



Low Level MIP Technology from Geoprobe Systems[®]

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LL MIP Method

The Low Level (LL) MIP method significantly improves MIP detector sensitivity and signal to noise ratios.

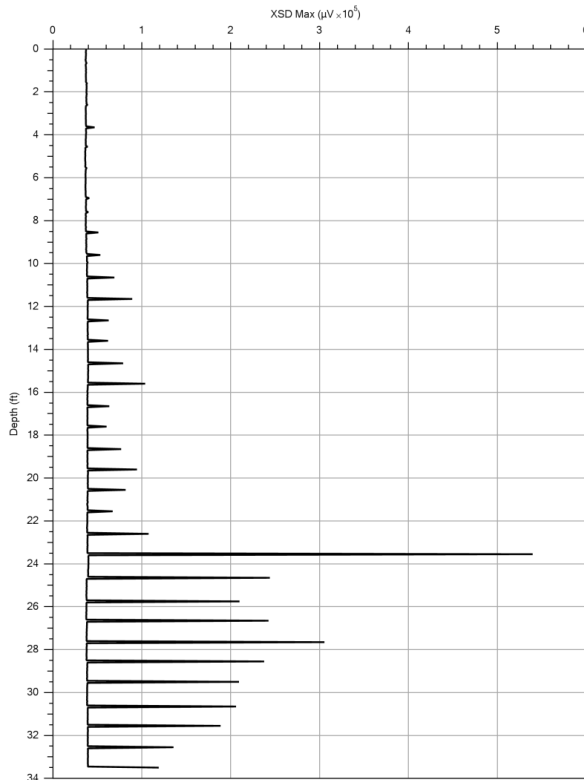
Users will have greater confidence with their results when LL MIP is used where standard MIP detector signals have reached their practical limits.

LL MIP expands the utility of MIP by mapping certain VOC plumes an order of magnitude lower than the standard MIP method.

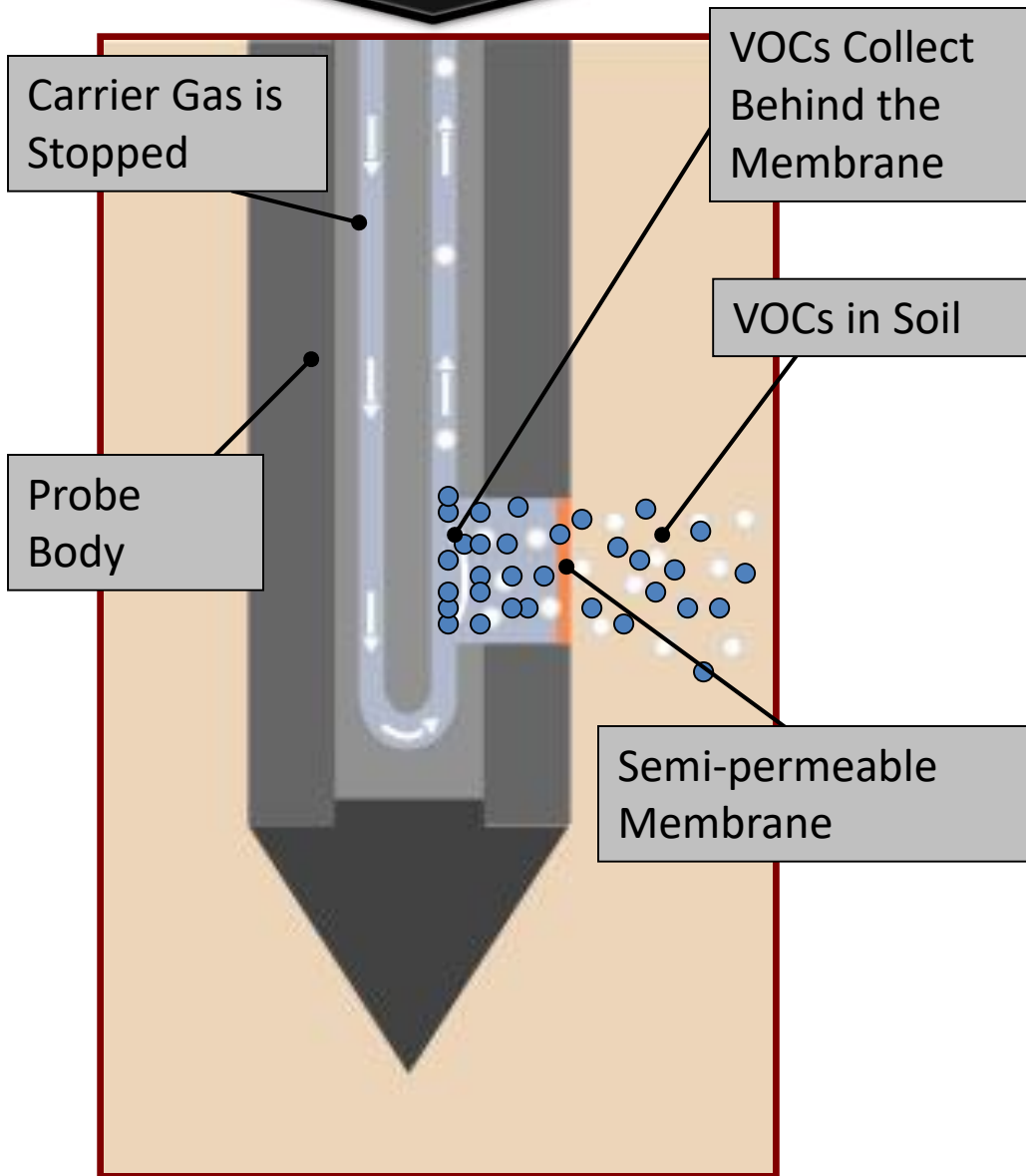
Standard MIP is still required in areas of ample and robust signal.



LL MIP Technology



- Enhances detector sensitivity ~10x.
- Adaptable to existing FI based MIP systems.
- Operate with any MIP probe or trunkline.
- Method is fully automated in software.
- Simple to switch between methods.



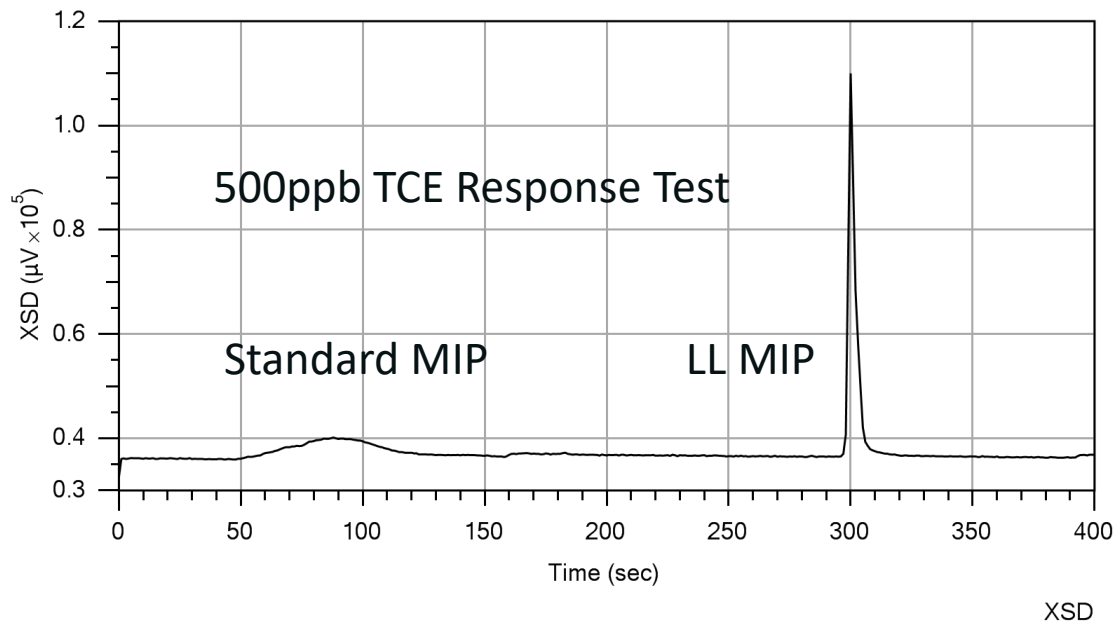
LL MIP Operation

TL carrier flow is stopped.

Under a concentration gradient VOCs move across the membrane via diffusion.

In the LL method, VOCs will accumulate behind the membrane until the TL carrier gas flow is resumed. Then the contaminant mass (peak) is transported to the detectors.

LL MIP Method



Comparison of 500ppb TCE standard response tests performed by standard MIP and LL MIP methods.

LL MIP Equipment



Operate LL technology with an FI based MIP system with any standard gas phase detectors.

LL MIP Equipment



- MIP
- MiHpt
- MIP-CPT
- MIP-HTL

Operate LL MIP technology with any MIP trunkline or MIP tooling package you plan to utilize

LL MIP Equipment

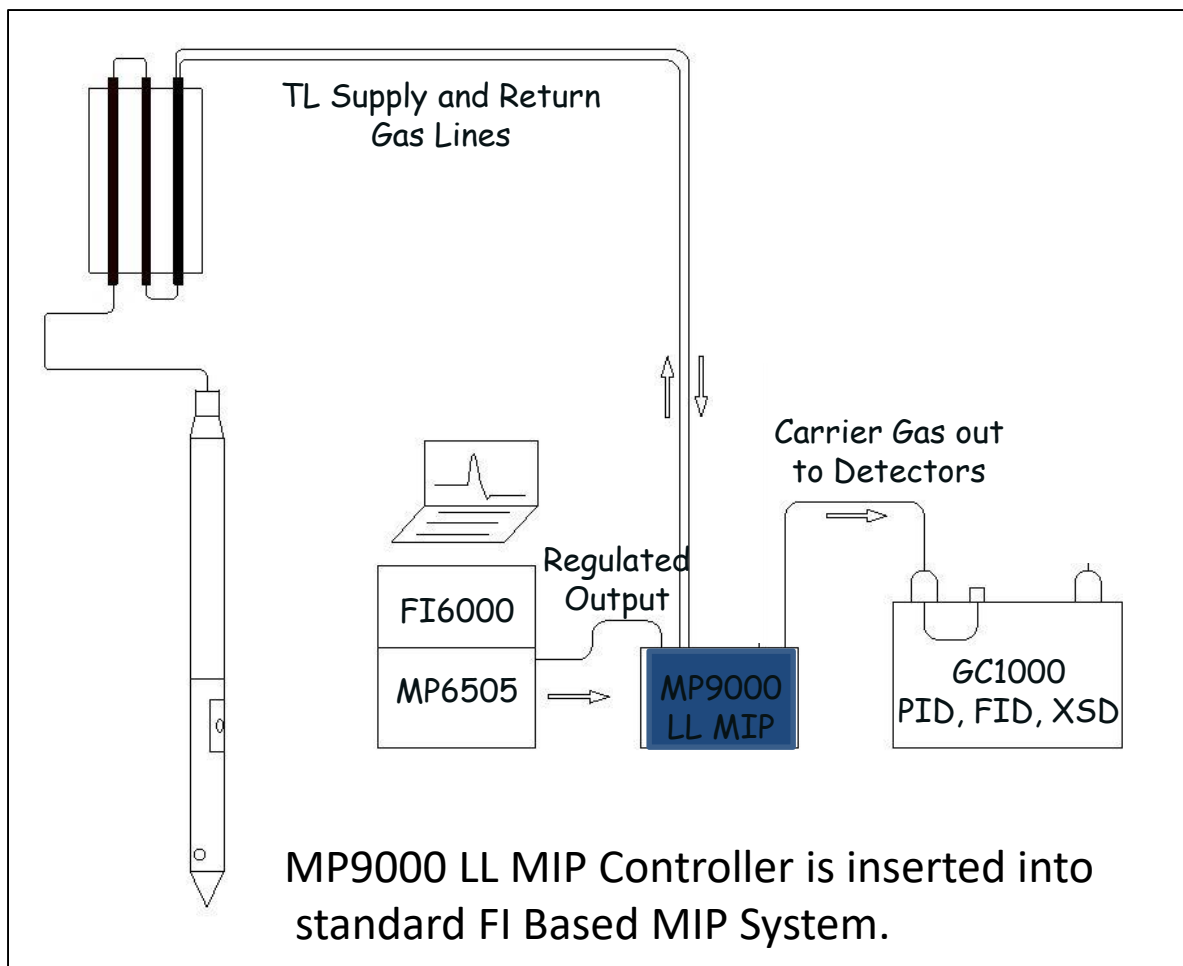
Only additional piece of equipment needed to operate the LL MIP method.

Add this controller to your existing FI based MIP system.



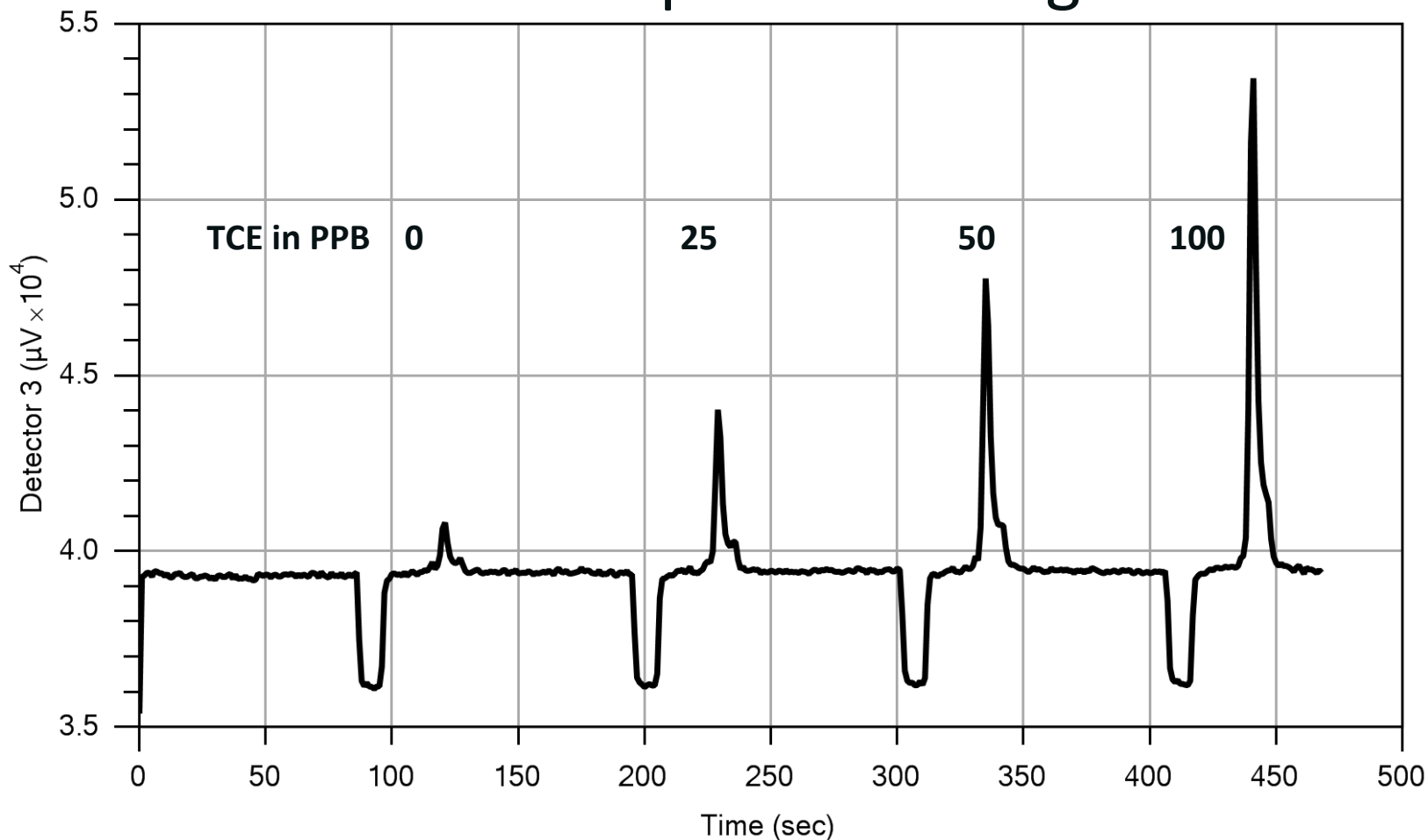
LL MIP Controller - MP9000

LL MIP System Setup





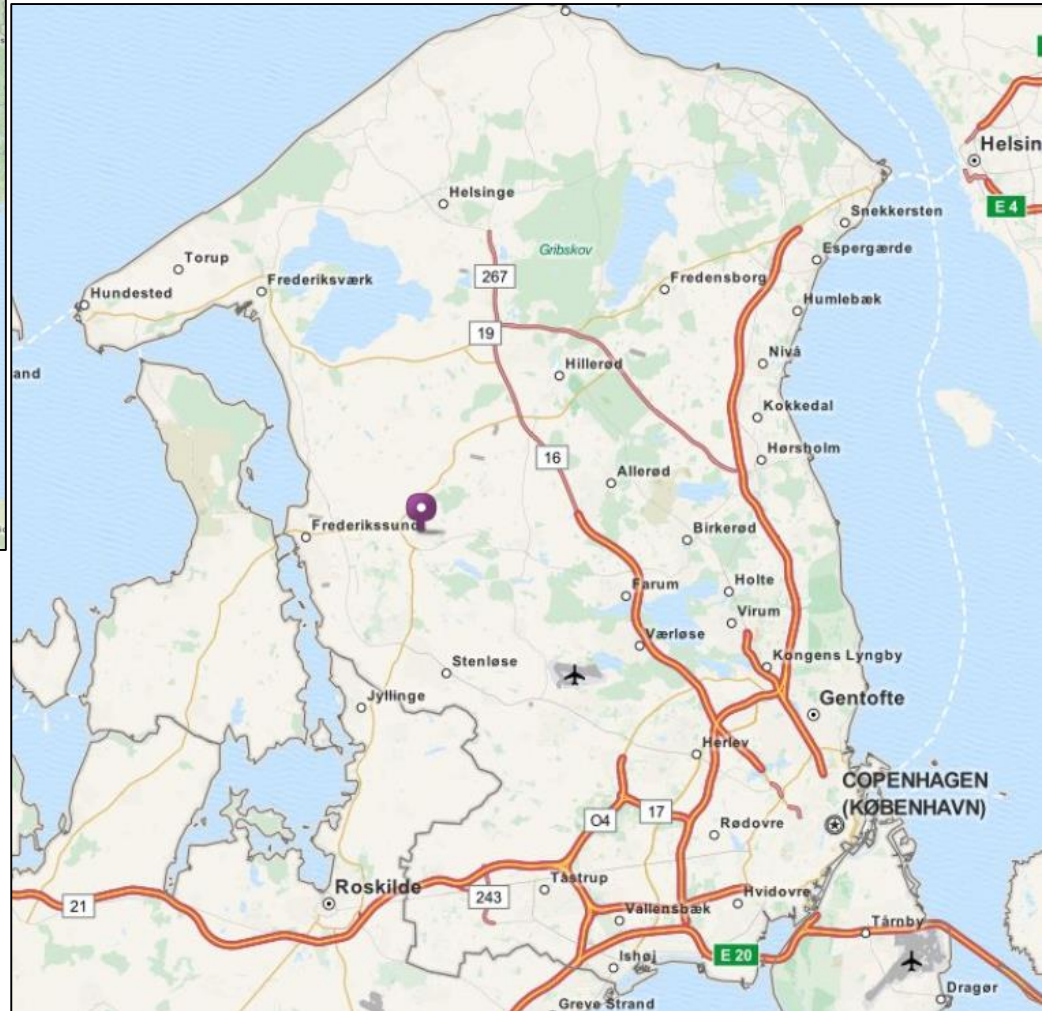
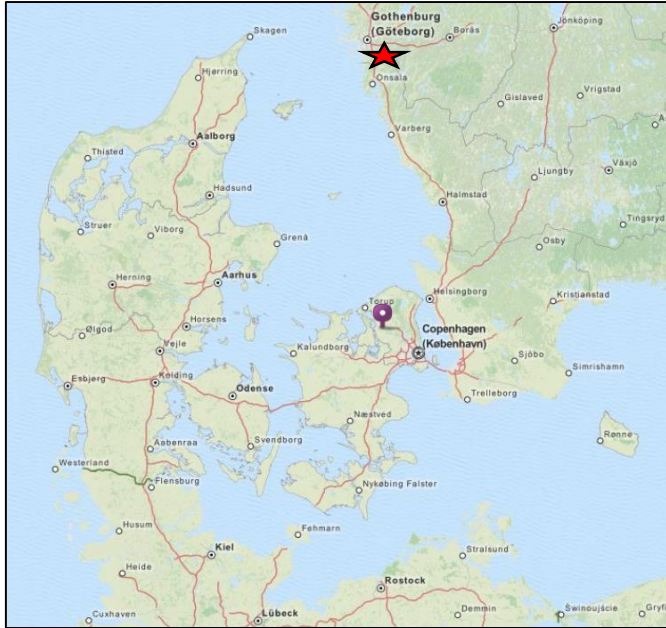
LL MIP Response Testing





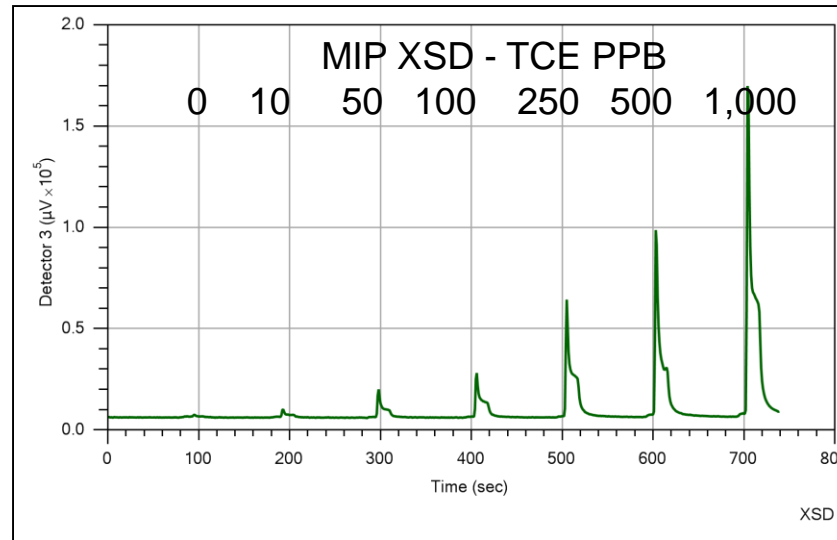
Field Site Examples

Slangerup, Denmark



Former Dry Cleaners
Site Contaminants Include:
PCE, TCE

LL MIP Response Testing



Detection limit study by a Danish LL MIP provider has shown the TCE detectable at 10ppb with the 50ppb response achievable throughout a project based upon surface response tests.



LL MIP Logs

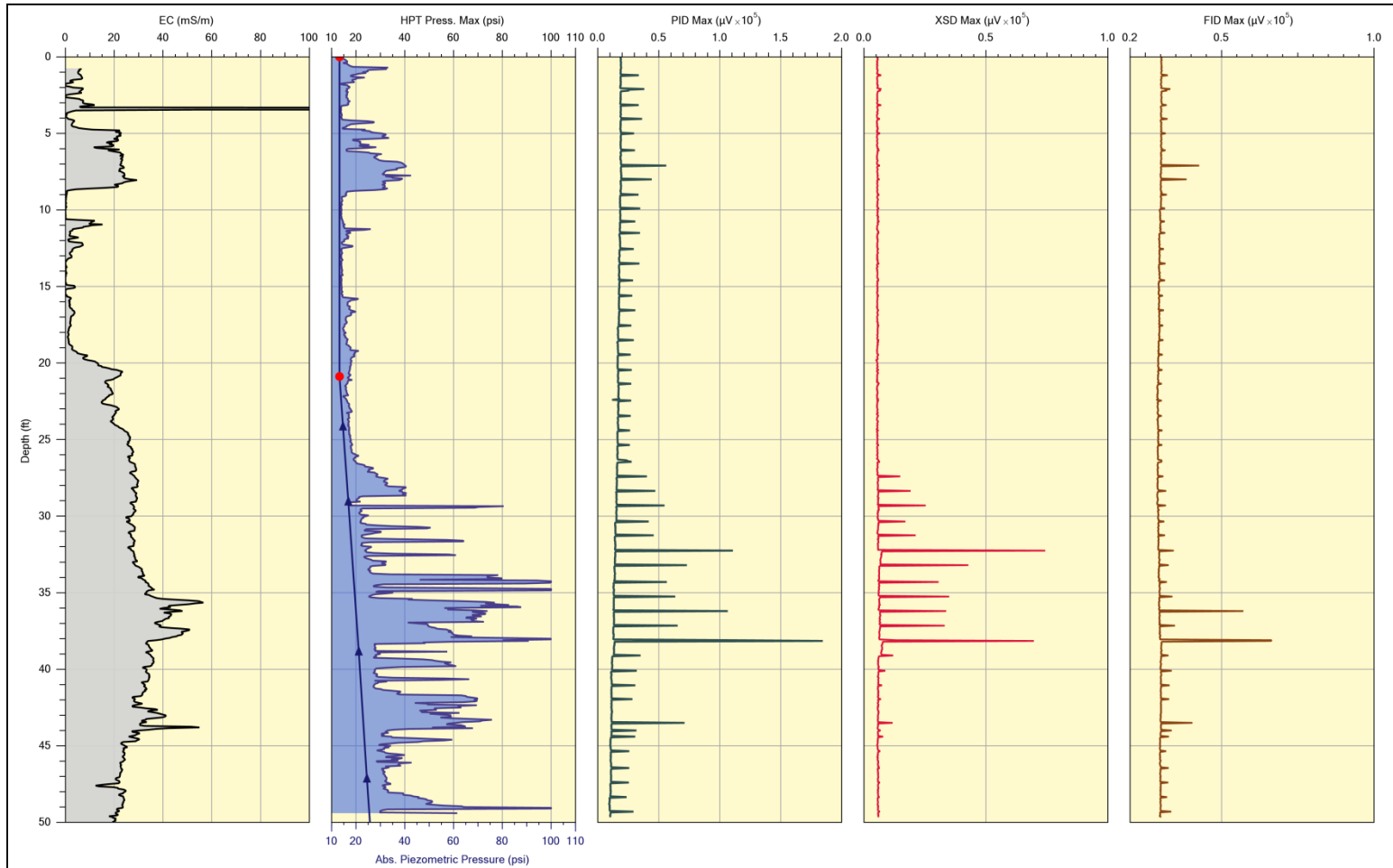
EC

HPT PSI

PID

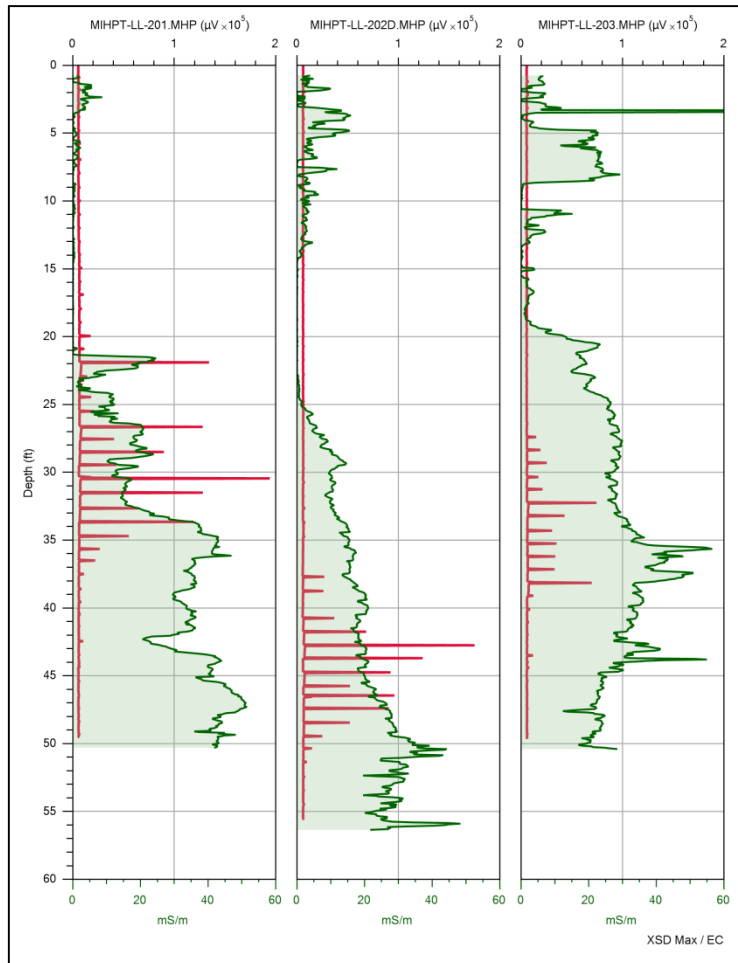
XSD

FID





LL MIP Log Cross section



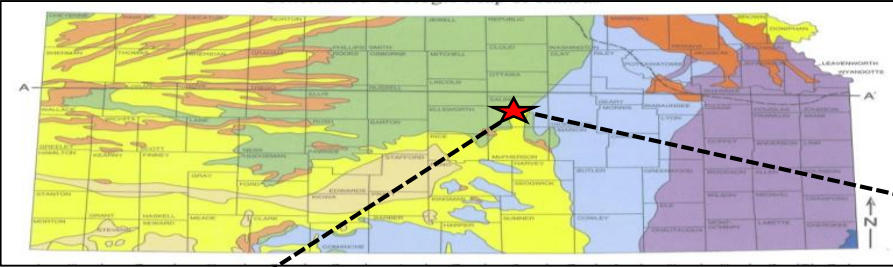
EC vs. XSD response

These 3 logs move away from the source - left to right.

The middle log is approximately 15' higher in elevation than the other 2 logs.

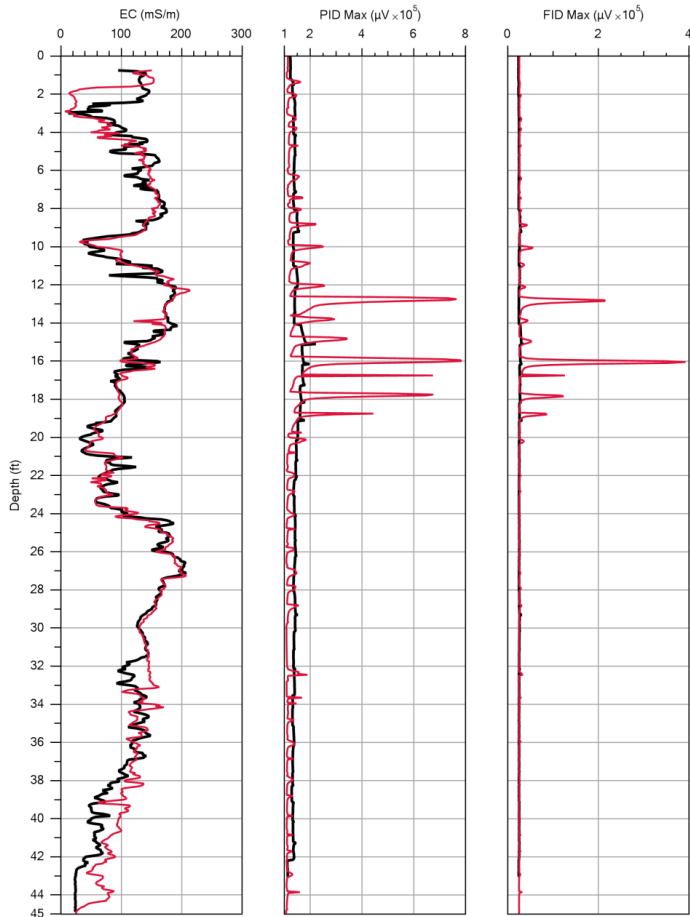
Field Site Examples

Salina, KS



Former Gas Station
Petroleum release

LL MIP Logs



Logs were run on the edge of a hydrocarbon plume

Overlay of:

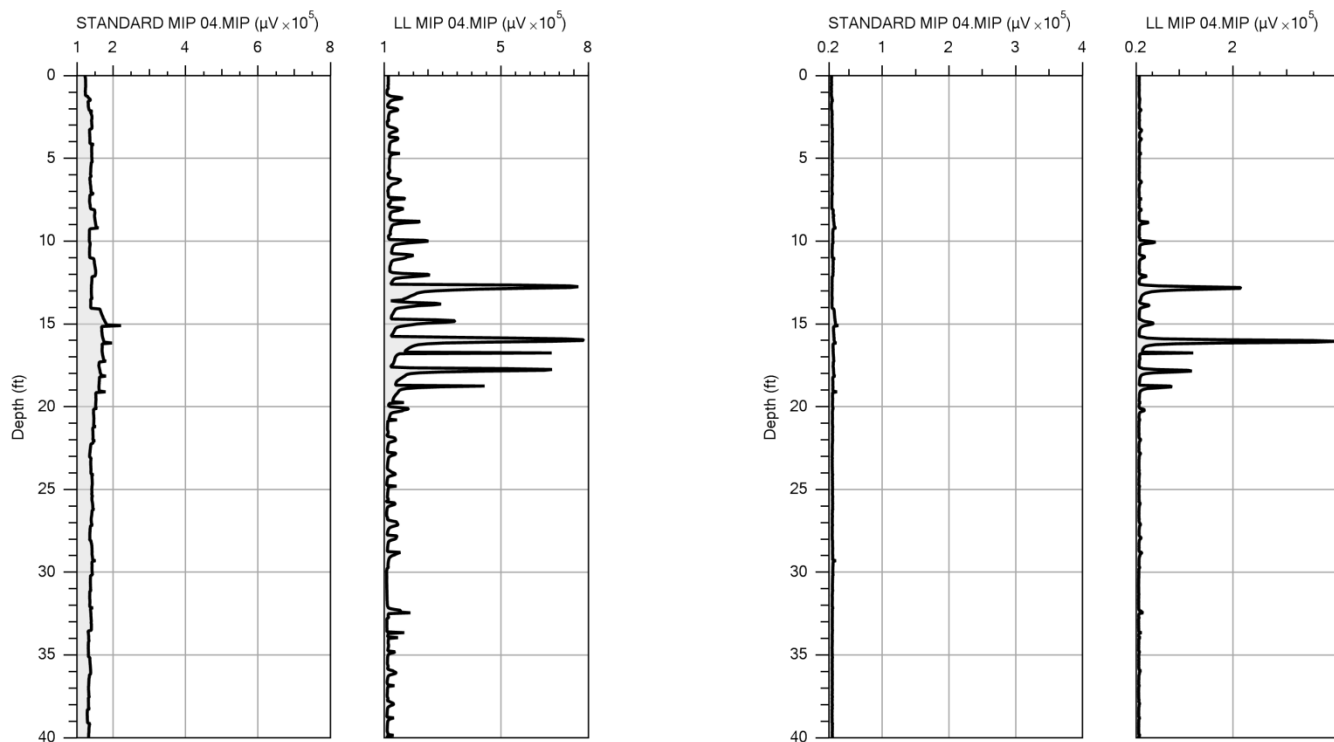
LL MIP log - red

Standard MIP log - black

Detector response in fine grain lithology

LL MIP Logs

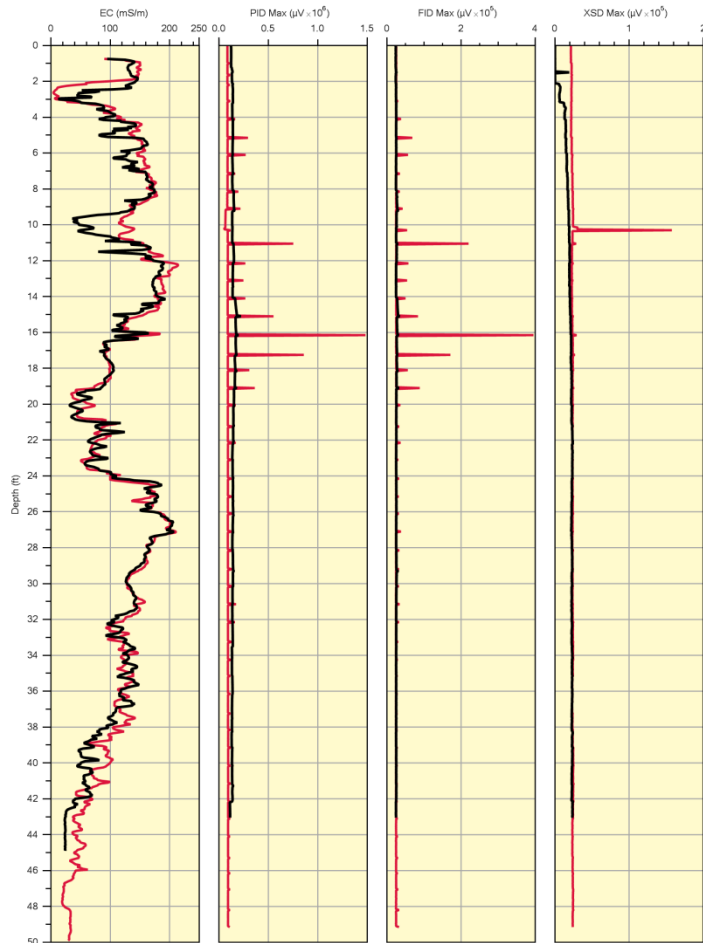
Close up comparison of the PID & FID responses from the log on previous slide.



PID Max

FID Max

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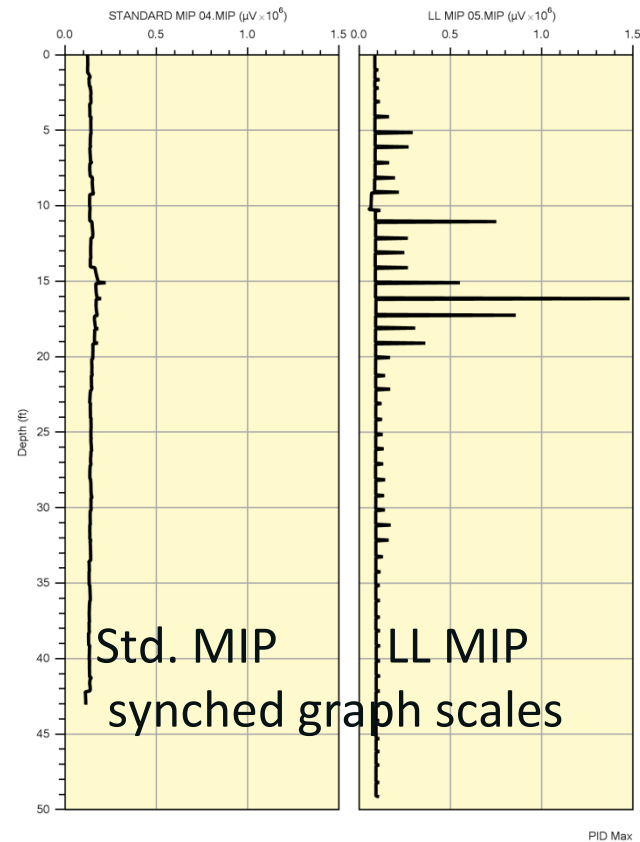
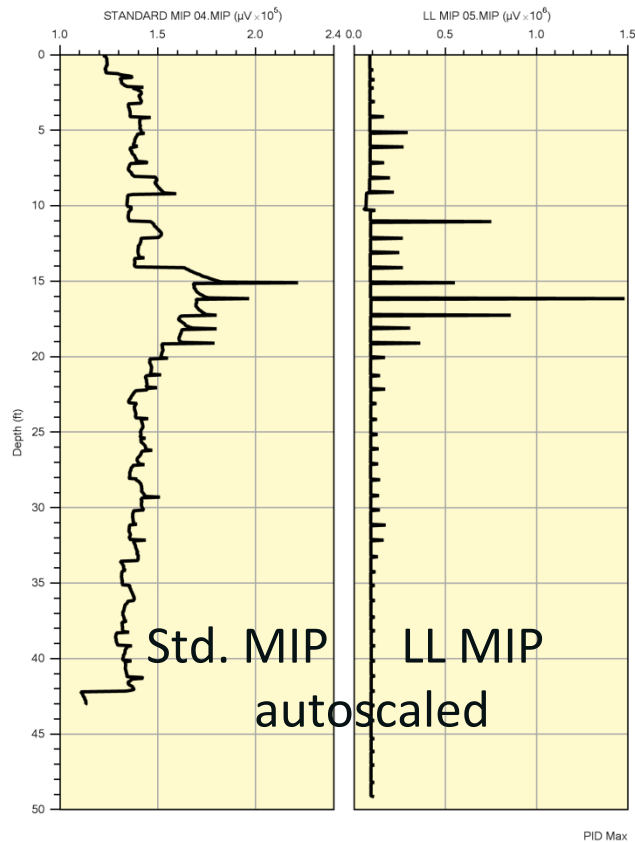
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Fine Grain Lithology



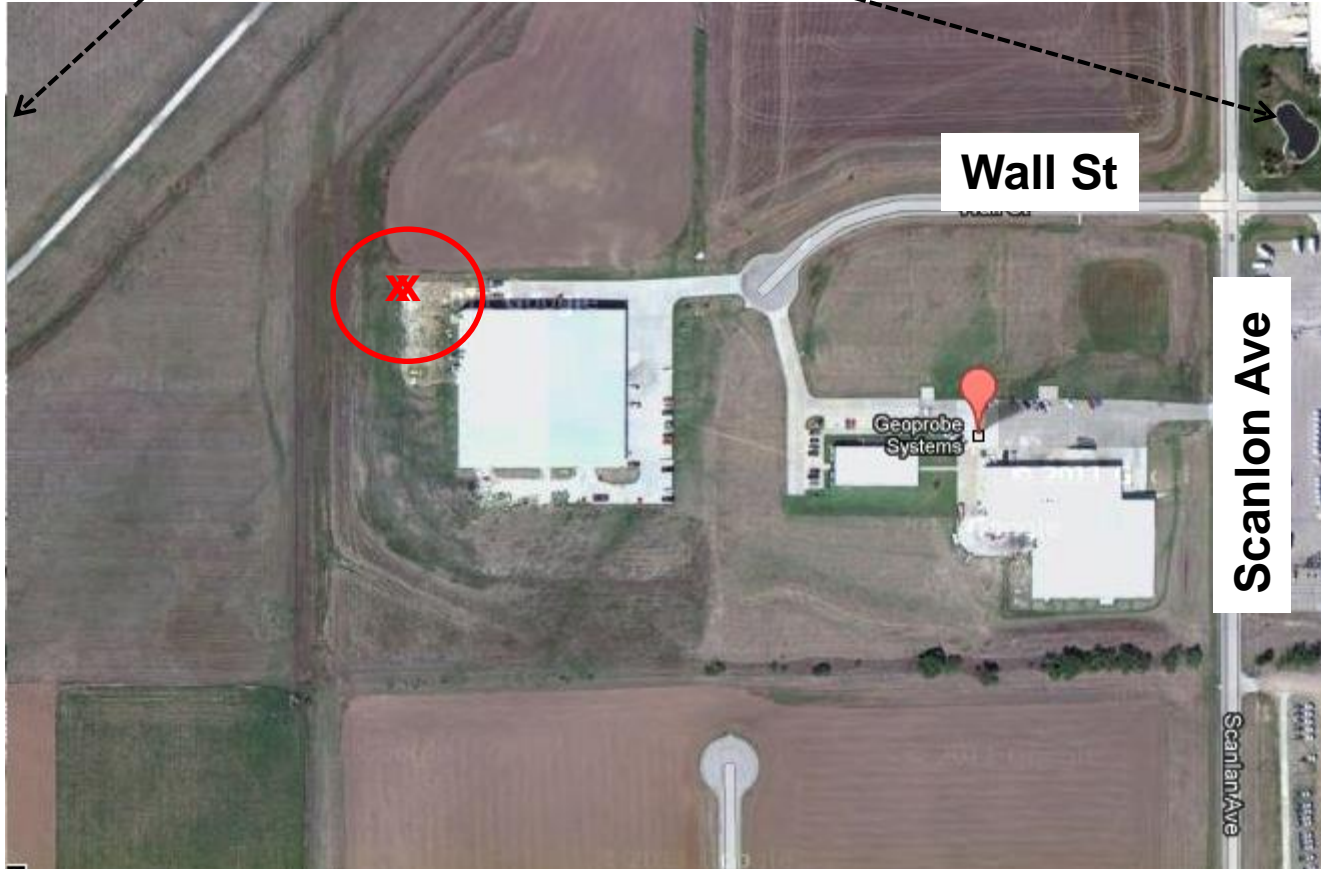
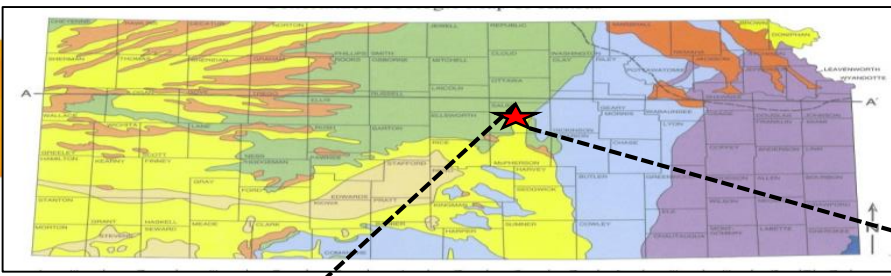
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Standard MIP PID vs. LL MIP PID Response



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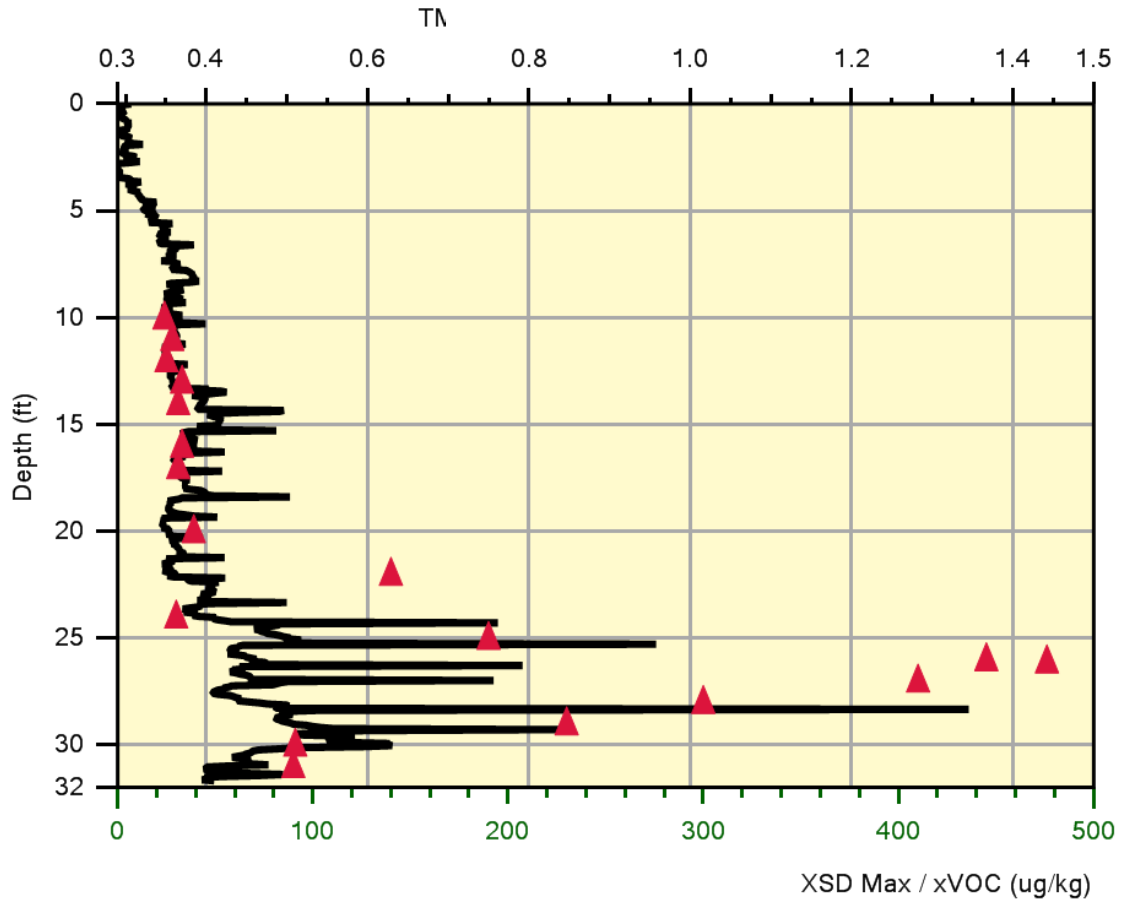
Salina, KS



Former Military Airfield
Site Contaminants Include Primarily:
TCE, Carbon Tetrachloride



Standard MIP-XSD Log WS19 with Soil Sample Results



Soil results 10'-20' are all <50µg/kg

Higher soil results below 20' correspond with higher detector signal

Soil samples contain TCE and some carbon tetrachloride.



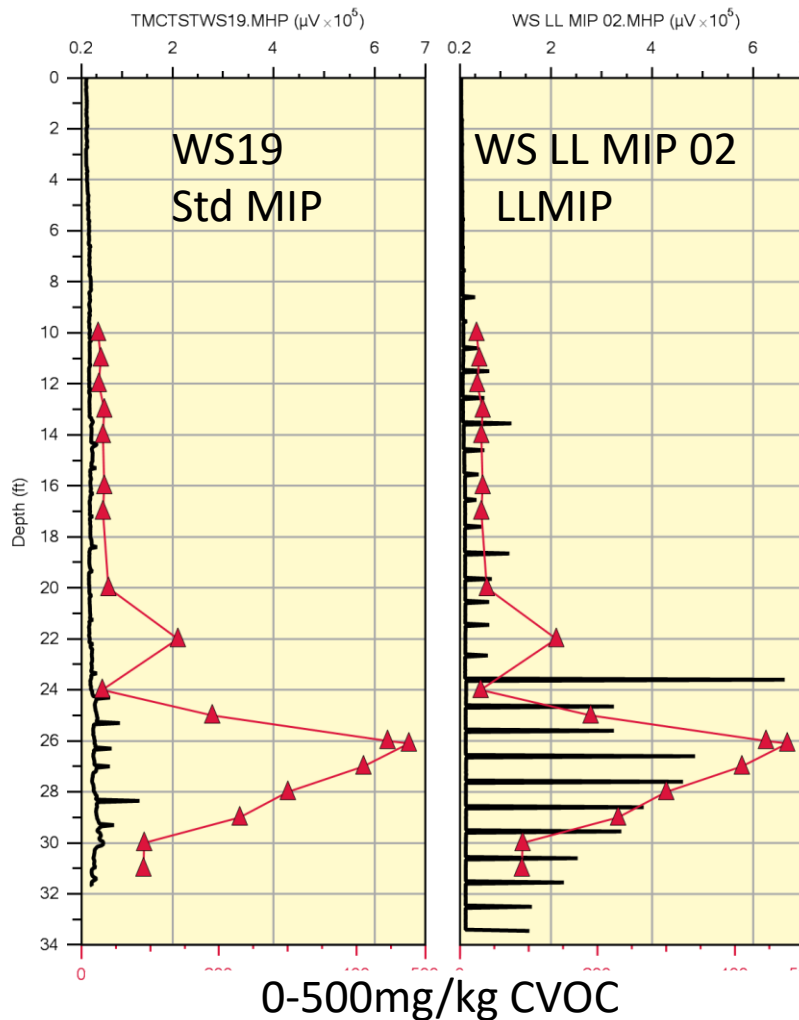
Standard MIP – LL MIP Comparison

MIP Logs:

Logs run within 3'

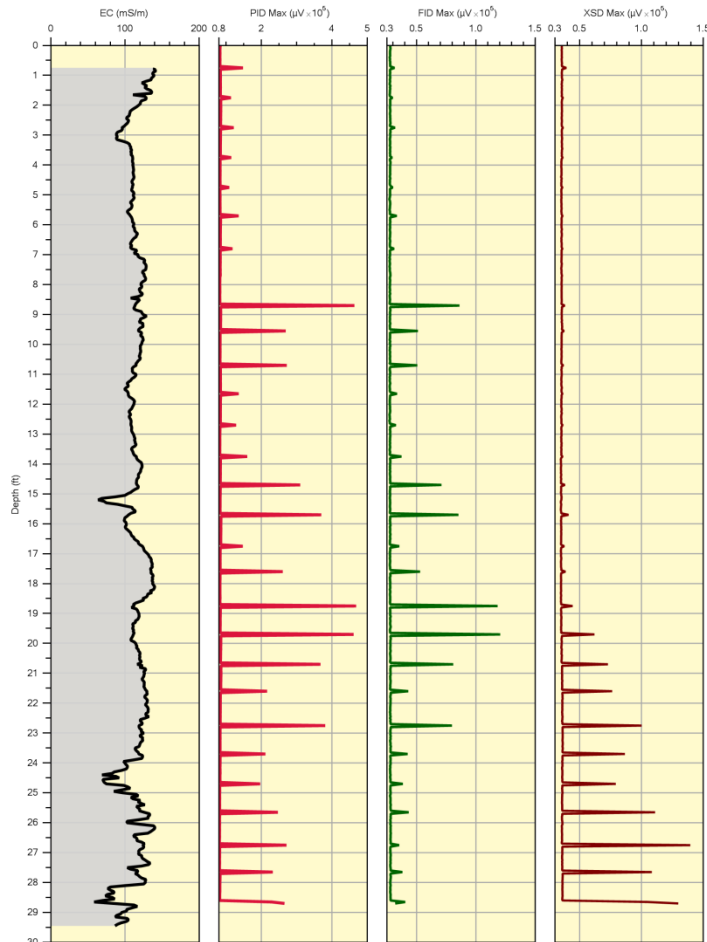
The clean XSD baseline allows the LL MIP log to expose the <math><50\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}</math> concentrations above 20'

The readings below 20' jump out making field decisions easier





LL MIP Logs



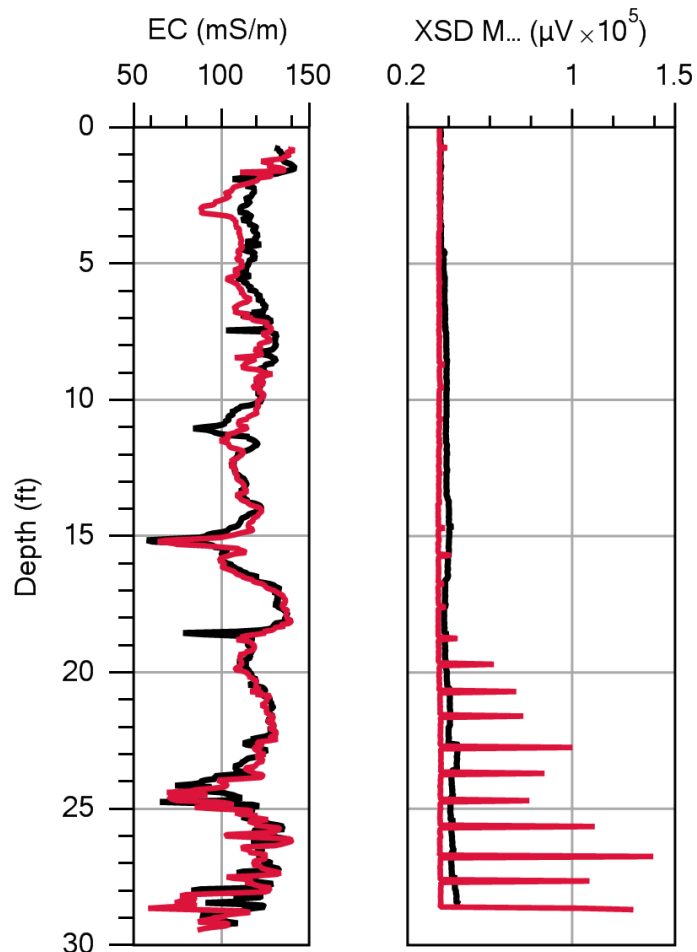
LL MIP Log in mixed hydrocarbon –
CVOC plume

Graphs L-R: EC, PID, FID, XSD

Hydrocarbons to 20'
CVOCs 20-30'

Fine grained lithology

LL MIP Logs



Logs on the edge of a XVOC plume

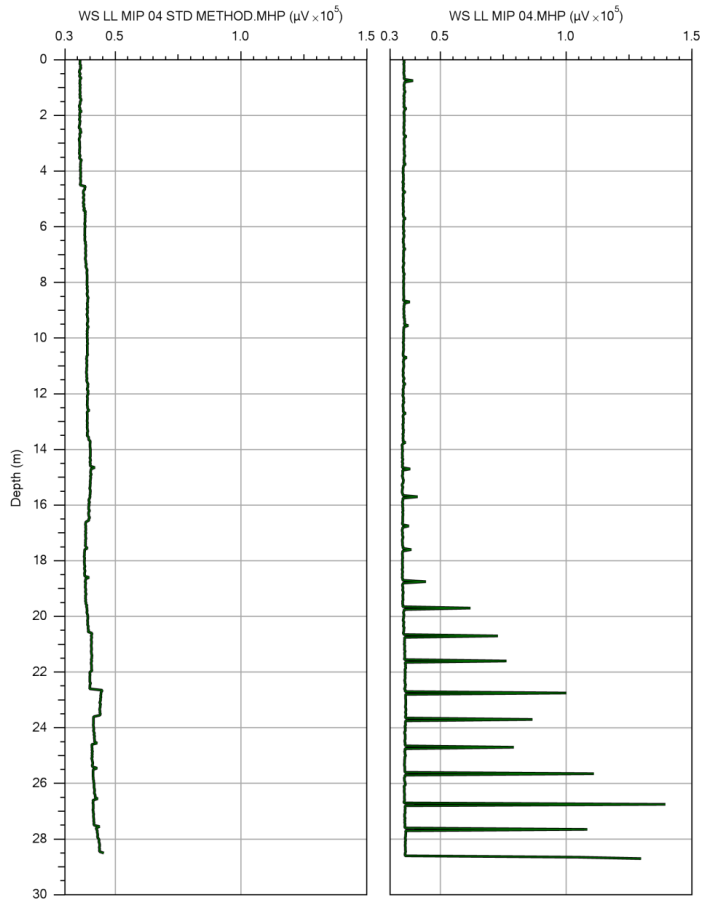
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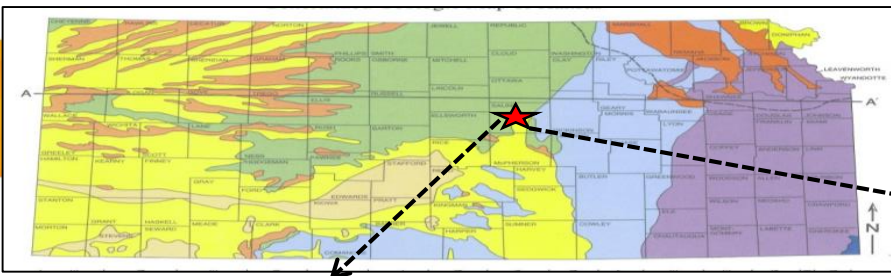
XSD Max / XSD Max

Close up comparison of the XSD responses from the log on previous slide compared to a co-located standard MIP log.

Standard MIP – left
LL MIP – right

Field Site Examples

Salina, KS



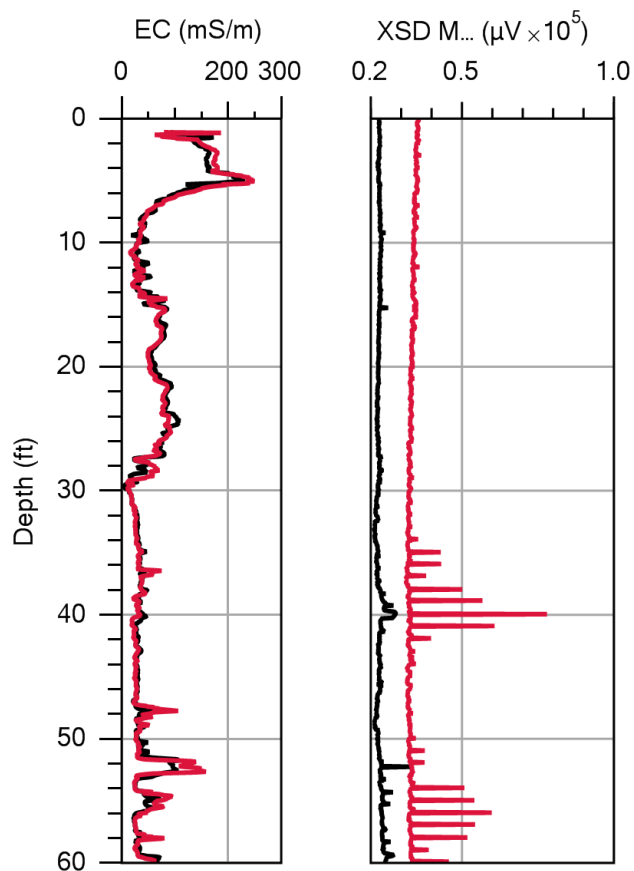
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Grain Elevator Spill

Site Contaminants Include Primarily:

1,2-DCA, Chloroform and Carbon Tetrachloride

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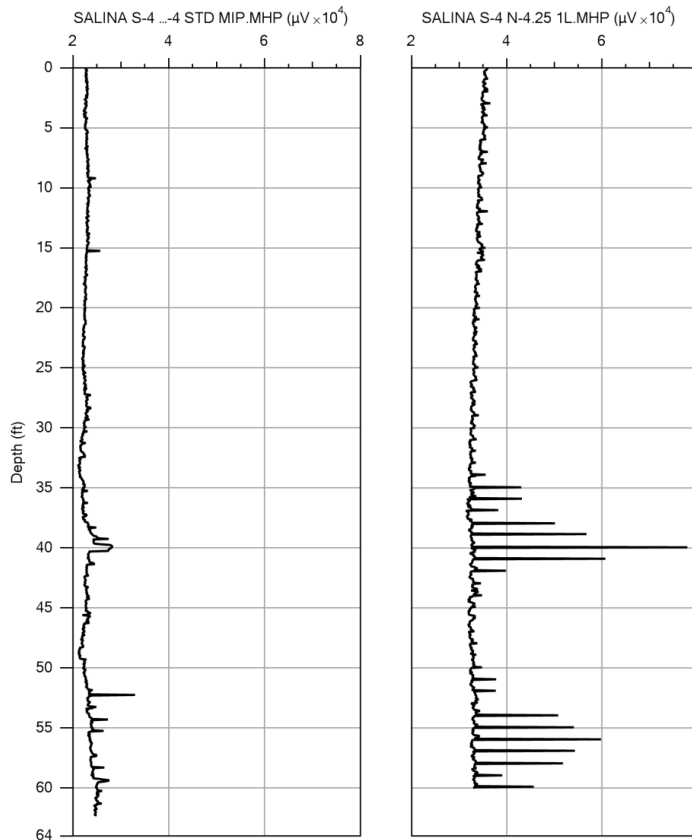


Logs on the edge of a XVOC
Plume

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Coarse grain lithology

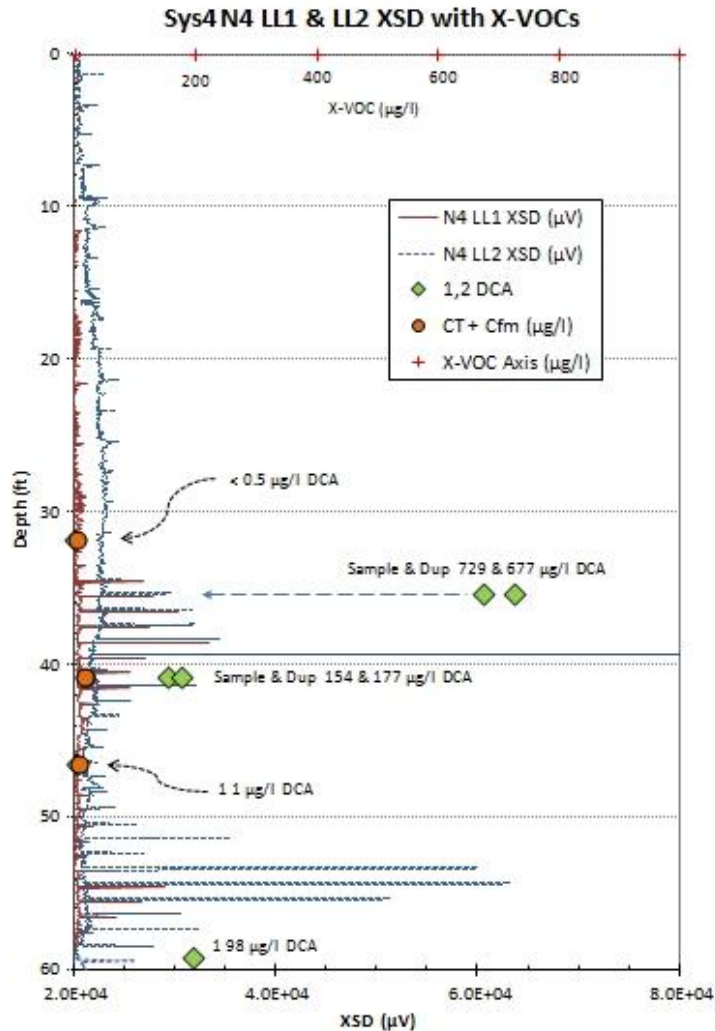
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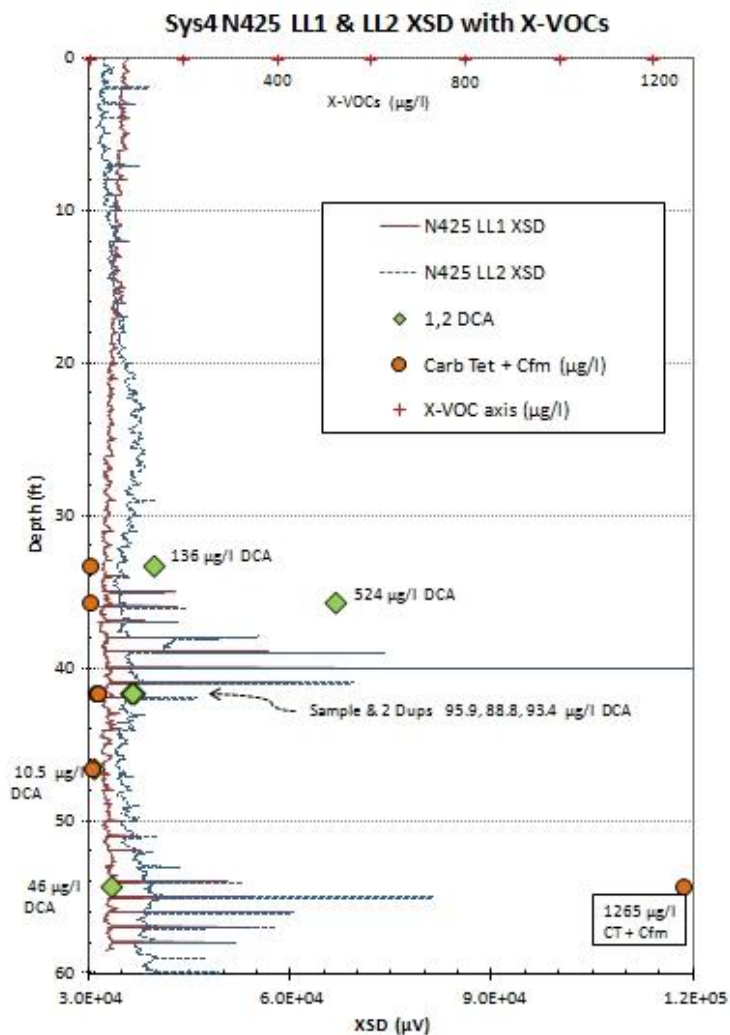


Replicate LL Logs with Analytical data

Coarse grained lithology

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 CT = Carbon Tetrachloride
 CFM = Chloroform

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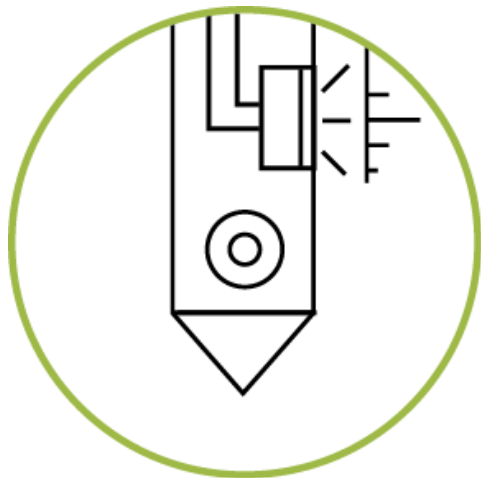


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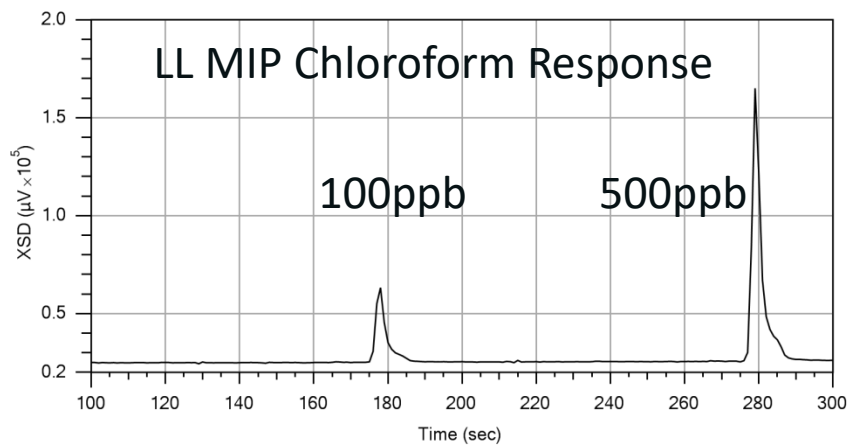
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LL MIP Method Summary



- Improves detector sensitivity ~10x
- Define plumes further with greater confidence
- Capable of tracking plumes to ≤ 50 ppb range
- Add controller to FI based MIP system
- Increase the utilization of your MIP system
- Does not replace standard MIP logging





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