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Accumulation, Subcellular Mapping and Effects of Trace Metals in Aquatic Organisms (AQUAMAPMET)

Bivalves and crustaceans - important bioindicators in ecotoxicological and water quality assessment

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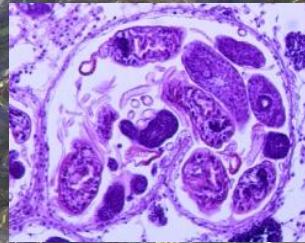
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Freshwater bivalves



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Research interests:

Ecotoxicology, histopathology

Malacology; ecology, biology and phylogeny of freshwater gastropods and bivalves

Invasive mollusc species, distribution and impact on native species

Current projects:

NATURA 2000 species: snail *Anisus vorticulus* and bivalve *Unio crassus*

Malacofauna of the river Krka



Freshwater bivalves

AQUAMAPMET project responsibilities:

- **field work:** bivalve sampling, measurement and determination of species



- **lab work:** dissection of bivalves

Crustaceans



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Research interests:

Speleobiology, Freshwater ecology, Environmental assessment

Biology, ecology, taxonomy and phylogeny of groundwater, spring, stream and river crustaceans.

Invasive crustaceans, distribution and impact on native species

Current projects:

Multimetric evaluation of crenobiocoenosis

Amphipods of peat bogs

Crustaceans

AQUAMAPMET project responsibilities:

- **field work:** measurement of physical and chemical water parameters, amphipod sampling using benthos net on representative substrata





Crustaceans

AQUAMAPMET project responsibilities:

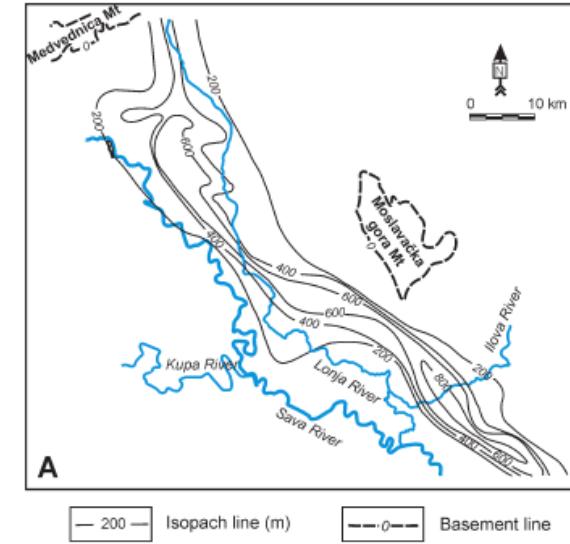
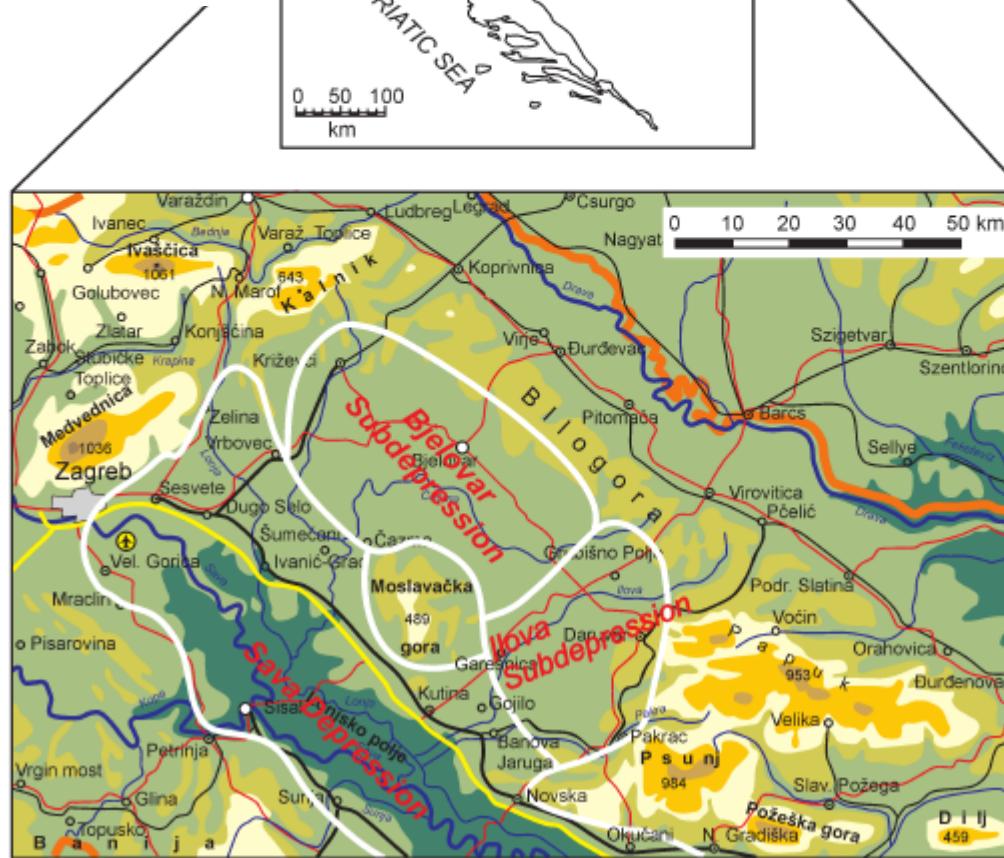
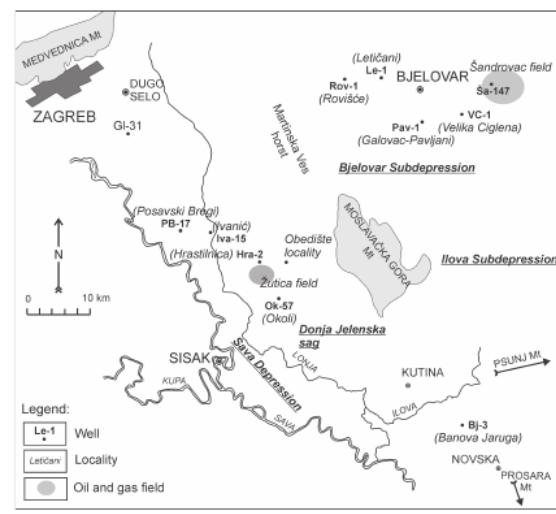
- **lab work:** identification and enumeration of amphipod (invasive) species → amphipods infected with acanthocephalans



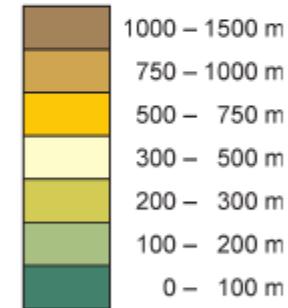
STUDY AREAS



ILOVA RIVER



Altitude:



The Ilova River catchment:

- Spring: 185 m a.s.l.
- Area: 1600 km²
- Length: 85 km



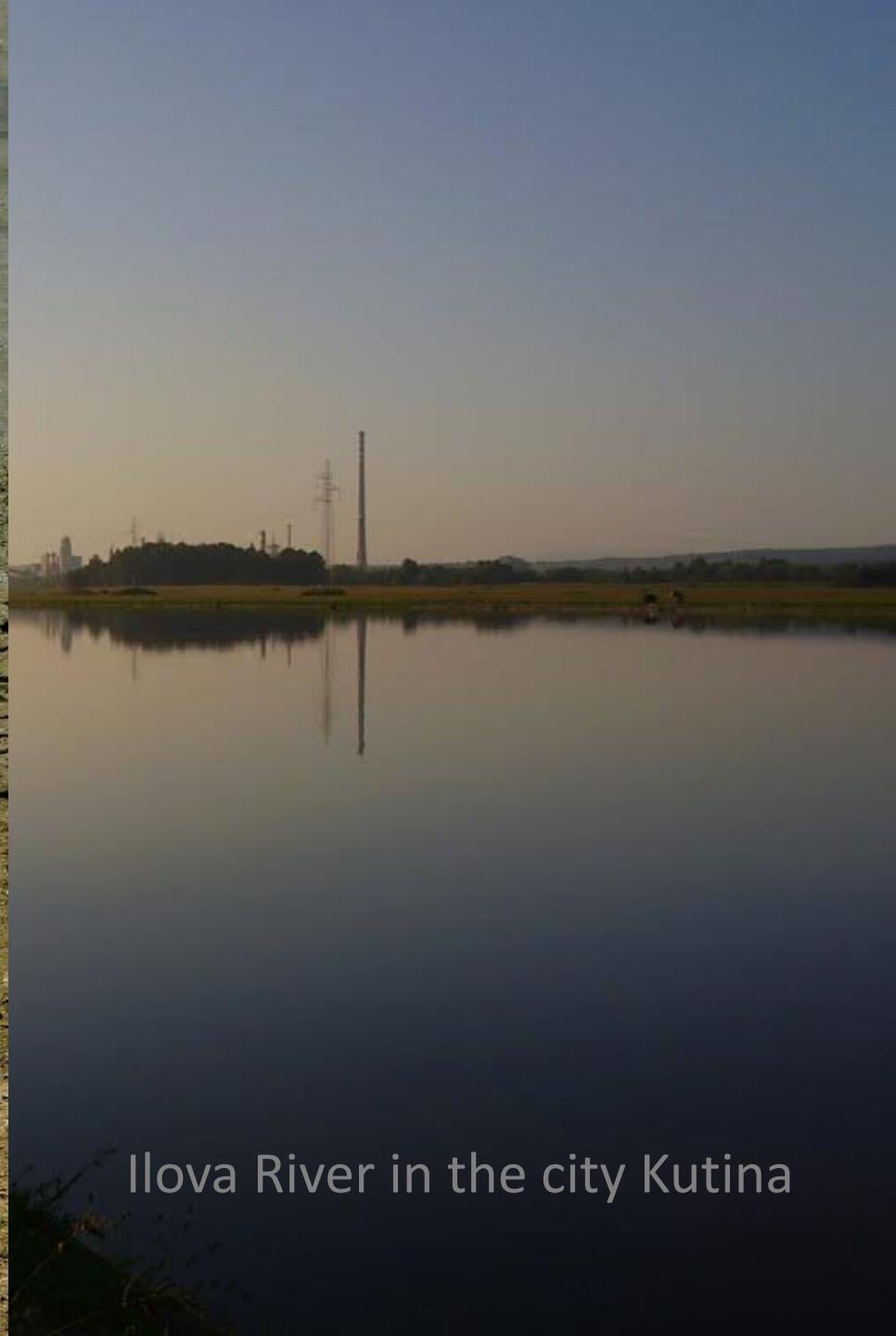
Ilova River



Ilova River in Tomašica, upstream of the city Kutina

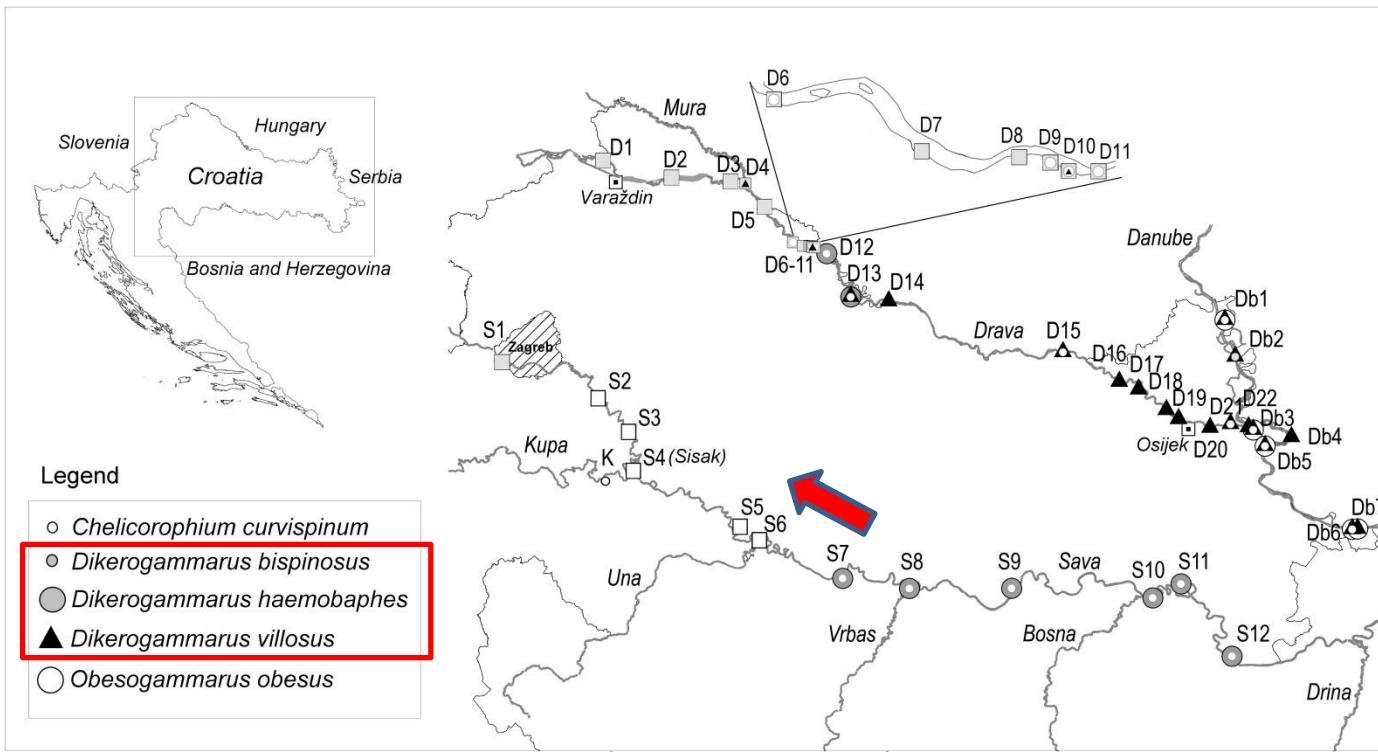


Ilova River in Piljenice
upstream of the city
Kutina



Ilova River in the city Kutina

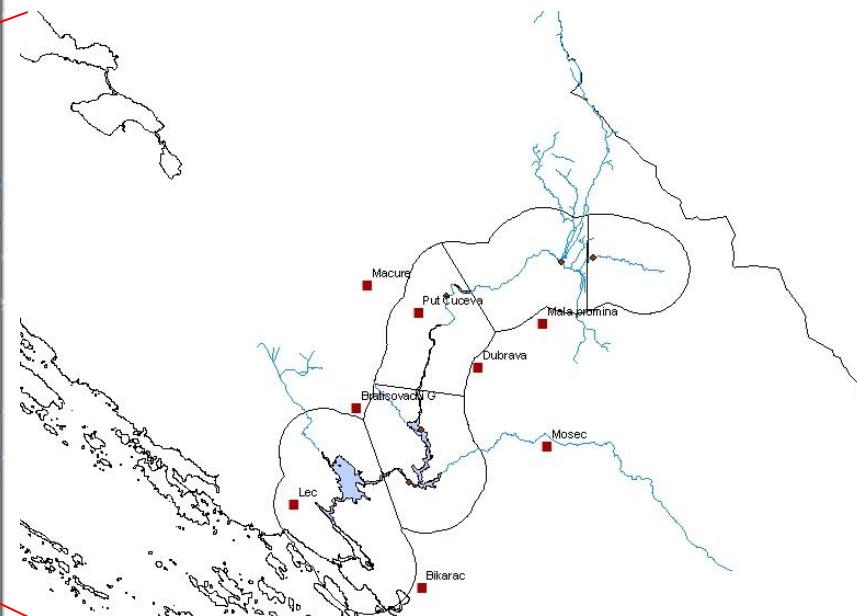
INVASIVE AMPHIPOD SPECIES



KRKA RIVER

The Krka River catchment:

- Spring: 222 m a.s.l.
- Area: 2500 km²
- Length: 53 km



KRKA RIVER



Ni	Grad	Naziv Industrije	Ni	Grad	Naziv Industrije
1.	Benkovac	BADEL 1862 d.d.	19.	Šibenik	N.P. Krka - samčevna D. ob
2.	Benkovac	TGD metalni lijev	20.	Šibenik	Autotransport d.d.
3.	Benkovac	PAPE & SONS	21.	Šibenik	Remontno brodogradilište d.o.o.
4.	Stankovci	Maonica MILETIĆ	22.	Šibenik	TLM d.d.
5.	Drniš	Maonica GRIČ	23.	Šibenik	TLM d.d. - Površinska zaštita
6.	Drniš	Dalmacijavino d.d.	24.	Šibenik	VINOPLOD Vinarija d.d.
7.	Drniš	BRAMAC	25.	Šibenik	SOLARIS d.d.
8.	Drniš	TOF	26.	Šibenik	Opća bolnica Šibenik
9.	Drniš	Maonica MALENICA	27.	Vodice	Ujara TRIBUNJ
10.	Knin	HŽ	28.	Vodice	ACI d.d.
11.	Knin	Krauf	29.	Vodice	Hotel IMPERIJAL
12.	Knin	Opća bolnica	30.	Vodice	Ujara ANIVA
13.	Skradin	ACI d.d.	31.	Vodice	Hotel Olympia
14.	Šibenik	Maonica SLADIĆ	32.	Vodice	Hotel Punta
15.	Šibenik	Maonica VLAJČ	33.	Vodice	TD Vodice - betonara
16.	Šibenik	IVANAL	34.	Primosten	Autokamp ADRIATIC
17.	Šibenik	N.P. Krka - ugost. Objekt	35.	Primosten	Marina KREMICK
18.	Šibenik	N.P.Krka-samčevna L.o.b.	36.	Primosten	Ujara FALKON
19.	Šibenik	N.P. Krka - samčevna D. ob	37.	Primosten	PZ DOLAC

Point source pollutions

- (37 polluters in CW register
only 3 significant)

□ Urban waste waters

- (9 municipalities > 2000PE)

KRKA RIVER

ALL WATER BODIES
HAVE GOOD CHEMICAL
STATUS

Present ecological status of
surface waters
(Class boundaries defined by
PMF-Zagreb and IOR-Split)

BOD-5, COD, Saprobić
index

Increased concentration
of ammoniac, nitrites,
nitrates, total N and total P

BOD-5, COD, Total P

Increased concentration
of ammoniac, nitrites,
nitrates and total N

BOD-5

Increased concentration of nitrates and
total N

BOD-5, COD, Saprobić
index, total P

Bacteria, BOD-5, Saprobić index
Increased concentration of
ammoniac and total nitrogen

Chlorophyll-a
Eutrophication of Šibenik port
and Mandalina bay

"Problematic"
water bodies

High

Good

Moderate

Good ecological
potential

AMPHIPOD DIVERSITY IN THE KRKA SPRING

12 taxa

Echinogammarus acarinatus (Karaman S., 1931)

Echinogammarus pungens (Milne Edwards, 1840)

Echinogammarus veneris (Heller, 1865)

Fontogammarus dalmatinus dalmatinus Karaman S., 1931

Fontogammarus dalmatinus krkensis Karaman S., 1931

Gammarus balcanicus Schaferna, 1922

Hadzia fragilis S. Karaman, 1932

Niphargus hebereri Schellenberg, 1933

Niphargus cf orcinus Joseph, 1869

Niphargus salonitanus S. Karaman, 1950

Synurella ambulans (Müller, 1846)

Typhlogammarus mrazekii (Schaferna, 1906)

11 species

7 genus

4 families

Gottstein et al. 2007



Thank you for the
attention!!!