

# Revised hazard classification of MSWI bottom ash

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# Re-use of MSWI bottom ash (NL)

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- Production MSWI bottom ash NL: 1.9 Mton/year
  - Applications of re-use:
    - Mineral construction materials in road construction works and embankments
    - BA aggregates as replacement of gravel in concrete applications (e.g. pavement stones)
  - Application of primary and secondary materials regulated in Soil Quality Decree
  - Main granular application under isolated conditions
  - Green deal bottom ash: 50% free use in 2017, 100% in 2020

# Legislative background

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- ✓ **WFD Directive 2008/98/EC, Regulation 1357/2014 (EC)**
- ✓ **CLP Regulation 1272/2008 (EC)**
- ✓ **LoW Commission Decision 2000/532/EC**
- ✓ *Regulation (EC) 1195/2006 amending Annex IV to Regulation (EC) 850/2004*

WFD, Annex III: defines the hazard properties and limit values

CLP: list of substances with known hazard information

LoW, Section 19: waste from waste management facilities

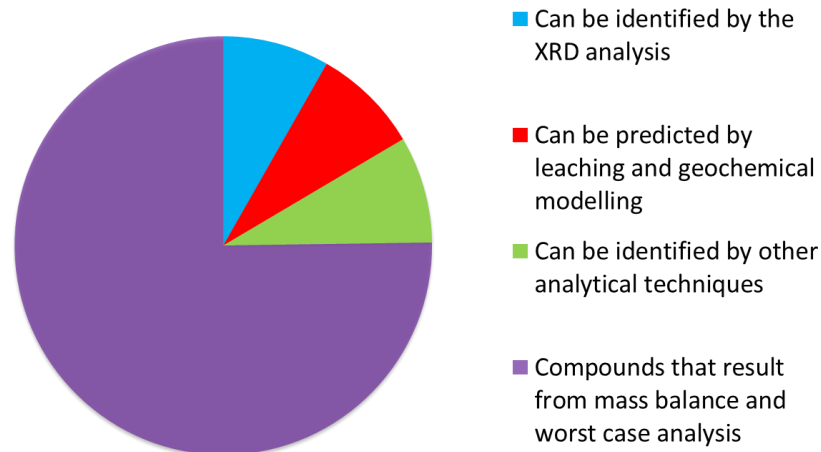
19 01 – waste from incineration or pyrolysis of waste

19 01 11\* MH bottom ash and slag containing hazardous substances

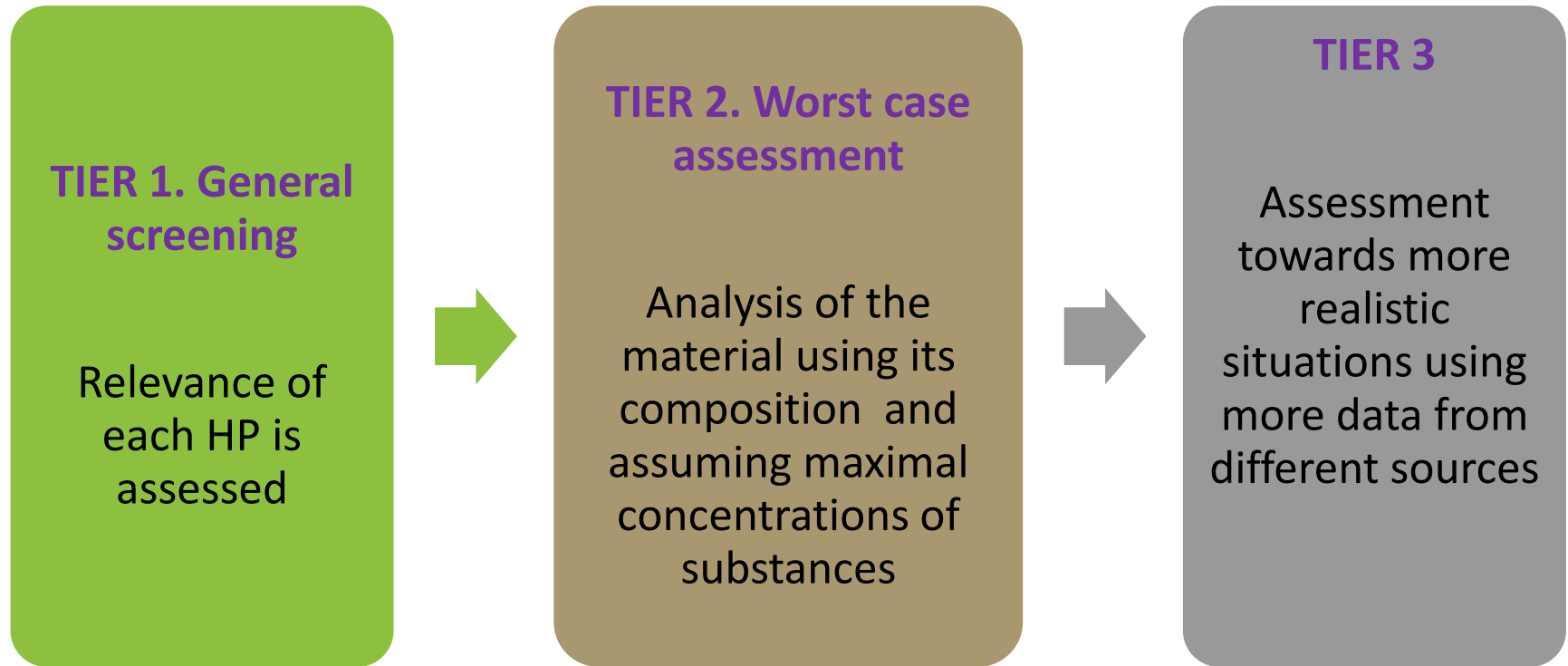
19 01 12 MN bottom ash and slag other than those mentioned in 19 01 11

# Hazard classification based on substances

- All possible substances need to be considered
- CLP contains (only...)  $\pm 4.500$  substances (harmonised classification)
- Major challenge: most techniques measure elements, not substances




# Tiered approach for classification



HPs not excluded at Tier 1 go to Tier 2;

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# Tier 1 – general screening



HP 1:	explosive
HP 2:	oxidising
HP 3:	flammable
HP 4 Σ :	irritant
HP 5:	STOT/Aspiration toxicity
HP 6 Σ :	acute toxicity
HP 7:	carcinogenic
HP 8 Σ :	corrosive
HP 9:	infectious
HP 10:	toxic for reproduction
HP 11:	mutagenic
HP12:	release of an acute toxic gas
HP 13:	sensitising
HP 14 Σ :	eco-toxic
HP 15:	yielding another substance

Tier 1

*general screening*

Tier 2

*worst case analysis*

Tier 3

*expert judgement*

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HP 6  $\Sigma$ : acute toxicity  
HP 8  $\Sigma$ : corrosive  
HP 14  $\Sigma$ : eco-toxic



# Tier 2 – worst case assessment

- Composition of MSWI bottom ash: 95 percentile values
- Consideration of substances (relevant HSC) for every hazard property
- Approach: start with “worst case” substances, exclude based on knowledge
- Assessment stops in Tier 2 when no hazard is displayed
- Otherwise: “go as far as we can go based on knowledge ” in Tier 3.

## Max possible concentration

Cu total content **0.89%**

Assume all Cu bound in CuCl.

CuCl max - ?

Cu 64g/mol; Cl 35g/mol; CuCl 99g/mol

CuCl content:  $0.89 \times 99 / 64 = \mathbf{1.4\% \text{ max}}$

## Most hazardous substance

ZnSO<sub>4</sub> 161g/mol

ZnCl<sub>2</sub> 135g/mol

Zn 65g/mol

*Assume concentration limit 1%.*

0.48% Zn → 1% ZnCl<sub>2</sub>

0.40% Zn → 1% ZnSO<sub>4</sub>

ZnSO<sub>4</sub> is more hazardous than ZnCl<sub>2</sub>

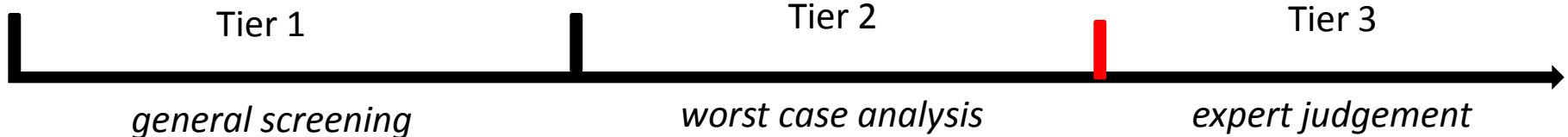
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# Tier 3: HP7, carcinogenic

From Tier 2:

$\text{NiSO}_4$  ( hazard index  $\text{HI}=1.33 >1$ ) – soluble,

$\text{NiSO}_4 \rightarrow \text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$ ,  $\text{HI}=0.82 <1 \rightarrow$  no HP 7 hazard from Ni compounds

Cat 1, H350	Cat 2, H351	Substance	REMARKS
<b>0.1% limit</b>	<b>1% limit</b>		
	0.47% < 1%	$\text{PbCrO}_4$	CrVI 0.8mg/kg ; Cr total 754mg/kg, if all Cr=Cr(VI), 1% limit is not exceeded
0.02% < 0.1%		$\text{HPbAsO}_4$	Arsenic is limiting element (47mg/kg), total Pb - 3969mg/kg
	0.08%	$\text{PbCrO}_4 + \text{PbMoO}_4 + \text{PbSO}_4$	$\text{PbSO}_4$ too soluble to form this complex, also will not exceed 1% limit when Mo(81mg/kg) is the limiting element
	0.84%	$\text{PbSO}_4 + \text{PbCrO}_4$	$\text{PbSO}_4$ too soluble to form this complex, also will not exceed 1% limit when all Cr is Cr(VI) and taken as the limiting element

# HP 4 / HP 8: irritant / corrosive

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- Additive hazard – contributions from all relevant substances added together
- No pH criteria in WFD
- **HP8 (corrosive) – no hazard** (Na, K, Zn – most contributing)
- **HP 4 (irritant) – no hazard** (Ca, Fe – most contributing)

pH consideration: CLP (pH<2, pH>11.5) versus WFD (no pH criterion)

# HP 10: toxic for reproduction

Pb substances	Estimated amount, % from total amount of Pb
PbCO <sub>3</sub> , PbO, Pb(OH) <sub>2</sub> , metallic Pb, and Pb <sub>3</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	<b>Together</b> consume maximum 14.5% of total Pb – geochemical modelling results
Unknown forms of Pb	Remaining 85.5% of total Pb

		g/mol	Pb total 95%, %	Fraction of total Pb, <b>worst case</b> , %	Max concentration at assumed equal distribution, %
0.3% limit	PbCO <sub>3</sub>	267	0.40	14.5	0.07
0.3% limit	PbO	223	0.40	14.5	0.06
0.3% limit	Pb(OH) <sub>2</sub>	241	0.40	14.5	0.06
CLP, 0.3% limit	Pb metallic	207	0.40	14.5	0.07
CLP, 0.3% limit	Pb <sub>3</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	812	0.40	14.5	0.08
<b>0.3% limit</b>	Unknown forms		0.40	85.5	0.34

**Unknown forms can render  
hazardous classification**

3969mg/kg as 95 percentile

**No HP 10 hazard from unknown  
forms of Pb if Pb < 3500mg/kg**

(3500\*0.855 = 0.3% - at HP 10 limit)

# Tier 3 - expert judgement

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- **HP 7 (carcinogenic) – no hazard**
- **HP 4 (irritant) / HP8 (corrosive) – no hazard**  
pH consideration: no pH criteria in WFD. CLP does contain criteria(pH<2, pH>11.5)
- **HP 10 (toxic for reproduction)**  
3969mg/kg as 95percentile for Pb  
No hazard for bottom ash samples with Pb < 3500mg/kg  
No distinction between massive (non hazardous) and powder forms
- **HP 14 (eco-toxic) – next slides**

# HP 14: eco-toxic

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- Total content as a basis (95 percentile)
- All relevant substances (H400, H410, H411, H412, H413)
- Stability analysis (e.g.  $\text{PbSO}_4$ )
- Tracing the most contributing worst case substances  
 $\text{CuCl}$ ,  $\text{ZnO}$ ,  $\text{Pb}_3(\text{PO}_4)_3$ ,  $\text{Ni}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$
- All M factors assumed to be 1
- Application of 5 summation methods

	Concentration limit, %	TOTAL CONTENT ASSESSMENT, %	Criteria
<b>Method 1</b>  <i>No M factors</i>  <i>No cut-off values</i>	25	8.2	H400
	25	318.7 ✓	100*H410 + 10*H411 + H412
	25	7.0	H410 + H411 + H412 + H413
<b>Method 2</b>  <i>H400, H410: 0.1%</i> <i>H411, H412: 1%</i>	25	8.2	M*H400 (M=1)
	25	28.0	10*H410 + H411
<b>Method 3</b>  <i>No M factors</i>  <i>No cut-off values</i>	0.1	3.1	H410
	2.5	0.4	H411
	25	3.3	H412
	25	0.2	H413
<b>Method 4</b>  <i>No cut-off values</i>	2.5	3.1	M*H410 (M=1)
	25	0.4	H411
<b>Method 5</b>  <i>Method 1</i> <i>Cut-offs from Method 2</i>	25	8.2	H400
	25	283.5 ✓	100*H410 + 10*H411 + H412
	25	6.0	H410 + H411 + H412 + H413

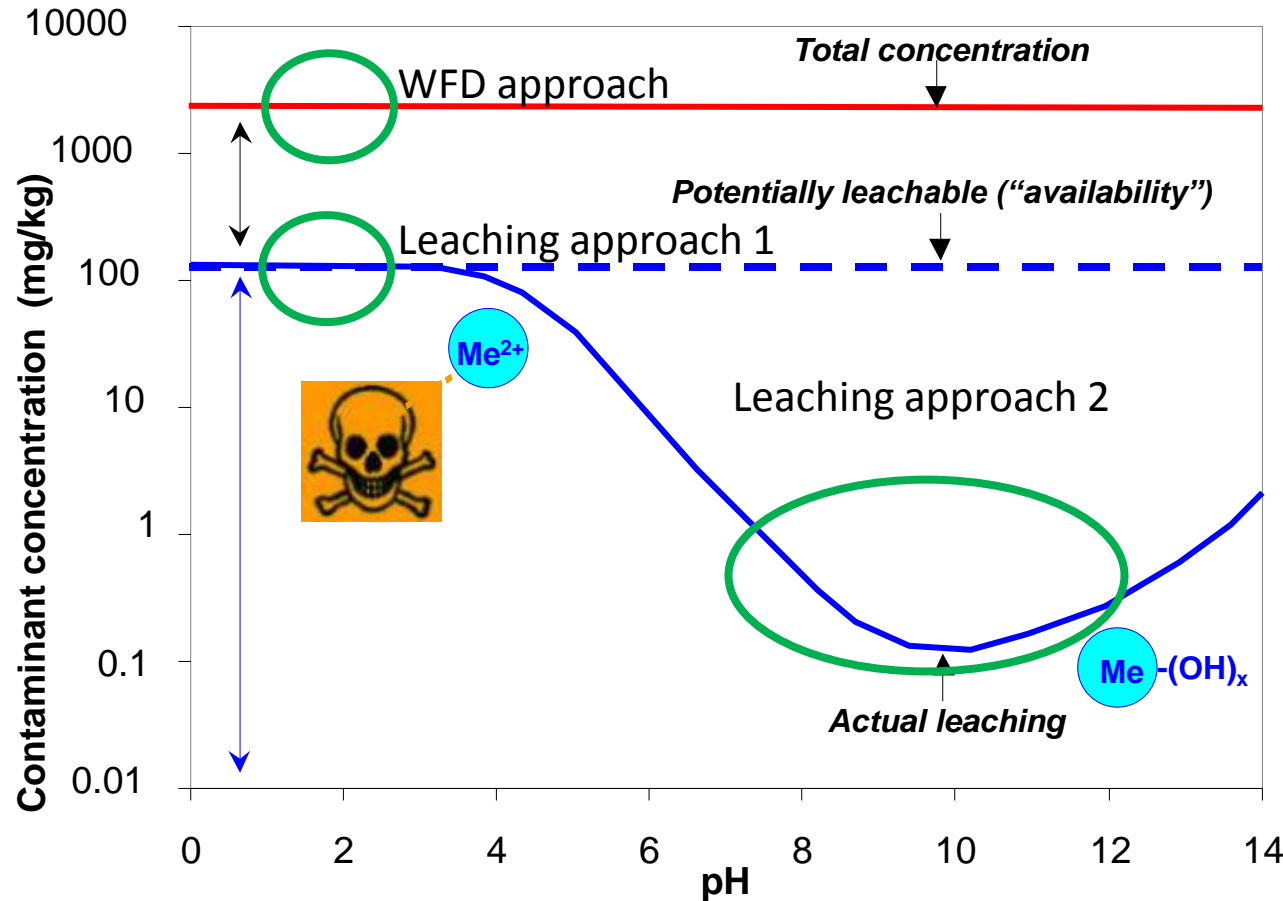
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effect of cut-off values

# Why is leaching a relevant mechanism?

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- Ecotoxic effects are posed only when substances are in solution (ECHA guidance)
- Exposure from eco toxic substances is limited by their solubility and availability in the water phase

# Total composition versus leaching



- Not the total content is relevant but potential and actual leaching!
- Leaching depends strongly on pH for most elements

	Concentration limit, %	AVAILABILITY DATA at pH=2, %	Criteria
<b>Method 1</b> <i>No M factors</i> <i>No cut-off values</i>	25	1.2	H400
	25	100.0 ✓	100*H410 + 10*H411 + H412
	25	2.3	H410 + H411 + H412 + H413
<b>Method 2</b> <i>H400, H410: 0.1%</i> <i>H411, H412: 1%</i>	25	1.2	M*H400 (M=1)
	25	9.6	10*H410 + H411
<b>Method 3</b> <i>No M factors</i> <i>No cut-off values</i>	0.1	1.0	H410
	2.5	0.0	H411
	25	1.3	H412
	25	0.0	H413
<b>Method 4</b> <i>No cut-off values</i>	2.5	1.0	M*H410 (M=1)
	25	0.0	H411
<b>Method 5</b> <i>Method 1</i> <i>Cut-offs from Method 2</i>	25	1.2	H400
	25	97.5 ✓	100*H410 + 10*H411 + H412
	25	2.3	H410 + H411 + H412 + H413

✓  
effect of cut-off values

	Concentration limit, %	LEACHED DATA at pH 7-12, %	Criteria
<b>Method 1</b>  <i>No M factors</i>  <i>No cut-off values</i>	25	1.2	H400
	25	4.5	100*H410 + 10*H411 + H412
	25	1.3	H410 + H411 + H412 + H413
<b>Method 2</b>  <i>H400, H410: 0.1%</i> <i>H411, H412: 1%</i>	25	1.2/12/120	M*H400 (M=1/10/100)
	25	0.0	10*H410 + H411
<b>Method 3</b>  <i>No M factors</i>  <i>No cut-off values</i>	0.1	0.0	H410
	2.5	0.0	H411
	25	1.3	H412
	25	0.0	H413
<b>Method 4</b>  <i>No cut-off values</i>	2.5	0.0/0.3/3	M*H410 (M=1/10/100)
	25	0.0	H411
<b>Method 5</b>  <i>Method 1</i> <i>Cut-offs from Method 2</i>	25	1.2	H400
	25	1.3	100*H410 + 10*H411 + H412
	25	1.3	H410 + H411 + H412 + H413



effect of  
M-factors



# HP 14 summary

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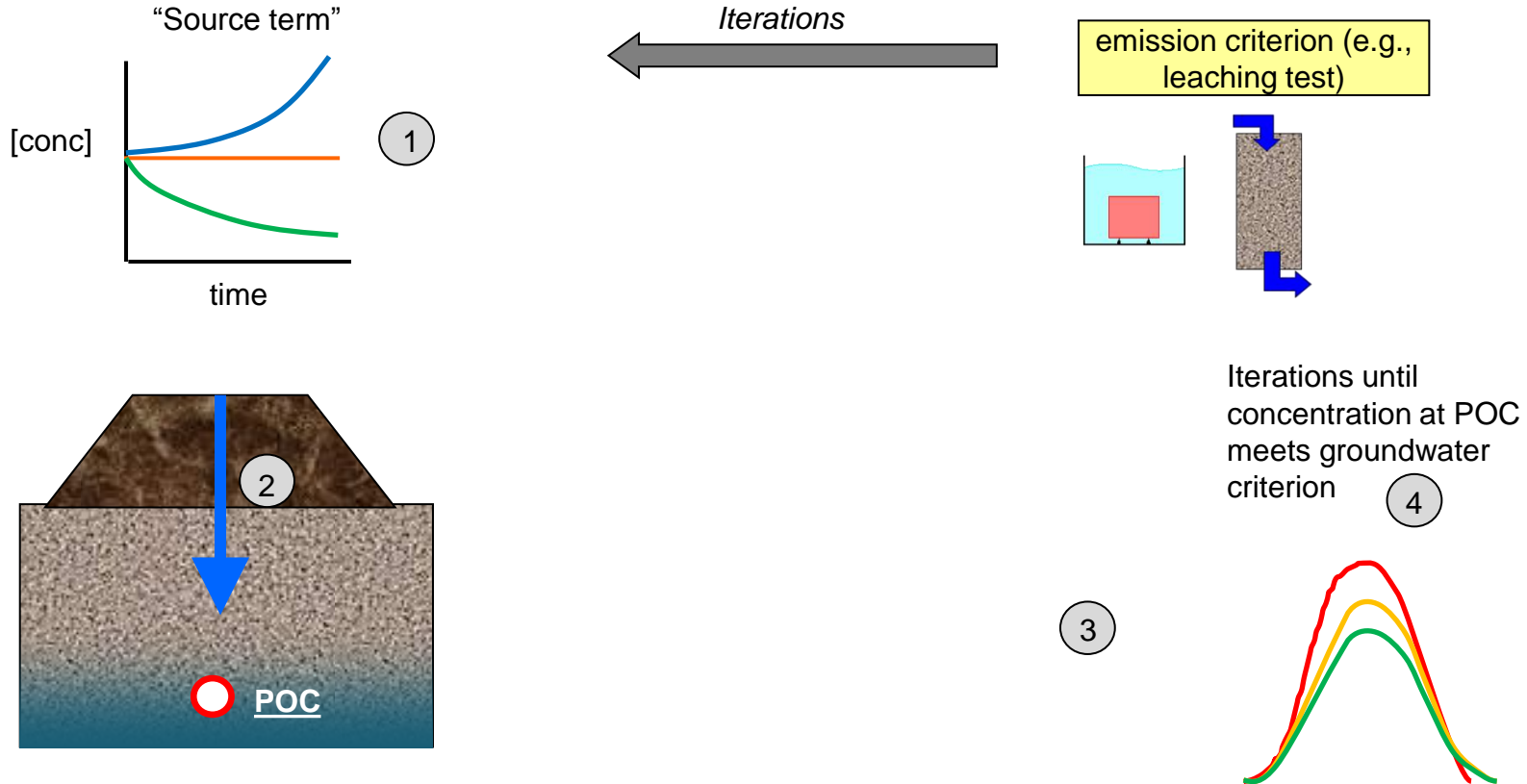
	Total content	Max leached at pH = 2	Leached at pH 7 - 12	Leached at pH 7 - 12	Leached at pH 7 - 12
	M = 1	M = 1	M = 1	M = 10	M = 100
Non-hazardous		M2, M4	M1, M2, M3, M4, M5	M1, M2, M3, M4, M5	M1, M3, M5
Hazardous	M1, M2, M3, M4, M5	M1, M3, M5			M2, M4

# Conclusions

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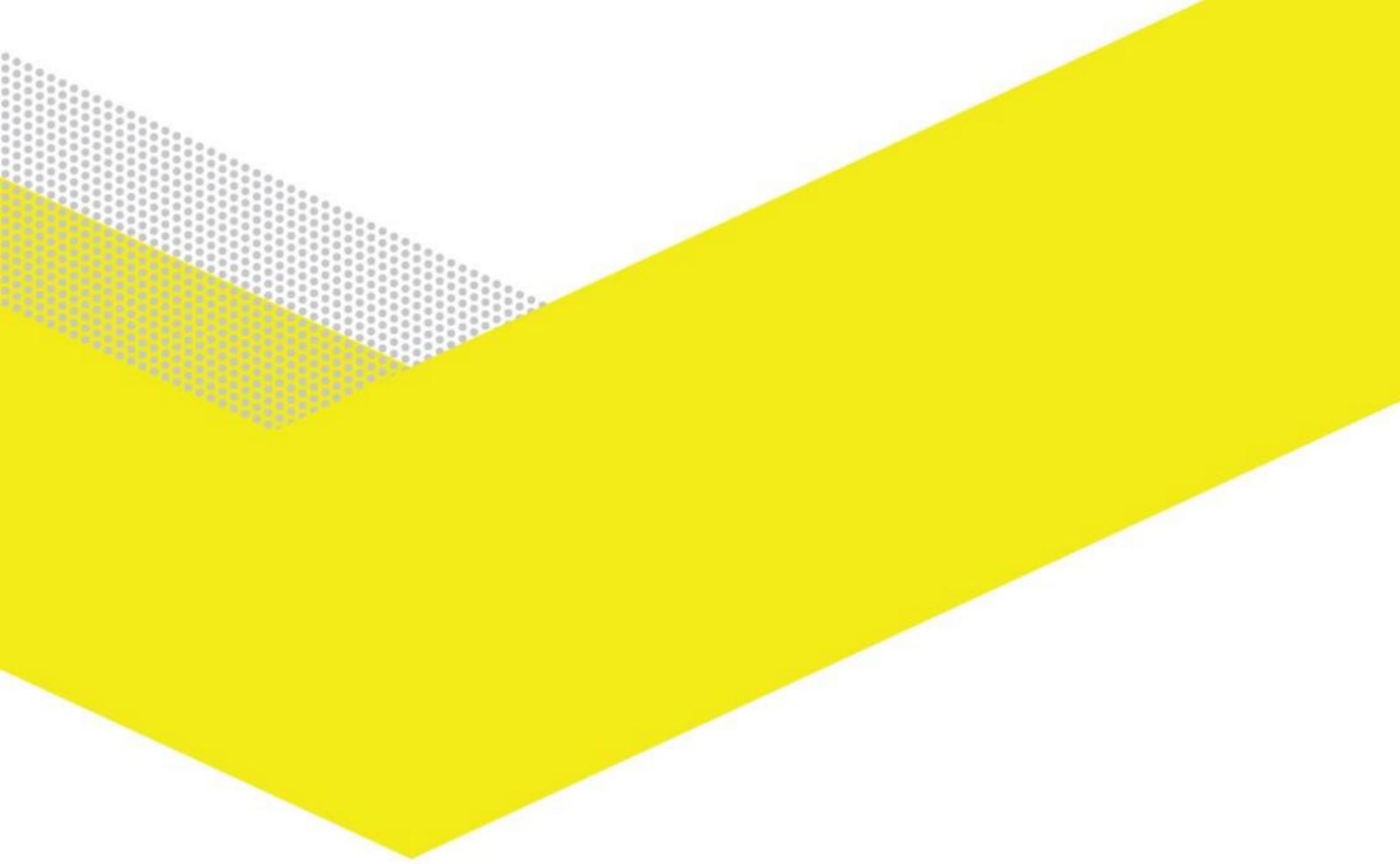
- **HP1 – HP9, HP11-HP13, HP15 are not displayed by MSWI bottom ash**
- **HP 10 (toxic for reproduction)**
  - No hazard for bottom ash samples with Pb < 3500mg/kg**
  - No distinction between massive (non hazardous) and powder forms*
  - 3969mg/kg as 95percentile for Pb*
  - Dataset revision suggested*
- **HP 14 (Ecotoxic)**
  - Hazardous for bottom ash using any of the 5 methods**
  - Towards a more risk-based approach using leaching would give a more realistic and workable solution

# Outlook: HP14 based on risk assessment





Thank you for your attention!



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