

## First observations of oxycline oscillations in Lake Iseo



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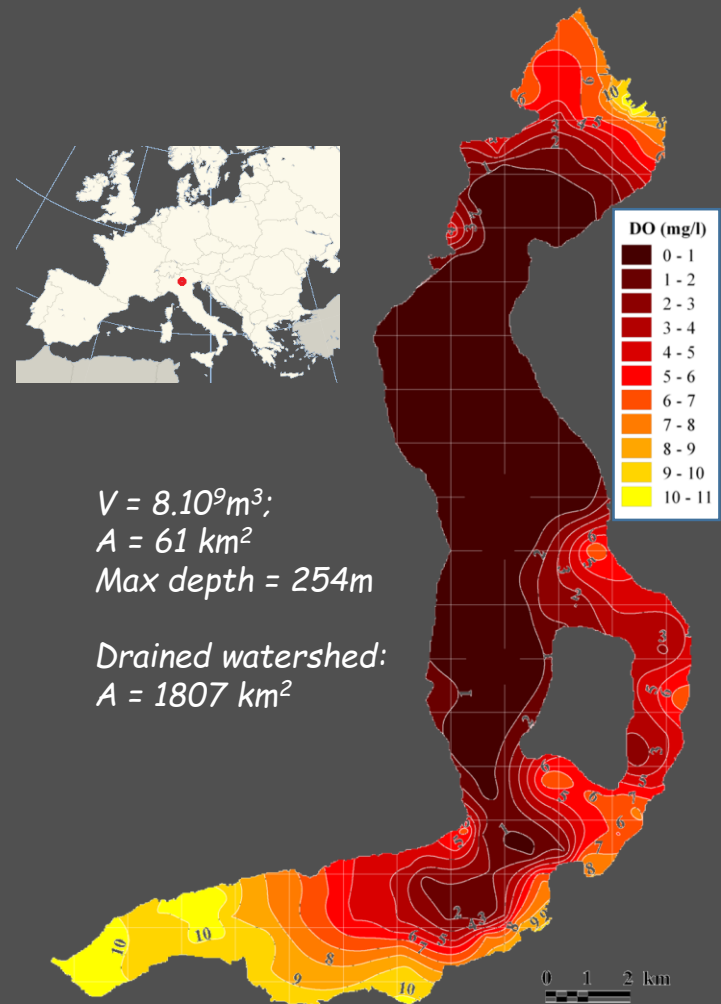
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# 1 – Motivations - eutrophy and oxygen deficit due to anthropogenic stressors

1967

Prof. m	Temp. °C		mg O <sub>2</sub> /l		pH		Cond. µS 18 °C		µg P(PO <sub>4</sub> ''')/l	
	V	XI	V	XI	V	XI	V	XI	V	XI
0	13,1	10,6	11,9	10,1	8,46	8,15	260	238	1	0
5	11,1	10,6	12,2	10,2	8,40	—	258	—	0	—
10	9,4	10,6	12,0	10,3	8,30	—	263	—	0	—
20	8,3	10,5	10,9	10,4	8,11	8,21	268	239	0	1
30	7,5	8,7	10,6	8,3	8,01	8,00	268	258	0	1
60	6,0	6,0	10,0	9,3	7,93	8,02	268	271	3	6
100	5,85	5,8	9,7	9,1	7,91	8,08	269	269	6	4
150	5,75	5,7	9,5	9,0	7,92	8,08	271	272	1	8
200	5,75	5,75	9,1	8,5	7,82	8,04	272	273	3	12
245-7	5,75	5,75	8,2	7,8	7,88	7,98	278	279	30	15

Source: Bonomi and Geerletti (1967)



$V = 8 \cdot 10^9 \text{ m}^3$ ;  
 $A = 61 \text{ km}^2$   
 Max depth = 254m

Drained watershed:  
 $A = 1807 \text{ km}^2$

Dissolved oxygen measured in the 10m of water above the sediments

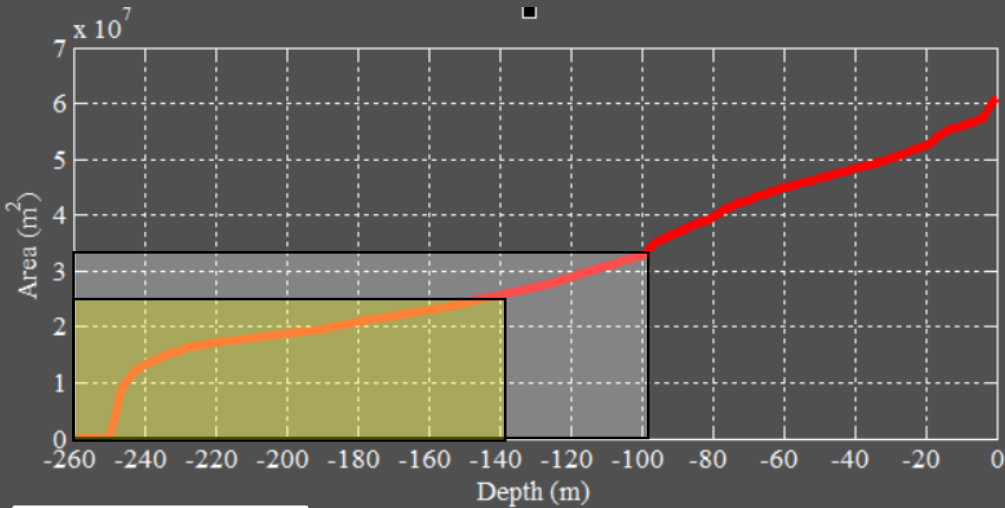
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Depth (m)	Temp °C		mg O <sub>2</sub> /l		Cond. 20° (µS/cm)		µg SRP/l		µg TP/l	
	IV	X	IV	X	IV	X	IV	X	IV	X
0	12.0	17.4	11.0	10.1	248	254	5	5	10	10
25	7.8	9.9	11.1	6.0	226	240	6	3	10	10
50	7.2	6.7	7.3	4.5	230	244	17	17	19	17
150	6.5	6.6	0.1	0.1	248	248	98	99	104	101
200	6.5	6.6	0.1	0.1	250	250	105	101	106	102
250	6.5	6.6	0.1	0.1	252	253	112	125	112	122

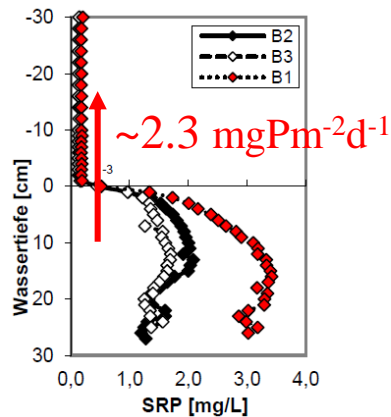
Data measured by Dr. Michael Hupfer (IGB)

July 2012

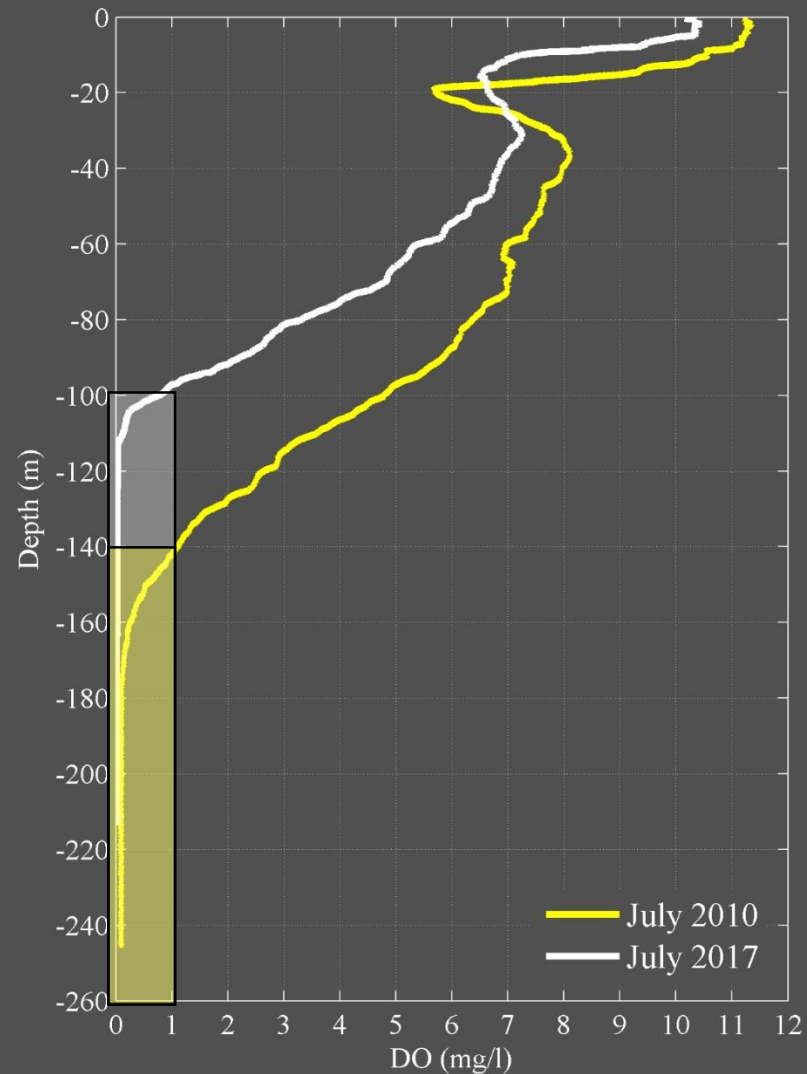
# 1 – Motivations - progressive deoxygenation favoured by climate change



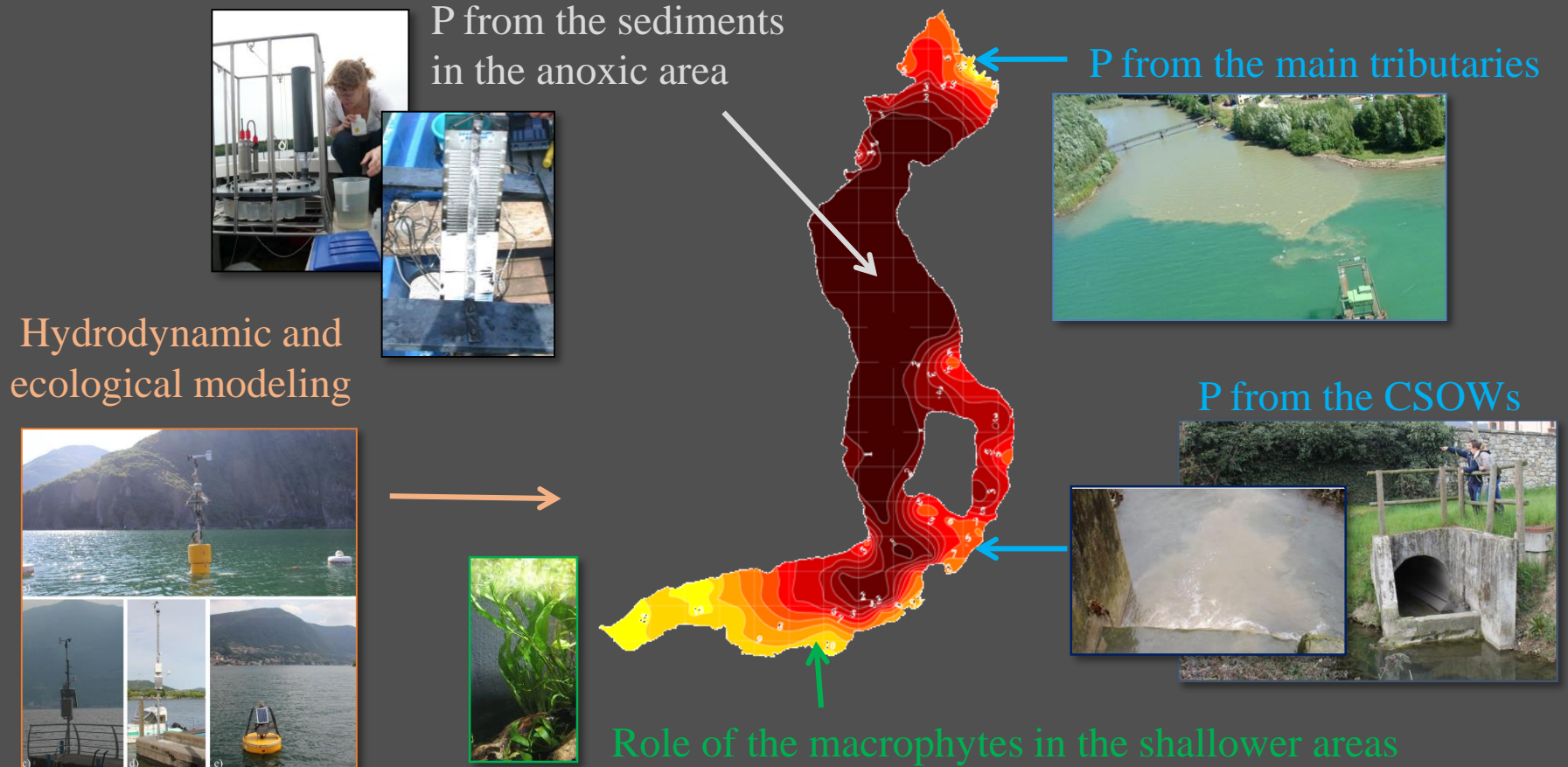
Additional **1.4 km²/year** area of sediments are in contact with water with DO < 1mg/l (+ 35% / 7 years)



Additional SRP from monimolimnion  
**~ 1 tonn/year**

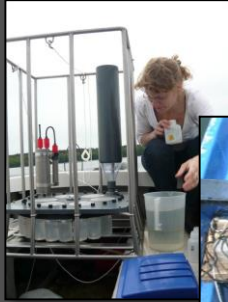


**General objective:** quantitative assessment of local pressures on the overall P load to clarify how effective will external nutrient load reductions be on the trophic evolution of Lake Iseo.





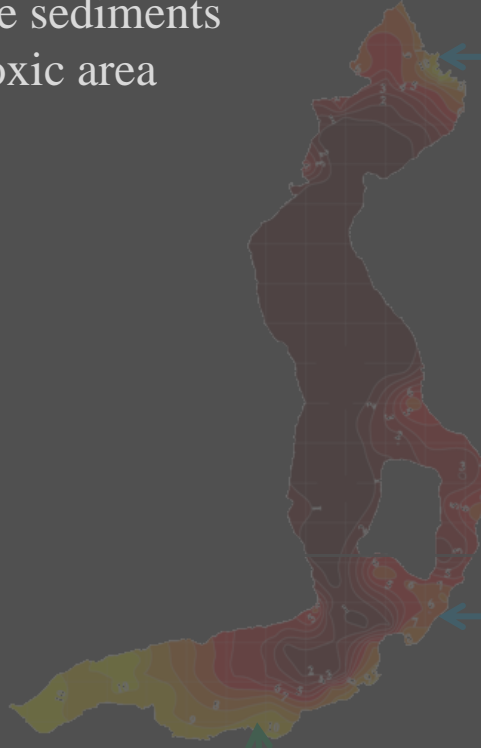
**Specific sub-objective:** what are the effects of the internal waves on the release of the P from the sediments in the monimolimnion?



P from the sediments  
in the anoxic area



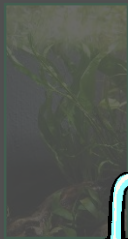
Hydrodynamic and  
ecological modeling



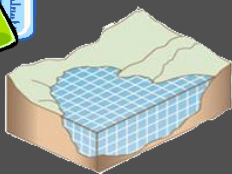
P from the main tributaries



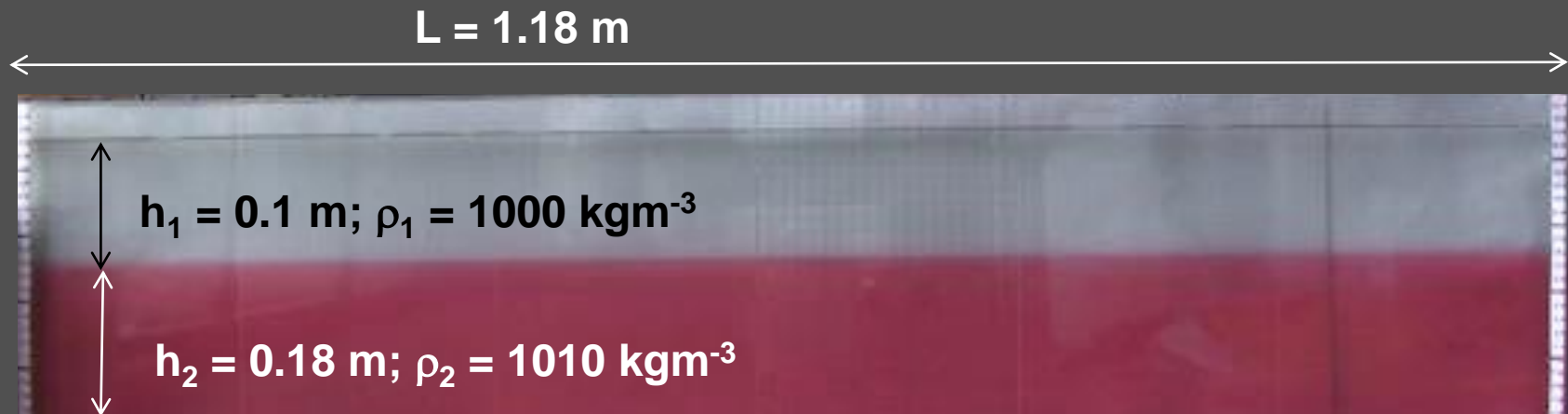
P from the CSOWs



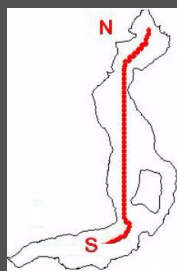
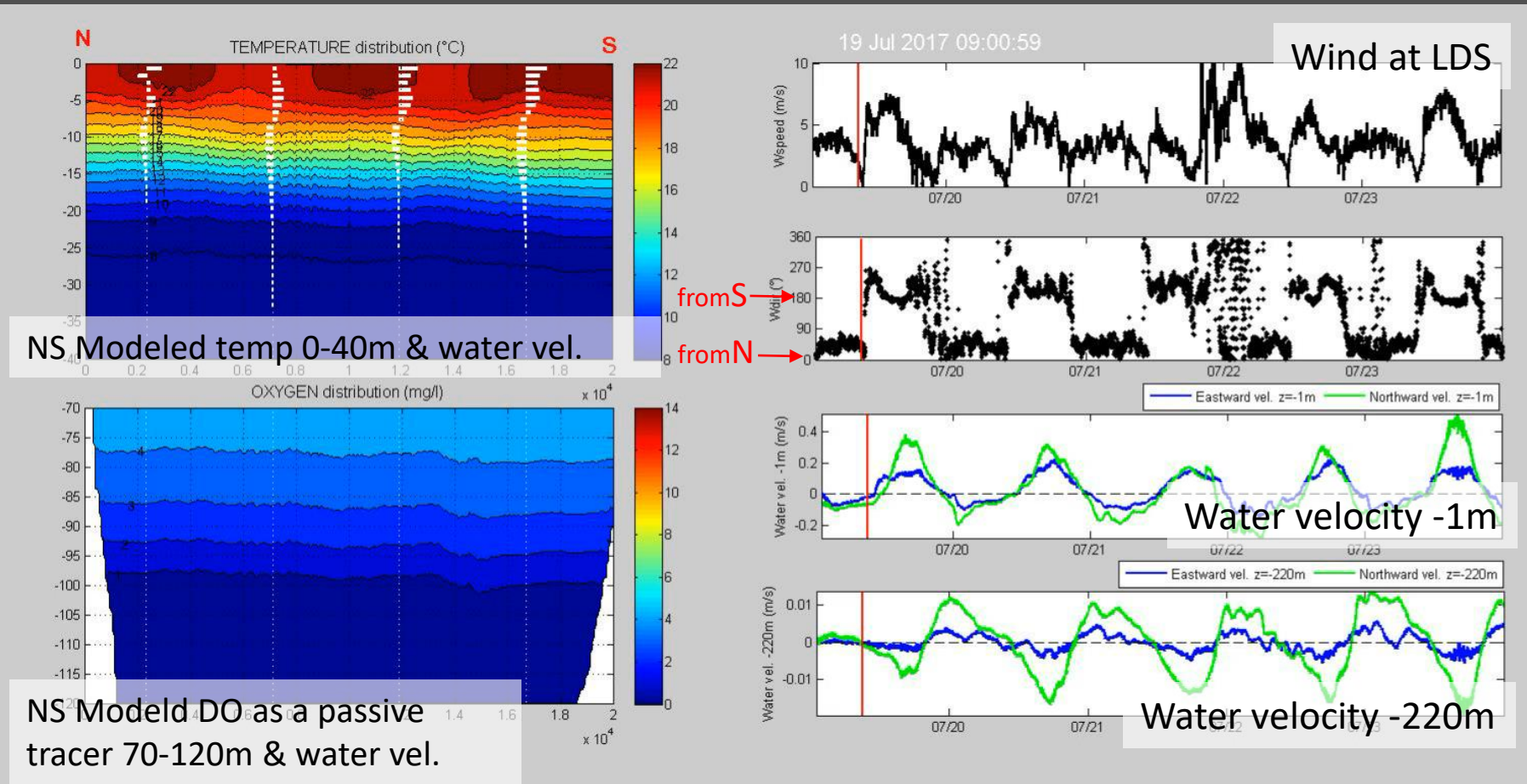
the macrophyte in the shallower areas



## Lake model in the laboratory (V1H1)

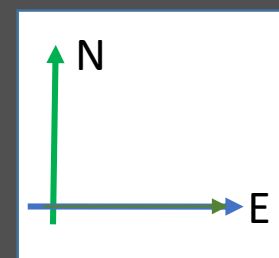


$$T = \frac{L}{\sqrt{g \frac{\rho_2 - \rho_1}{\rho_2} \frac{h_2 h_1}{h_2 + h_1}}} = 30s$$



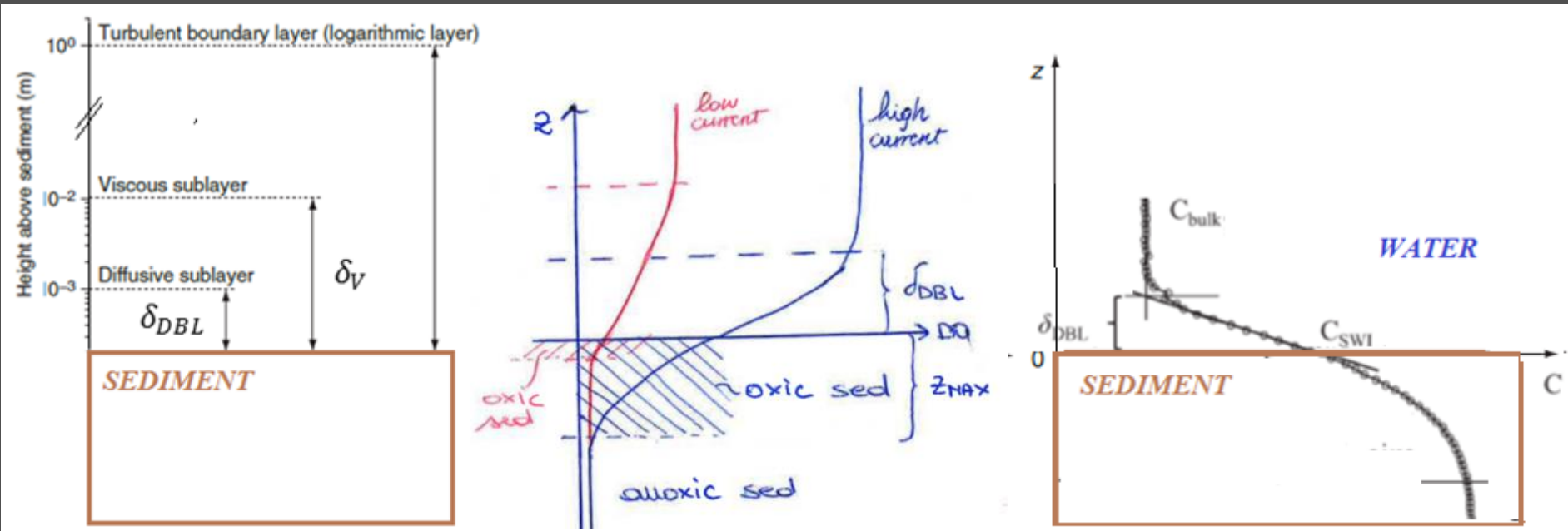
*At the bottom:*

- alternating bottom currents
- alternating REDOX conditions around the oxycline



### 3 – Research questions

- Temporal variations of the redox conditions across the oxycline



See e.g. Bryant et al. 2010 L&O  
Hupfer et al. 2007 Aquat Microb Ecol

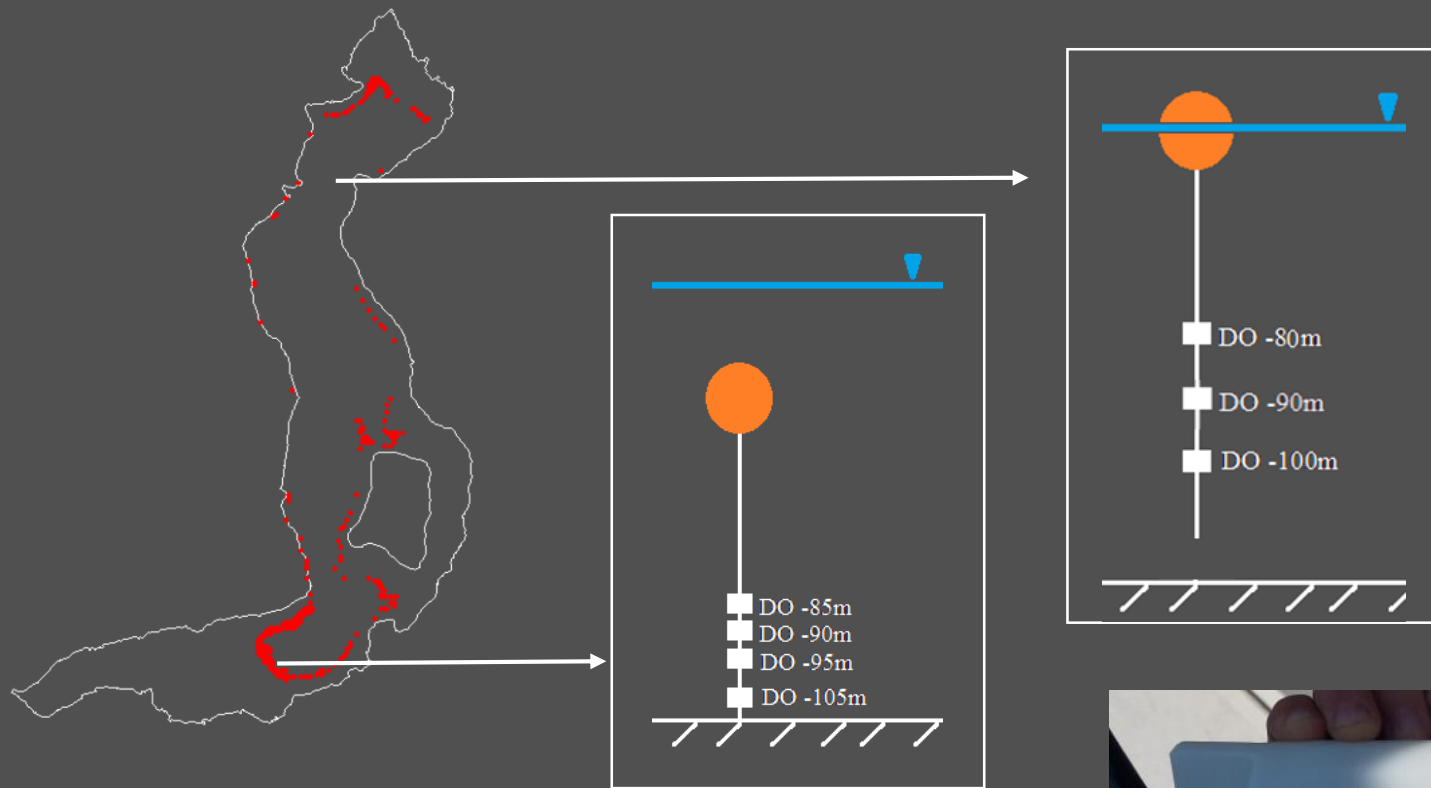
Fluctuating redox conditions could imply:

- Oxic conditions: higher mineralisation of organic bound P and temporary fixation at FeOOH
- Anoxic conditions: strong release of P due to reductive dissolution of Fe(III)



## 4 – Field observations

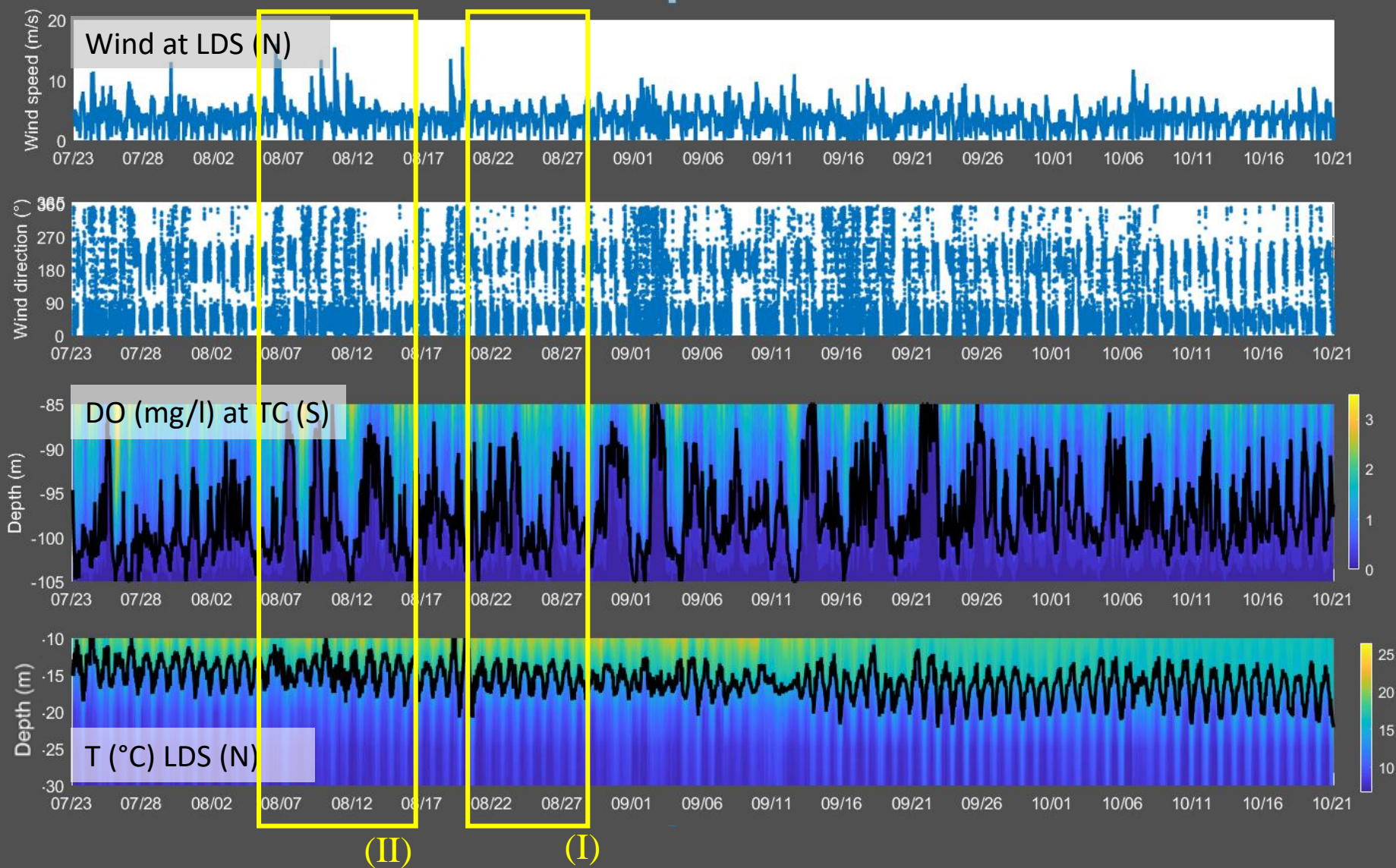
- Monitoring oxygen just above the sediments and at the same depths in the northern chain



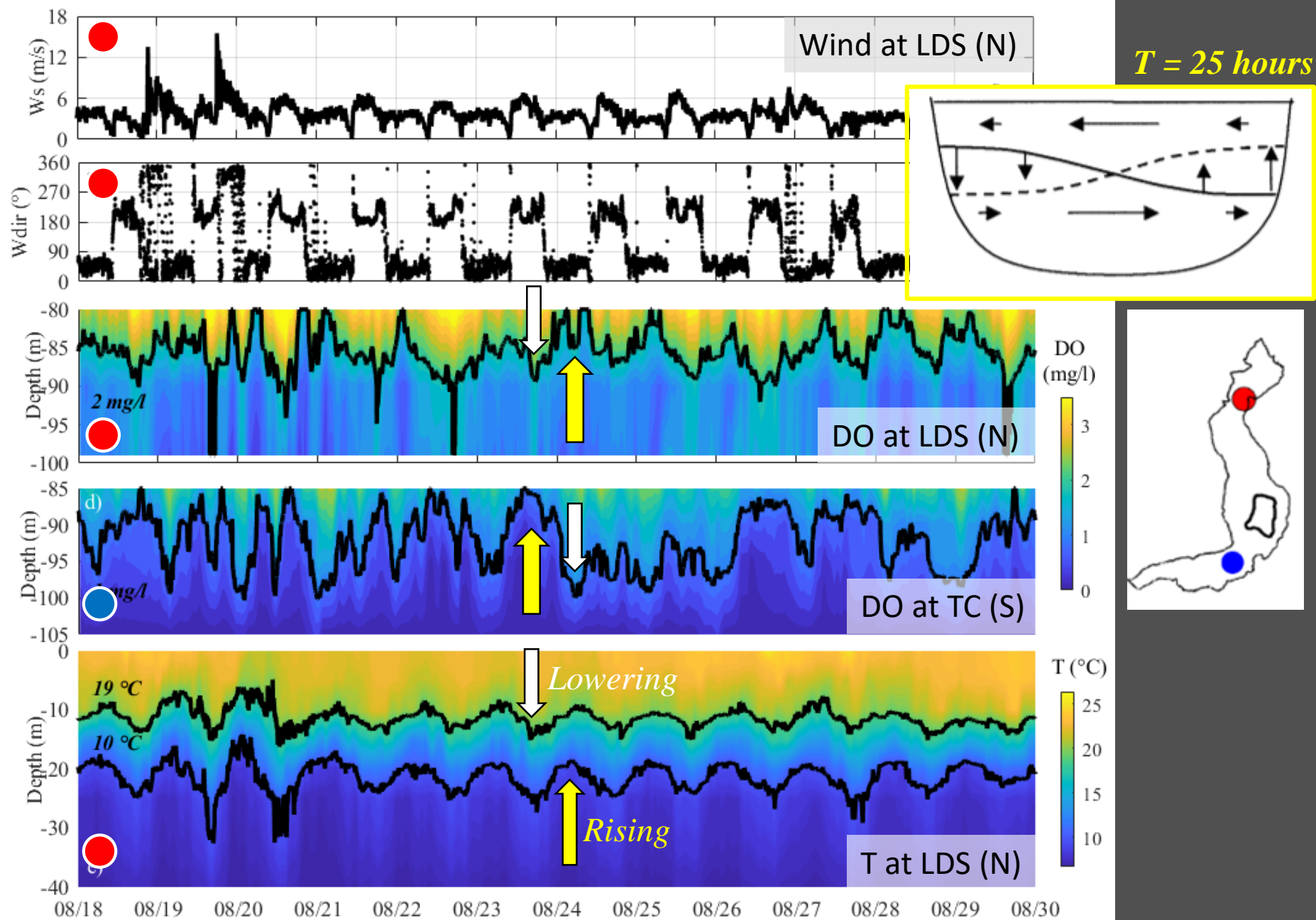
Real-time data available at:  
<http://hydraulics.unibs.it/hydraulics/il-monitoraggio-del-lago-diseo/real-time-data-from-lake-monitoring-system/>

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Dominant V1H1 mode in resonance with the wind and occasional V2H1 by long-lasting wind



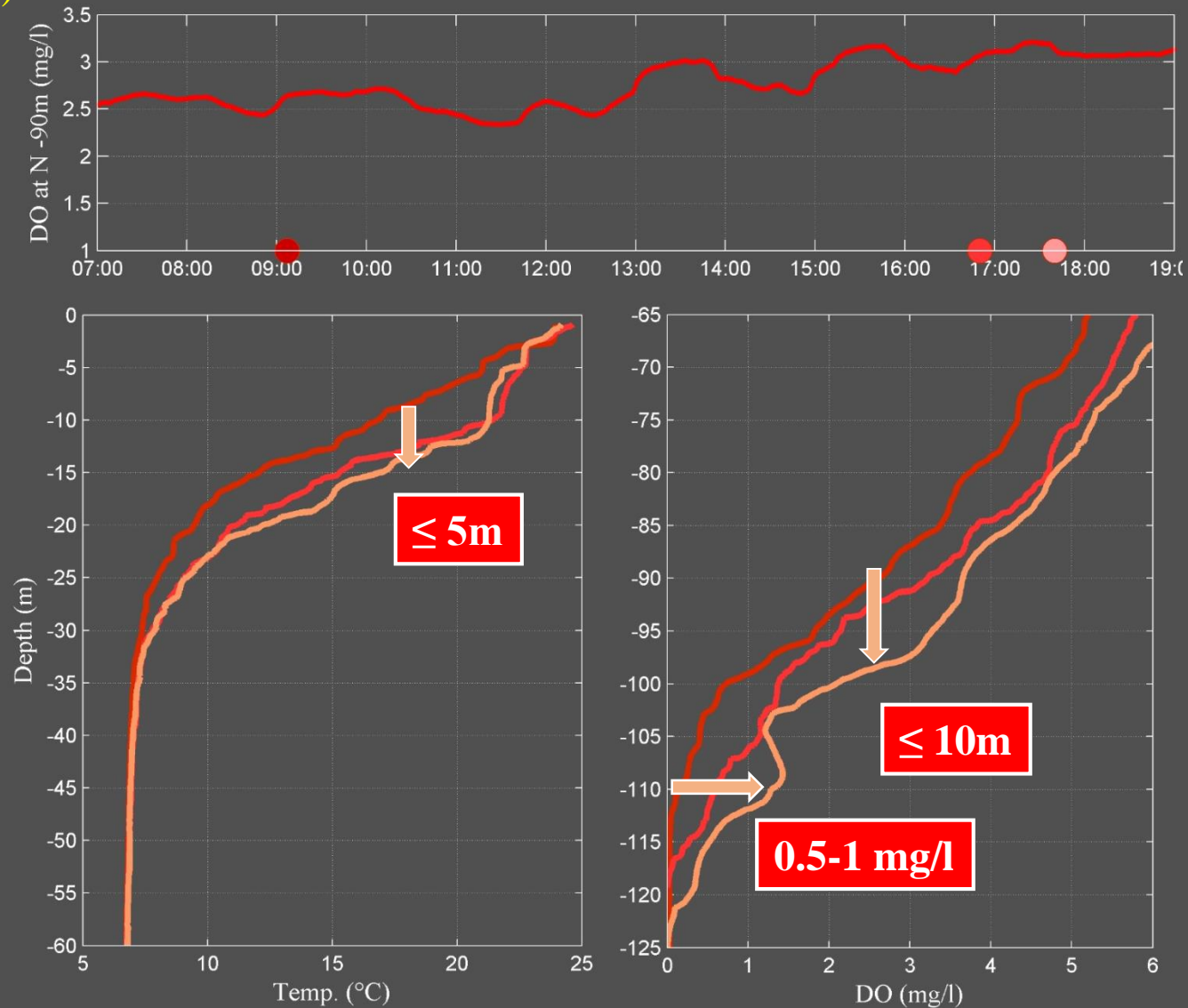
## 4 – Field observations (I)





### 3 – Internal waves in Lake Iseo – measurements

(I)

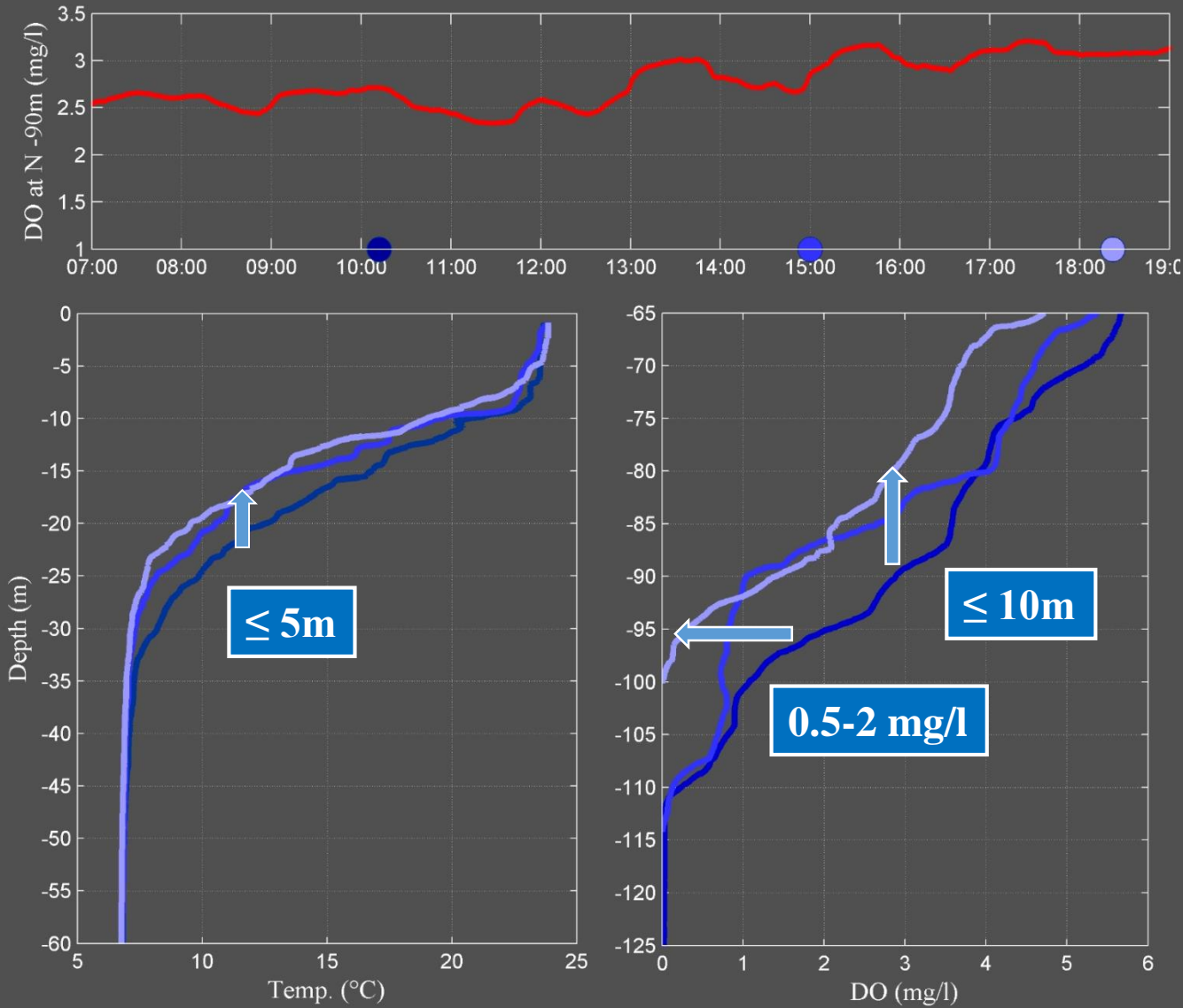


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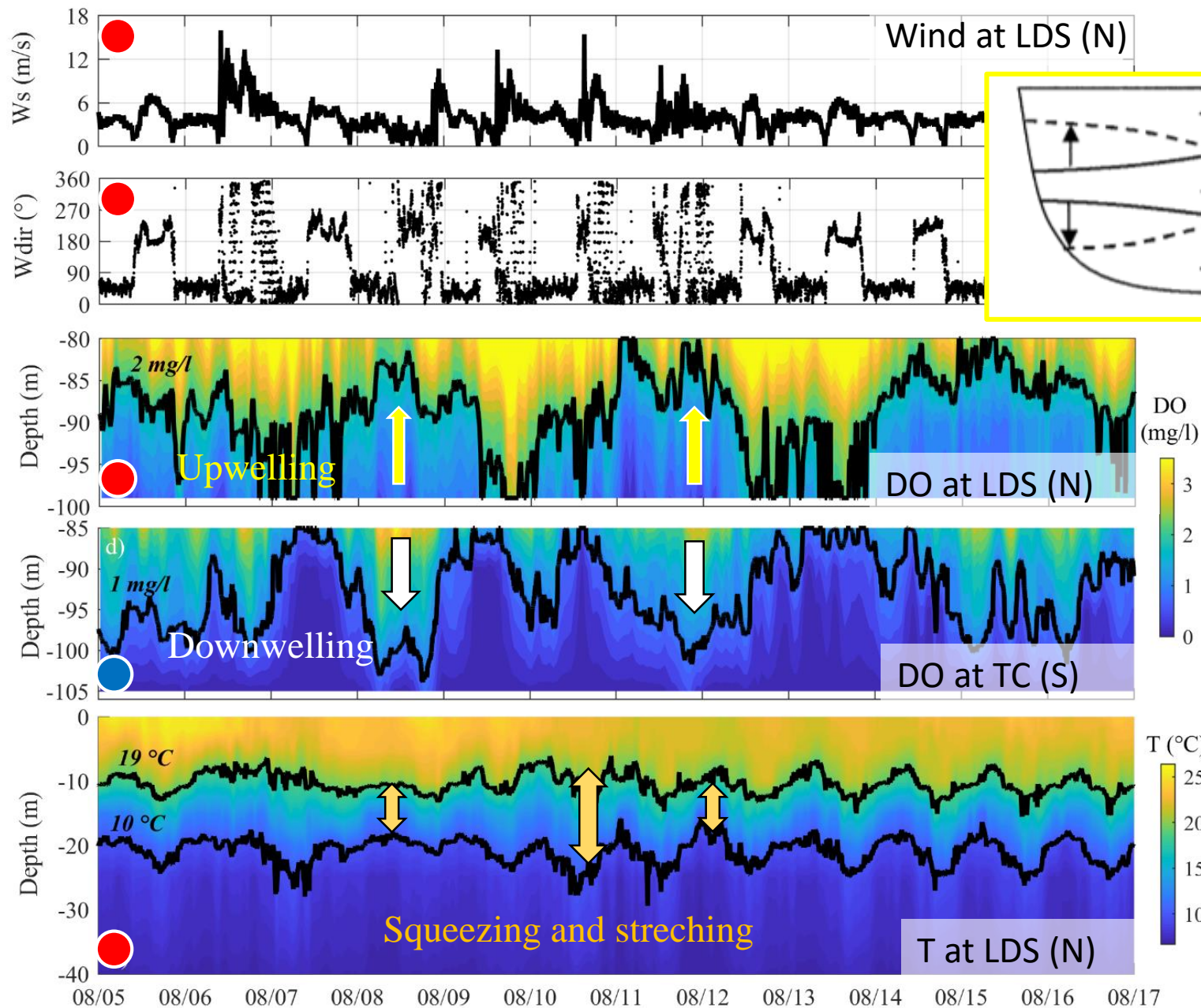
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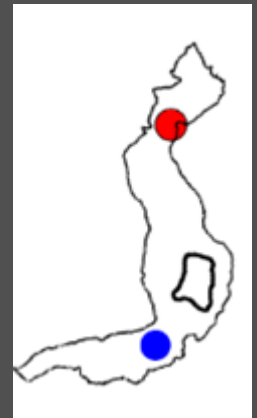
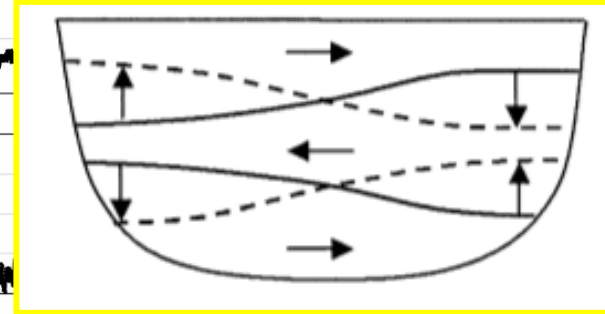


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## 4 – Field observations (II)

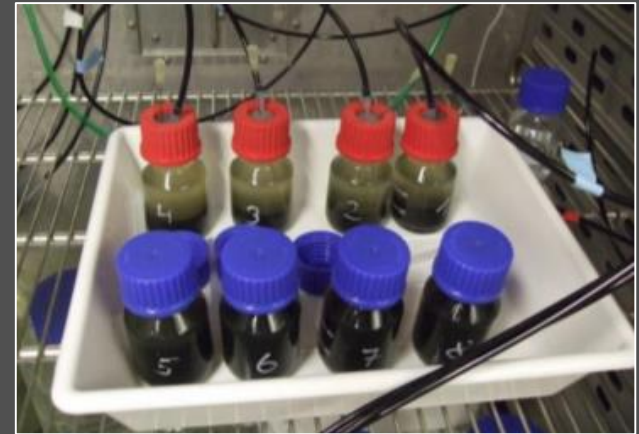
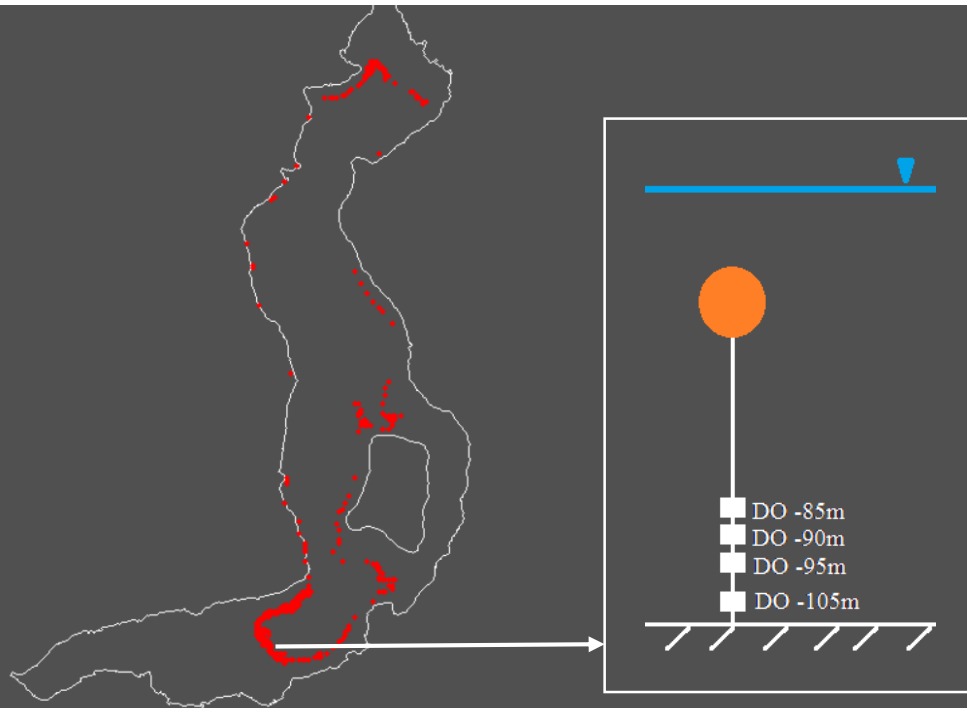


*T = 73 hours*



## 5 – Conclusions and future work

We estimated about 2 km<sup>2</sup> with 1-3 days intermittent redox conditions, and identified maximum redox changes in correspondence of the excitation of V2H1 motions.



- ✓ Planning specific lab. experiments to quantify the effects of the alternation of the redox conditions on the P fluxes
- ✓ Quantifying the effect of the V1H1 velocity field in the monimolimnion on the thickness of the diffusive boundary layer



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