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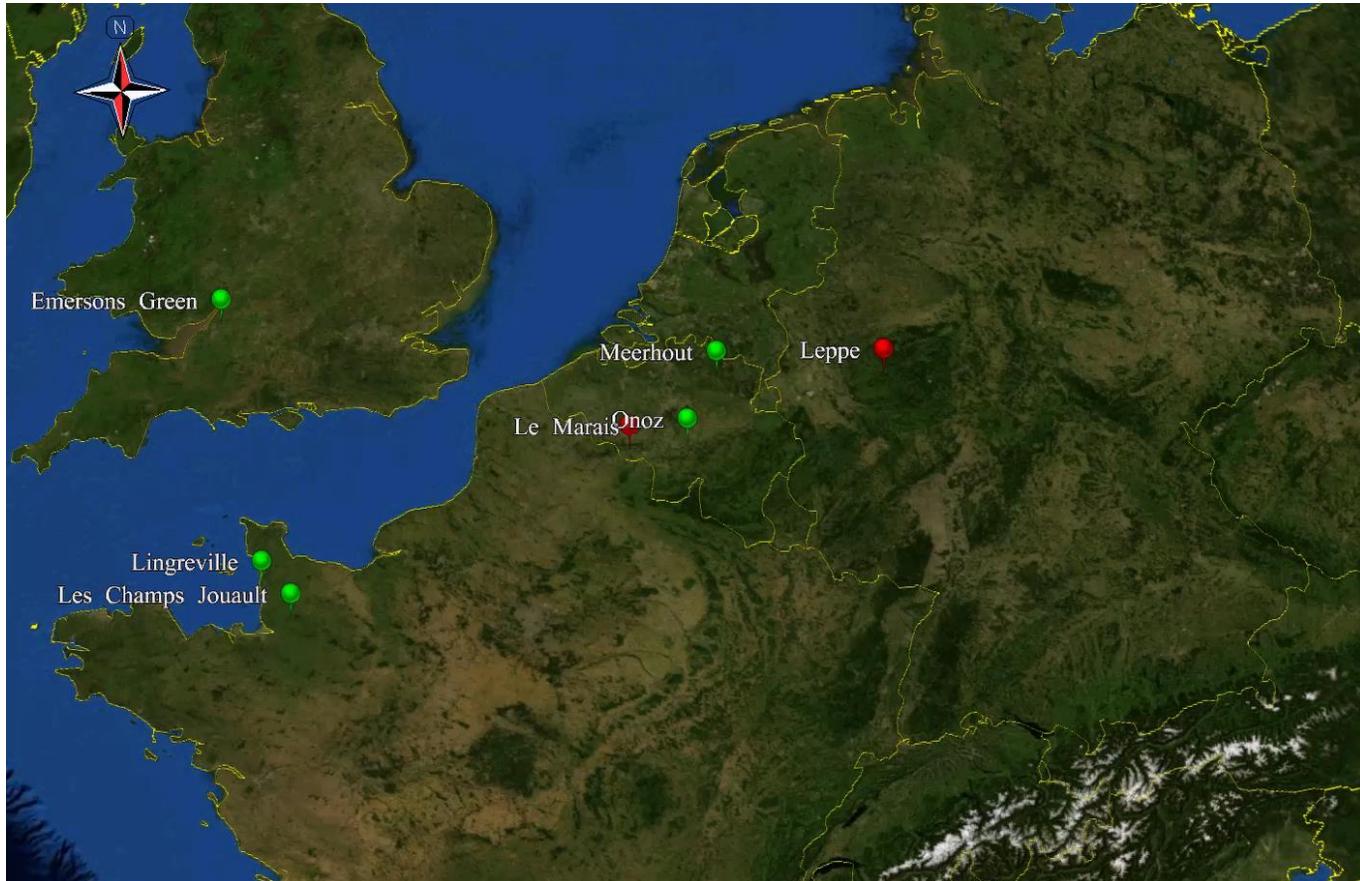


# Applications of geophysical methods in the RAWFILL project



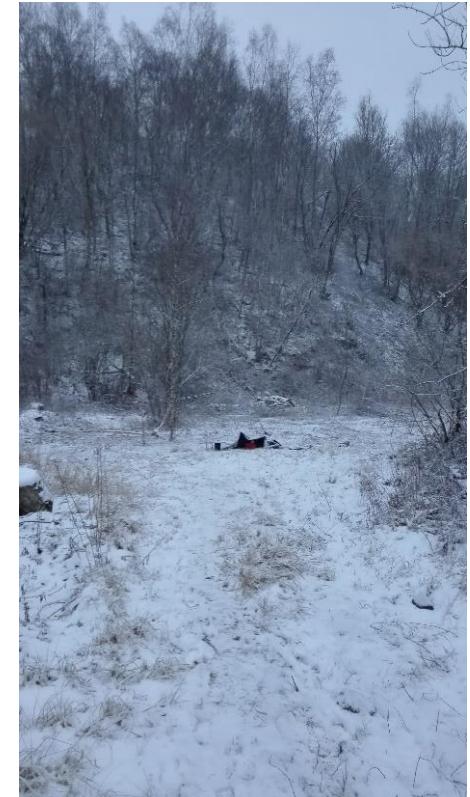
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# Geophysics within RAWFILL

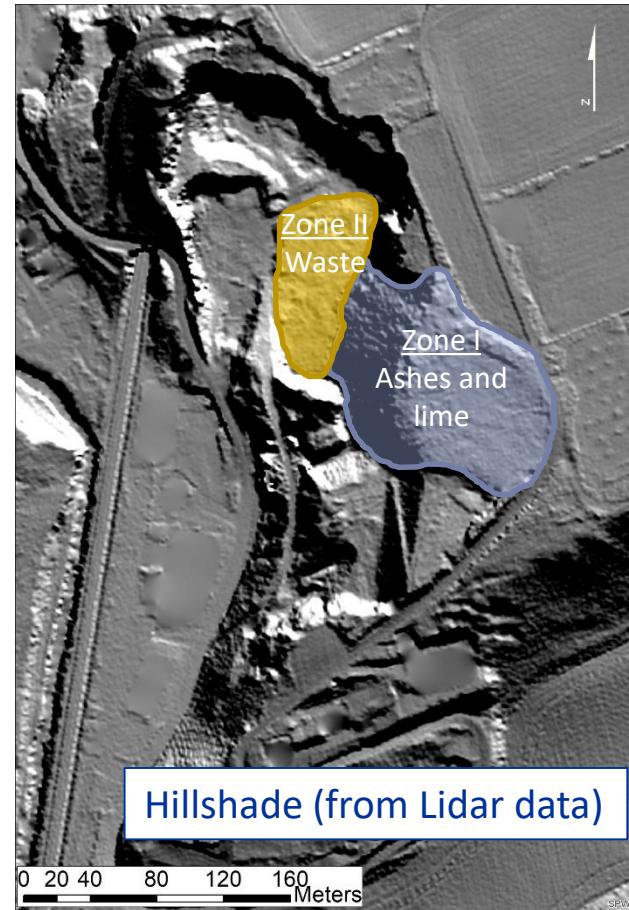
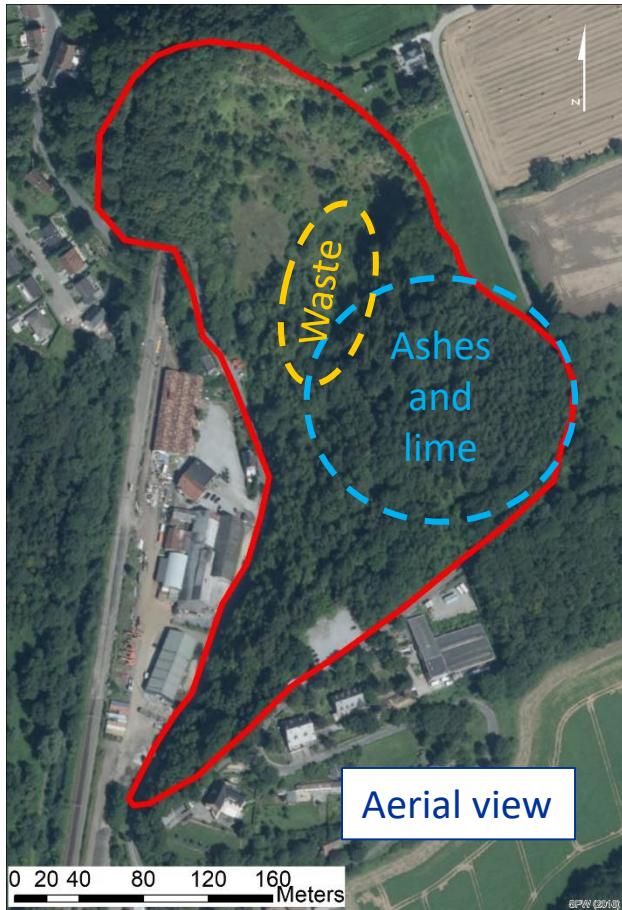


# Landfill investigation: Example of the Onoz site

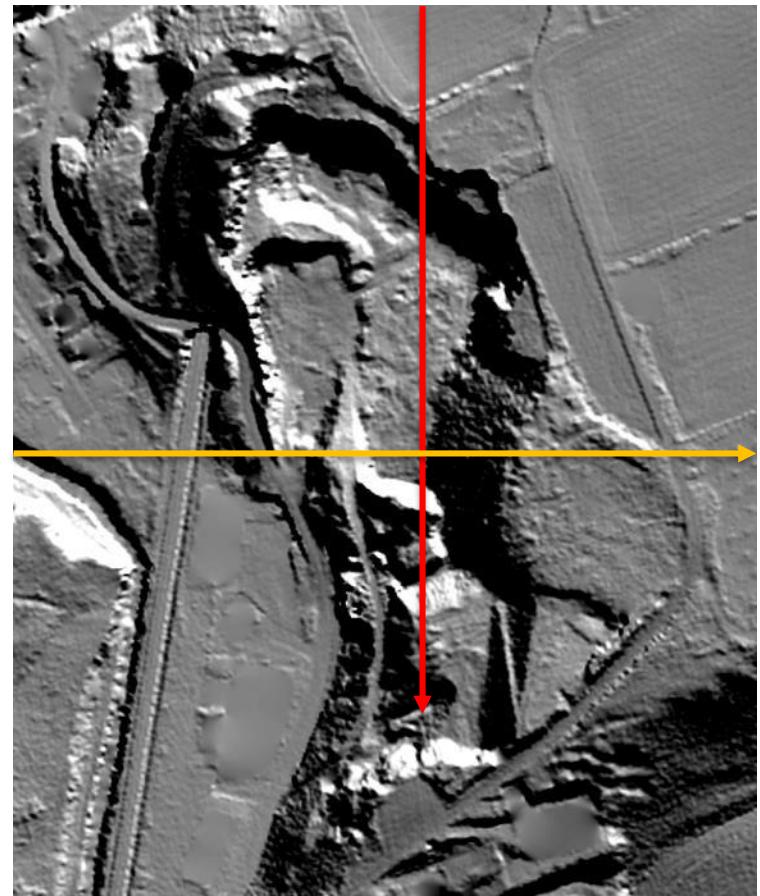
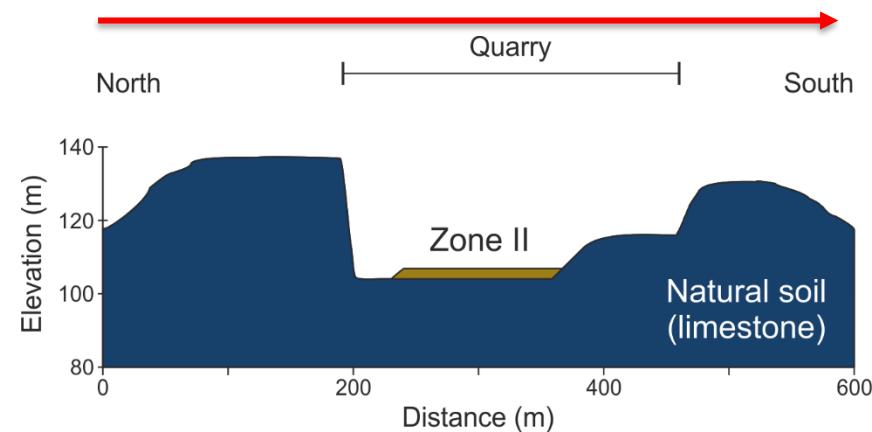
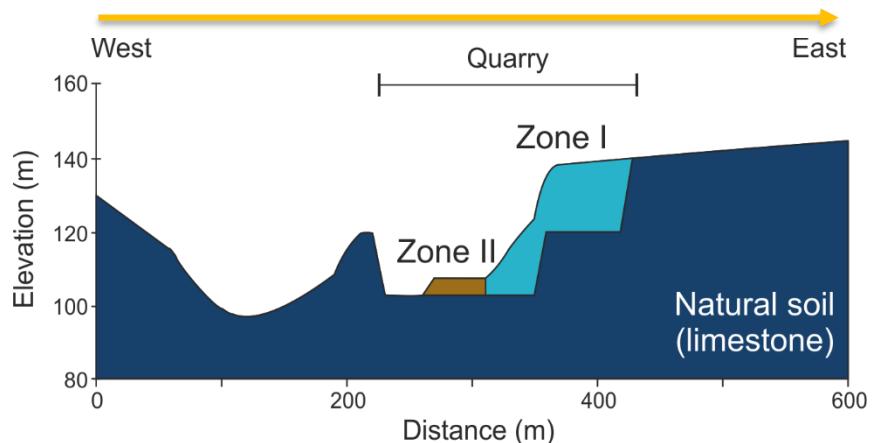
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# Goal of the geophysical survey:

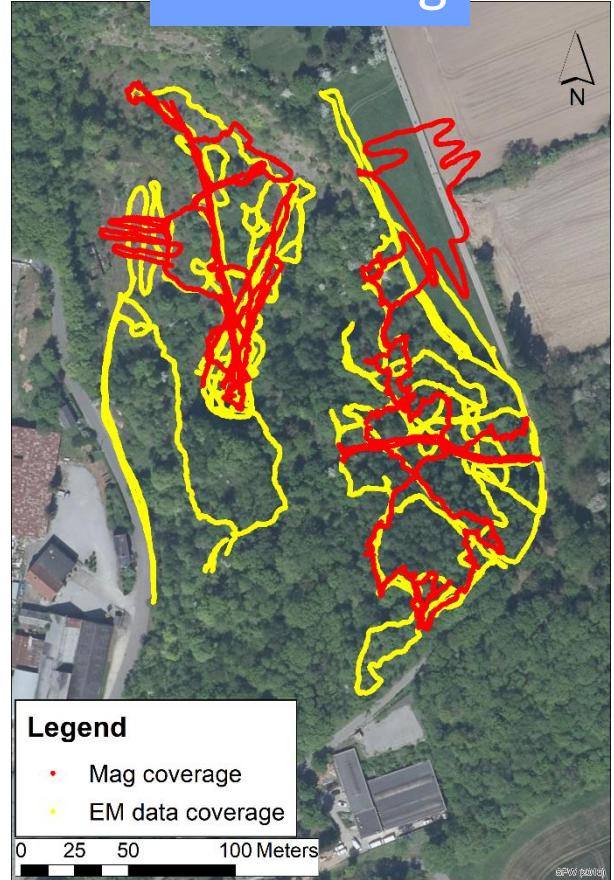


1. Estimate lateral extent of the anthropogenic deposits
2. Delineate horizontal and vertical extent of ashes and lime for future landfill mining activities

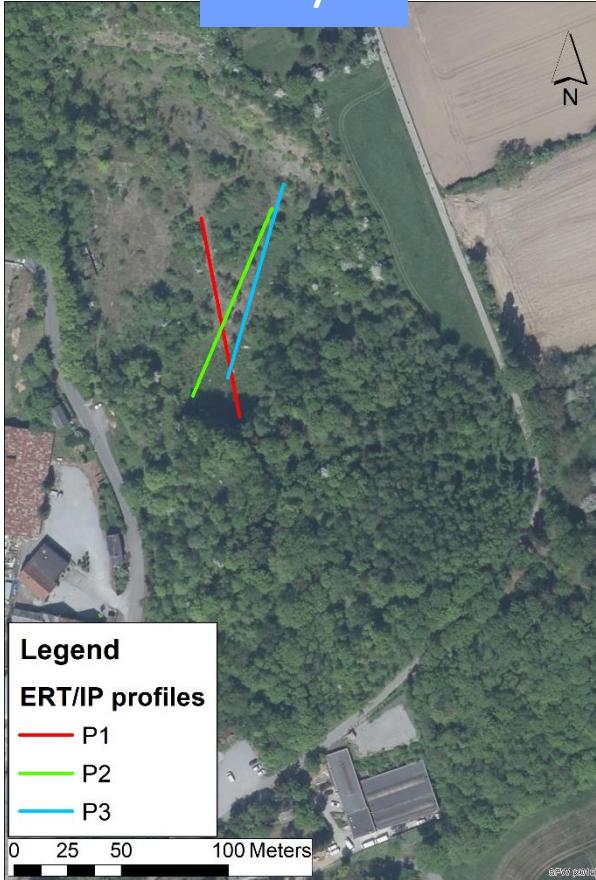
Field measurement survey: February 2018 and January 2019

# Spatial coverage

EMI + Mag



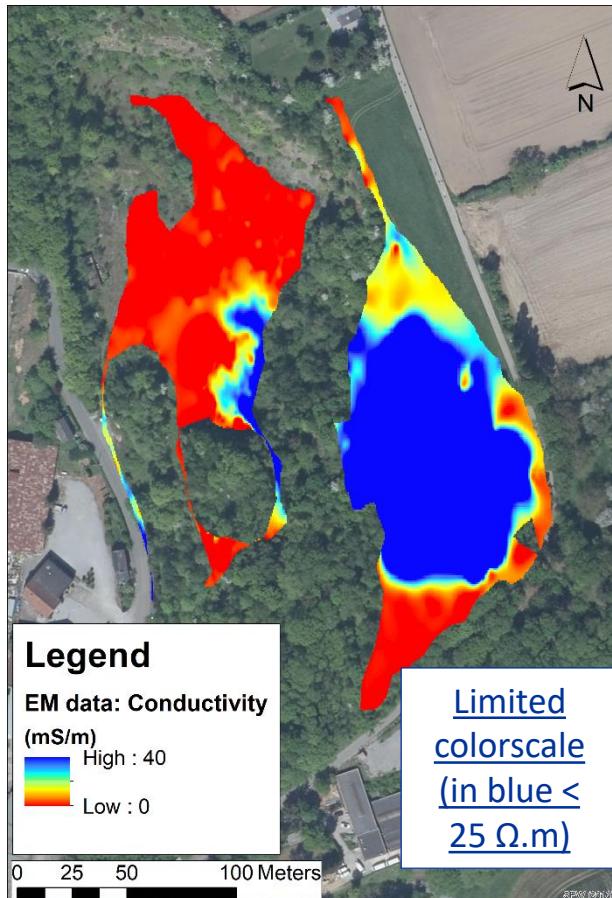
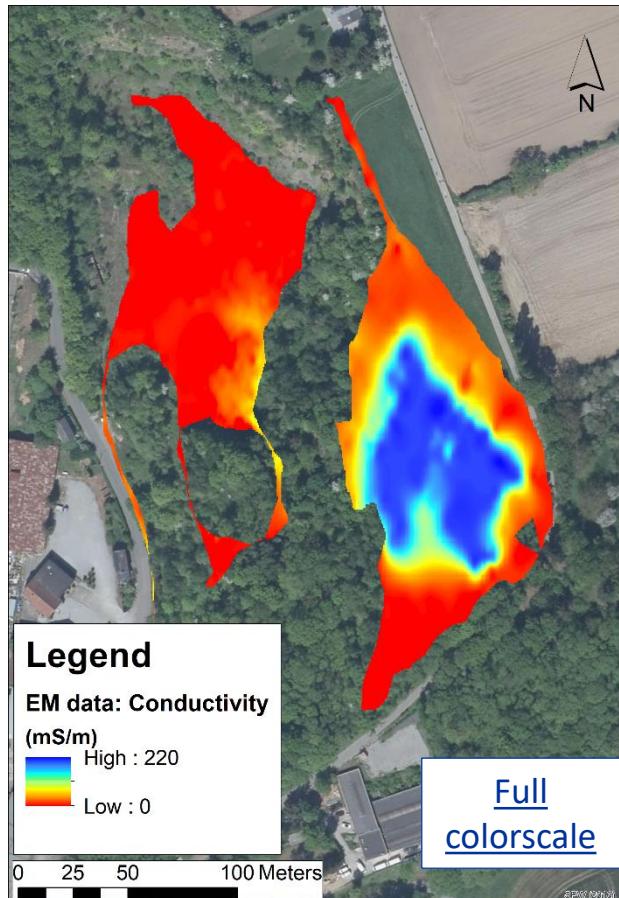
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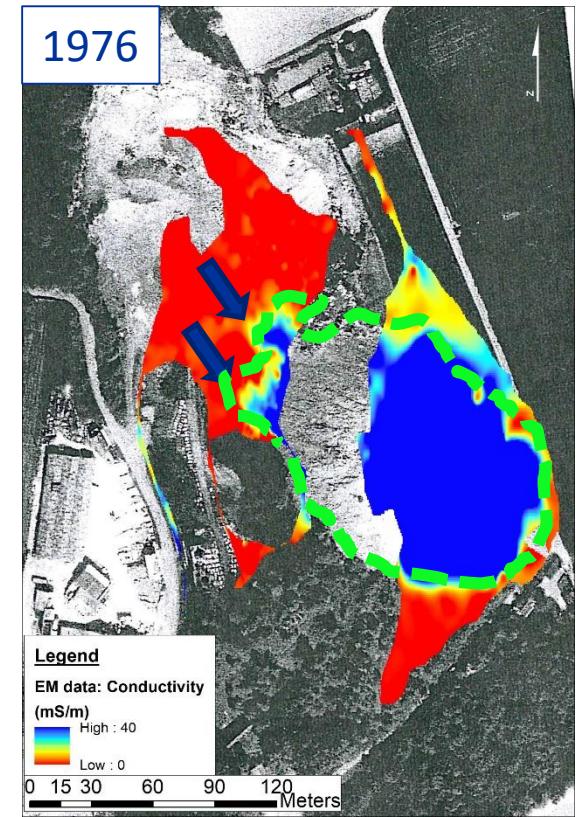
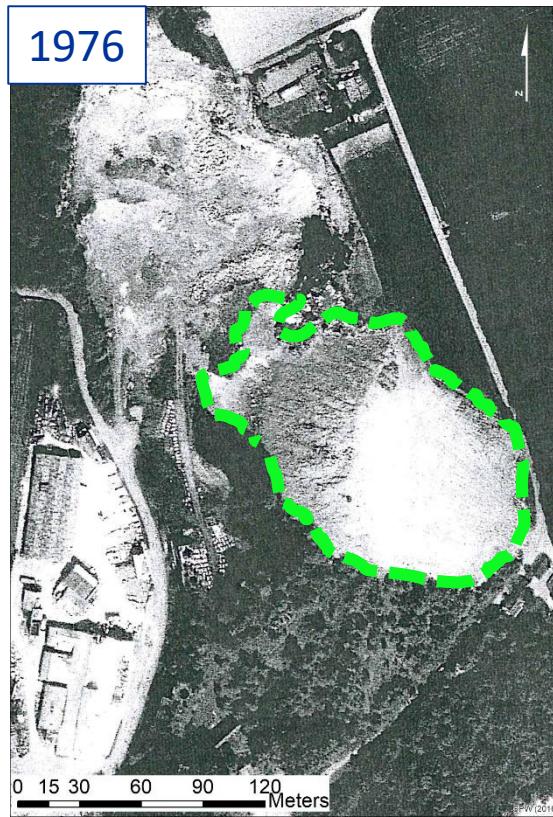
Seismic + HVSRN



# Results: EM



# Interpretation: EM



# Results: Magnetometry

Total magnetic field

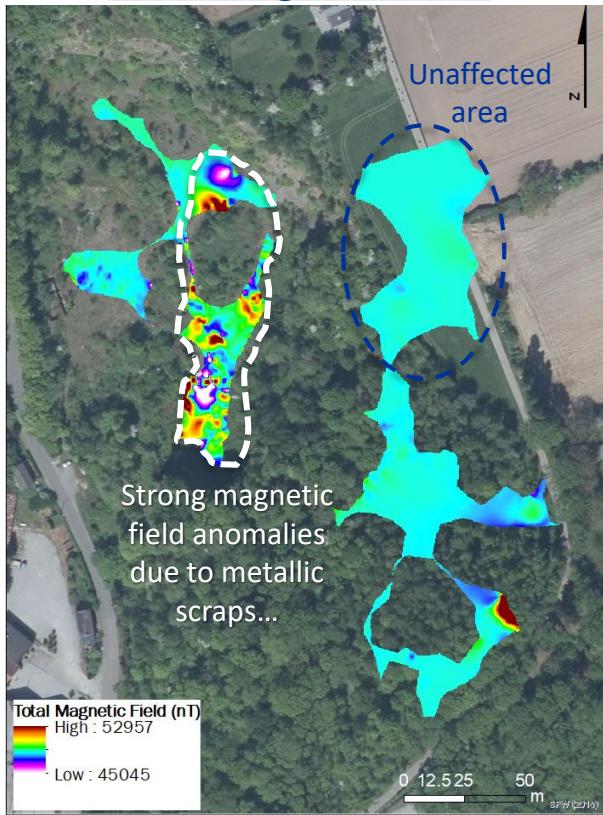


Vertical magnetic field

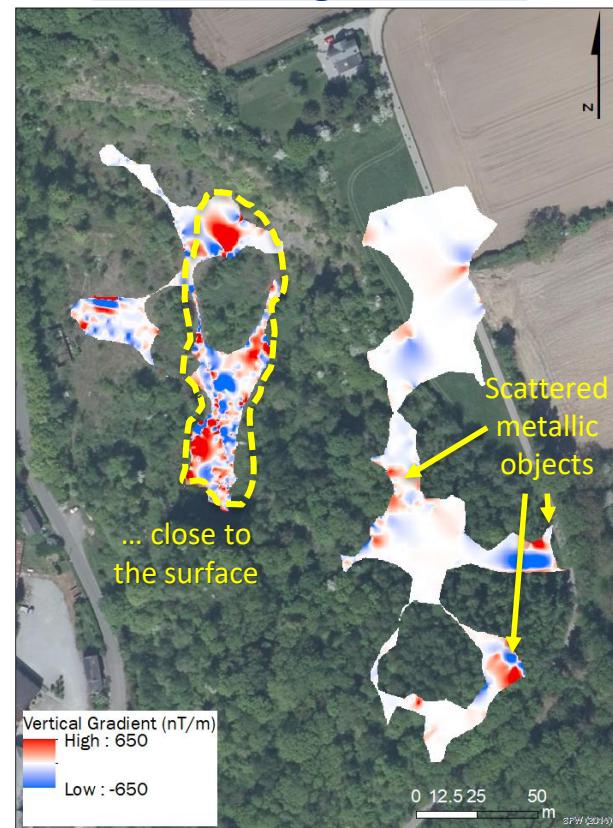


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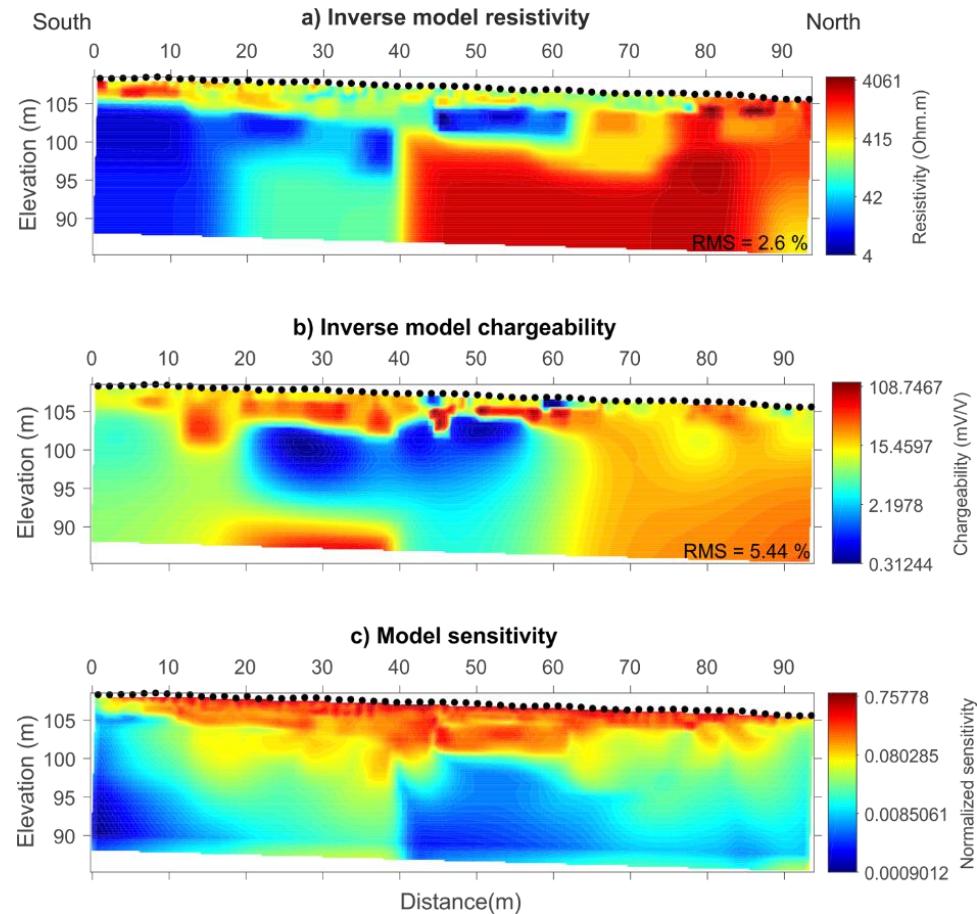
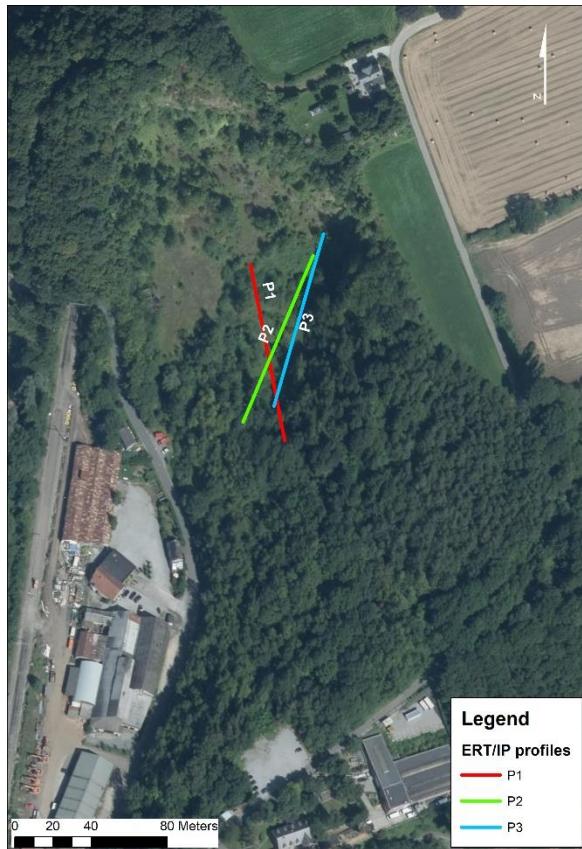
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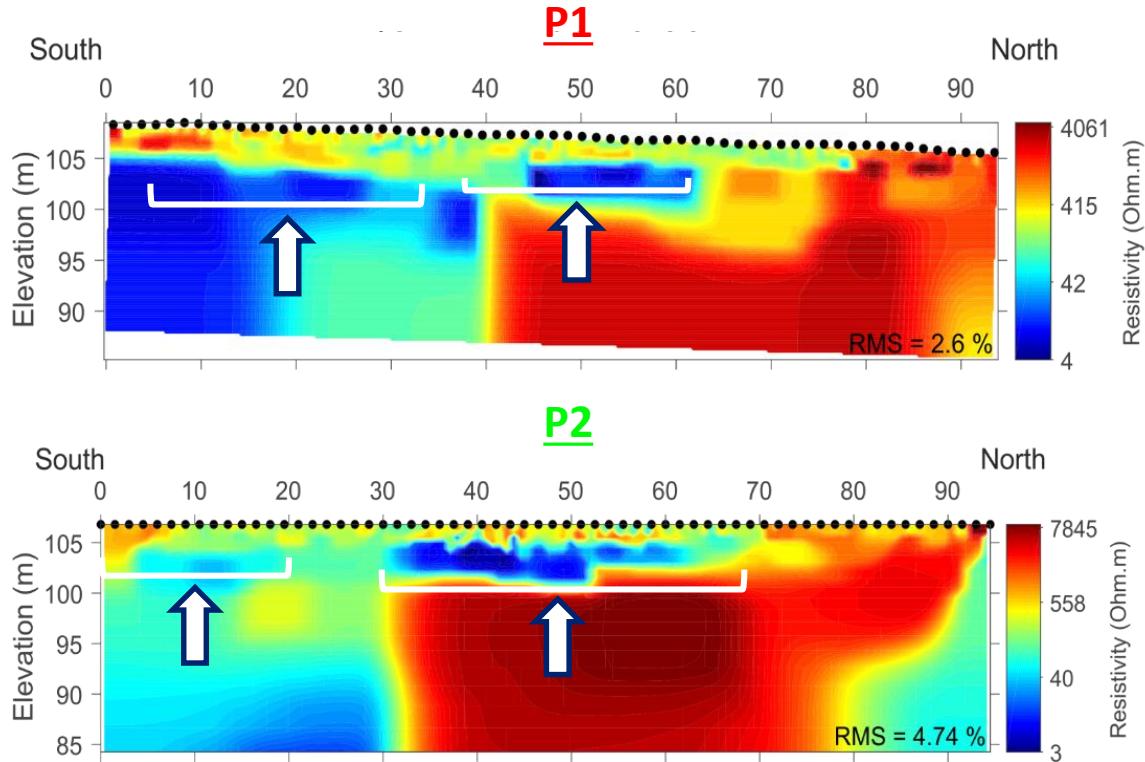
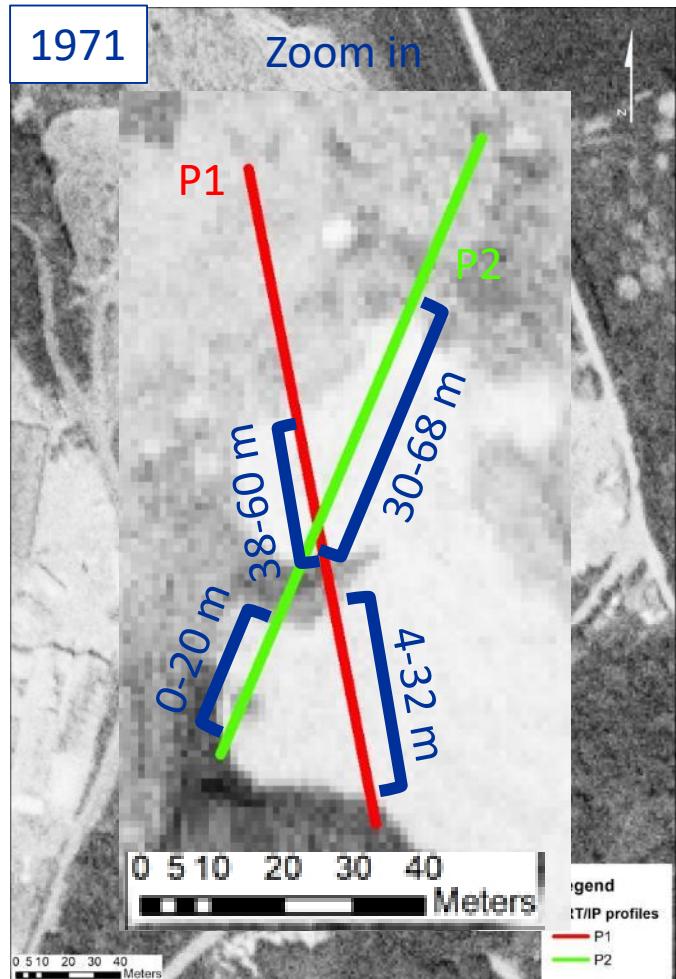
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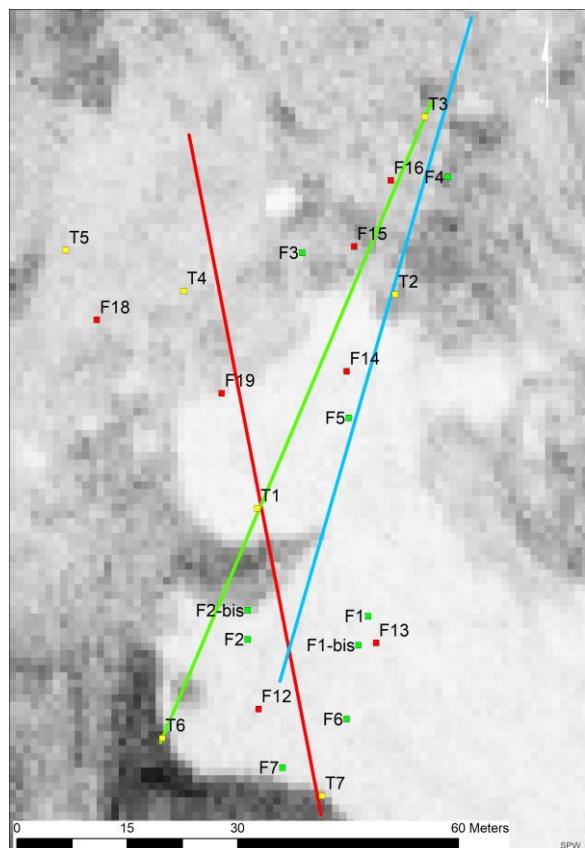
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Zoom in

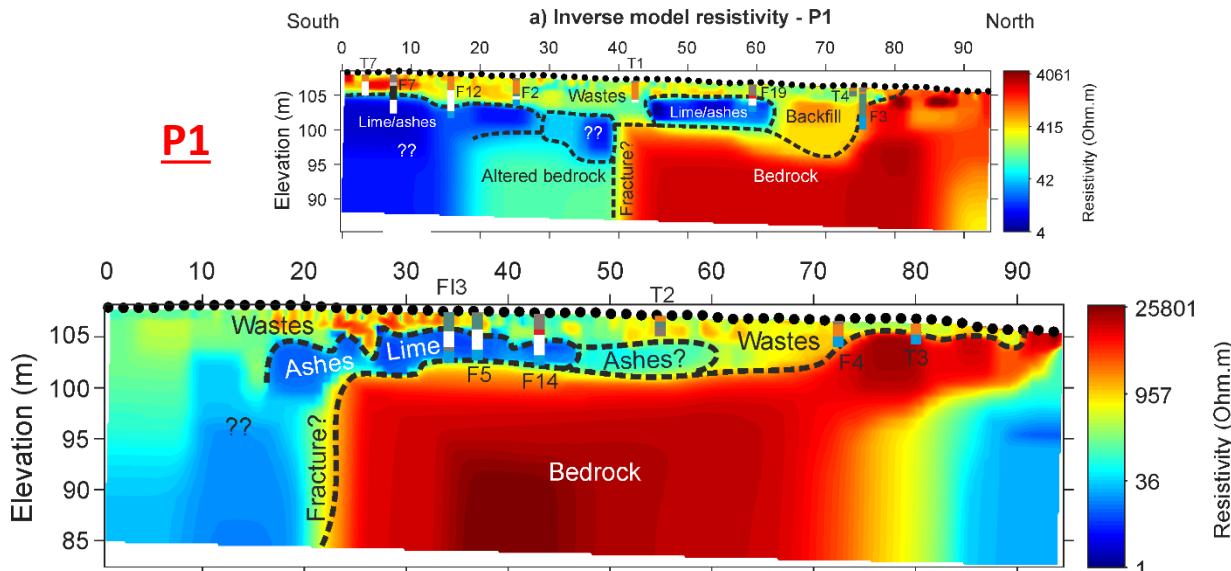


# Interpretation: ERT/IP

Three sampling phases:  
1993 (Verdi), 2012 (Nonet) and  
2018 (IRCO)



**P1**



**Legend**

F2 to F7 = Trenches made in 1993      Brown soil      Wastes      Backfill      Lime/ashes  
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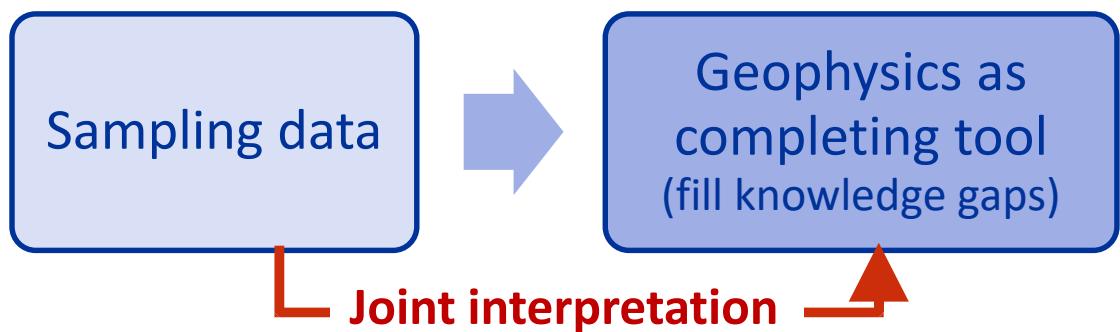
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# Summary - Onoz

## Information gained:

- Lateral extent
- Vertical extent
- Waste inhomogeneity

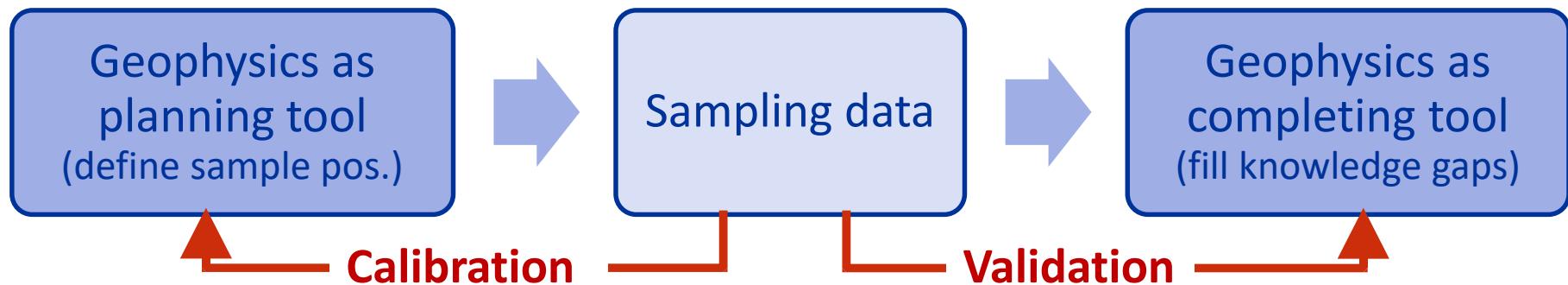


# Other Rawfill sites



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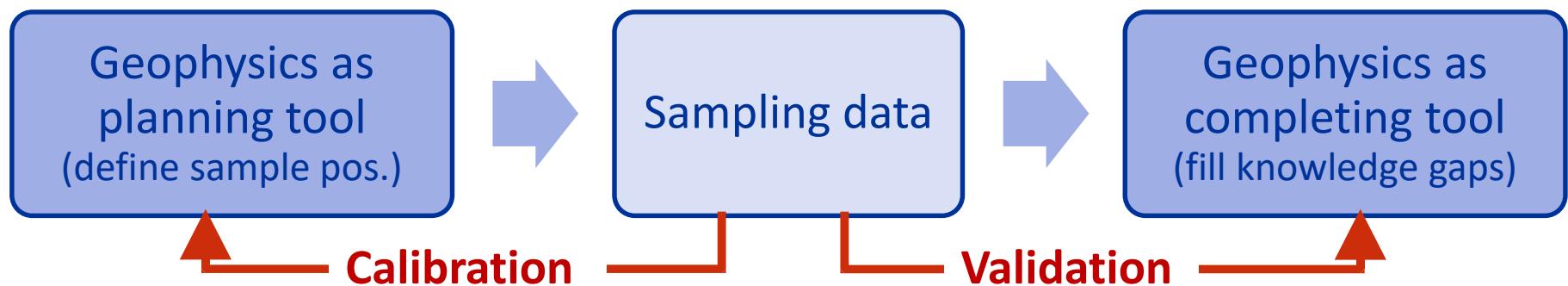
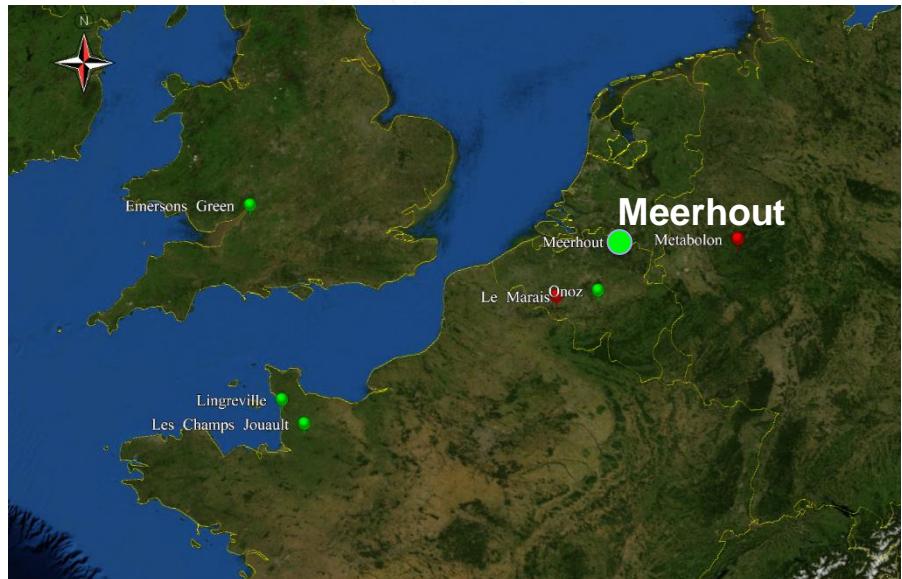
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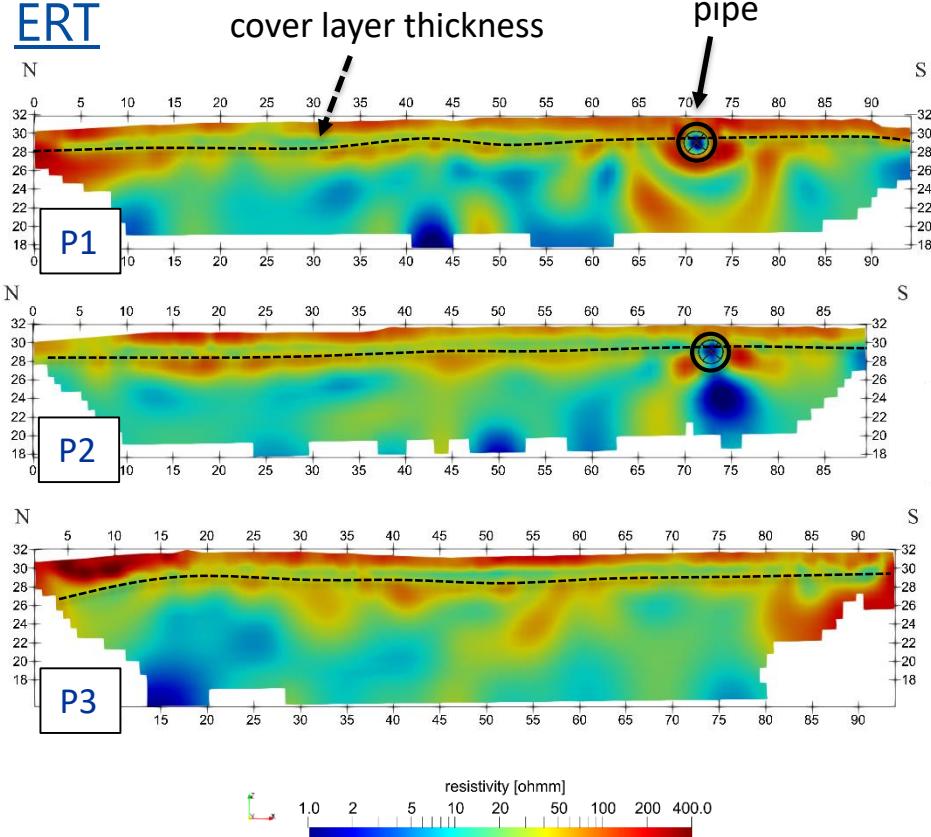


# Meerhout - buried infrastructure - cover layer

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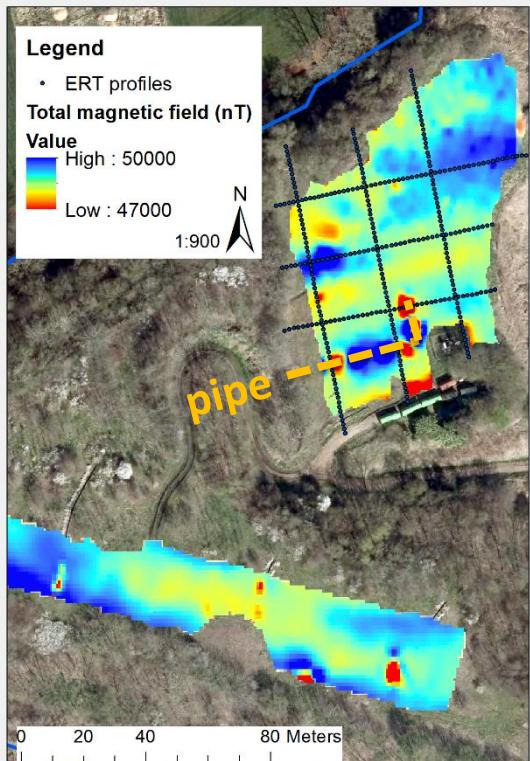


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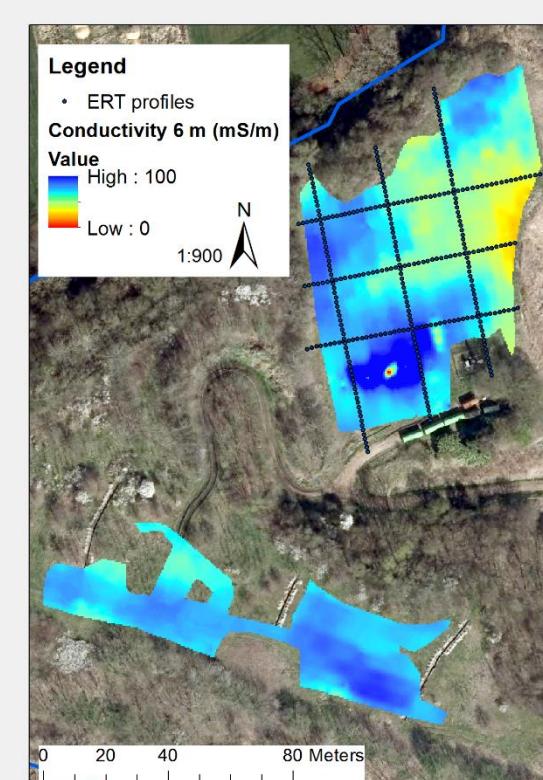


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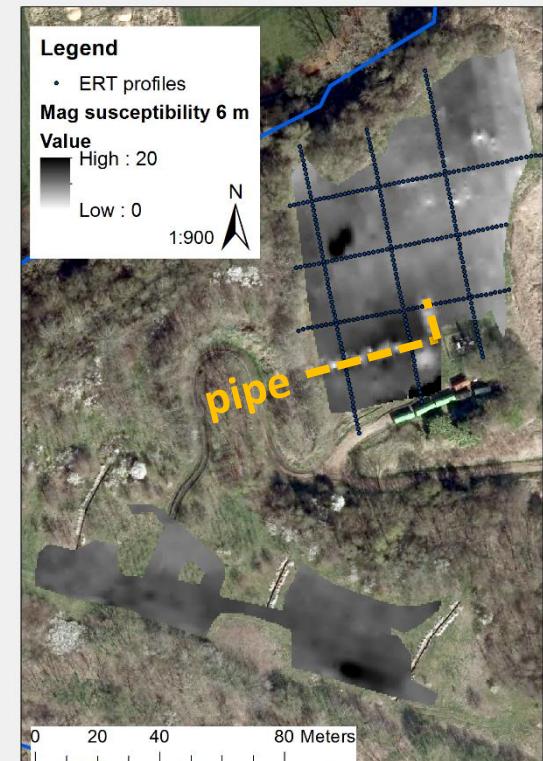
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*Total magnetic field*



*Electrical conductivity (EMI)*

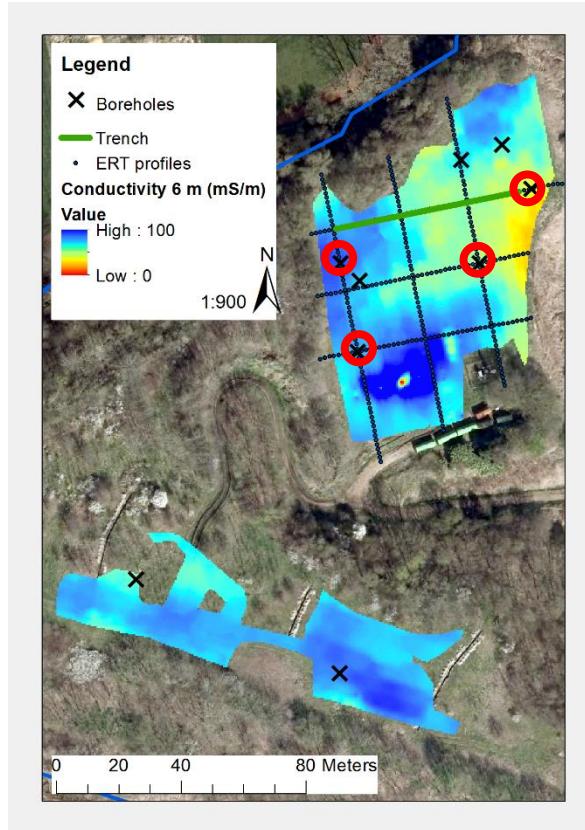


*Magnetic susceptibility (EMI)*

# Meerhout – define sampling positions

Sampling plan  
based on  
geophysical results

High conductivity anomaly



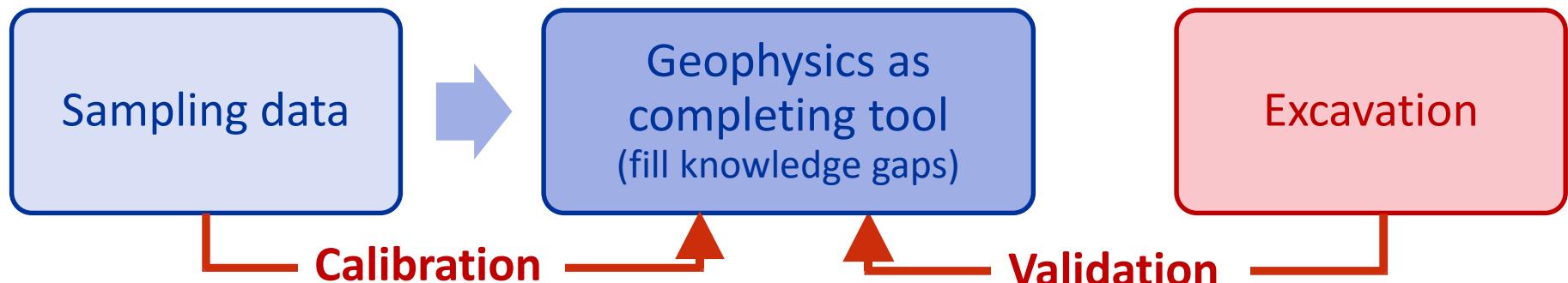
Electrical conductivity (EMI)

# Emerson's Green landfill



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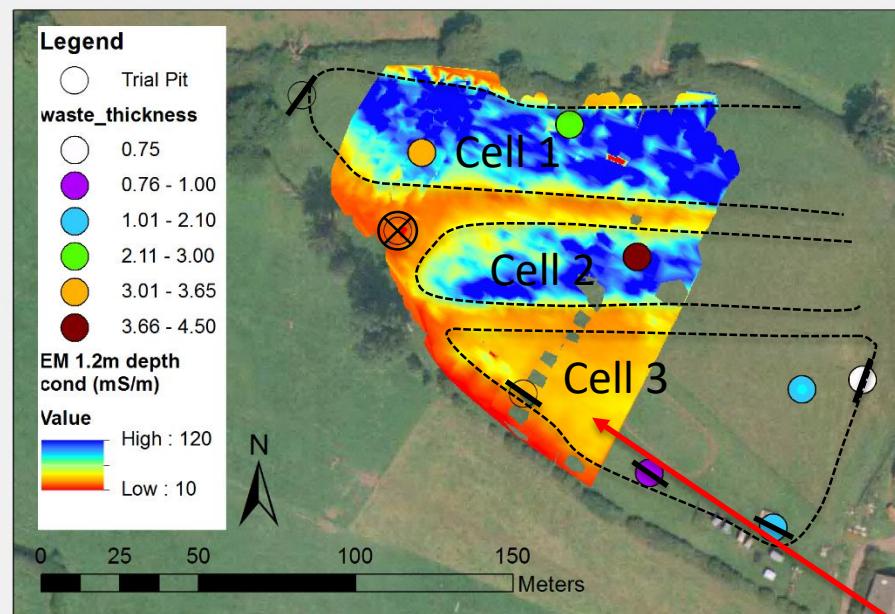
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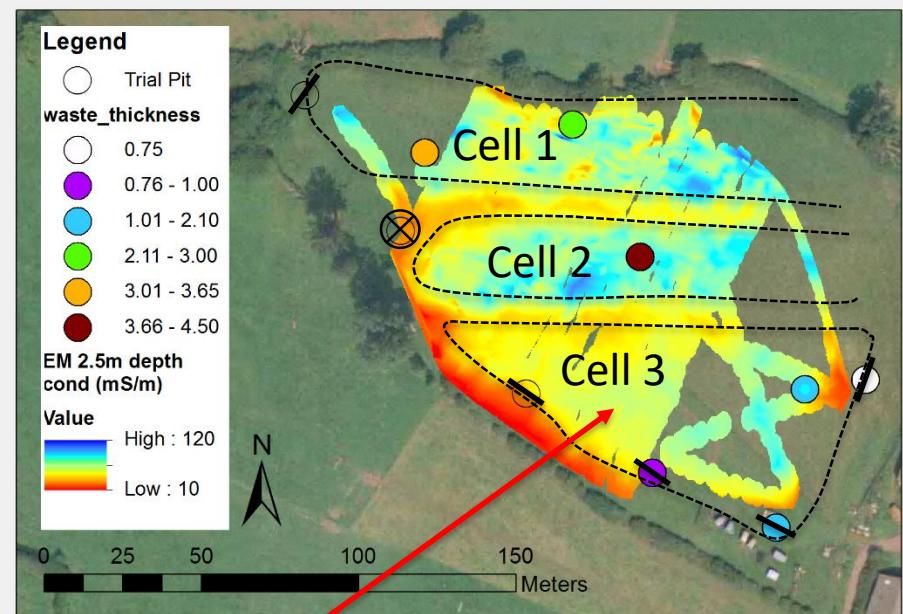
# Emersons Green – lateral extent



Conductivity map at 1.2m



Conductivity map at 2.5m



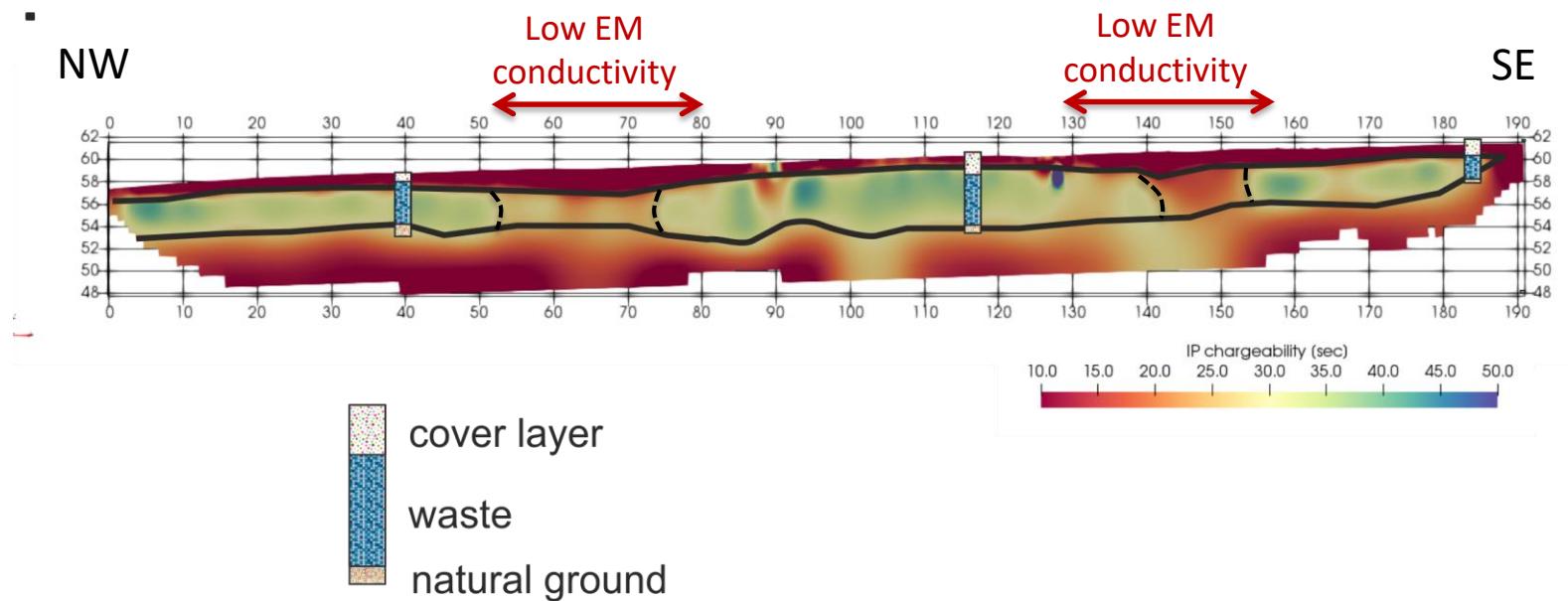
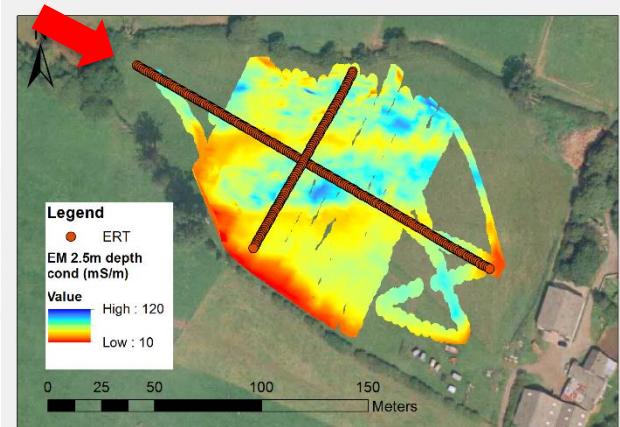
⊗ No waste found

─ Edge of landfill found

Lower conductivities probably due to thicker cover layer

# Emersons Green – landfill structure

IP data delineate the waste layer



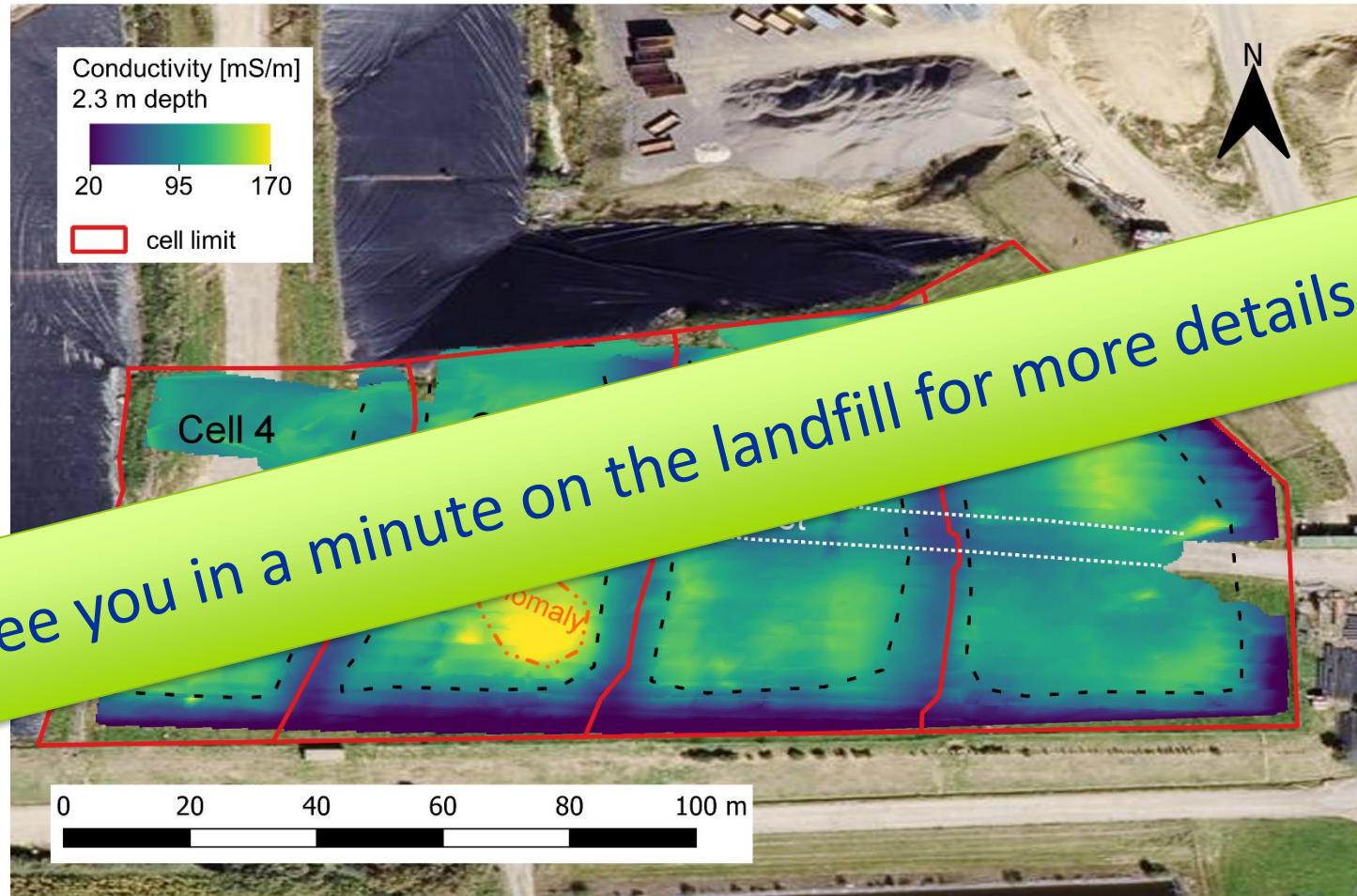
# Take home message



- 1) Plan based on a-priori information about:
  - landfill structure
  - expected geophysical properties contrasts
    - ➔ choose optimal combination of geophysical methods
    - ➔ choose optimal measurement parameters
- 2) Use mapping methods (e.g. EM & Mag) to quickly identify anomalies and decide upon location for more detailed 2D or 3D-surveys
- 3) Use ground truth data to calibrate and verify geophysical data

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# Q & A

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# Raw materials recovered from landfills



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