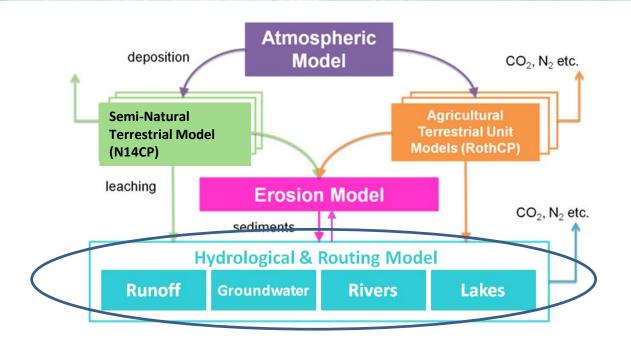
THE LTLS INTEGRATED MODEL



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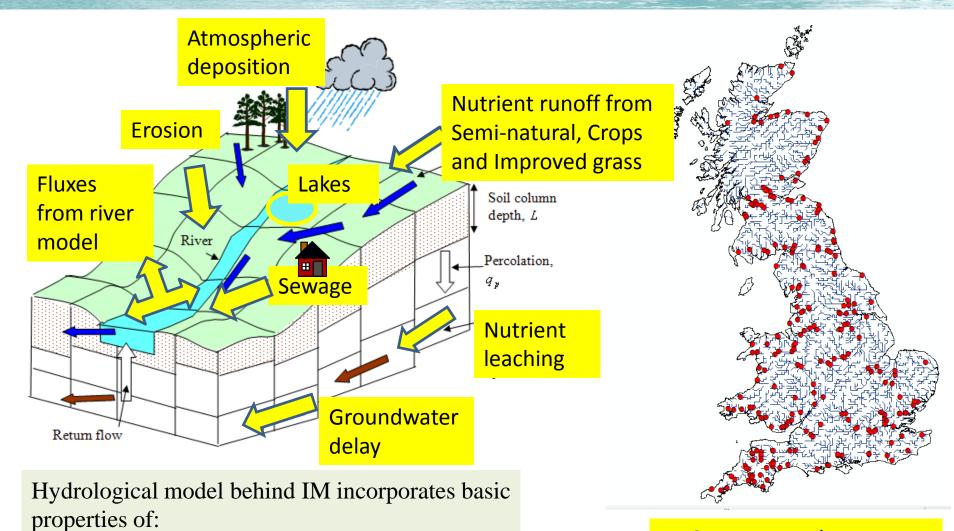
LTLS: Integrated Model (IM)

• soil

• land cover

topography





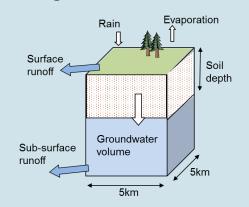
LTLS output can be daily/monthly/... And compared to obs. from HMS

Integrated Model Processes



Runoff Production of water & macronutrients

5km grid, HWSD soil



Kinematic wave routing

Of water, dissolved and particulate nutrients



+ sediment loss to floodplain

Erosion

- Particulate nutrients
- Varying crop LAI
- Annual grids of land-use and grazing



Addition of sewage effluent and septic tanks



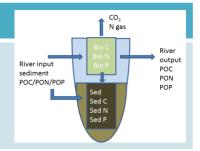


Riverine processes

- Denitrification
- Organic matter decomposition
- Oxidation of ammonia
- Degassing
- pН
- Chlorophyll growth

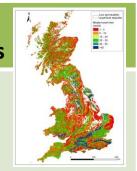
Lake model

Tipping et al., **STOTEN, 2016**



Groundwater chemistry and delays

Delays in nutrient transport from 1 to 100 years

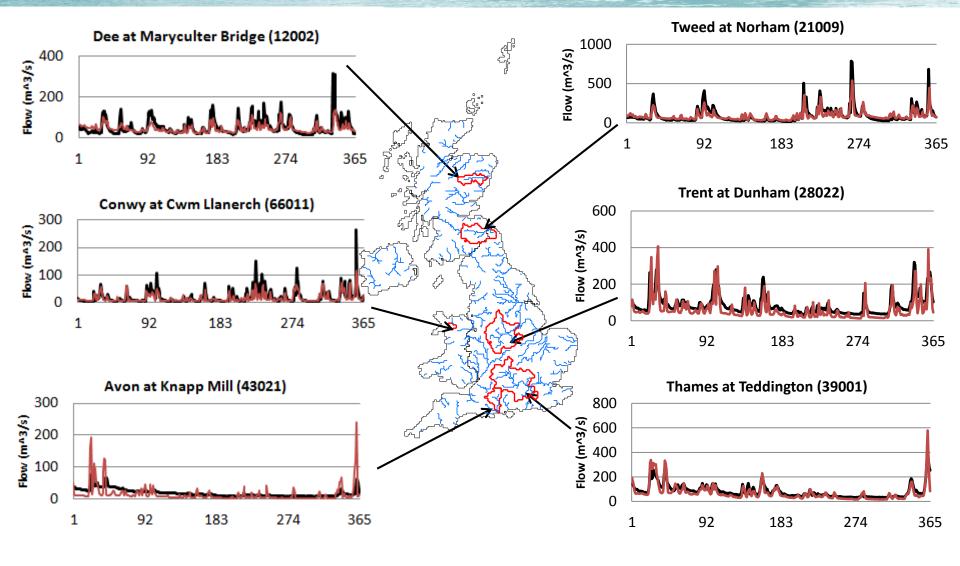






Daily flow hydrographs: 1985







Observed flow (m³/s) Model flow (m³/s)



River variables modelled



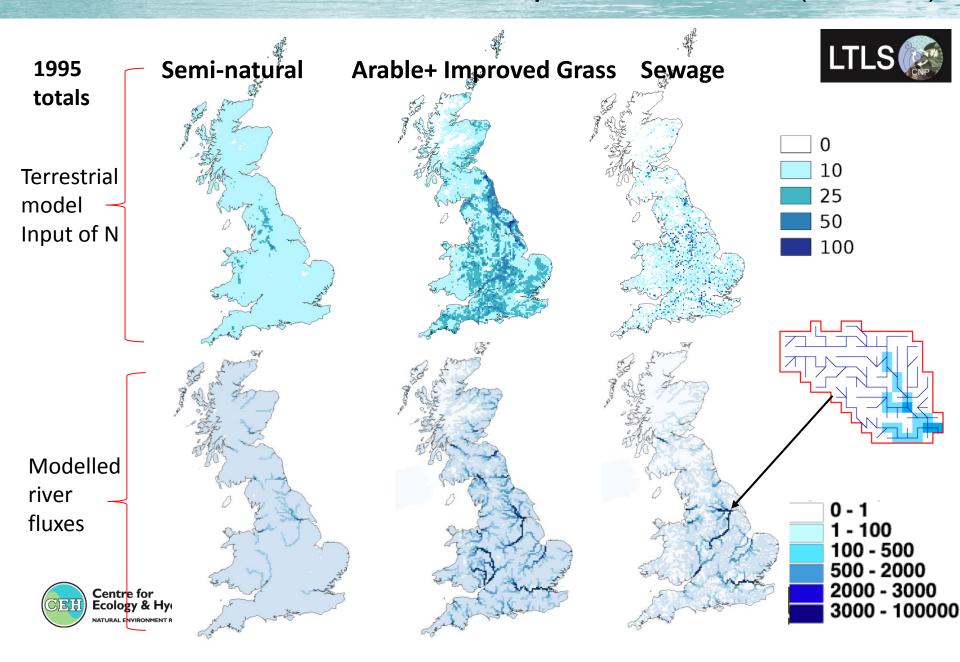
Dissolved load (g)		Particulate load (g)		Other
DIC	inorganic carbon	Fine sediment		рН
DOC	organic carbon	POC	labile and non-labile	Oxygen (mg/L)
DO ¹⁴ C		PO ¹⁴ C		Algae (mg/L)
NO ₃ -N & NH ₄ -N				Water Temperature (°C)
DON	organic nitrogen	PON		
TDP	total phosphorus	POP		
		PADS	particle-adsorbed P	
Ca, SO4-S, Si				
CO ₂ & (N2 + N2O) <i>GASES</i>				

flux accounting through the river system





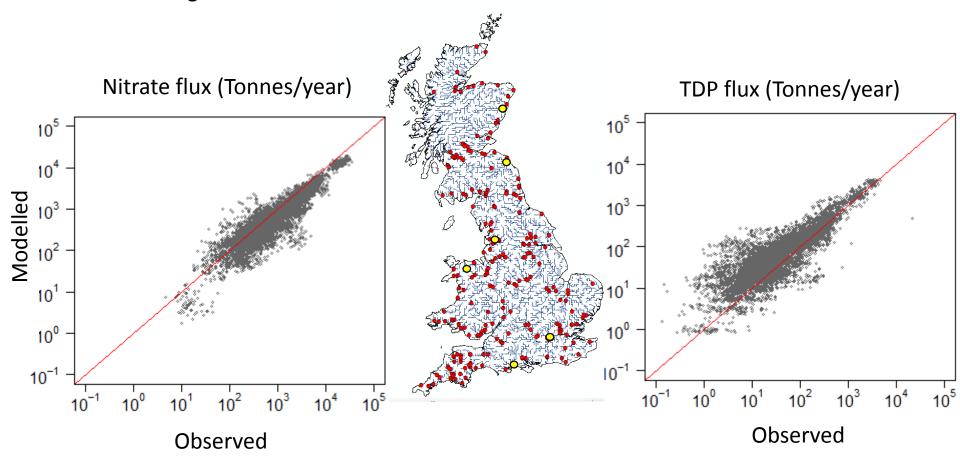
Sources of Nitrate: terrestrial inputs and fluxes (Tonnes)



Annual N and P fluxes (vs) observed



Harmonised Monitoring site (HMS) observations are from 1974 – 2010 Observed sewage from WWTW





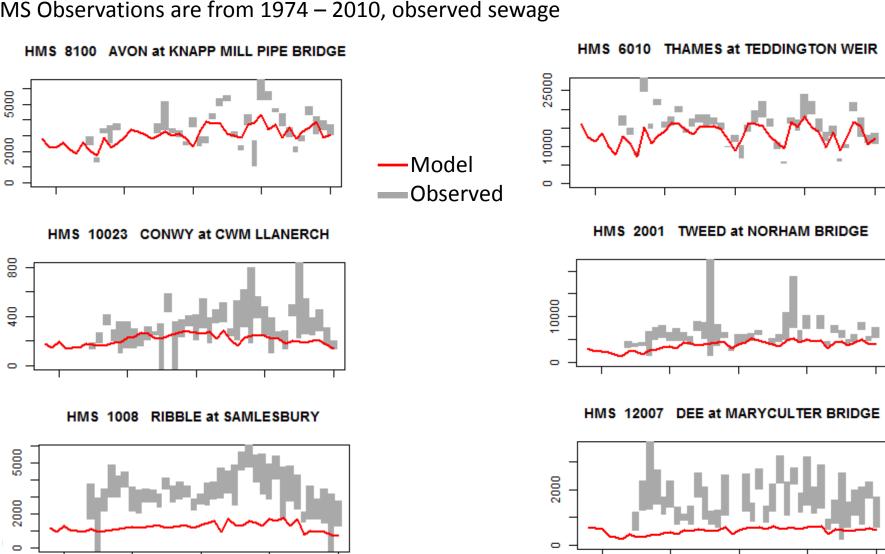
N.B. Harmonised Monitoring Sites are monitoring orthophosphate not TDP



Nitrate flux (Tonnes/yr) for selected HMS catchments



Harmonised Monitoring site (HMS) observations are compared to LTLS model estimates HMS Observations are from 1974 – 2010, observed sewage



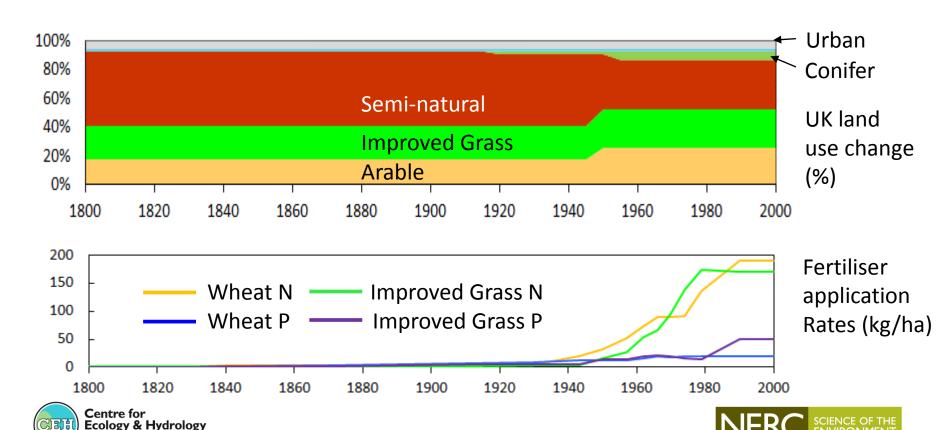
Exploring change since 1800...



□ National simulations from 1800 – 2010

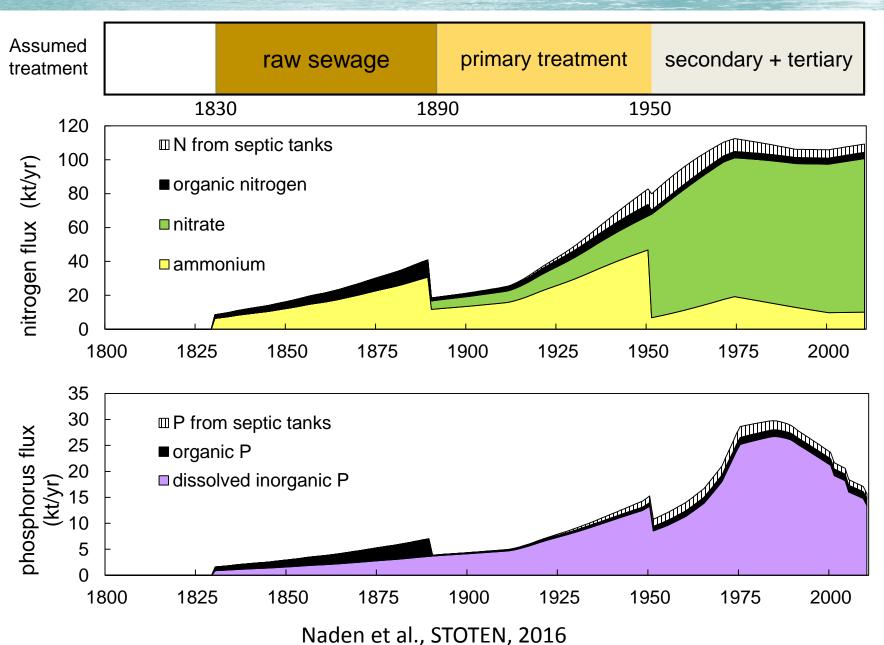
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- ☐ Driven by climate model hindcasts (1800 –1960)
 - observed weather (1961-2010)
- We apply historical changes in land-cover, fertiliser and sewage



History of nutrients from sewage in the IM

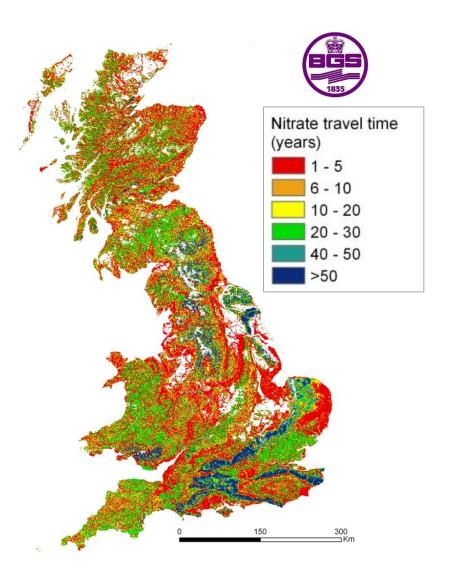




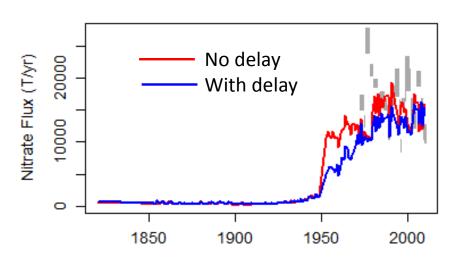
Effect of groundwater delay



 Multi-year 'storage' of nitrate in the unsaturated and saturated zones



HMS 6010 THAMES at TEDDINGTON WEIR



 For most UK catchments the effect of the groundwater delay is negligible

> Wang et al. (2012) Environ Geochem Health 35:667–681.



Historical-current LTLS IM run (1800-2010)



- ☐ HMS Observations are from 1974 2010
- ☐ Longer historical records for Frome, Thames and Tweed
- ☐ Population-based sewage estimates

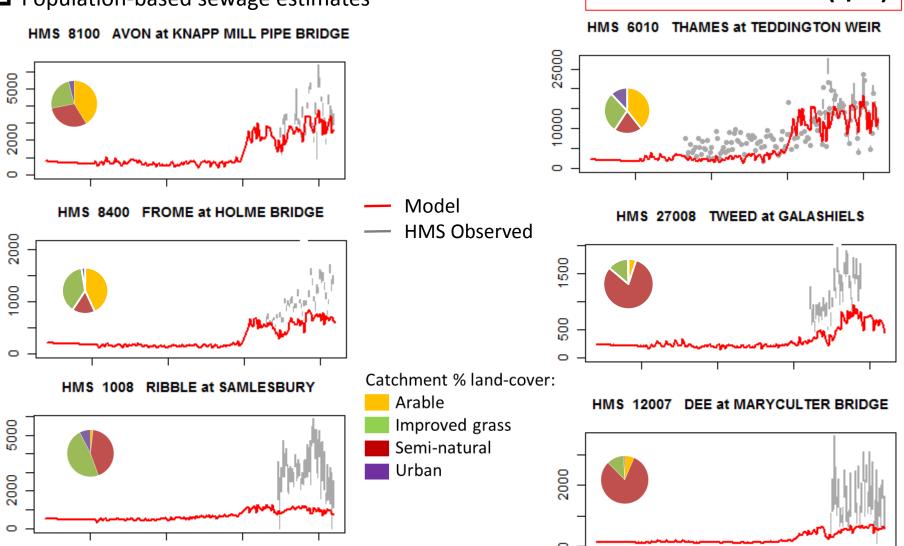
1850

1900

1950

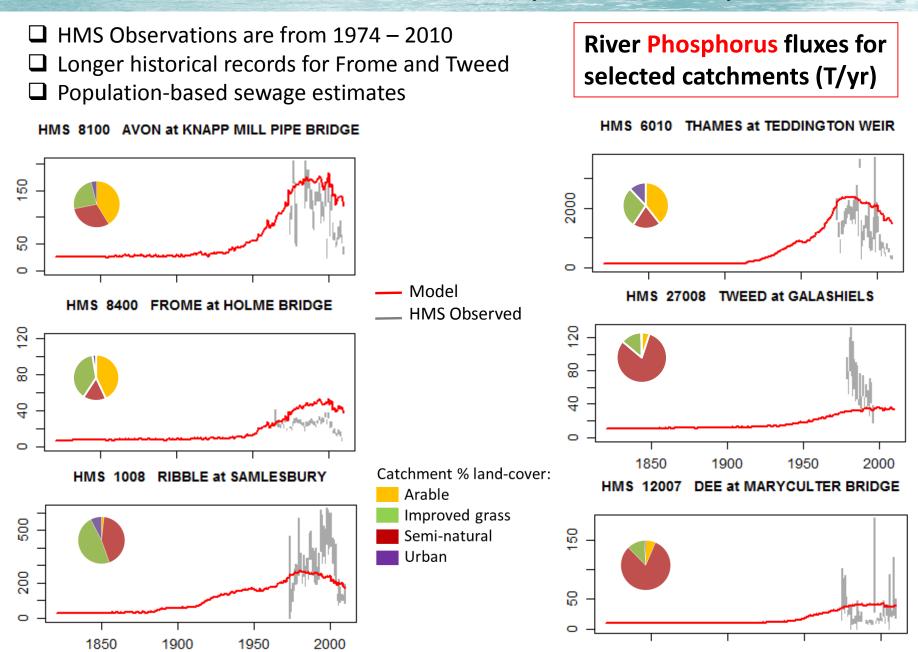
2000

River nitrate fluxes for selected catchments (T/Yr)



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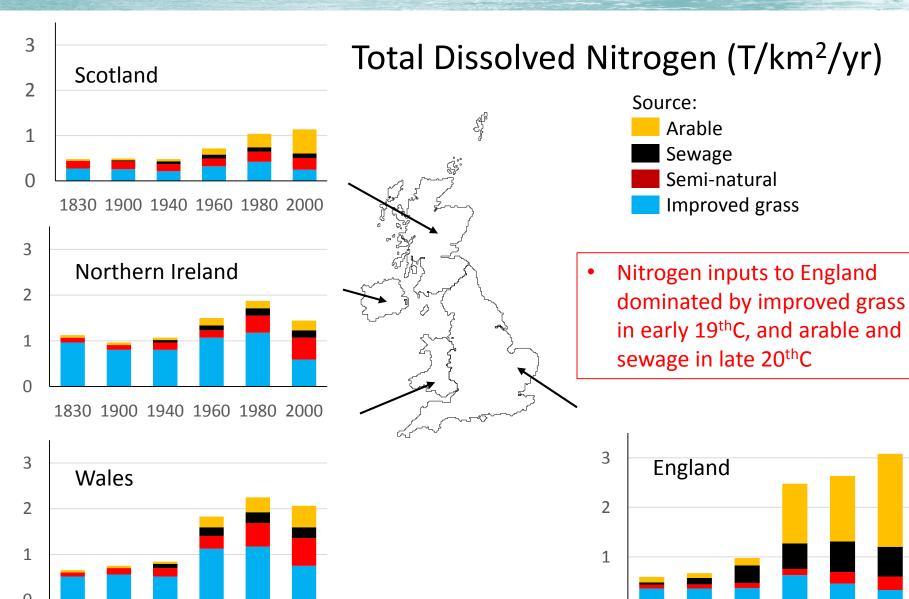


UK Nutrient Sources: 1800 to 2000

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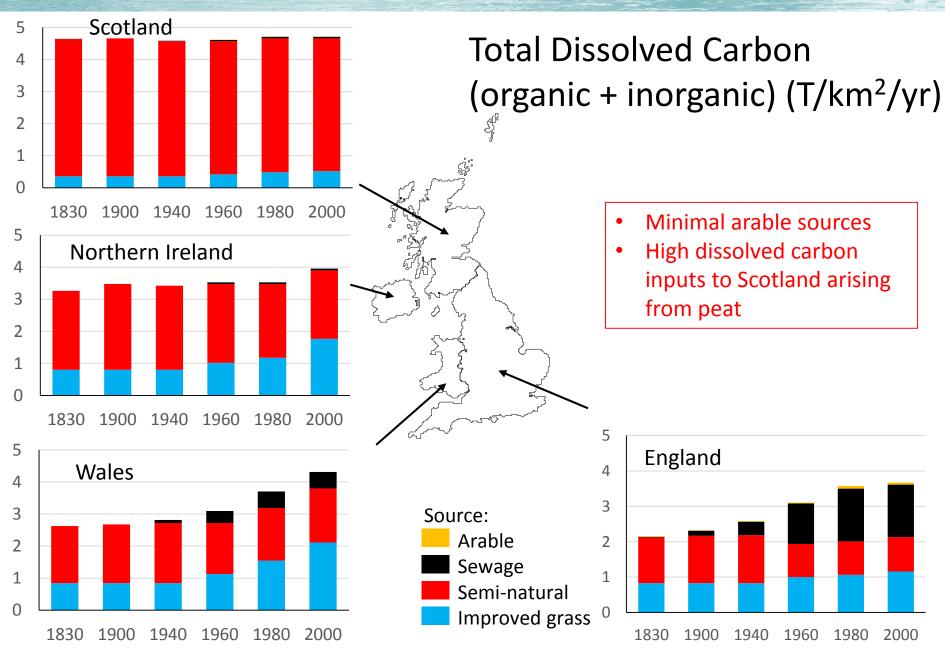


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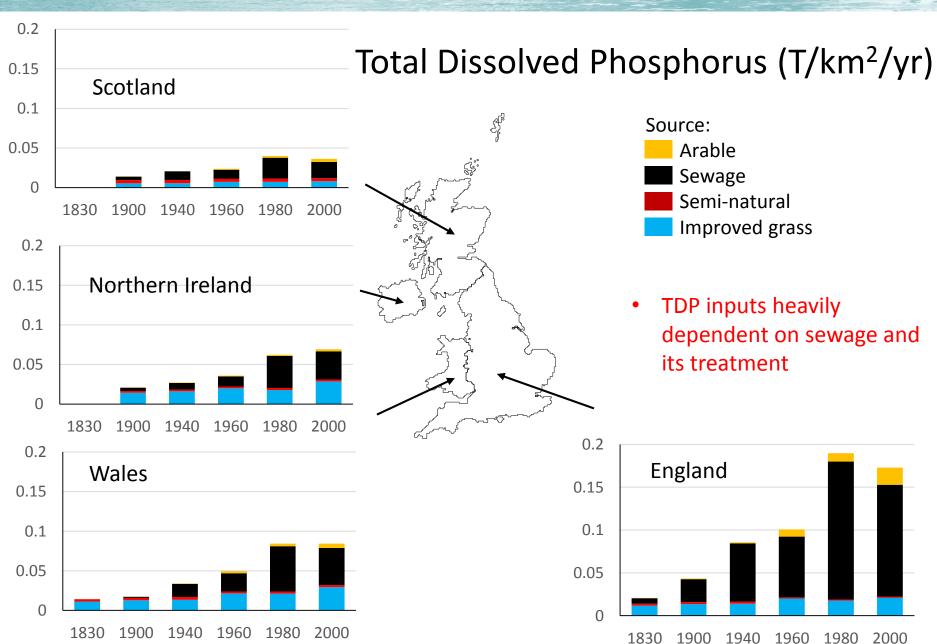
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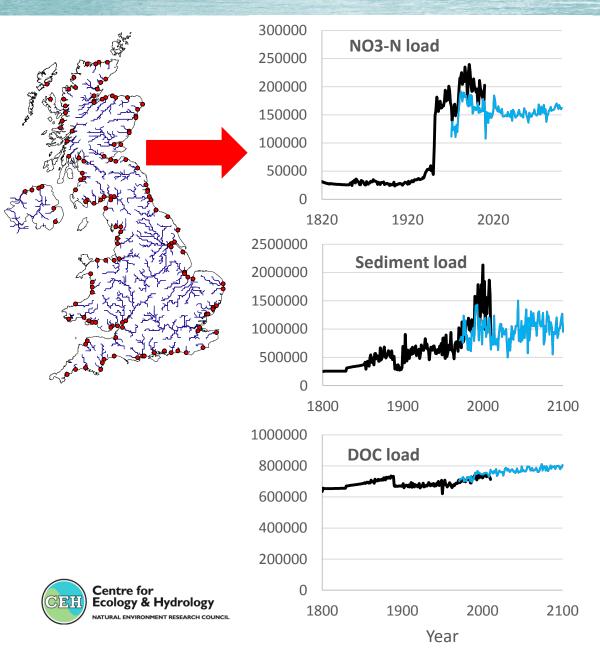
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UK Fluxes into the sea: 1800-2010 + future sewage scenarios LTLS





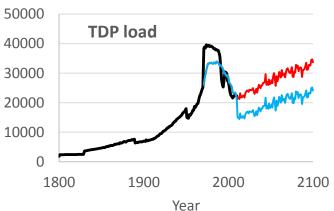
UK Fluxes (Tonnes/year)

Historical-current

P1 Population increase

P2 Population increase

+ P-stripping everywhere



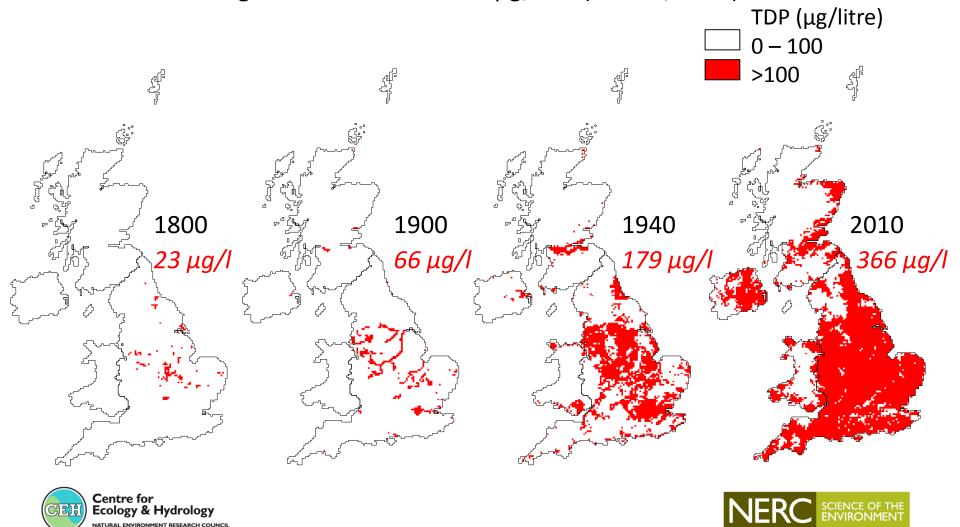


Historical development of eutrophication in rivers LTLS



Water Framework Directive standards for annual mean P in rivers:

Good ecological status is 40 to 120 µg/litre (UKTAG, 2012)





Thank you... and back to Ed



