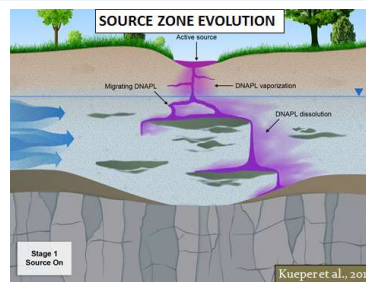
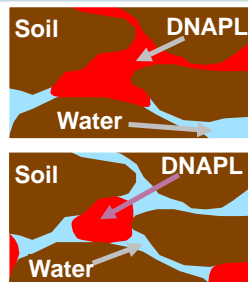




NEWMOA Workshop DNAPL Investigation and Remediation Introduction and Part 1 – DNAPL Basics

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Introduction - The Problem with Dense Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid (DNAPL) Sites



- DNAPLs are a really challenging problem
- Ineffective remedies predominate
- Poor record of site closure
- Lessons learned not adequately transferred
- We can't afford to keep failing
- Good news – we have the technology



Introduction –
An (slow) Evolution in our Thinking



- DNAPLs are complex mixtures that evolve over time
- Physical and chemical properties of DNAPL matter
- Different types of DNAPL require different approaches
- DNAPL sources evolve over time
- Product recovery alone is not effective
- Monitoring wells are not a characterization tool
- Micro-scale hydrostratigraphy is enormously important
- High-resolution source characterization is a good investment
- Flux-based remediation over concentration-based
- Risk-based, exposure-based remedial objectives
- Engineering and institutional controls are effective
- Adaptive, multi-component, multi-stage, long-term remedies
- An evolving notion of “Closure”



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of this Course



- Update and refresh our perspective on DNAPL characterization and remediation
- Establish a realistic understanding of DNAPL behavior in the subsurface
- Offer a set of characterization tools and objectives that are effective and realistic in defining the nature and scale of DNAPL source areas
- Provide an understanding of how to set relevant and appropriate remedial objectives, both short and long term
- Review the strengths, limitations, and best application of remedial technologies
- Set a course for a cost-effective and realistic end game vision for **your** DNAPL sites

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Training Overview



- DNAPL types, properties, and behavior in the Subsurface – Hagelin
- DNAPL Site Characterization – Pitkin
- DNAPL Remediation – Ashley and Gurr

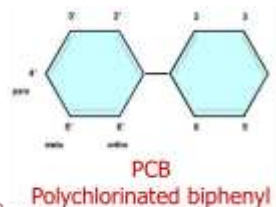
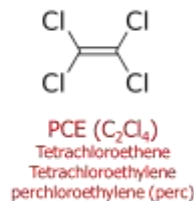
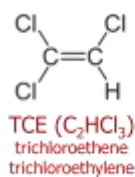


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DNAPL Types, Properties and Behavior



- Common types of DNAPLs
 - Chlorinated solvents
 - Coal tar
 - Creosote
 - Heavy petroleum such as some #6/Bunker fuel oil products
 - Oils containing polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)



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Poll Question



- What DNAPLs do you have at your sites? (select all the apply)
 - Chlorinated solvents
 - Coal tar
 - Creosote
 - Heavy petroleum hydrocarbons
 - PCBs
 - Pesticides
 - Other
 - None

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What is a DNAPL?

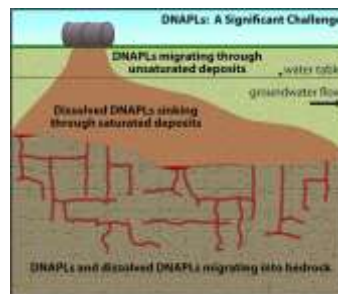


- dense – relative to water, they sink!
- non-aqueous phase – aka “neat”, “free-product”, “immiscible liquid”, “separate phase” – existing as a pure chemical in the ground.

- liquid

In fact, all of these properties are a bit sketchy

- DNAPL density is a continuum based on composition
- DNAPL can exist as a stable separate phase only after its dissolved phase has reached saturation in the surrounding liquid, groundwater
- DNAPLs are liquids by definition, but they exist in the presence of other phases, dissolved, vapor



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DNAPLs Pose Special Problems



- DNAPLs, unlike LNAPLs, are not stopped at the water table when released in significant quantities
- Once in an aquifer, DNAPLs are generally difficult to find
- DNAPLs effect on groundwater is widespread and long term
- DNAPLs penetrate porous media and rock, dissolve and diffuse into the matrix where they reside long term and are difficult to reach/remediate
- In dissolved phase, contaminants are ubiquitous in groundwater in urban industrial areas, particularly CVOCs
- Drinking water limits, and therefore clean up goals, are extremely low

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What about phases?



- Non-aqueous phase
- Aqueous phase
- Gas phase
- Sorbed phase

A dynamic system with multiple phases occurring simultaneously.

The predominance of phases changes over time and behavior depends on DNAPL type

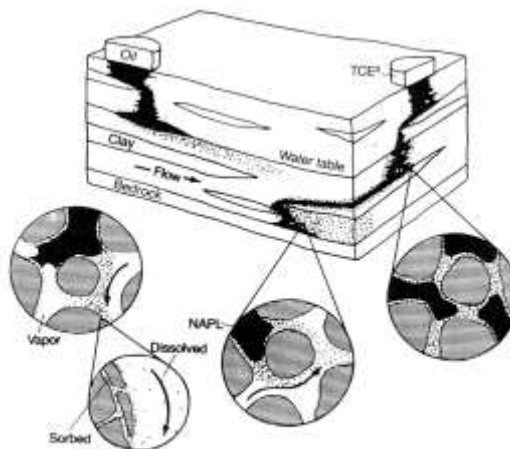


Figure 2.3 Schematic illustration of a DNAPL, and a LNAPL in a porous medium showing geologic and pore scales. A low-permeability clay layer defines the DNAPL. DNAPL dissolution creates a plume (from Mackay and Cherry, 1988).

Pankow and Cherry, 1996

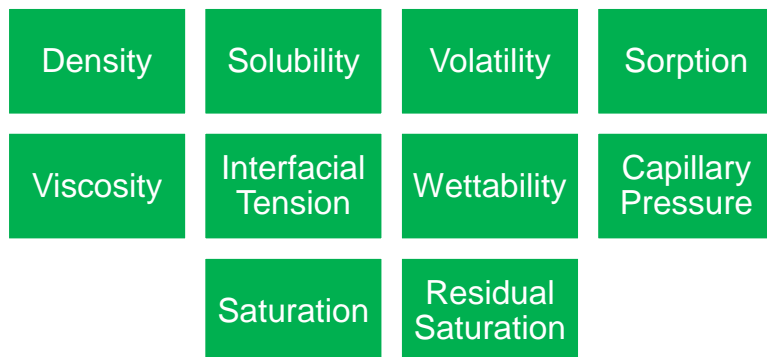
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DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



- Properties of contaminant may be significantly different from pure NAPL
 - May include other compounds such as grease and oils with chlorinated solvents
 - For mixed sources, chlorinated compounds from DNAPL could partition into LNAPL
 - NAPL weathering occurs in subsurface
 - Industrial grade DNAPLs from manufacturing sites may have impurities
- Analysis of site specific NAPL is recommended during a site assessment.
(ref – ITRC Integrated DNAPL Site Characterization Guidance, Ch. 2)

DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



NAPL Densities



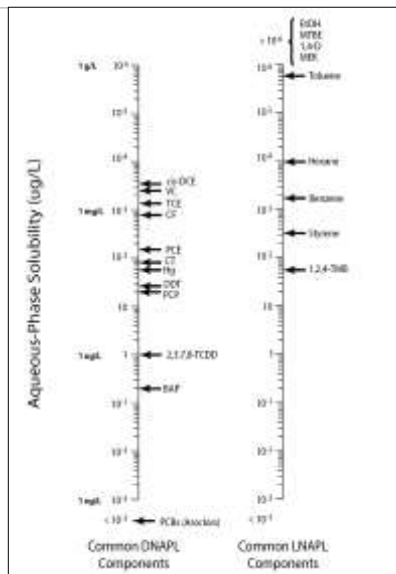
Various sources compiled in ITRC IDSC

Liquid	Density g/cm ³
Water	1.0
Gasoline	0.71 to 0.77
Diesel	0.80 to 0.85
#6 Fuel Oil	1.05
Pure TCE	1.46
Spent degreaser TCE, up to 25% oil and grease	1.38
Pure PCE	1.63
Dry Cleaner PCE recovered from subsurface	1.59
Pure chlorobenzene	1.11
Creosote	1.01 to 1.13
Aged MGP Coal Tar	1.02 to 1.1
PCB	1.0 to 1.6
PCB 1254	1.51
PCB 1260	1.59

DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



- Aqueous Solubility ($C_{w,sol}$)
 - Maximum amount of a pure compound that can be dissolved in water at equilibrium
 - Solubility increases with temperature
 - Solubility of a pure chemical is different from solubility of typical DNAPLs in the subsurface



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Solubility (S) in the subsurface



- Low S DNAPLs such as coal tar and creosote are persistent
- Risk-drivers in GW are derived from high solubility DNAPLs
- Mixed DNAPLs exhibit very different solubilities (lower) than pure, may be more persistent than pure
- CVOC DNAPLs may partition into petroleum rather than GW, plume may look different from pure CVOC
- Low S DNAPLs may have no detectable plume; components may partition off into groundwater (e.g., naphthalene)
- Aqueous phase treatment (e.g., P&T) drives higher rates of DNAPL dissolution

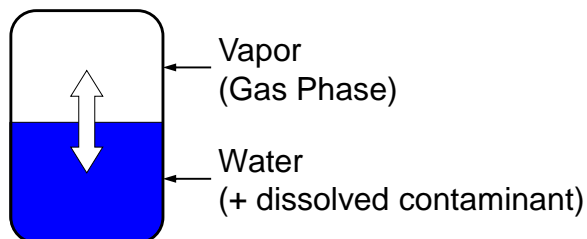
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DNAPL Types, Properties and Behavior



- Volatility – transfer to the vapor phase
- Vapor Pressure – pressure exerted by the vapor phase at equilibrium with pure liquid – strongly temperature dependent
- Henry's Law – ratio of vapor pressure to solubility, on molar basis, mol/vol per mol/vol, dimensionless

(Beware of units, Henry's law is also expressed as pressure in the gas phase (atm-m³/mol) or as a dimensionless concentration ratio)



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Gaseous-Aqueous Partitioning



	Liquid	Henry's Constant d	Vapor Pressure atm
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Many DNAPLs have high vapor pressures ■ High volatility compounds can generate vapor phase plumes ■ Vapor plumes can migrate in the subsurface ■ Vapor plume can transfer contaminant mass to soil and across the capillary fringe to groundwater ■ Vapor plumes become trapped and spread below slabs and pavement ■ Vapor Intrusion is an important exposure pathway 	TCFM	3.63	1.06
	CTET	1.19	0.12
	1,1-DCA	0.23	0.30
	1,2-DCA	0.04	0.11
	1,1,1-TCA	0.70	0.13
	1,1-DCE	1.068	0.80
	1,2-DCE, <i>cis</i> ; <i>trans</i>	0.153; 0.375	0.270; .414
	TCE	0.39	0.099
	PCE	0.72	0.021
	1,4-dioxane	0.039	0.0002
	Vinyl chloride	1.137	3.44
	Chlorobenzene	0.146	0.0116
	Benzene	0.228	0.132
	PCB	Mostly from Newark and Cherry 10 ⁻⁵	

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Behavior of mixtures



- Raoult's Law: The partial vapor pressure of each component in a mixed solution is equal to the vapor pressure of the pure component multiplied by the mole fraction in the solution.
 - Example: pure TCE has a saturated vapor concentration of 76,000 ppmV. For a mixture containing 5% TCE in a mineral oil, the saturated TCE concentration would be 3,800 PPMV
- In a mixed component DNAPL, the most soluble component will dissolve first and may dominate in groundwater early but will change over time as the mole fraction of each component changes over time.
- In a DNAPL mixture that contains PCE, 1,1,1-TCA, and 1,4-dioxane, dioxane (miscible) will dissolve first, then TCA, then PCE, in order of decreasing solubility

These concepts result in complex behavior and changing chemical signatures of releases over time – use caution interpreting your results!

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DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



- Adsorption – occurs at the surface of a solid
- Absorption – uptake into the solid
 - Sorption is dependent upon organic content and mineralogy. Generally, clays and organic rich soils have high sorption capacities.
 - Desorption, or back-diffusion, from fine grained soils and rock can become the dominant source term in older DNAPL source areas

$$C_s = C_w * f_{oc} * K_{oc}$$

C_s = Soil Concentration, C_w = Water Concentration

f_{oc} = fraction of organic carbon and

K_{oc} = soil organic carbon-water partitioning coefficient (high K_{oc} = less mobile)

- Partitioning into soil increases with organic content
- Chemical with high K_{oc} are harder to remove from soil

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Koc Values



Liquid	Koc ml/g at 25°C
TCFM	159
CTET	439
1,1-DCA	30
1,2-DCA	14
1,1,1-TCA	152
1,1-DCE	65
1,2-DCE, <i>cis; trans</i>	86; 59
TCE	126
PCE	364
Vinyl chloride	56
Chlorobenzene	330
Benzene	60
PCB	High, high affinity for soil

Mostly from Pankow and Cherry

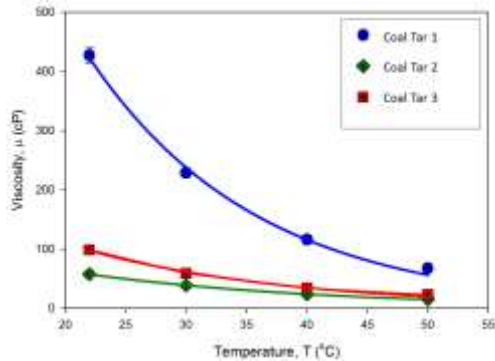
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DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



► Viscosity (dynamic)

- Represents the resistance to shear (flow) of the fluid
- Sensitive to temp:
 $\mu_w = 0.894 \text{ cP } 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 $\mu_w = 1.002 \text{ cP } 20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
- Units of measure:
 Poise (P) = 0.1 Pa·s
 or g·cm/s



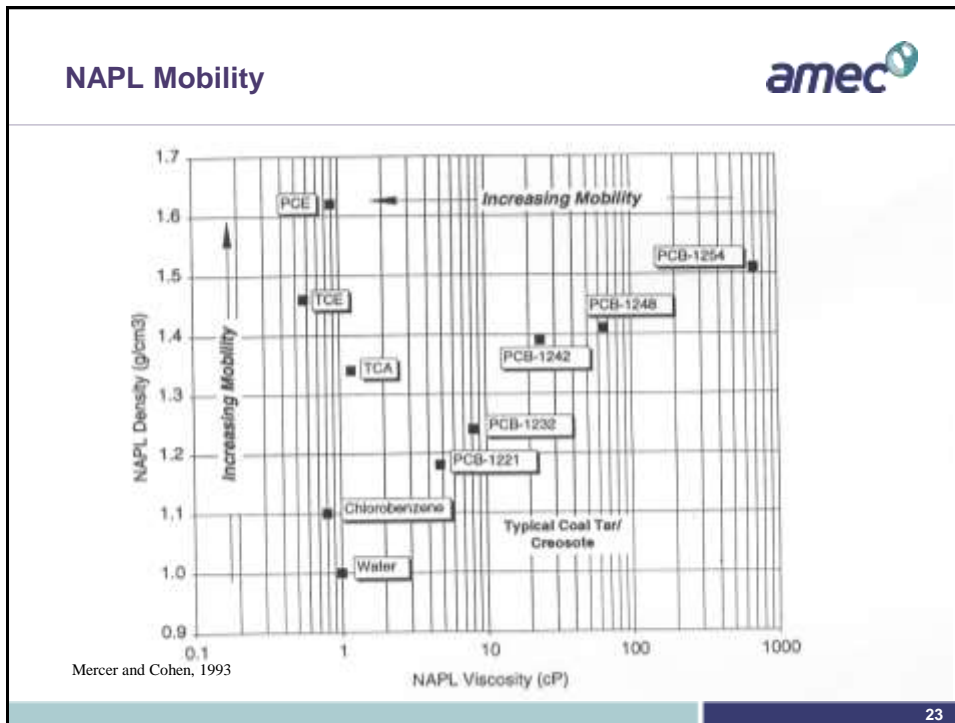
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Viscosities



Liquid	centiPoise at 25°C – water = 1.0
1,1-DCA	0.50
1,2-DCA	0.84
1,1,1-TCA	0.84
1,1-DCE	0.36
1,2-DCE, <i>cis</i> ; <i>trans</i>	0.48; 0.40
TCE	0.57
TCE with oil and grease at 25%	0.78
PCE	0.90
Benzene	0.61
Chlorobenzene	0.80
Creosote	20 to 50
PCB	10 to 50
#6 Fuel Oil	2,300
Coal Tar	20 to 100 and higher

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DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior

- DNAPL migration at the macro scale is controlled by gravity
- At the pore scale, other forces come into play that are functions of the fluid properties and the aquifer matrix
- When DNAPL displaces water, the fluids coexist in the matrix, never alone
- Interfacial Tension – the force parallel to the interface between one fluid with another, the force that keeps two fluids separate
- Wettability – represents whether a fluid is wicked into or repelled out of a subsurface media, measured by the contact angle between the DNAPL and the matrix in the presence of water

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- For CVOCs
 - DNAPL occupies the large pore spaces and has a lower affinity for the solid matrix that water – non-wetting fluid
 - Water is usually the wetting fluid and preferentially coats the solid

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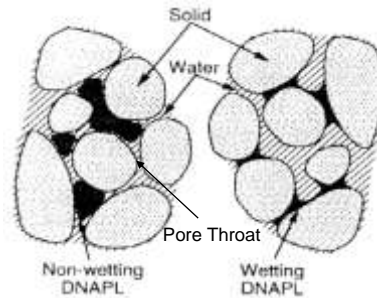


- Capillary Pressure (P_c) is the pressure difference between two fluids sharing pore space within an Representative Elementary Volume (REV).

$$P_c = P_n - P_w \quad (\text{Bear, 1972})$$

Where P_n is the NAPL Pressure and P_w is the water pressure

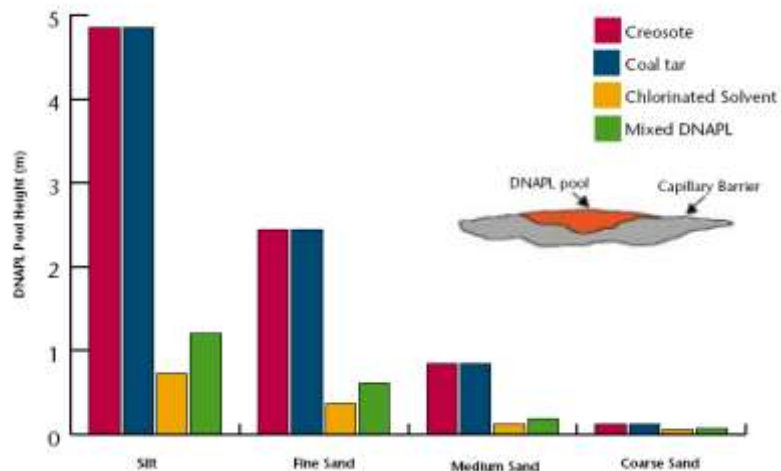
- P_c is a non-linear function of S , with P_c increasing at greater saturation of the non-wetting fluid (Lenhard and Parker, 1987)
- P_c must exceed the threshold value determined by the radius of the pore throat for DNAPL to migrate into / displace water in the neighboring pore



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Variability of Entry Pressures



UK Environment Agency, Publication 133

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DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



- Saturation (S)
 - S represents the proportion of the subsurface pore space within a **Representative Elementary Volume** (REV) that is occupied by a fluid (NAPL, air, or water), ranging from 0 to 1.0.
- Residual Saturation (S_r)
 - S_r is the fraction of pore space within a REV that is filled by the NAPL at the point where it becomes **disconnected from NAPL** in an adjacent REV and is no longer mobile.

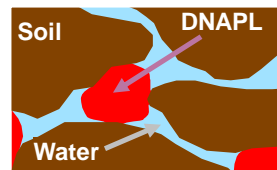
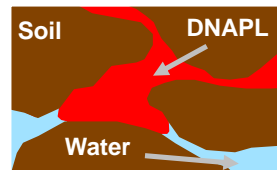
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- NAPL Saturation and Mobility
 - When $S > S_r$, NAPL may be:
Potentially Mobile but not migrating under existing conditions, or Mobile and migrating
 - When $S < S_r$, NAPL will generally be considered immobile
 - Isolated, detached DNAPL is referred to as ganglia



Pennell et al., 1996, ES&T

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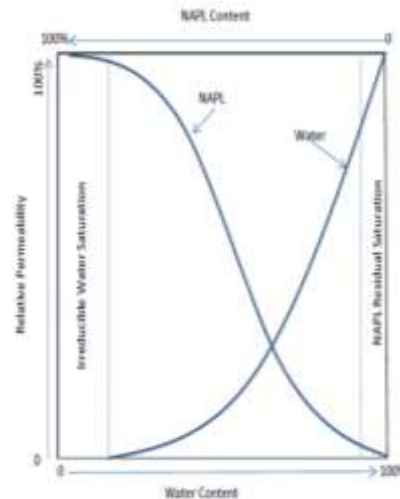
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■ Relative Permeability (k_r)

- Represents the actual or effective permeability of a fluid in a REV relative to the intrinsic water permeability of a porous medium.
- The value of k_r , ranges from 0 to 1.0 as a non-linear function of saturation (S), where $k_r = 1.0$ at $S = 1.0$ and $k_r = 0$ at $S = 0$

(Parker and Lenhard, 1987).



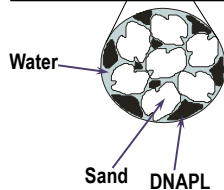
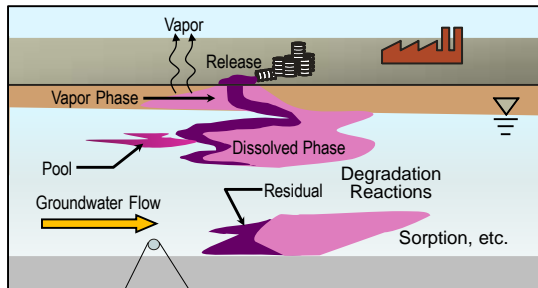
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Effects of NAPL properties on NAPL Fate and Transport:
Saturation, Relative Permeability, and Capillary Pressure:

- At S_r , NAPL is immobile.
- At very low S , approaching the value of S_r , NAPL mobility is very limited because k_r is very small.
- Increasing NAPL mobility (increasing k_r) can be influenced by
 - changes in pressure conditions affecting P_c ,
 - or by changes in chemistry that affect interfacial tension.
- Strongly effected by Geologic Heterogeneity
 - Small changes in k influence migration

DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



- DNAPL migrates as a mobile and “continuous” body as long as there is enough pressure (NAPL “head”) to displace groundwater from the pores in the aquifer matrix.


DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



- Geology controls flow!
- Lithologic heterogeneity leads to differences in subsurface pore structure and capillary properties.
- These can be over very small distances/intervals




DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



DNAPL source zones evolve over time, DNAPL may fade away, Source zone migrates downgradient, diffusion become dominant

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DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



	Source Zone		Plume	
Phase / Zone	Low Permeability	Transmissive	Transmissive	Low Permeability
Vapor				
DNAPL			NA	NA
Aqueous				
Sorbed				

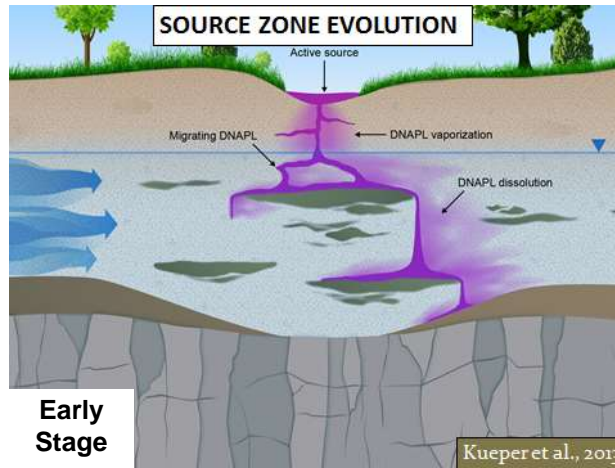
The 14-Compartment Model (Sale and Newell 2011)

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DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



DNAPL Life Cycle Model



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DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior



Early Stage

ZONE	SOURCE		PLUME	
	Lower-K	Transmissive	Transmissive	Lower-K
Vapor	LOW	MODERATE	LOW	LOW
DNAPL	LOW	HIGH		
Aqueous	LOW	MODERATE	MODERATE	LOW
Sorbed	LOW	MODERATE	LOW	LOW

Middle Stage

ZONE	SOURCE		PLUME	
	Lower-K	Transmissive	Transmissive	Lower-K
Vapor				
DNAPL				
Aqueous				
Sorbed				

Late Stage

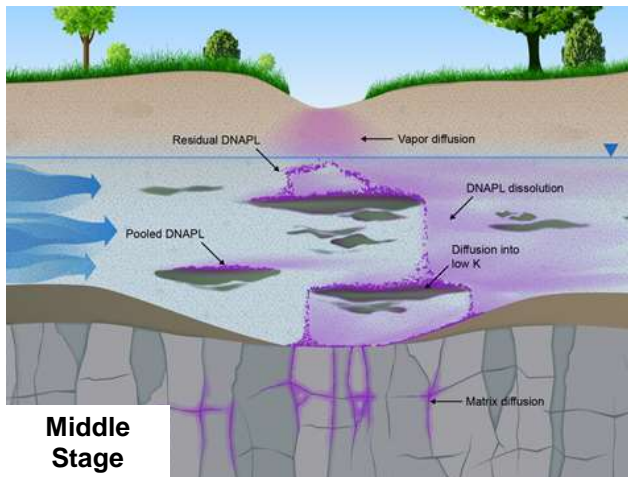
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Aqueous				
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DNAPL Life Cycle Model



Middle Stage

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DNAPL	LOW	HIGH		
Aqueous	LOW	MODERATE	MODERATE	LOW
Sorbed	LOW	MODERATE	LOW	LOW

Middle Stage

ZONE	SOURCE		PLUME	
	Lower-K	Transmissive	Transmissive	Lower-K
Vapor	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE
DNAPL	MODERATE	MODERATE		
Aqueous	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE
Sorbed	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE

Late Stage

ZONE	SOURCE		PLUME	
	Lower-K	Transmissive	Transmissive	Lower-K
Vapor				
DNAPL				
Aqueous				
Sorbed				

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DNAPL Types, Properties, and Behavior

DNAPL Life Cycle Model

**Late Stage –
Back Diffusion
and Desorption**

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Early Stage

ZONE	SOURCE		PLUME	
	Lower-K	Transmissive	Transmissive	Lower-K
Vapor	LOW	MODERATE	LOW	LOW
DNAPL	LOW	HIGH		
Aqueous	LOW	MODERATE	MODERATE	LOW
Sorbed	LOW	MODERATE	LOW	LOW

Middle Stage

ZONE	SOURCE		PLUME	
	Lower-K	Transmissive	Transmissive	Lower-K
Vapor	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE
DNAPL	MODERATE	MODERATE		
Aqueous	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE
Sorbed	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE

Late Stage

ZONE	SOURCE		PLUME	
	Lower-K	Transmissive	Transmissive	Lower-K
Vapor	LOW	LOW	LOW	LOW
DNAPL	LOW	LOW		
Aqueous	MODERATE	LOW	LOW	MODERATE
Sorbed	MODERATE	LOW	LOW	MODERATE

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Paradigm Shift in the DNAPL behavior model



- Heterogeneity replaces homogeneity
- Anisotropy replaces isotropy
- Diffusion replaces dispersion
- Back Diffusion may be a significant source of contamination and plume growth
- Lognormal replaces Gaussian
- Transient replaces steady state conditions
- Non-linear replaces linear sorption
- Non-ideal replaces ideal sorption

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New ITRC DNAPL Site Characterization
Guidance Document – Tools Selection Process



**Integrated DNAPL Site Characterization:
A Web-based Technical / Regulatory Guidance**

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The “Tools Matrix”

- Over 100 tools
- Unconsolidated, Bedrock, and Unsaturated Zone
- Main categories
 - Geology
 - Hydrogeology
 - Chemistry

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Geology

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Click on a Category

Tool	Data Quality	Bedrock	Unconsolidated	Unsaturated zone	Geology										
					Lithology	Lithology Contacts	Porosity	Permeability	Dual Permeability	Faults	Fractures	Fracture Density	Fracture sets	Rock Competence	
Geophysics															
Surface Geophysics															
Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR)	QL - Q	✓	✓	✓											
High Resolution Seismic Reflection (2D or 3D)	QL - Q	✓	✓												
Seismic Refraction	QL - Q	✓	✓	✓											
Multi-Channel Analyses of Surface Waves (MASW)	QL-Q	✓	✓	✓											
Electrical Resistivity Tomography (ERT)	QL - SQ	✓	✓	✓											
Very Low Frequency (VLF)	QL	✓	✓	✓											
ElectroMagnetic (EM) Conductivity	QL	✓	✓	✓											

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Geology Description



- Provides a means to describe the
 - physical matrix and
 - structure of the subsurface and
- Classify the origin and depositional environment
 - Sedimentary, igneous, metamorphic, etc.
 - Alluvial, Aeolian, Fluvial, Lacustrine, Deltaic, Tidal, Lagoonal, Beach, Shallow or Deep marine, Reef, Glacial, Volcanic,
- Data are generated through a variety of qualitative and quantitative tools and methods

Geology



Tools collect these types of information

Tool	Data Quality	Bedrock	Unconsolidated	Unsaturated zone	Geology																
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ElectroMagnetic (EM) Conductivity	QL	✓	✓	✓																	

Hydrogeologic Parameters



Tool	Data Quality	Bedrock	Unconsolidated	Unsaturated zone	Hydrogeology								
					Open Hole Flow	Ambient Flow	Groundwater Age	Fracture Aperture	Fracture Connectivity	Hydraulic Conductivity	Head	Borehole Condition	
Hydraulic Testing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Single well tests													
Packer Testing	Q - SQ	✓	✓										
FLUTE™ Profiling	Q - SQ	✓	✓										
Borehole Dilution	Q - SQ	✓	✓										
Flow Metering	Q - SQ	✓	✓										
Partitioning Interwell Tracer Test (PITT)	Q - SQ	✓	✓	✓									
Pumping and Recovery Tests	Q - SQ	✓	✓										
Slug Tests	Q - SQ	✓	✓										
Constant Head Step Test	Q - SQ	✓	✓										
Cross Borehole Testing													
Tracer testing	Q - SQ	✓	✓										
Hydraulic Tomography	Q - SQ	✓	✓										
Flow Metering	Q - SQ	✓	✓										
Pumping and Recovery Tests	Q - SQ	✓	✓										
Slug Tests	Q - SQ	✓	✓										


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Hydrogeology Description



- Branch of Geology that studies the occurrence, distribution, and flow of groundwater and other fluids in the subsurface
- Bridges gap between geology and chemistry as they relate to fate and transport of contaminants through the subsurface
- Sufficient hydrogeologic data should be collected to minimize uncertainty with respect to contaminant flux


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Chemical Parameters

Tool	Data Quality	Bedrock	Unconsolidated	Unsaturated zone	Chemistry				
					Soil Vapor Contaminant Concentration	Groundwater			
						Geochemistry	Microbial Community	NAPL Presence	Contaminant Concentration
Vapor and Soil Gas Sampling									
Passive soil gas surveys	SQ	✓	✓	✓					
Active soil gas surveys	Q - SQ	✓	✓	✓					
Solid Media Sampling and Analysis Methods									
Solid Media Sampling Methods									
Split Spoon Sampler	Q - QL	-	✓	✓					
Single Tube Solid Barrel Sampler	Q - QL	-	✓	✓					
Dual Tube Sampler	Q - QL	-	✓	✓					
Rock Coring	Q - QL	✓	-	-					
Solid Media Evaluation and Testing Methods									
Core Logging	Q - QL	✓	✓	✓					
Percent Recovery/Rock Quality Designation	Q - QL	✓	✓	✓					
Contaminant Analysis	Q - QL	✓	✓	✓					
Geochemical Composition and Mineralogy	Q - QL	✓	✓	✓					
Physical Properties	Q - QL	✓	✓	✓					
Molecular/Microbial Diagnostics	QL - SQ	✓	✓						

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The “Tools Matrix” Primary Tool Categories

- Geophysics: surface and downhole
- Hydraulic testing: single well tests and cross borehole testing
- Core inspection and analysis methods and sampling
- Direct push logging/continuous profiling
- Direct push discrete interval groundwater sampling and profiling
- Discrete air sampling
- Discrete groundwater sampling
- DNAPL presence
- Chemical screening
- Environmental molecular diagnostics
- Stable isotope and environmental tracers
- On-site analytical

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The “Tools Matrix”
Description Pages



Over 100 site investigation tools

- Each Description Page includes:
 - Description of the tool
 - Data Quality (qualitative, quantitative, etc.)
 - Applicability / Advantages
 - Limitations / Difficulty
 - Additional Information Sources



Tools Descriptions



Click to jump to

Tool	Data Quality	Bedrock	Unconsolidated	Unsaturated zone	Geology							
					Lithology	Lithology Contacts	Porosity	Permeability	Dual Permeability	Faults	Fractures	Fracture Density
Geophysics												
Surface Geophysics												
Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR)	QL - Q	✓	✓	✓								
High Resolution Seismic Reflection (2D or 3D)	QL - Q	✓	✓									
Seismic Refraction	QL - Q	✓	✓	✓								
Multi-Channel Analyses of Surface Waves (MASW)	QL-Q	✓	✓	✓								
Electrical Resistivity Tomography (ERT)	QL - SQ	✓	✓	✓								
Very Low Frequency (VLF)	QL	✓	✓	✓								
ElectroMagnetic (EM) Conductivity	QL	✓	✓	✓								

Ground Penetrating Radar



Tool	Description	Applicability/Advantages Data Quality	Limitations/Difficulties	References
Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR)	Surface Geophysics			
	<p>Cross-sectional imaging of the ground based on reflection of an EM (electromagnetic) pulse from boundaries between layers of different dielectric properties. Dependent on soil and water conditions (penetration is reduced by clay, water, salinity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Useful in resolving stratigraphic layers; however, independent confirmation of lithology is required. Generates 2D profile; can be run with multiple lines in a grid pattern to generate pseudo-3D image Penetration and resolution of features are dependent on antenna frequency and material conductivity and interference; generally limited to 20m depth Can identify internal structures between material-bounding reflectors (e.g. cross-bedding) in some cases Can locate geologic material or property contacts associated with dielectric property contrasts (e.g., can be proxy for porosity in some water saturated clastic sediments) and can locate subsurface infrastructure (e.g. pipes, tanks, cavities) 	<p>Data Quality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Varies with antenna and subsurface electrical conductivity Relatively sharp boundaries Qualitative to quantitative depending on field conditions, prior knowledge/subsurface calibration, experimental quality, appropriate modeling <p>Applicability/Advantages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relatively fast to acquire and processing methodology is well established Primarily used in materials with low electrical conductivity (sand, gravel or rock except shales) Can be run repeatedly in time-lapse mode to track changes in moisture (above the water table) or electrical conductivity or dielectric properties (plume or spill bodies including several experiments tracking presence and changes in DNAPL in sandy aquifers) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimal penetration in electrically conductive (silt and clay rich or conductive porewater) units Interpretation of features and depths is semi-quantitative without independent reference (well, or CPT) 	<p>Annon, 2005, Boyer et al 2011, Bross et al 1999, Clement et al 2006, Goetin 2005, USEPA, 2004</p>

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The “Road Map” or “How Do I Get There”



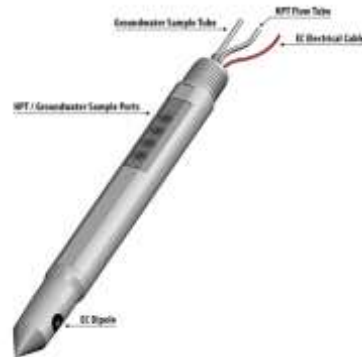
- With so many tools available, selection of appropriate methods can be daunting, How do I get there?
 - Identify your objective (Geology, Hydrogeology, Chemistry)
 - Identify data quality (Qualitative or Quantitative)
 - Select preferred technologies and evaluate applicability and availability
 - Incorporate into characterization plan
 - Repeat as needed to satisfy characterization objective

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Case Example – Reese AFB, TX



- Objective – Define the vertical and lateral hydrogeologic flow regime and influence of utility corridors on VOC distribution.
- Tool Type – Geologic
 - Category – Permeability
 - Objective – vertical and lateral delineation
- Tools Identified
 - HPT, Slug and Pumping Tests
- Refusal precluded use of HPT
 - Grab GW Sample and Mini-Slug Tests



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Case Example – Newark, NJ



- Objective – Define the vertical and lateral extent of tarry DNAPL to layout remediation wells on a 40-foot grid spacing.
- Tool Type – Chemistry
 - Category – Unconsolidated sediment
 - Objective – NAPL characterization
- Tools Identified
 - ROST, TarGost, SCAPS, UVOST



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Case Example – Dry Cleaner, IN



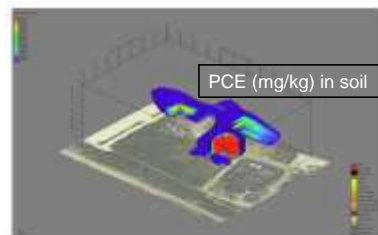
- Objective – Define the three-dimensional cVOC mass distribution within five HGU at three different dry cleaner sites.
- Tool Type – Chemistry
 - Categories – Groundwater and Unconsolidated; Soil and Unconsolidated
 - Objective – Contaminant Concentration
- Tools Identified
 - Core Testing, CPT, MIP, Dye-LIF, FLUTE, and MORE!
- Data Quality
 - Quantitative – Core Testing and On-site Analytical

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Case Example – Dry Cleaner, IN



- Tools selected were Direct Push Sampling for soil and groundwater with on-site analysis using Direct Sampling Ion Trap Mass Spectrometer using EPA Method 8265
- Collected high density, quantitative contaminant concentration for soil and groundwater to meet objective of defining cVOC distribution in three dimensions



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Tools Matrix Summary



- Integrated site conceptual models are founded on an understanding structure, flow and transport
- Objectives guides selection of site characterization tools → Start at the End
- Tools matrix of over 100 tools with description pages with links for more information
 - “**Tools Matrix**”, descriptions and references
- Three step - Tools selection process
 - “**Road Map**”
- Tools Selection must be validated to site conditions and Characterization Objectives

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Q & A End of Tools Table



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