



## MAR Con '22 - Barcelona

# Managed Aquifer Recharge Solutions International Conference on Current Research Results Barcelona, 19.-20. October 2022





The overall objective of MAR Con '22 is to collect research results, practical experience, and innovative ideas related to the following aspects of Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) activities:

- Chemical, biological and hydraulic processes resulting in clogging and reduction of infiltration rates,
- Hydrogeochemical processes affecting the water quality, with special focus on micropollutants,
- Performance monitoring and modelling, including reactive transport models to predict the fate of pathogens and emerging pollutants, and
- Implications of the processes mentioned above on the technical design of MAR projects in the frame of regional flow models and water management plans.

Venue: Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Master's and Multipurpose Classroom, A3 building, North Campus of UPC, C. Jordi Girona, 1-3, Barcelona, Spain

Participation in the conference is free, and may be in person or online. For registration and an updated program please visit www.marsolut-itn.eu.











### **MAR Con '22 - Conference Program**

#### **Managed Aquifer Recharge Solutions**

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Wednesday October 19th		
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9:00	Check in / registration / welcome	
9:30	Welcome words by Christoph Schüth (TUDa)	and Xavier Sánchez-Vila (UPC)
Session	1: Sustaining Rates	Chair: Ulrike Werbar
9:45	Sultana, R., Werban, U., Pohle, M., Rossetto, R. & Vienken, T. (UFZ, Germany, & SSSA, Italy): On the relevance of site exploration as prerequisite for successful MAR site planning and operation	
	Lippera, M.C., Werban U., Rossetto, R. & Vienken, T. (UFZ, Germany, & SSSA Italy): Understanding and predicting clogging behaviour to enhance and main tain infiltration capacity of MAR infrastructure	
	Hartog, N. (KWR Water Research Institute, Netherlands): Making MAR system work: Different approaches to maintaining infiltration and abstraction rates	
	Summary and outlook - Spotlight on quantity	
11:00	Coffee break	
Session	2: Improving Quality	Chair: Christoph Schüth
11:30	Muñoz Vega, E. & Schüth, C. (TUDa, Germany): Experimental studies of the sorp tion and remediation of selected emerging organic contaminants	
	Horovitz, M., Muñoz Vega, E., Leitão, T.E., Schüth, C. & Schulz, S. (LNEC, Portugal & TUDa, Germany): Large-scale sand tank experiments to assess water quality changes during soil aquifer treatment	
	Rudnik, G., Rabinovich, A., Katz, Y. & Kurtzman, D. (ARO, TAU, & Mekorot, Israel): Reactive transport modelling in a double source MAR site	
	Valhondo, C. (CNRS, France): Renaturalizatio hanced soil aquifer treatment with reactive b	
13:00	Lunch break	
14:30	Pérez Illanes, R., Muñoz Vega, E., Schulz, S., Schüth, C. & Fernàndez-Garcia, D (UPC, Spain, & TUDa, Germany): Precipitation of Fe(III) oxyhydroxides in porou media and its influence in solute breakthrough	
	Hübner, U. (TUM, Germany): Engineering of managed aquifer recharge systems to optimize biotransformation of trace organic chemicals	
	Summary and outlook - Spotlight on the chemistry	
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#### **Session 3: Proving Performance**

16:00 Behle, V.R., Rodríguez-Escales, P. & Sanchez-Vila, X. (UPC, Spain): *MAR modelling: hydrogeochemistry and fate of contaminants* 

Caligaris, E.R. & Rossetto, R. (SSSA, Italy): *Hydroinformatics and monitoring for investigating groundwater quality changes in managed aquifer recharge* 

Vlassopoulou, A., Tentes, G. & Kallioras, A. (NTUA, & G2S, Greece): *Participatory modelling in MAR* 

Negev, I. (Mekorot, Israel): The Shafdan Experience

Summary and outlook - Spotlight on techniques and tools

17:30 End of day 1

#### **Thursday October 20th**

#### **Session 4: Optimizing Design**

Chair: Enrique Fernández Escalante

Chair: Rudy Rossetto

9:00 Henao Casas, J.D., Fernández Escalante, E. & Ayuga, F. (Tragsa & UPM, Spain): Advanced technical and conceptual solutions in managed aquifer recharge

Demichele, F. & Sapiano, M. (EWA, Malta): Hydrogeological and geochemical modelling of a sea-water intrusion barrier in an island/coastal groundwater body

Standen, K., Monteiro, J.P., Costa, L. & Hugman, R. (UAlg, Portugal, & Flinders University, Australia): Opportunities to improve aquifer status using MAR through River Basin Management Plans in the Algarve, Portugal

Benedicto van Dalen, D. (Acaciawater, Netherlands): *The experience of Acacia Water in the design and implementation of ASR systems - the case of a farming cooperative in Texel, the Netherlands* 

Summary and outlook - Spotlight on scenarios

10:30 Coffee Break

#### Session 5: Global applicability, bottlenecks and proactive legislation

11:00 Panel – experts statements and audience discussion Final remarks and closing of the conference

13:00 Lunch break

#### Field site visit

14:00 MAR activities in the Llobregat Lower Valley – an overview

Tour for those who registered for the site visit. Exact meeting point and time for departure of the bus will be announced at the conference. Return planned for 18:00 h at the same place.

The conference is organised for the EU MSCA MARSoluT Innovative Training Network (ITN) by Technical University of Darmstadt (TUDa), Darmstadt, Germany, and Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (UPC), Barcelona, Spain. Registration on www.marsolut-itn.eu.