



Introduction to the role and overall aims of WG1 & 2

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WHY MONITOR?

- Detect environmental hazard
- Understand nature and drivers of trends (time/space)
- Assess risk and need for intervention
- Validate fate and assessment models
- Assessment of mitigation
- Evidence regulation working

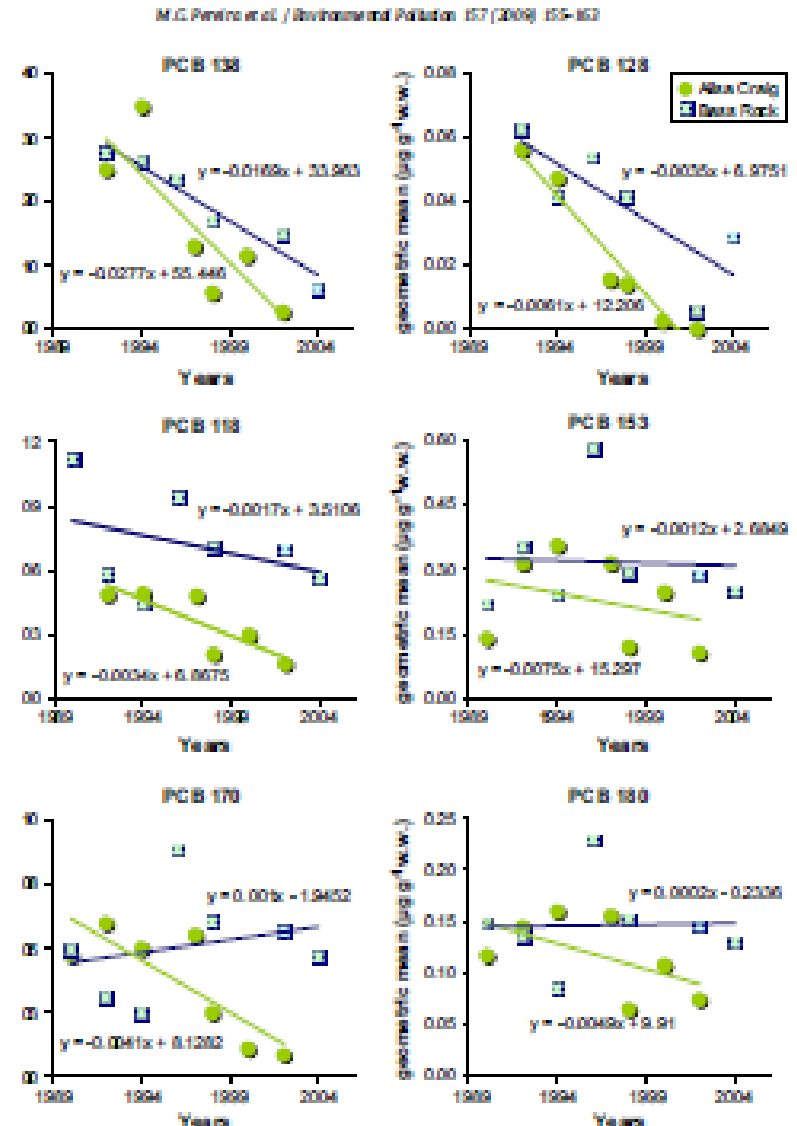


Fig. 3. Time trends of dominant PCB congeners in gannet eggs from Ilhas da Roca and Alcaz Gaija.



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Cost Proposal and Memorandum Of Understanding

- EU law aims prevent and limit negative impacts of chemicals on **human health** and **the environment**.
- The presence of contaminants in the environment continues to impose very high costs on **human and wildlife health**

Risk Analysis, Vol. 16, No. 6, 1996

A Perspective on the Risk Assessment Process for Endocrine-Disruptive Effects on Wildlife and Human Health*

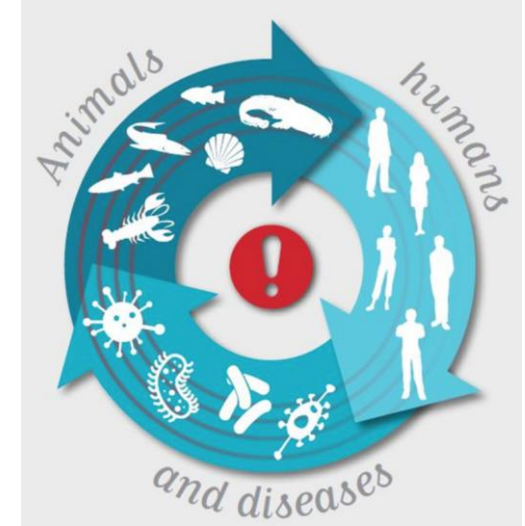
Robert J. Kavlock^{1,3} and Gerald T. Ankley²

1996

**Statement from the work session on chemically-induced alterations in sexual development:
the wildlife/human connection.¹**

Wingspread Conference Center
Racine, Wisconsin
July 1991.

1991



A collaborative, multi-sectorial, and trans-disciplinary approach with the goal of achieving optimal health outcomes recognizing the interconnection between people, animals, plants, and their shared environment.



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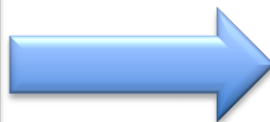
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Cost Proposal, Memorandum Of Understanding

3 needs

- (1) Enhancing evaluation of the effectiveness of regulation
- (2) Enhancing reliable risk assessment of chemicals.
- (3) Providing early warning of emerging contaminant problems

ERBF aims to meet these 3 needs



using raptors as sentinels of environmental contamination



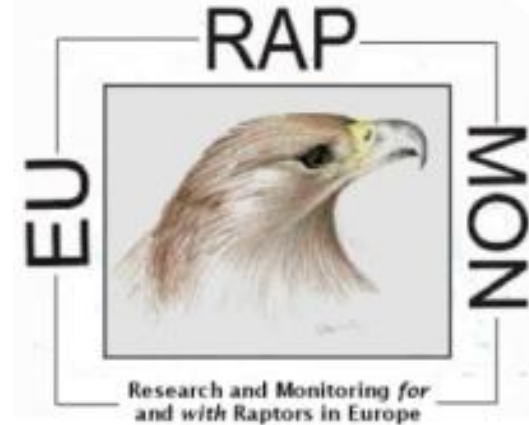
BUILDING ON EURAPMON LEGACY

- Inventory of current monitoring - contaminants, species, matrices (Gomez-Ramirez et al. 2014)
- Inventory of which raptor species are being monitored (Vrezec et al 2012)
- Identified best sample types and methods for monitoring different compounds (Espin et al. 2016)



An overview of existing raptor contaminant monitoring activities in Europe

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Tracking pan-continental trends in environmental contamination using sentinel raptors—what types of samples should we use?

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State of the Art

Gómez-Ramírez et al. 2014. *Environment International* 67: 12–21. OPEN ACCESS
EURAPMON overview on Inventory studies on raptors.

- **Schemes/Countries**
 - 52 schemes over the last 50 years
 - Approx. 50% running for more than 20 years
 - 15 countries (mainly western European) with active schemes
- **Contaminants**
 - Legacy persistent organic compounds (OCP and PCBs)
 - Metals/metalloids
 - (In at least 6 countries: flame retardants, ARs, and fungicides)
- **Species** (each in 6–10 countries).
 - Common buzzard *Buteo buteo*
 - Common kestrel *Falco tinnunculus*
 - Golden eagle *Aquila chrysaetos*
 - White-tailed sea eagle *Haliaeetus albicilla*
 - Peregrine falcon *Falco peregrinus*
 - Tawny owl *Strix aluco*
 - Barn owl *Tyto alba*
- **Samples**
 - Feathers
 - Eggs



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ERB Facility Work Groups 1 & 2 (WG1&2)

- **WGs 1 and 2**, targeted at stakeholders in the '**analytical arena**', address objectives **R1** and **C1**, delivering proof of concept of pan-European contaminant assessments with raptors, frameworks for pan-European raptor biomonitoring, a network of analytical labs, and trial joint assessments and reporting.
 - **Objectives R: R**esearch coordination objectives
 - **Objectives C: C**apacity building objectives and thus deliver the ERB Facility.

**Monitoring priority contaminants, PPPs and biocides
with raptors**





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WG1 AND WG2 –KEY OBJECTIVES

Objective R1: To assess current capacities for pan-European raptor biomonitoring and develop a framework for a European Raptor Biomonitoring Scheme (ERBioMS), using priority raptor species and deliver proof on concept for pan-European assessment of contaminant exposure trends (and, where feasible, effects) in raptors.

- Focus on current capabilities to detect temporal and spatial trends in contaminant exposure and key areas of weakness (in the absence of coordination)
- Develop an ERBioMS framework capable of delivering pan-European surveillance and monitoring of key pollutants (EU chemicals law and relevant global and regional conventions)





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WG1 AND WG2 –KEY OBJECTIVES

Objective C1: To build analytical capacities (“analysis arena”) by developing networking and collaboration among ecotoxicologists and collaborating laboratories, as well as regulators and administrators.

- Collaborative work on objective R1
- Piloting joint assessment and reporting (*deliver proof of concept*)
- Develop *guidance* on how to integrate assessments with those of relevant regulatory bodies (e.g. ECHA, EFSA, UNEP).....ie explore how to mesh with key stakeholders needs





WG1 and WG2: Monitoring priority contaminants, PPPs and biocides with raptors

WHY TWO WORKING GROUPS?

- WG1 focuses on REACH 'priority contaminants' such as Hg and Pb, and engages in particular REACH, Minamata (Hg) and Convention on Migratory Species (Pb) stakeholders
- WG2 focuses on PPPs, biocides and NSAIDs and engages stakeholders in EU PPP, Biocides and Medicinal Products law
- Tasks divided as involve different contaminants and hence different laws/policies, agencies (WG1 is largely ECHA-related, WG2 largely EFSA-related) and, sometimes, researchers
- WGs will work closely together
 - common approaches
 - read-across (between types of compounds)
 - share ideas and methodologies



WG1&2 TASKS: T1.1, T2.1 (Months 1-24)

Assess current capacities for pan-European raptor biomonitoring
(assessment of exposure trends and, where feasible, effects) for 4-6 prioritised contaminants

Candidates contaminants for review include:

- (i) PCBs, FRs, and PFAS,
- (ii) Toxic heavy metals (Hg and Pb)
- (iii) Biocides (SGARs)
- (iv) Veterinary drugs: Parasiticides, NSAIDs and livestock antibiotics



WG1 and WG2 TASKS: T1.2, T2.2 (Months 18-36)

Develop framework for European Raptor Biomonitoring Scheme (ERBioMS) using priority species and matrices

- Identify appropriate species (and read across methods for species within trophic guilds)
- Identify sample matrices based on (Espin et al 2016)
- Identify scientific methodology
- Relate to WG3 and WG4 (logistics)



WG1 and WG2 TASKS: T1.3, T2.3 (Months 12-48)

Deliver a network of collaborating laboratories capable of delivering pan-European surveillance and monitoring

- Develop an agreed list of priority compounds/compound groups
- Assess potential for monitoring using species and matrices selected by task
- Establish the scope of activities that could be undertaken and timeliness, quality control and potential for sample exchange between laboratories and collections



WG1 and WG2 TASKS: T1.4, T2.4 (Months 36-42)

Carry out pilot joint assessments and reporting for proof of concept

- Post-mortem collation of data including visceral gout
- Poisoning network
- Key chemical monitoring
- Relate to WG3 and WG4 (logistics)



WG1 and WG2 TASKS: T1.5, T2.5 (Months 30-48)

Deliver training and guidance in pan-European surveillance and monitoring using raptors

- Refine technical specs for ERBioMS, for assessment of priority contaminants, PPPs etc
- Training School: Contaminant monitoring with raptors
- Development, with key stakeholders, proof of concept reporting frameworks