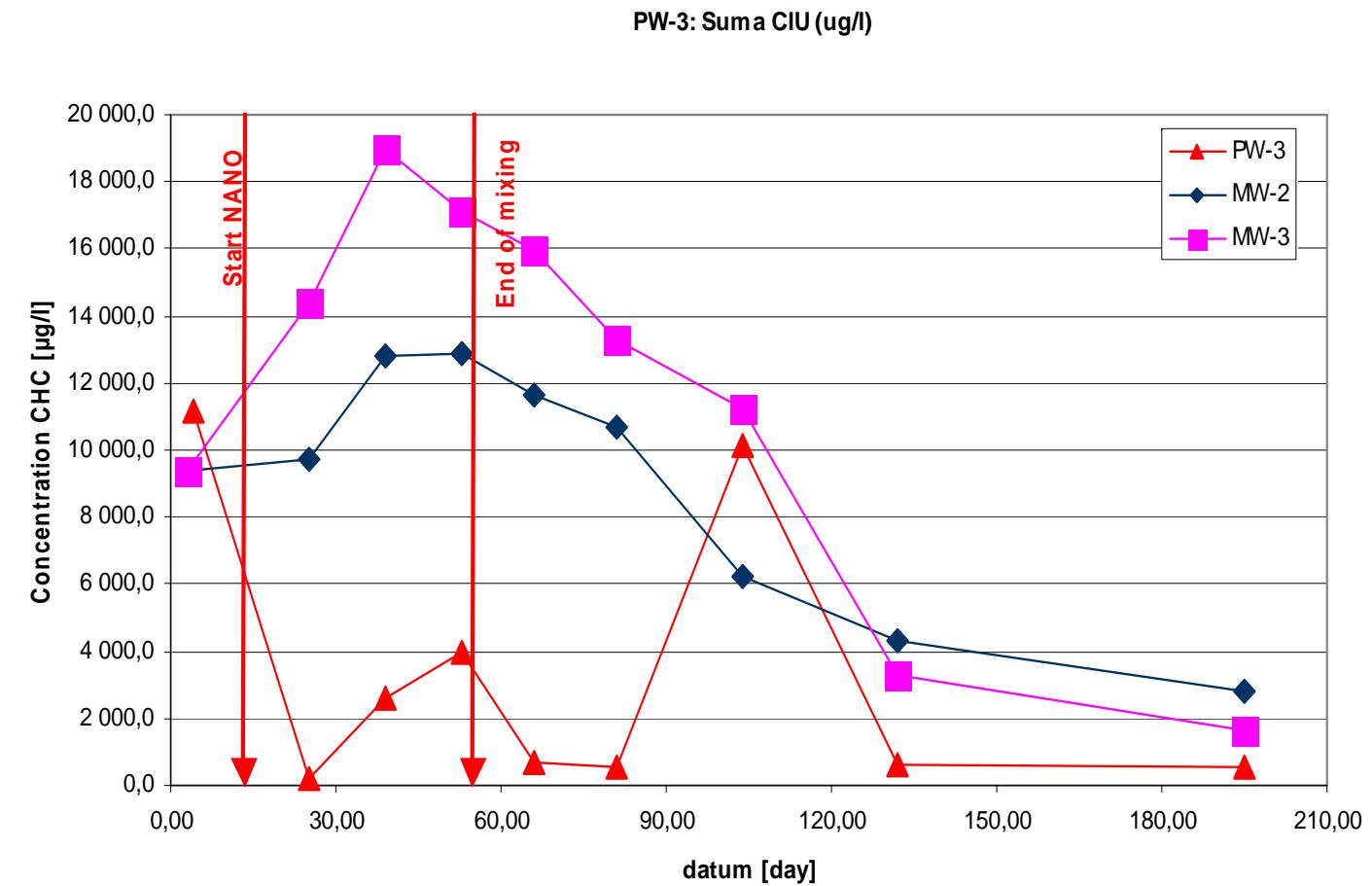
- Geology: fractured interbeds of sandstone / siltstone
- Total **BNP** slurry volume = 6,050 l
- **BNP** mass injected: 11.2 kg
- Injection Well **BNP-4**
- Monitoring Wells
 - **BNP-3:** 6.5 m north of **BNP-4**
 - **BNP-2:** 13 m northeast of **BNP-4**
 - **GW-4:** 21 m north-northeast of **BNP-4**



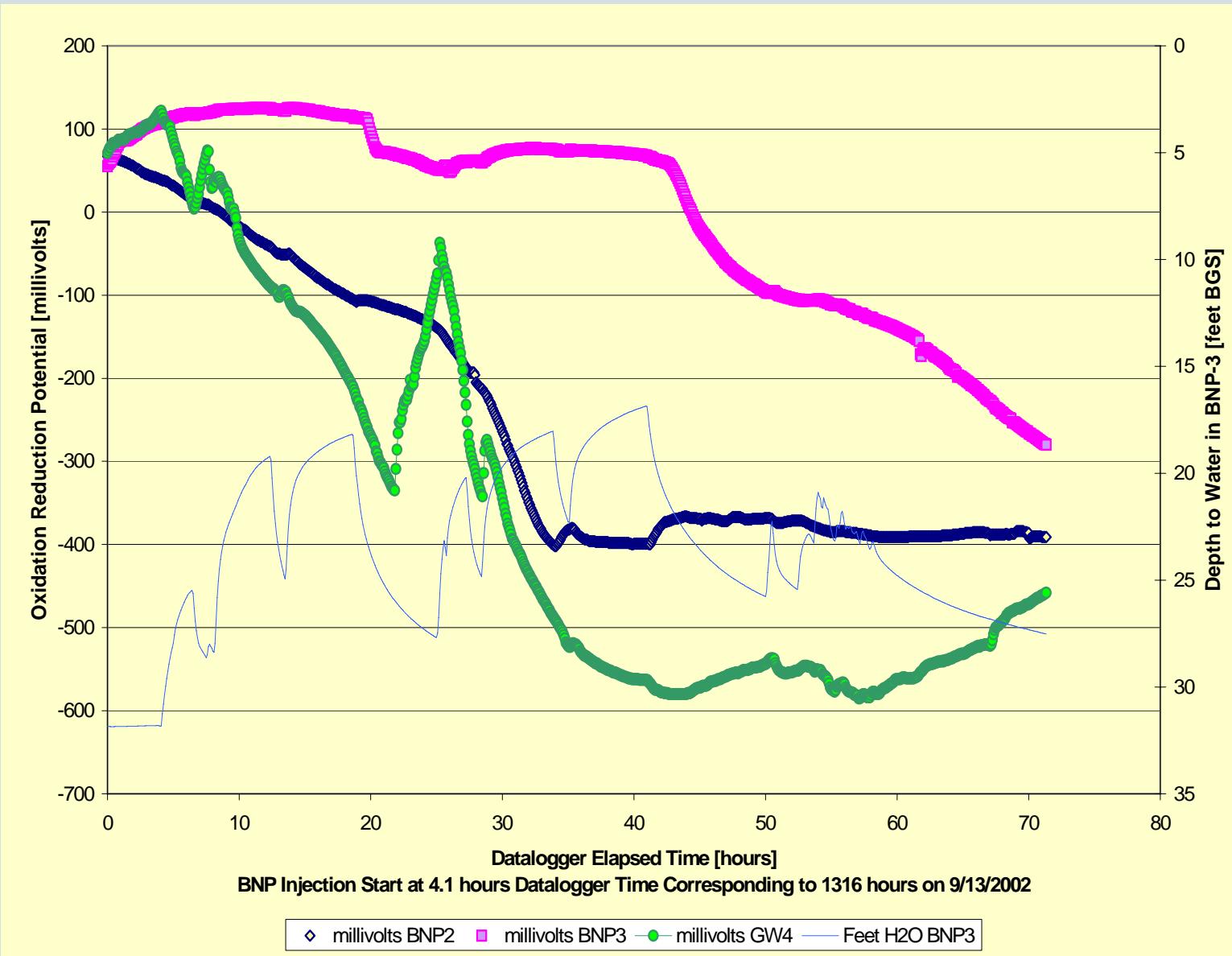
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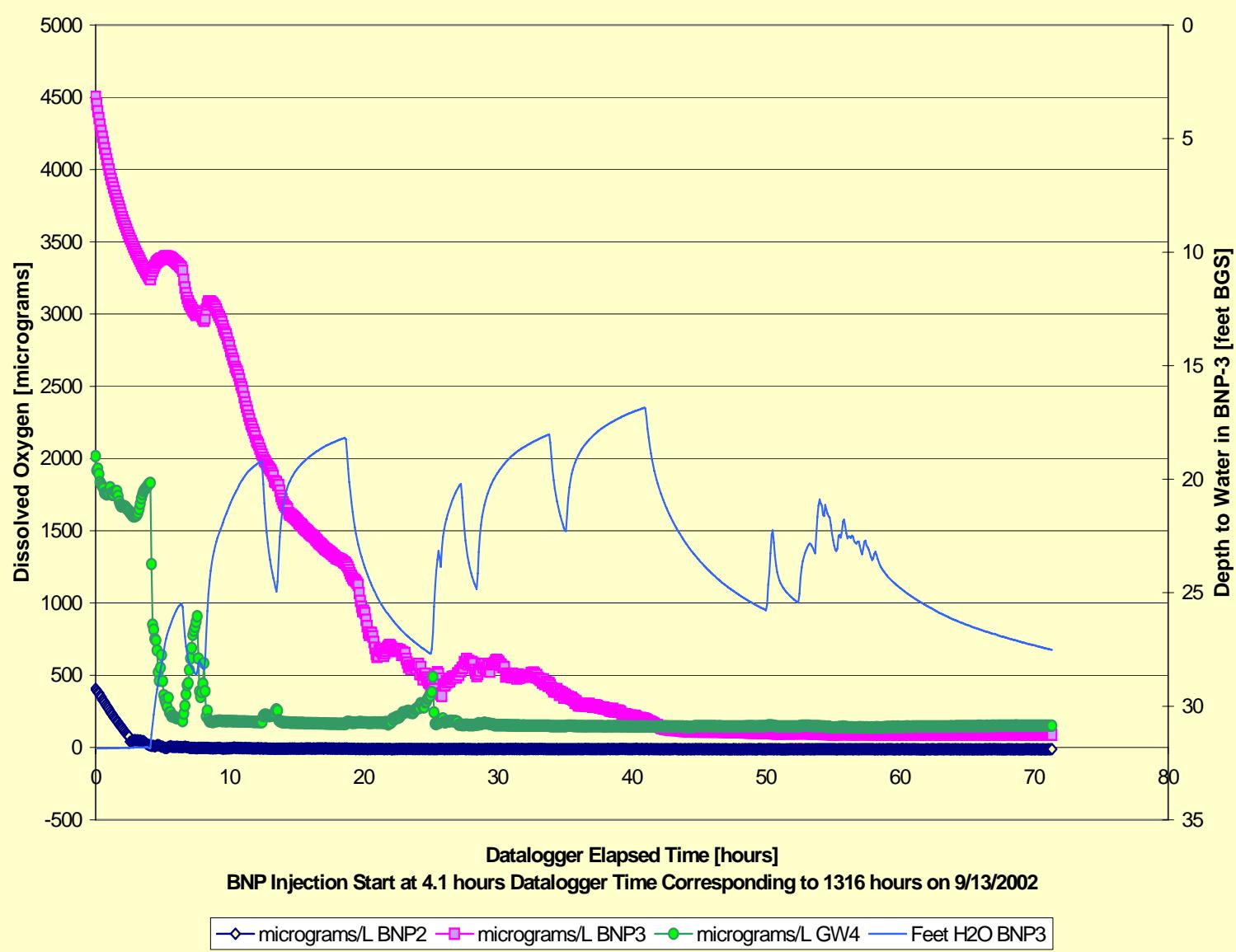
Test Results Czech Republic



ORP vs. Time



DO vs. Time



Pre- and Post-Injection Eh – pH Conditions

Eh-pH Diagram for BNP Pilot Test (triangle is injection well)

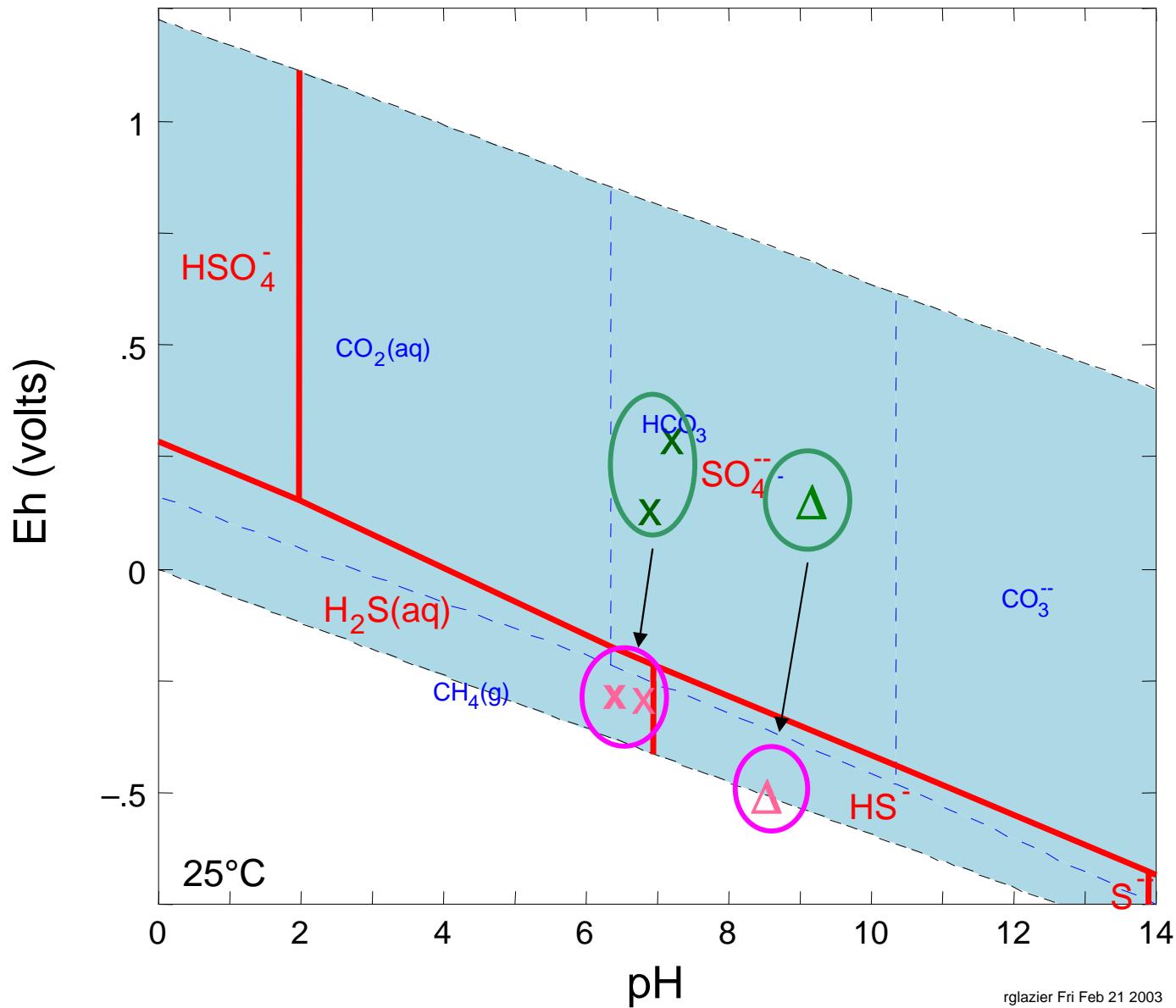
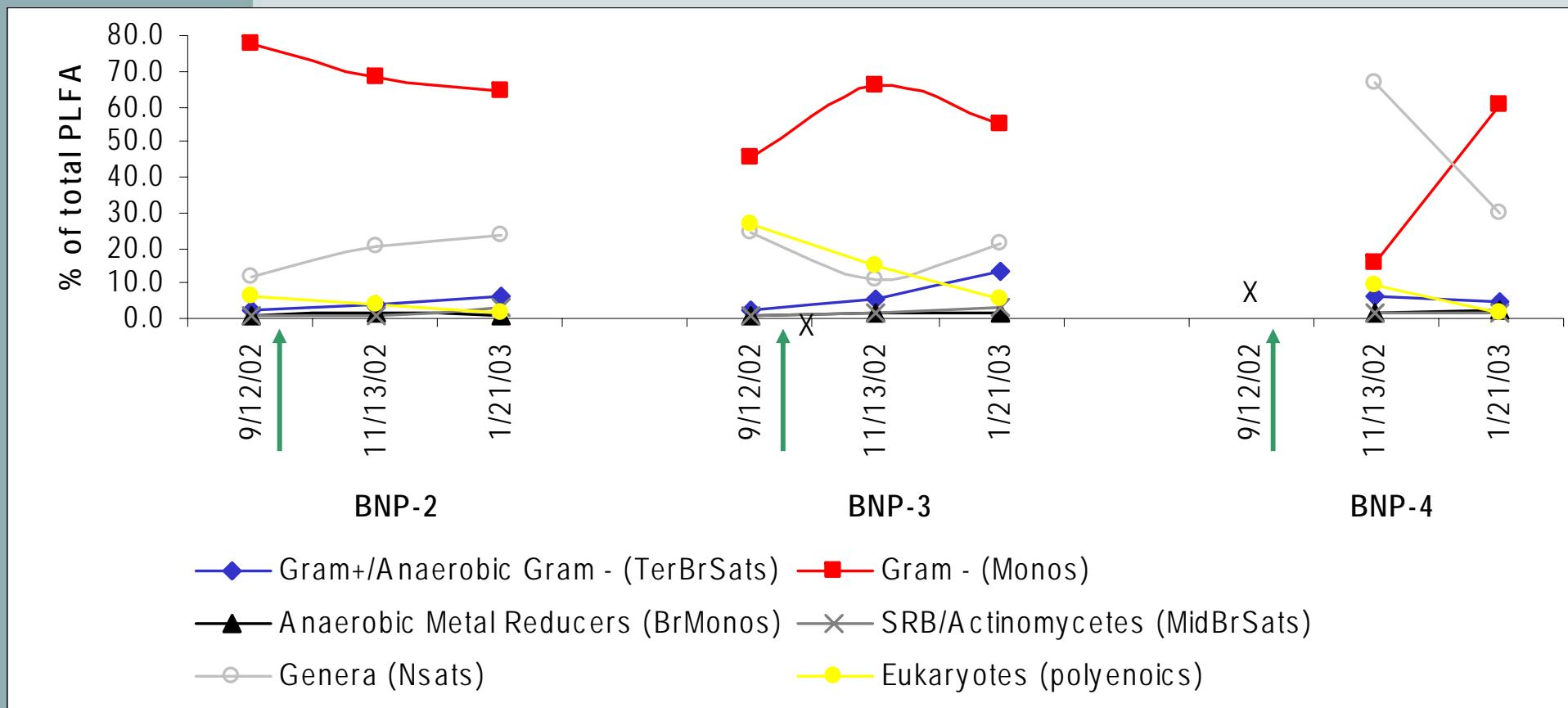
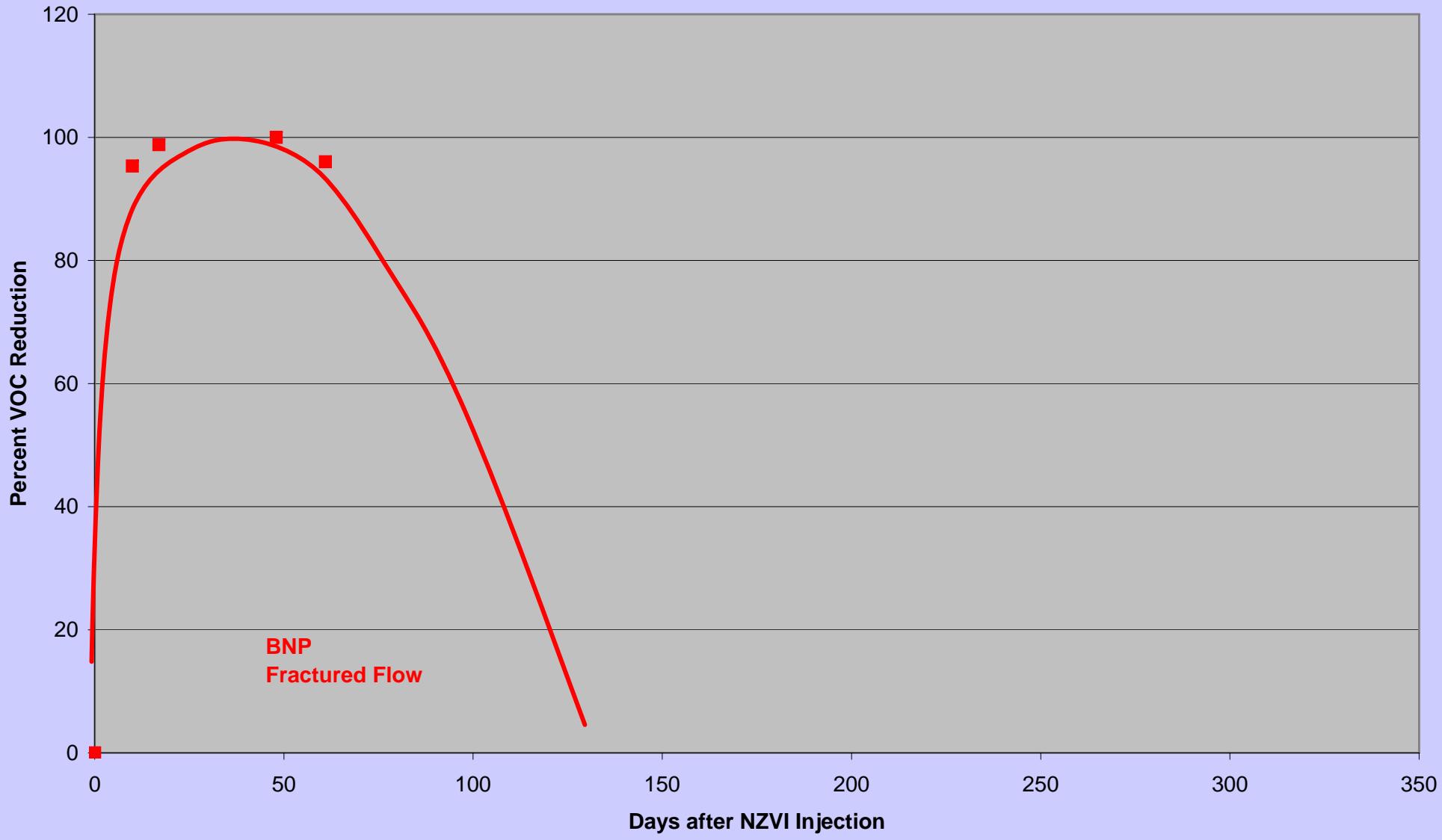


Diagram S², T = 25 °C, P = 1.013 bar, [maii] = 10^{-3.699}, a[H₂O] = 1, a[HCQ] = 10^{-2.222} (species) Suppressed: Sulfur-Rhmb

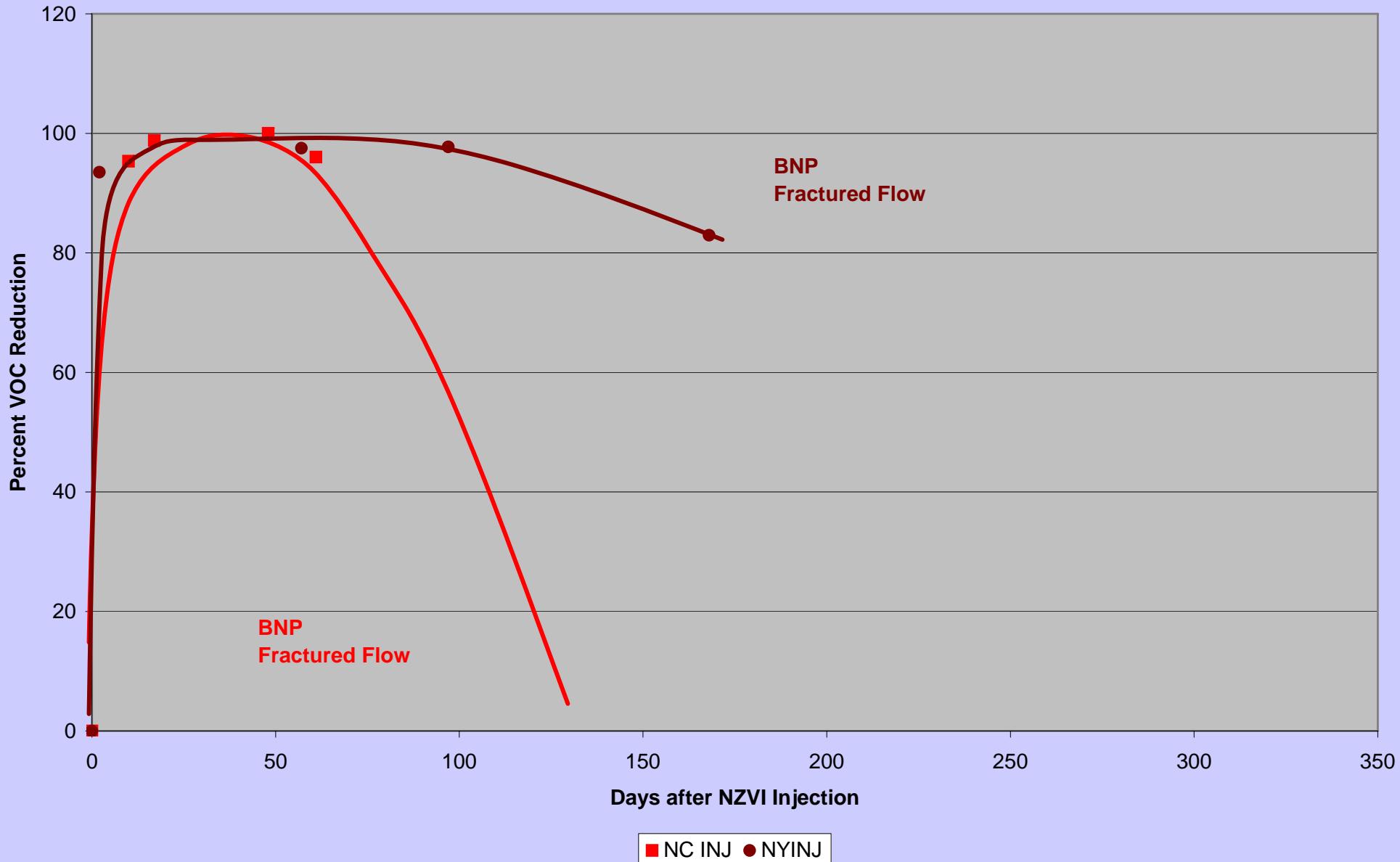
Microbial Community Structure



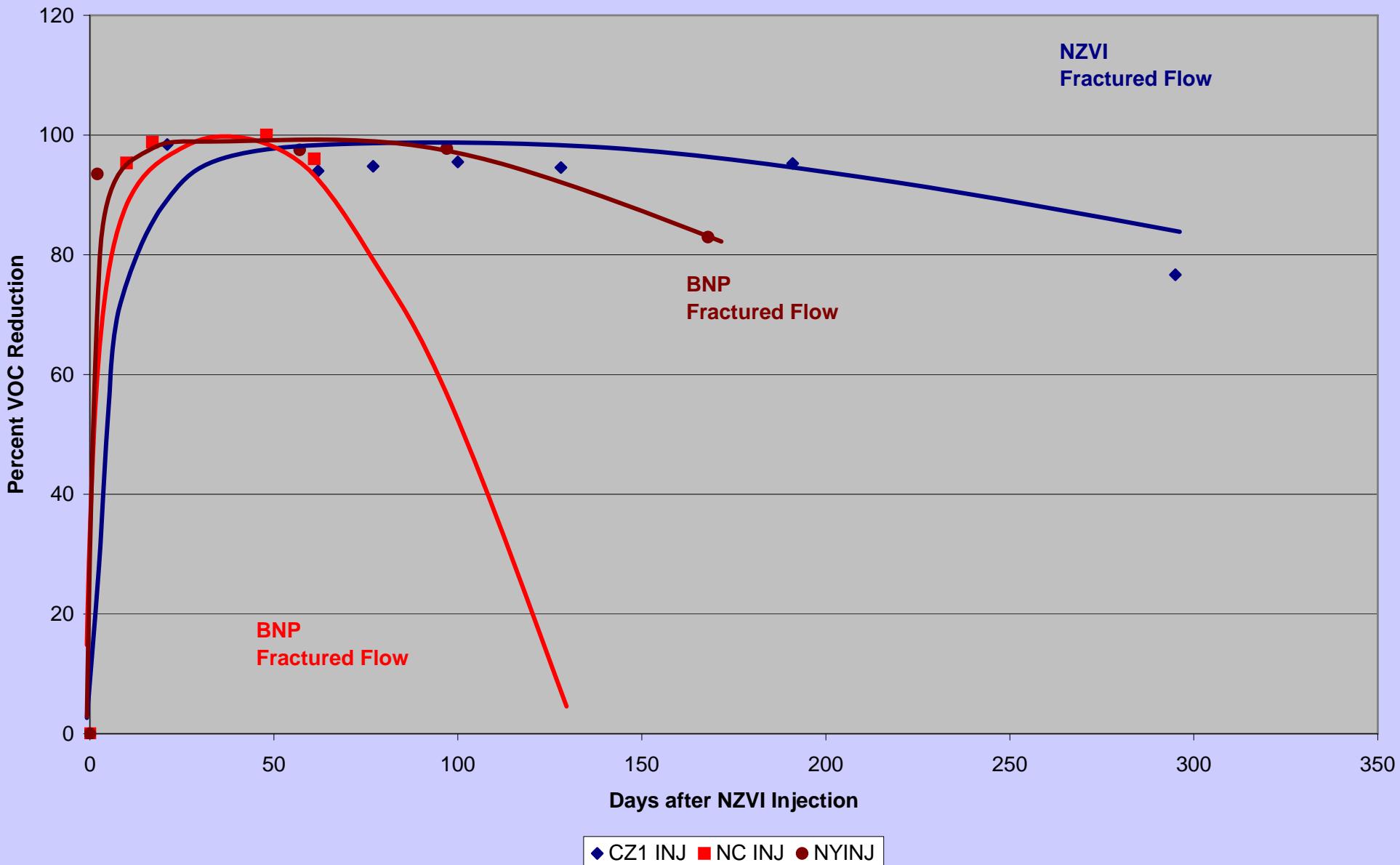
Percent VOC Reduction in Injection Wells



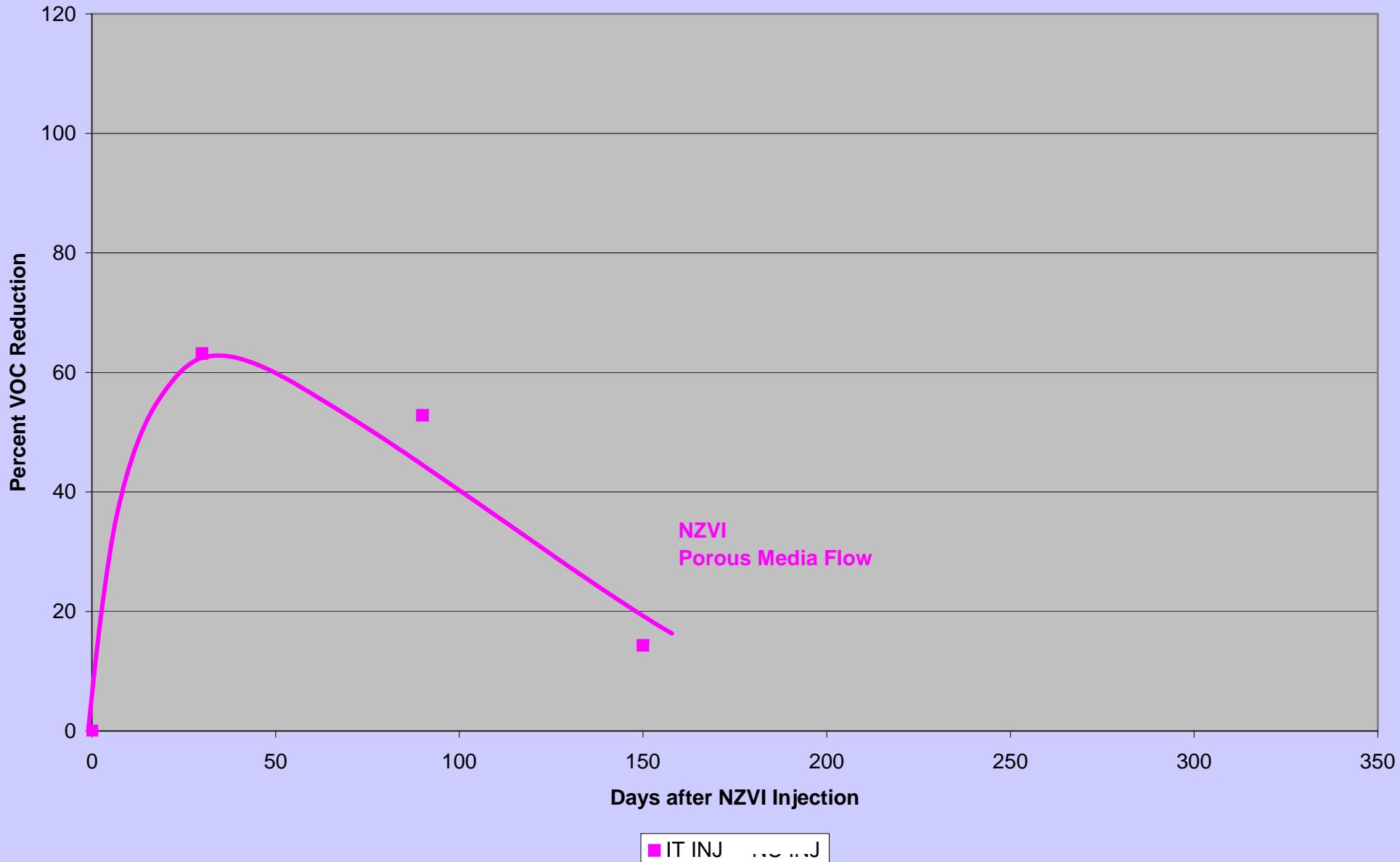
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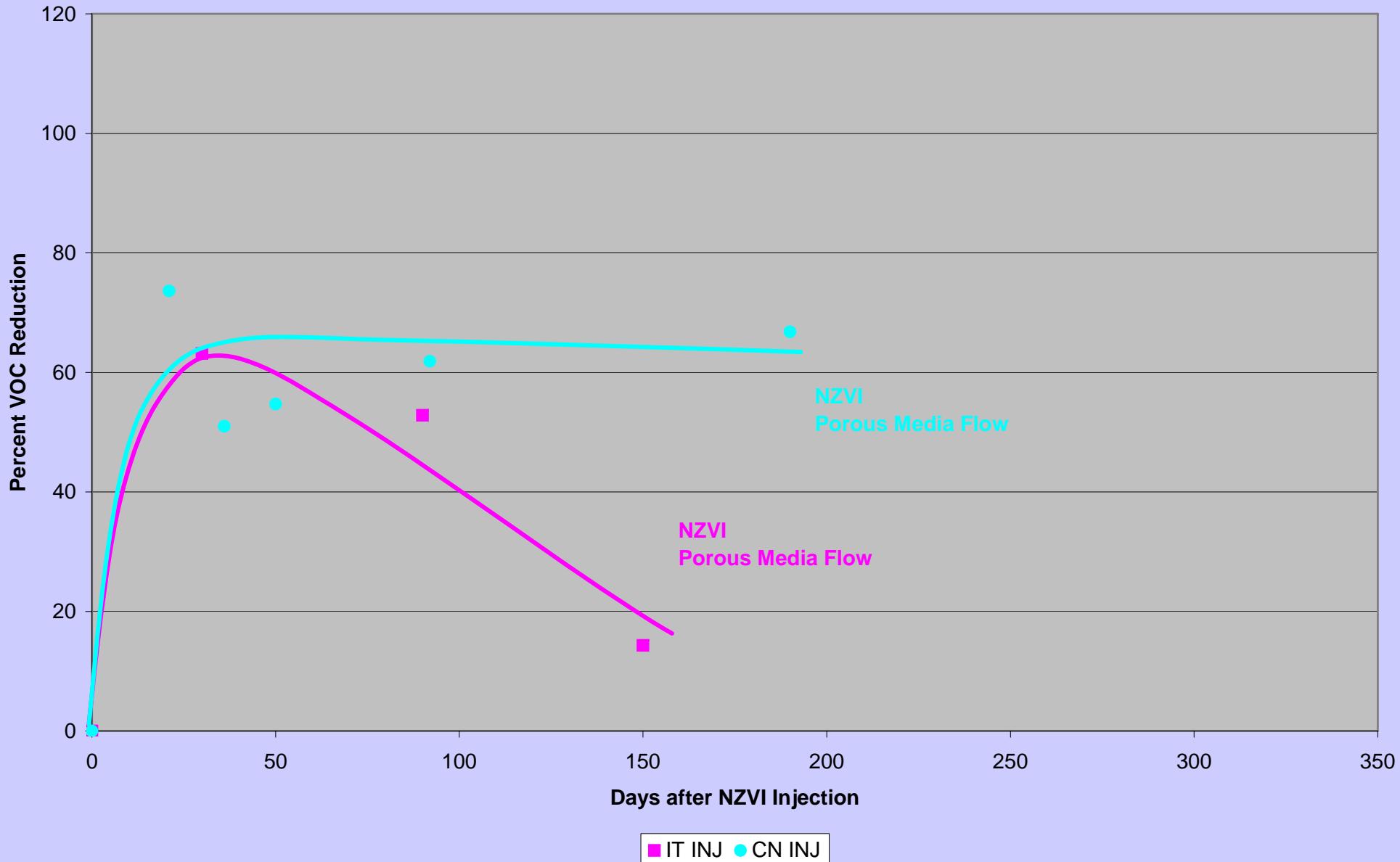
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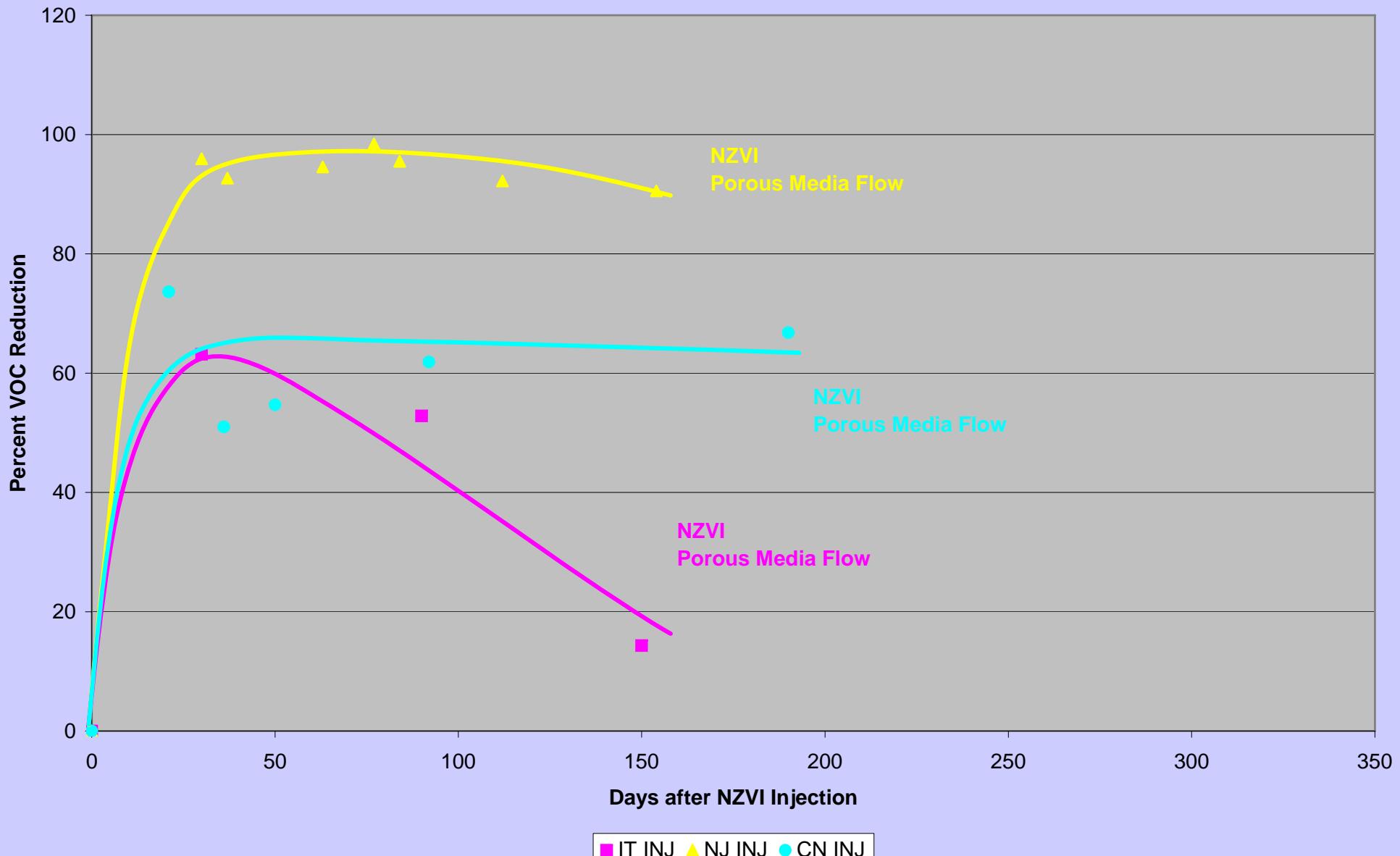
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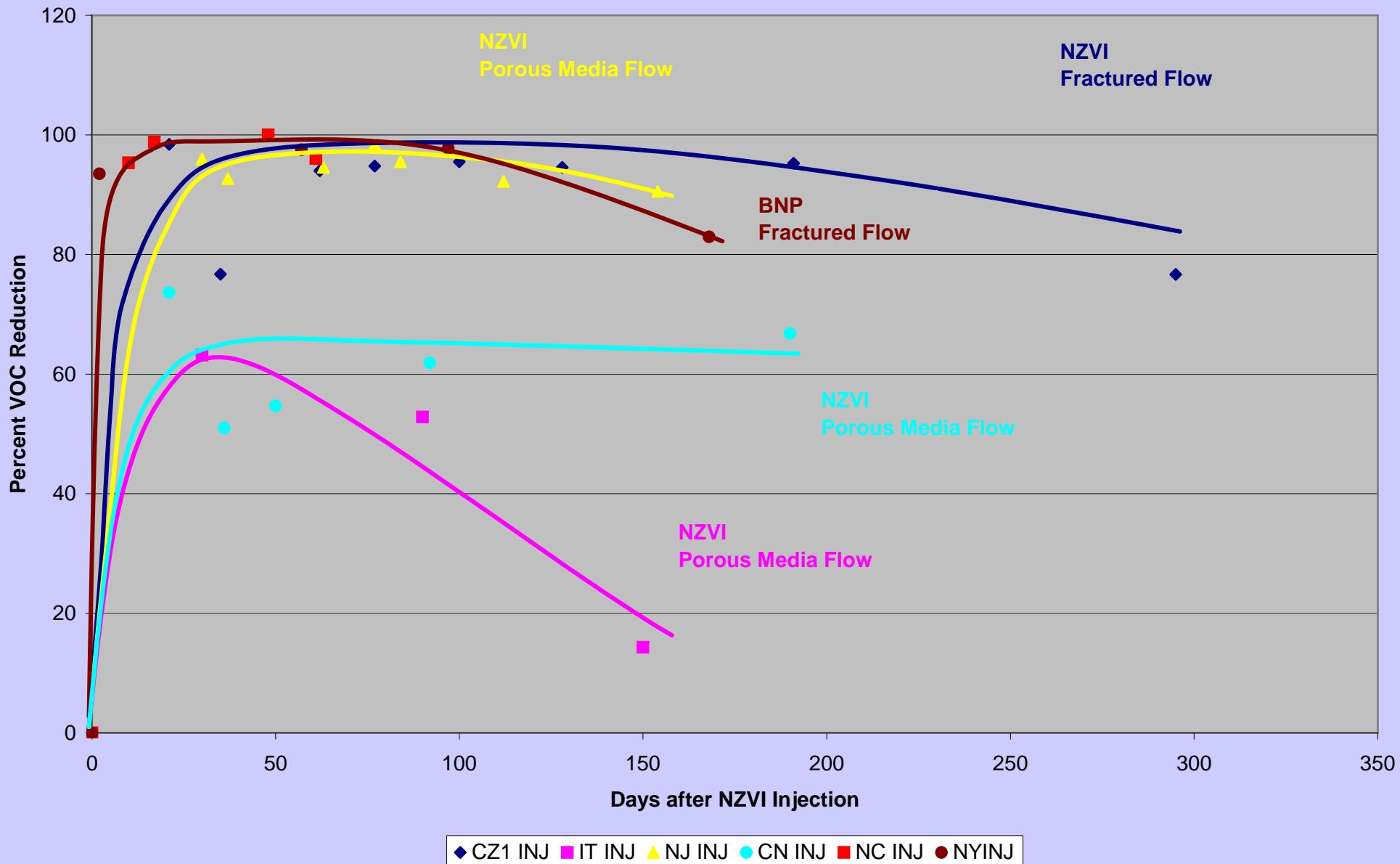
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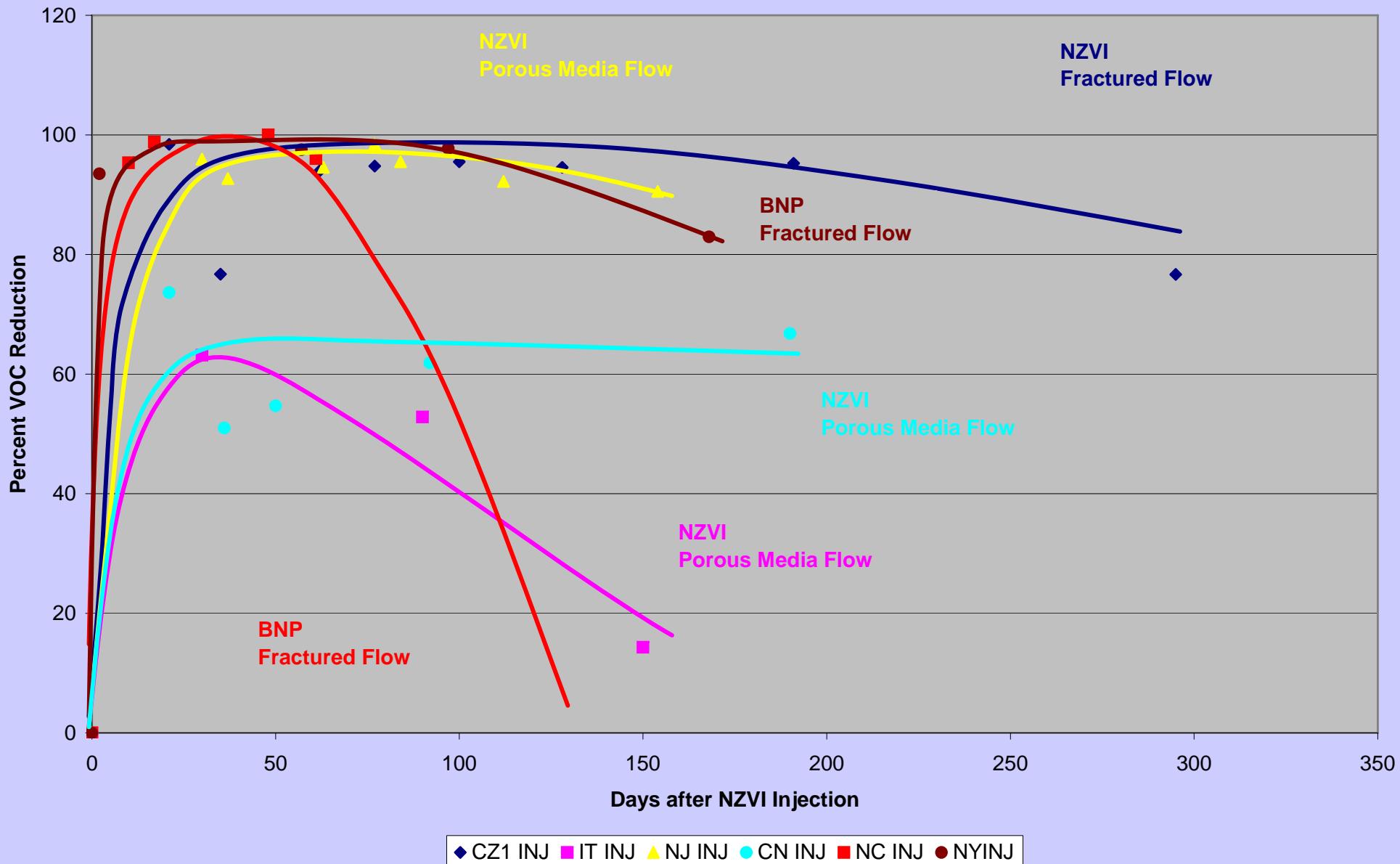
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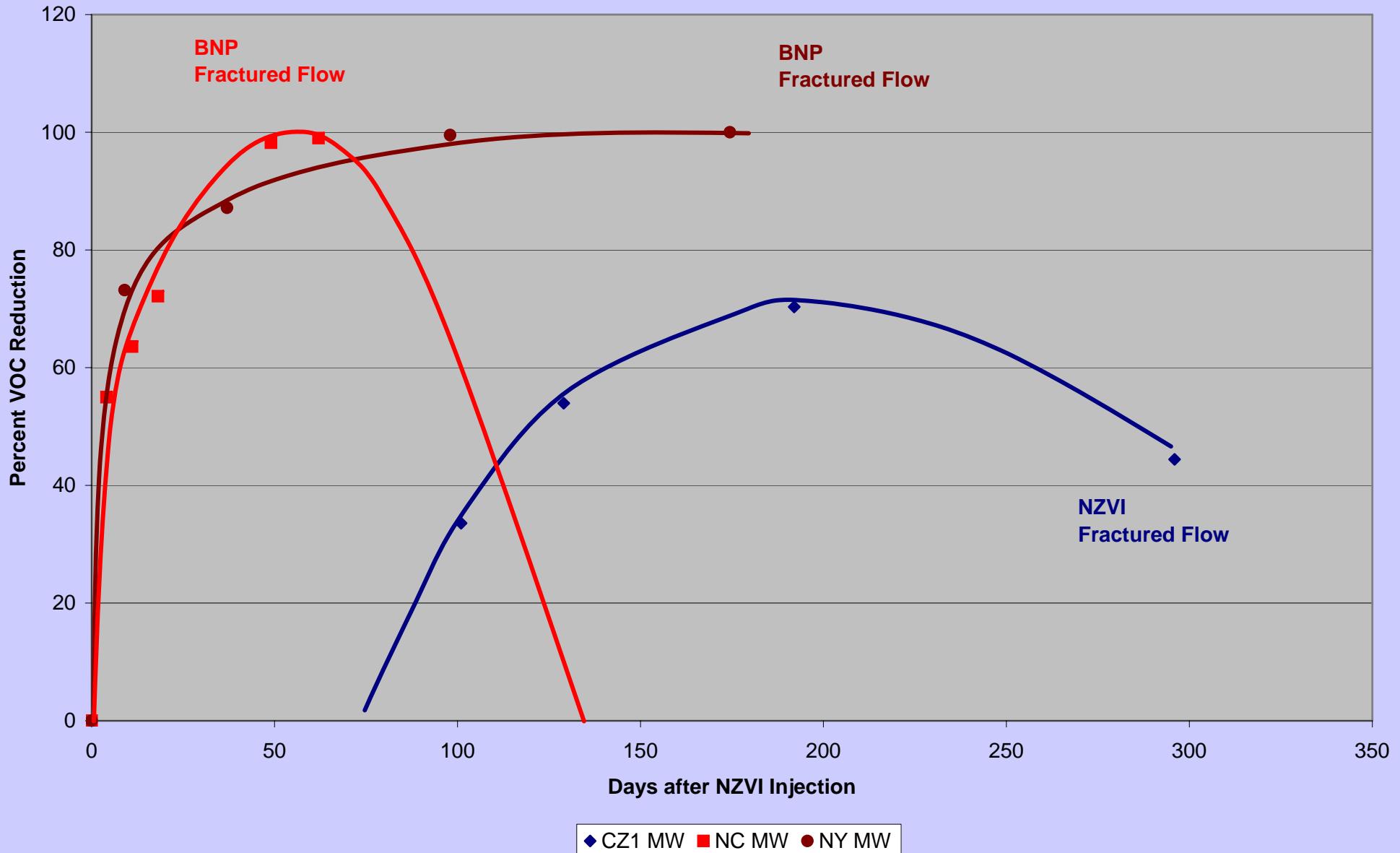
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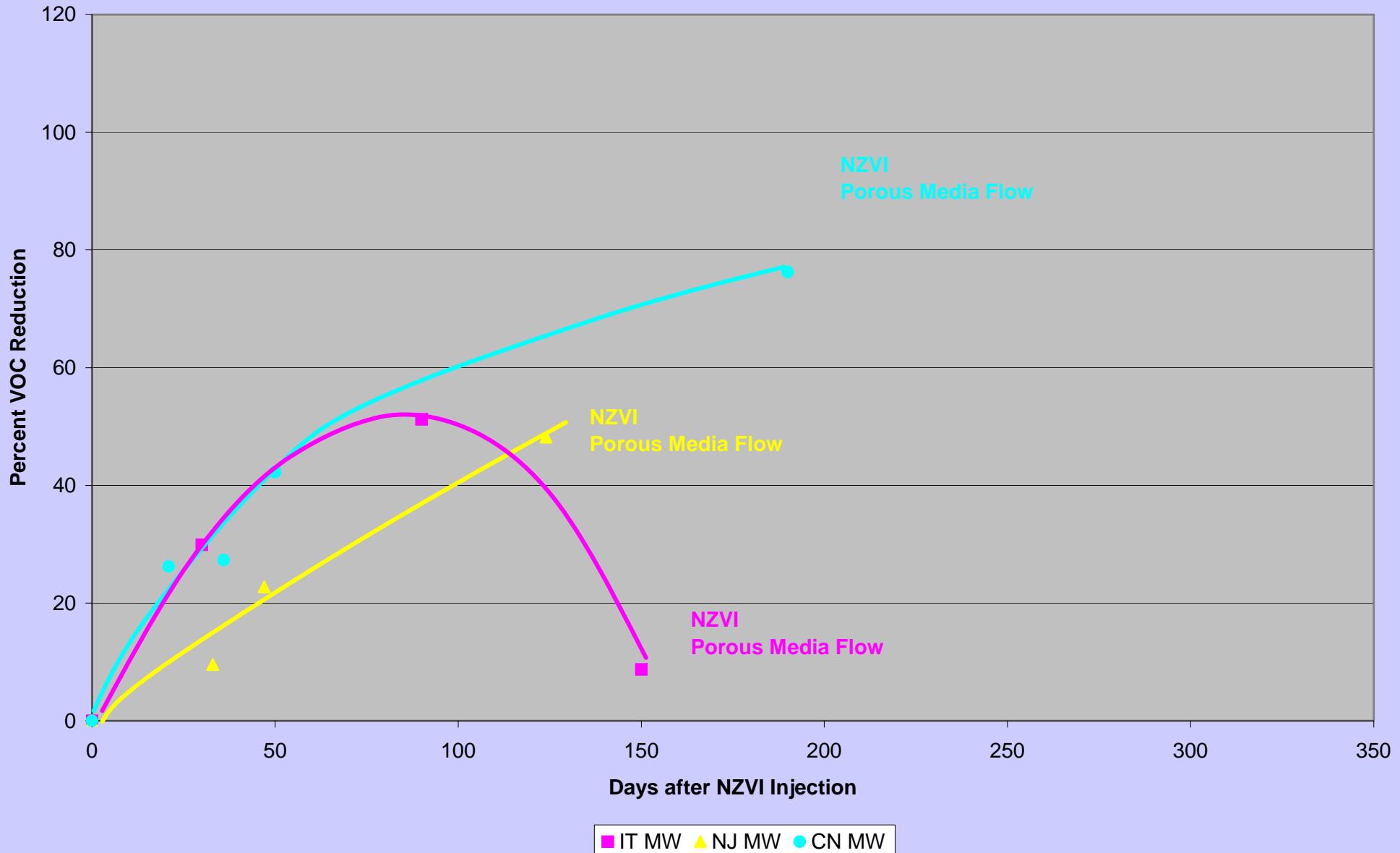
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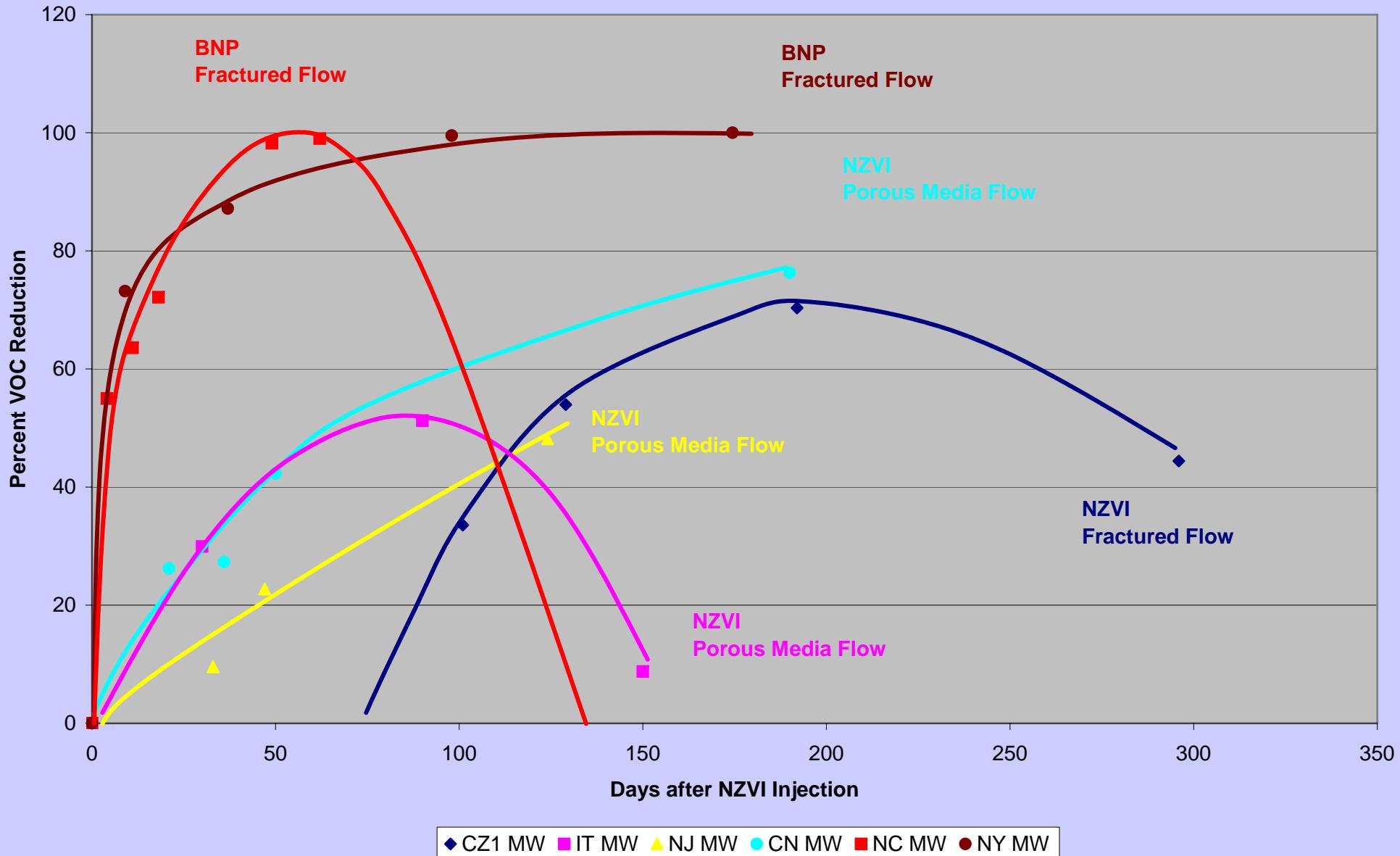
Percent VOC Reduction in Monitoring Wells



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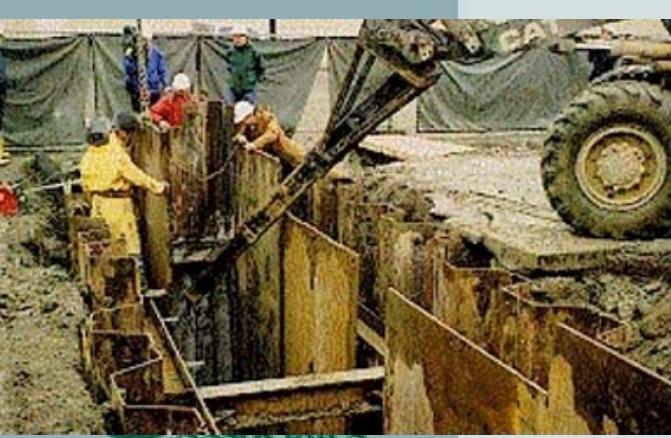
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Implementability



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Conclusions

- Dramatic decrease of VOC concentrations over short time in fractured bedrock aquifers
- Slower but steady decrease of VOC concentrations in primary porosity aquifers
- Iron particles travel with groundwater, quicker in fractured media, slower in unconsolidated sediments
- Persistence of VOC treatment over a long period of time (BNP react quicker but are spent more rapid, NZVI react slower but have longer effect)
- Does not eliminate anaerobic bacterial activity