

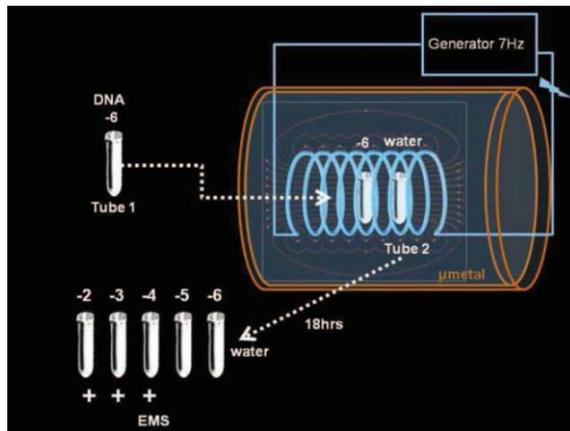
# Characterizing the non-chemical water treatment – advanced biological and electrochemical approaches



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# Non-chemical treatment

- reduction of chemical substances in water (to avoid harming the environment)
- multiple regulative directives in EC, USA, China, Japan, Russia
- hard limitations on using chemistry in water preparation

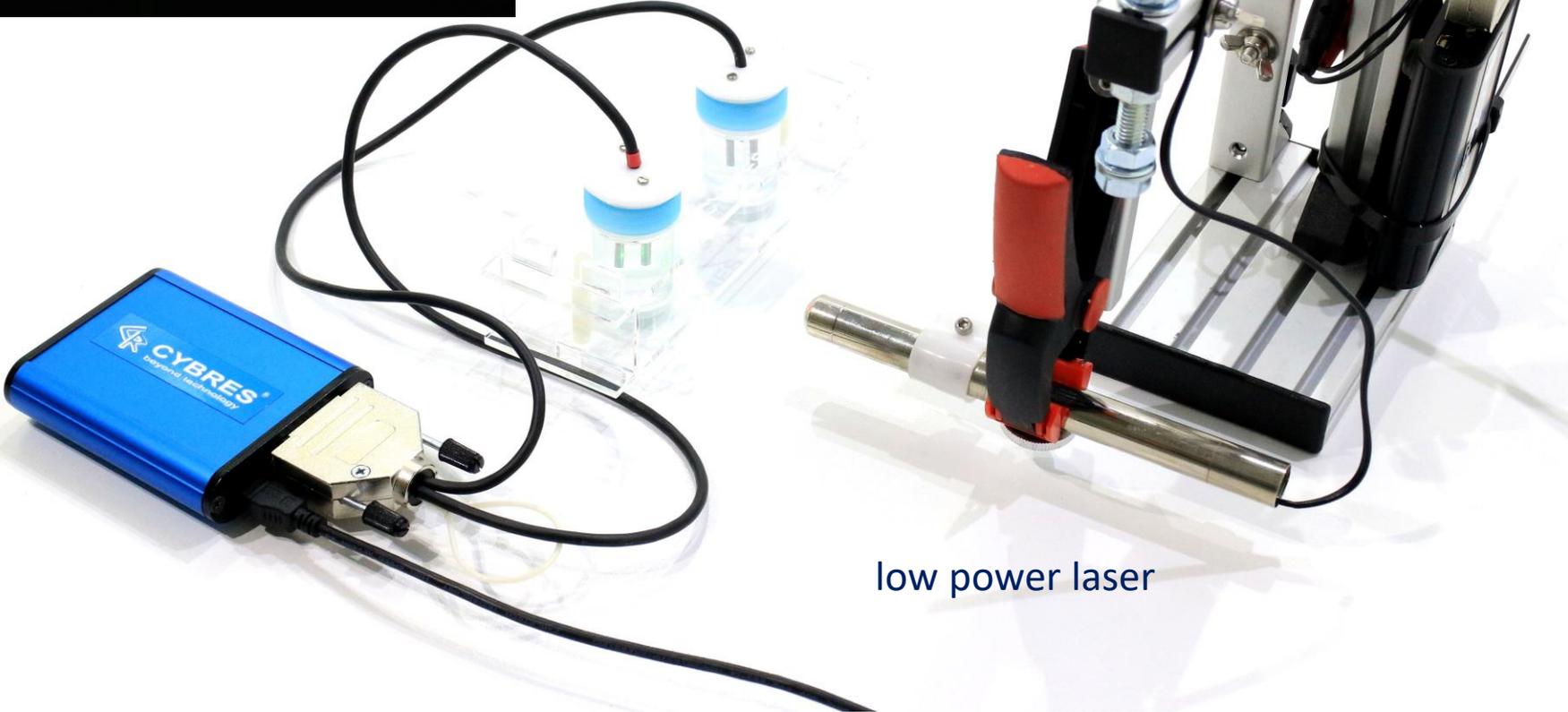
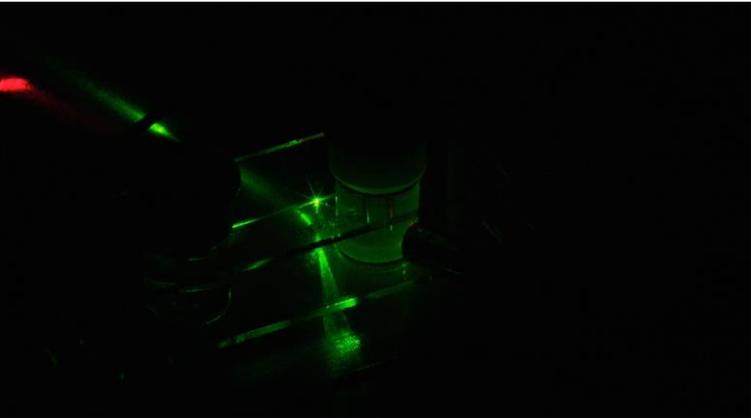


- water filters and preparation (e.g. cooling towers)
- new medical research and therapeutic approaches (\*)
- multiple infoceutical products (e.g. IC medicals)
- “Qi/Ch’i/Qi gong” research and therapy
- ultra-low concentrations of substances

- include hydrodynamic cavitation, light/laser processing, treatment with modulated electric and magnetic fields, magnetic vector potential, and others
- **extremely weak, difficult to measure (especially in infoceutical purposes)**

(\*) L. Montagnier, J. Aissa, E. Del Giudice, C. Lavallee, A. Tedeschi, and G. Vitiello, DNA waves and water, arXiv:1012.5166v1

# Example: Low energy laser handling (Prof. Inushin, technology known from 80x-90x)



low power laser

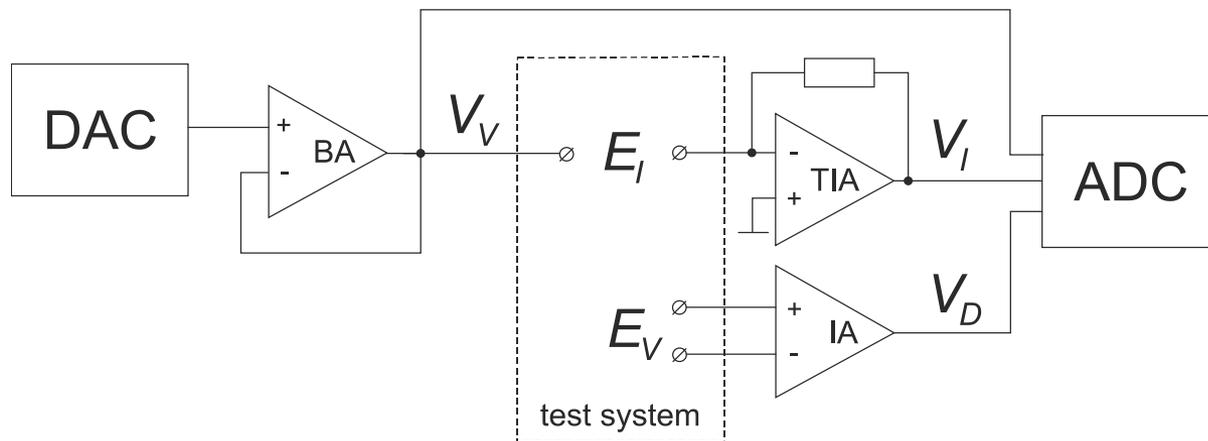
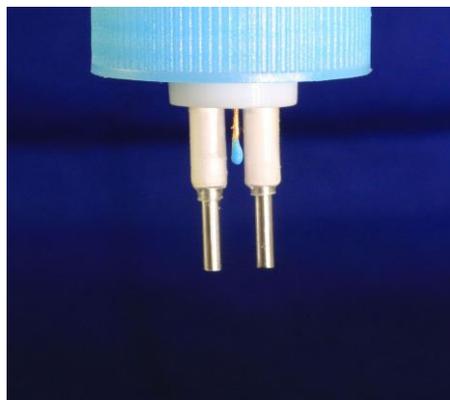
Does it work? Can we prove it?

“Can our  
customers/patients  
easily verify it?”

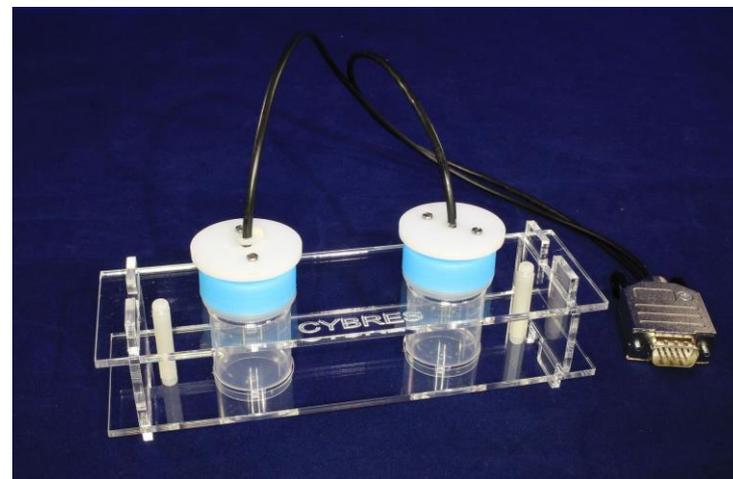
If something can't be  
measured does it mean  
it doesn't exist?

# Electrochemical measurements. What is it?

molecular and quantum scale effects appear on macroscopic scale as a change of ionic dynamics

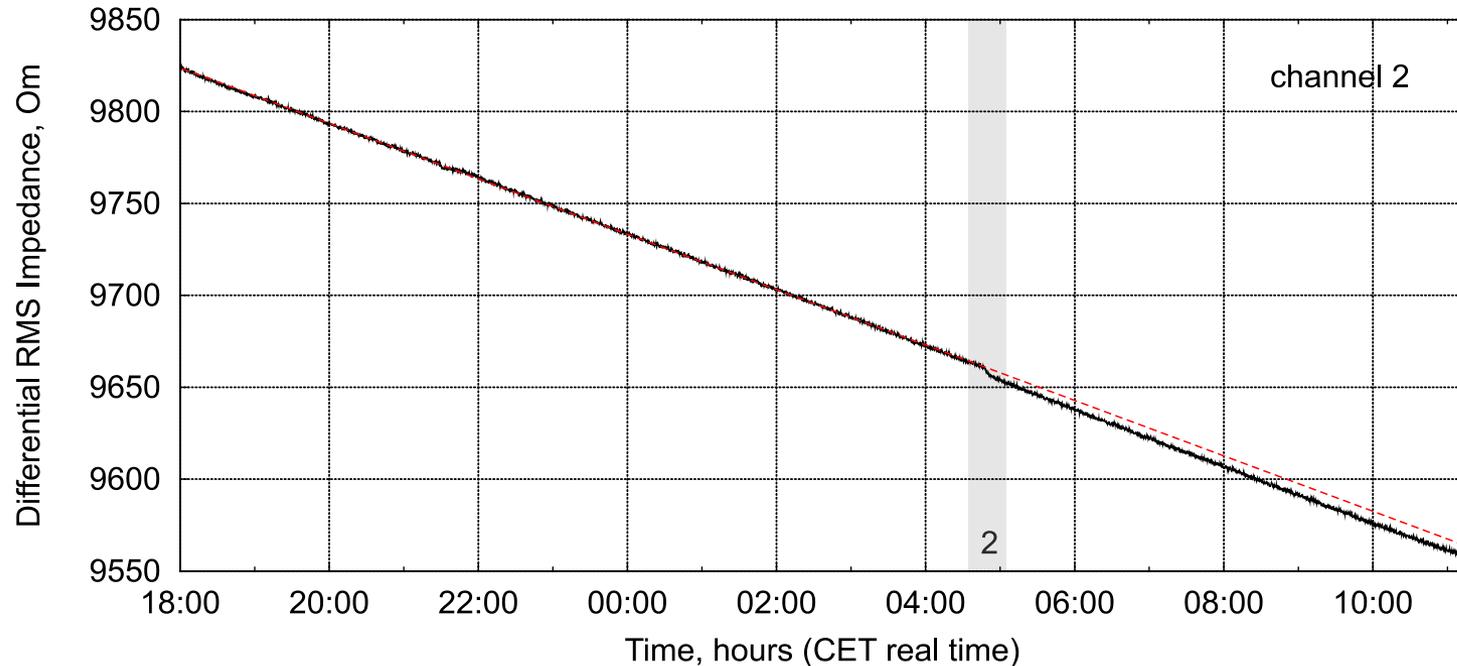


- Impedance (conductivity) at excitation frequency  $f$
- Correlation and Phase between excitation and response signals
- Nyquist plot (Re/Im parts of signals)
- differential measurements (RMS and FRA)
- time-frequency patterns (vs. only frequency)
- 33 data channels with additional sensors



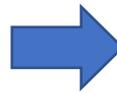
# Ionic dynamics during long-term EIS measurements

Remote Impact, Dev.VZ, 22.12.16, >2000km, CYBRES MU EIS, Device ID:00003, Differential RMS Impedance



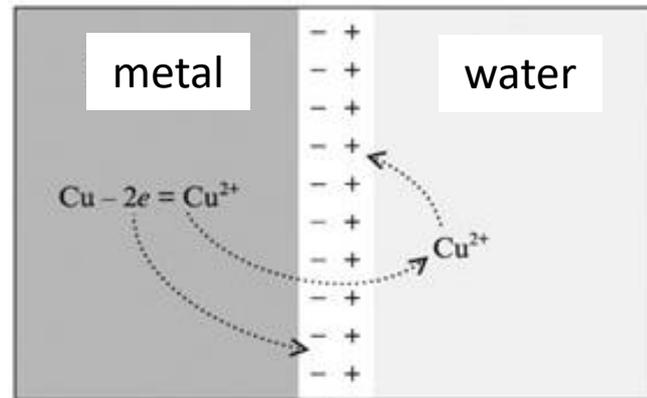
$$EC_t = EC_{25} [1 + a(t - 25)]$$

- no temperature/light changes
- no gas dissolving effects
- no mechanical impact
- no change of EM/E/H emission



- polarization effect, double electric layer
- ions diffusion in electric field
- self-ionization in electric field
- proton tunneling effect

# Ionic dynamics during long-term EIS measurements



I.Persson, Hydrated metal ions in aqueous solution. Pure Appl. Chem., Vol. 82, No. 10, pp. 1901–1917, 2010

X6CrNiMoTi17-12-2 (1.4571, V4A, =SAE 316 stainless steel)

	C	Si	Mn	P	S	Cr	Ni	Mo	Ti
min.	-	-	-	-	-	16,5	10,5	2,0	5xC
max.	0,08	1,0	2,0	0,045	0,03	18,5	13,5	2,5	0,7

**Table 1** Overview of M–O bond distance, calculated ionic radius, the ionic radius reported by Shannon [63], and the configuration of hydrated metal ions in aqueous solution.

Aqua complex	M–O distance	M <sup>n+</sup> 's ion radius/Å	Shannon	Configuration	Refs.
Mn(H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>6</sub> <sup>2+</sup>	2.20	0.86	0.830 (HS)	Octahedron, pale pink	10,11
Fe(H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>6</sub> <sup>2+</sup>	2.12	0.78	0.780 (HS)	Octahedron, pale green	10,11
Ni(H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>6</sub> <sup>2+</sup>	2.055	0.715	0.690	Octahedron, green	35
Cr(H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>6</sub> <sup>3+</sup>	1.96	0.62	0.615	Octahedron, blue–green	26

# Ionic Diffusion and Proton Transfer in Aqueous Solutions under an Electric Field: State-of-The-Art

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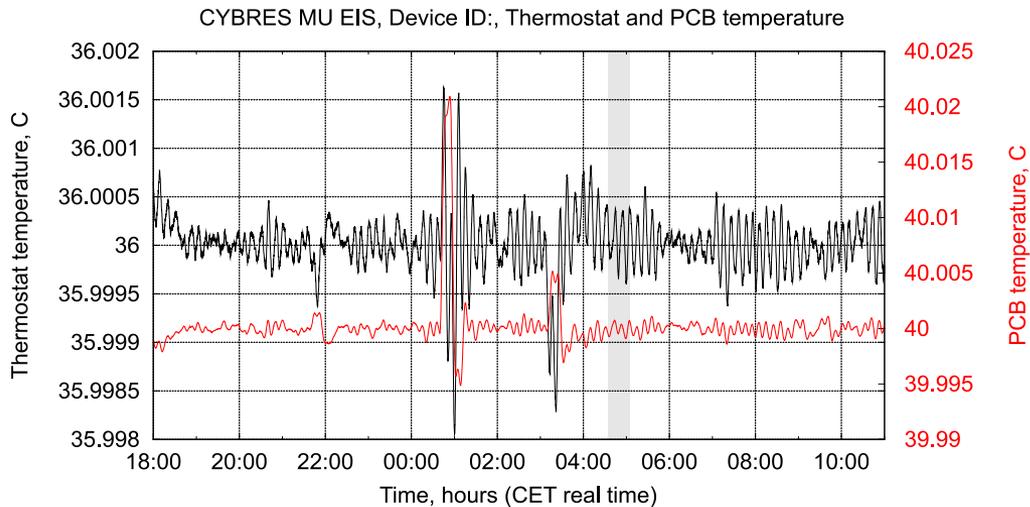
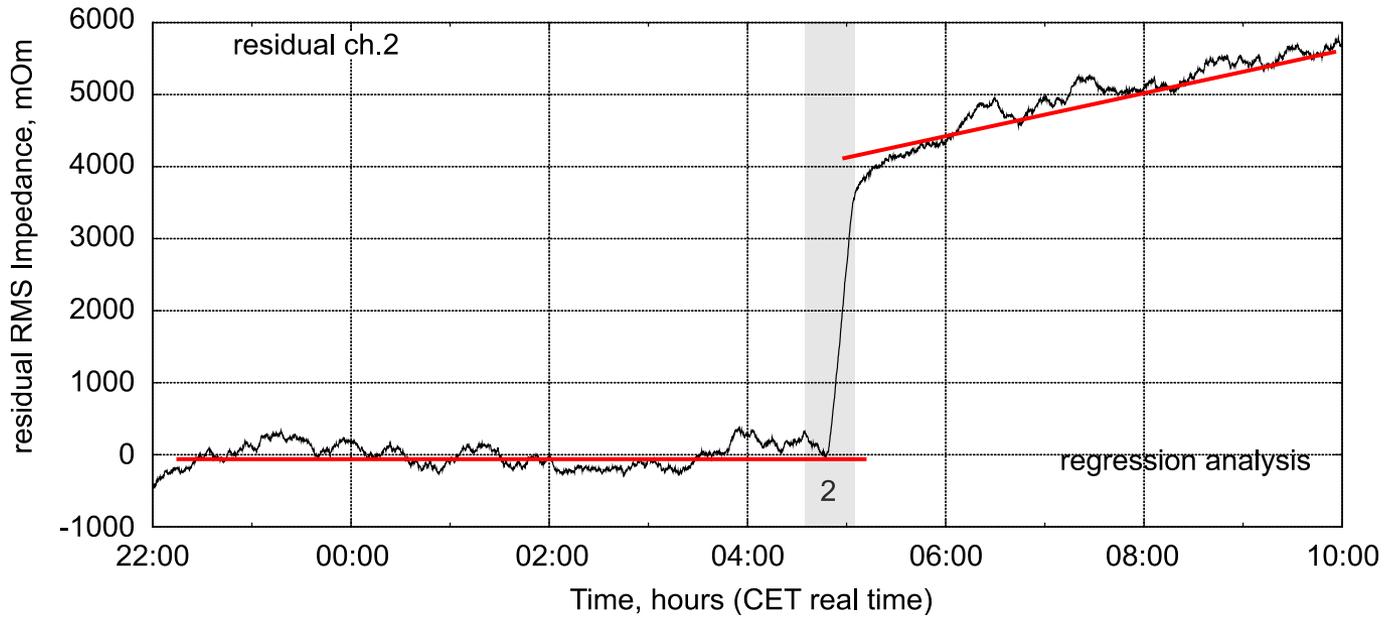
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Most of the properties and anomalies describing the behavior of water are somehow related to the hydrogen bonded (H-bonded) network [1-3]. Albeit the features of H-bonds have been investigated and depicted by an impressive amount of research, the way in which some external conditions—such as the inclusion of ionic species—affect the three-dimensional H-bonds arrangement is wrapped up in a high degree of uncertainty.

In all cases, a subtle balance between **electrostatics, quantum mechanics (i.e., partial orbital sharing), and thermodynamics governs** the delicate behaviour of the hydration process. The complexity of the problem is witnessed, inter alia, by the fact that there is **no general consensus** on the spatial extent of the effects induced by the inclusion of an ion in bulk water.

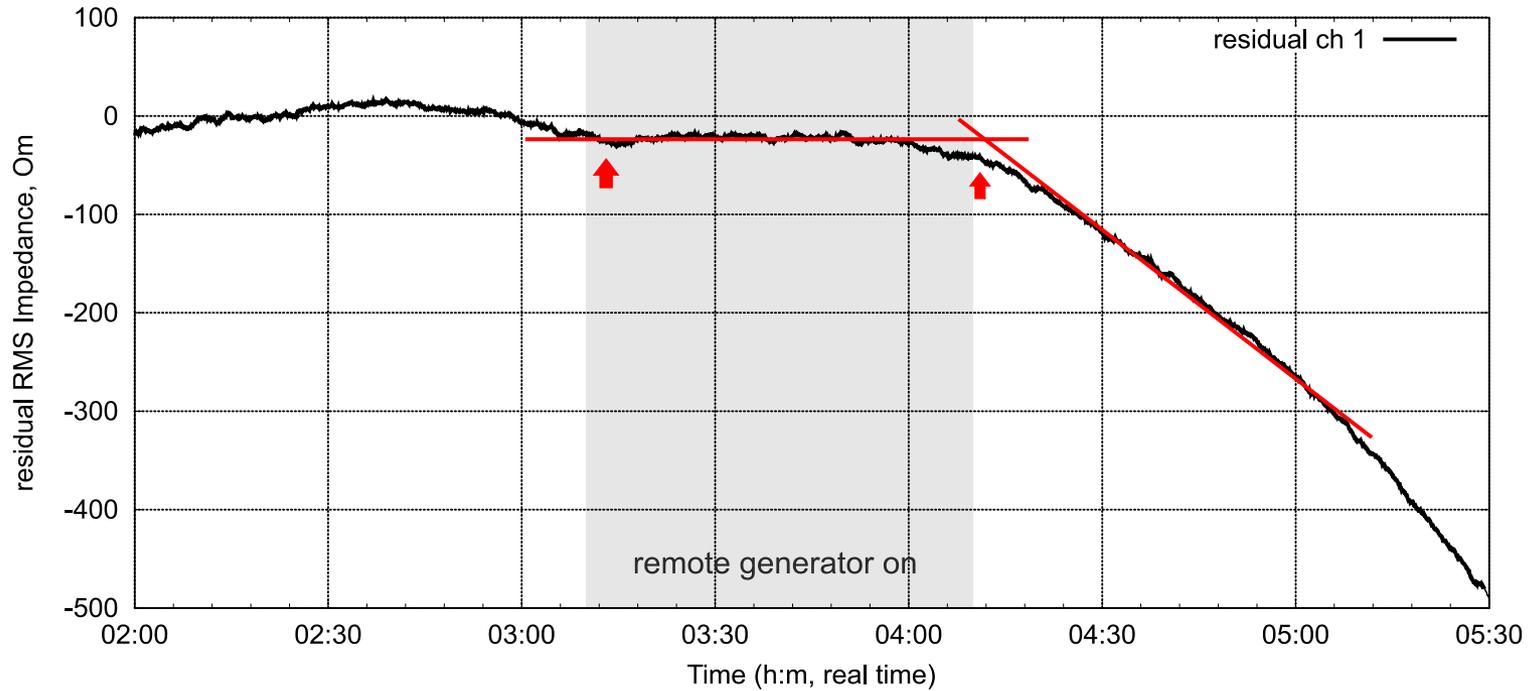
# Moscow (Russia) – Stuttgart (Germany), 22.12.16, 2000km

Remote Impact, Dev.VZ, 22.12.16, >2000km, CYBRES MU EIS, Device ID:00003, RMS Impedance

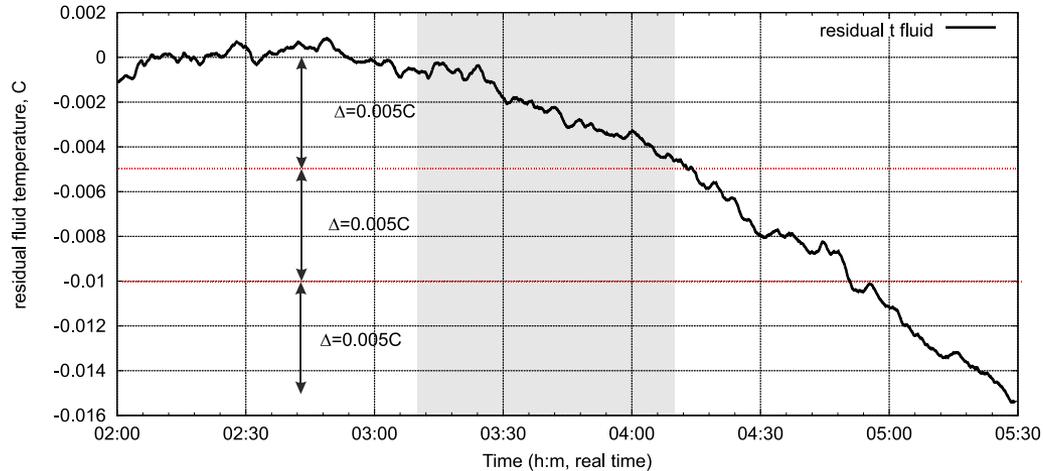


# Langfang (China) – Stuttgart (Germany), 13.10.18, 7900km

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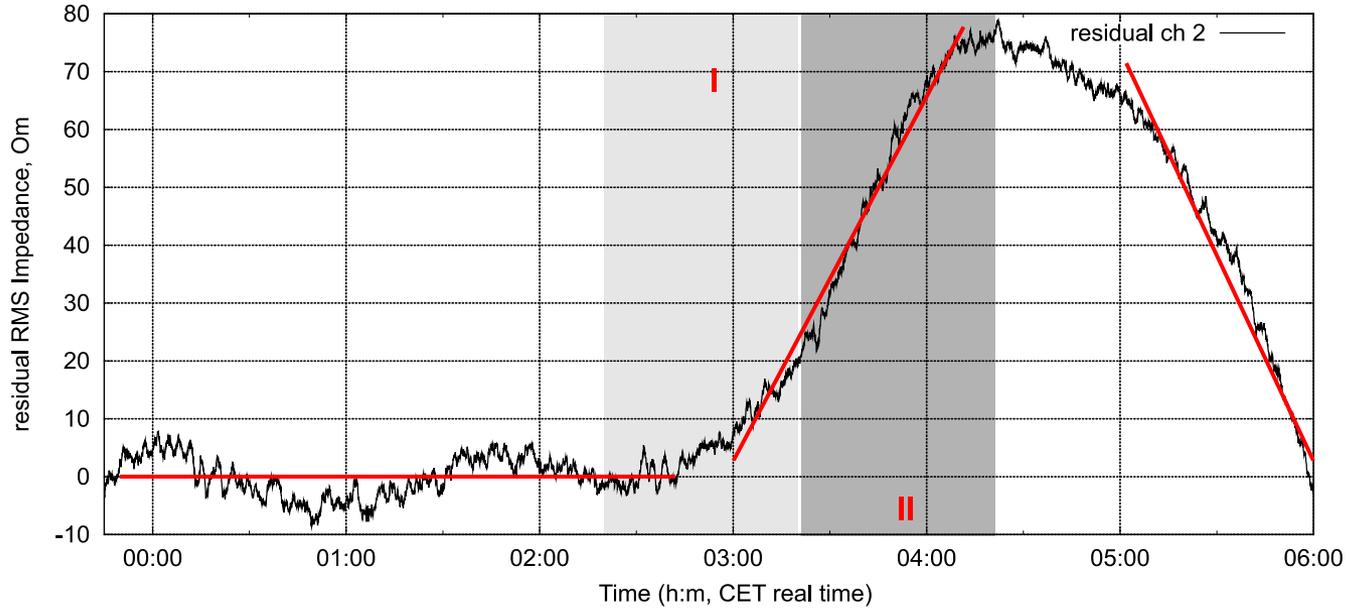


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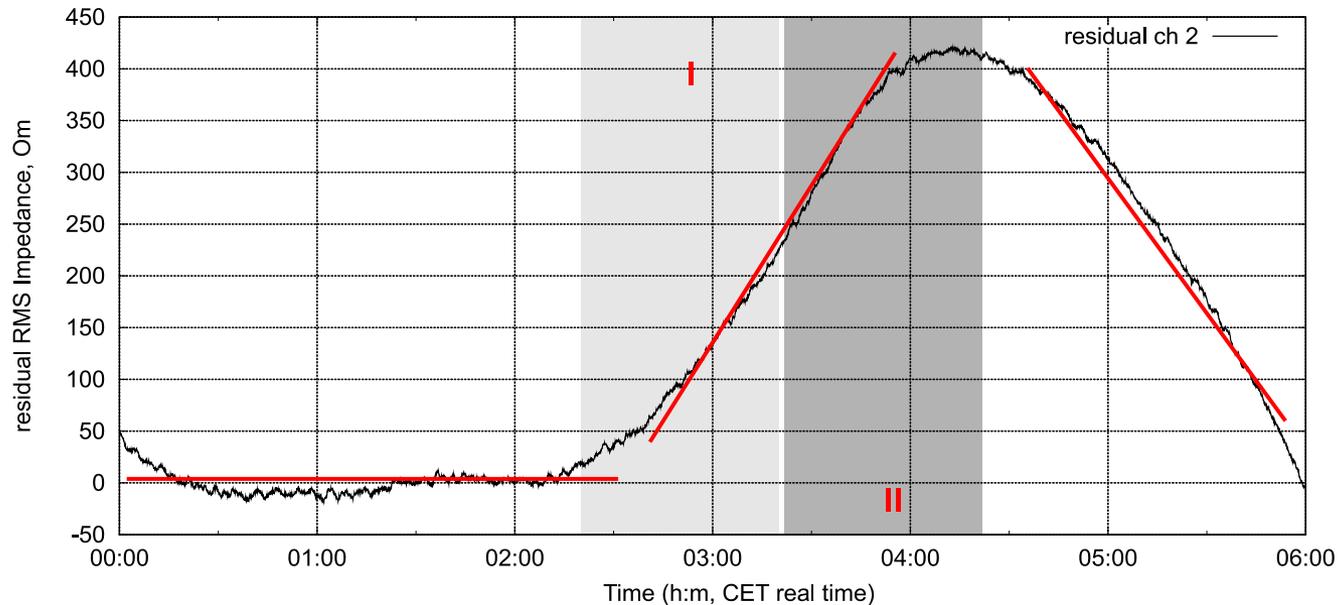


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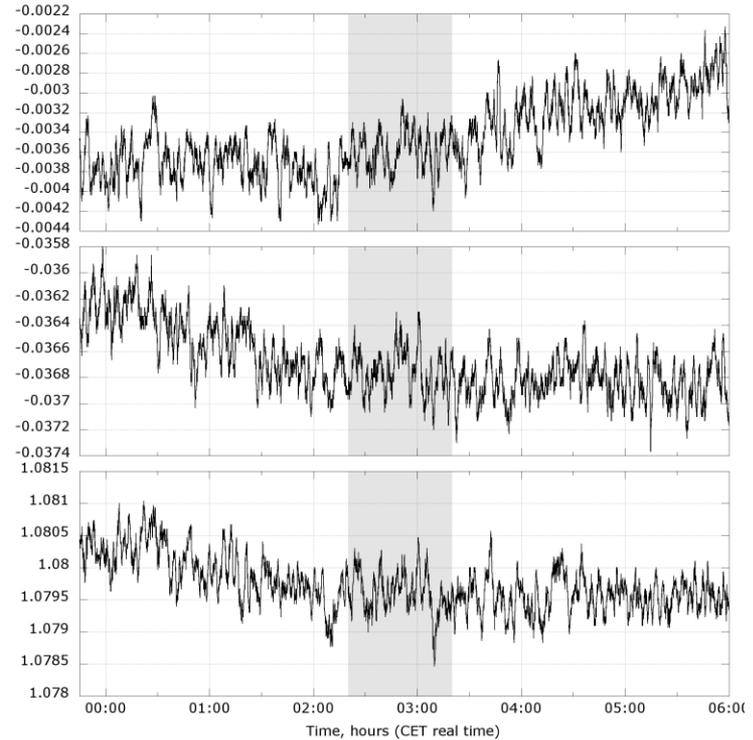
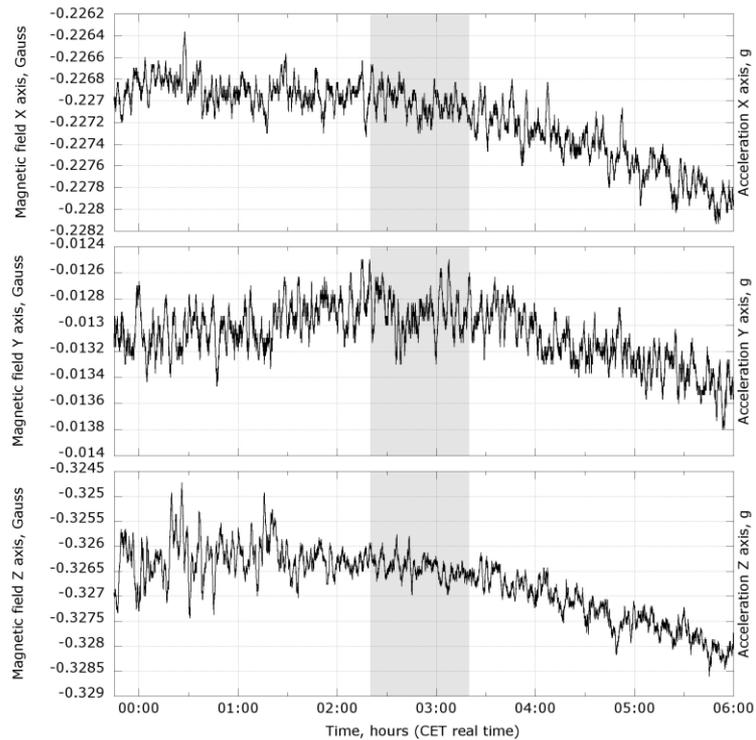
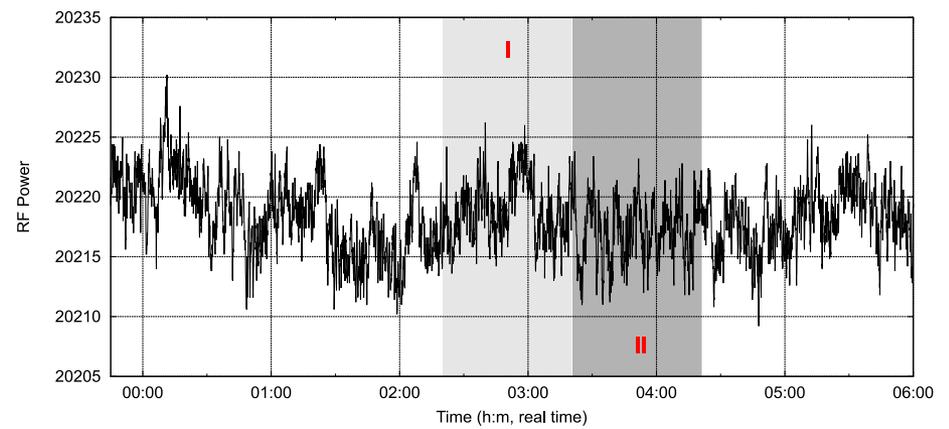
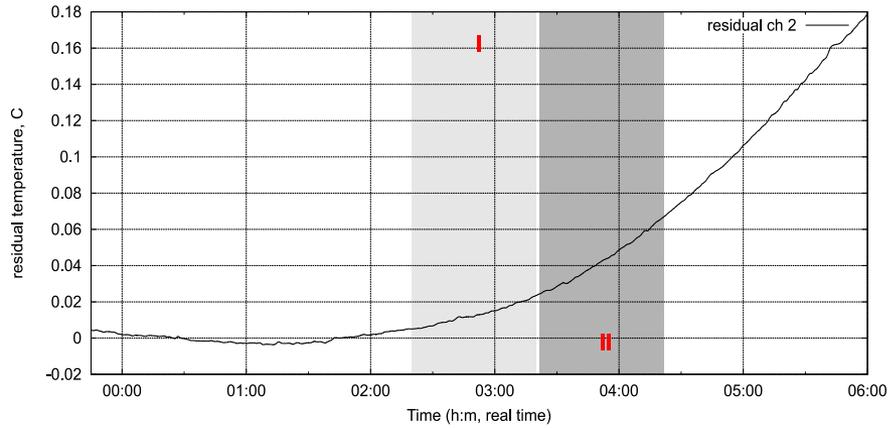


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# Langfang (China) – Stuttgart (Germany), 14.10.18, 7900km (local environmental data – no local impact)

Exp. 14.10.18, China-Germany, non-local signal transmission, CYBRES EIS, Device ID:346108, temperature, regression analysis, ch.2 Exp. 14.10.18, China-Germany, non-local signal trans., CYBRES EIS, Device ID:346108, External RF power sensor 450MHz-2.5GHz



Langfang (China) – Sofia  
(Bulgaria), 6700km  
(attempt of live-  
demonstration during the  
workshop)



# Non-chemical treatment



Change of „coefficient“ (inclination) of ionic dynamics:

- Ionic diffusion (double electric layer, “electrode potential”)
- Hydrogen bonded network in water
- Self-ionization constant (ionic product)
- Rate of proton tunneling effect (?)



## Ionic response

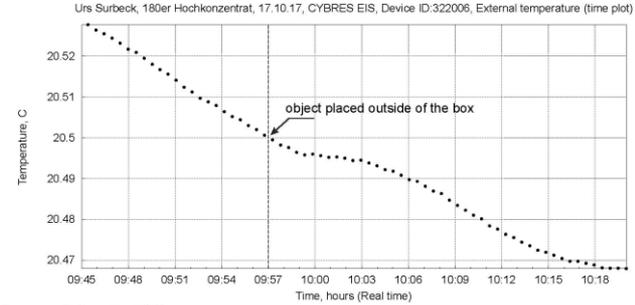
characterization of treatment



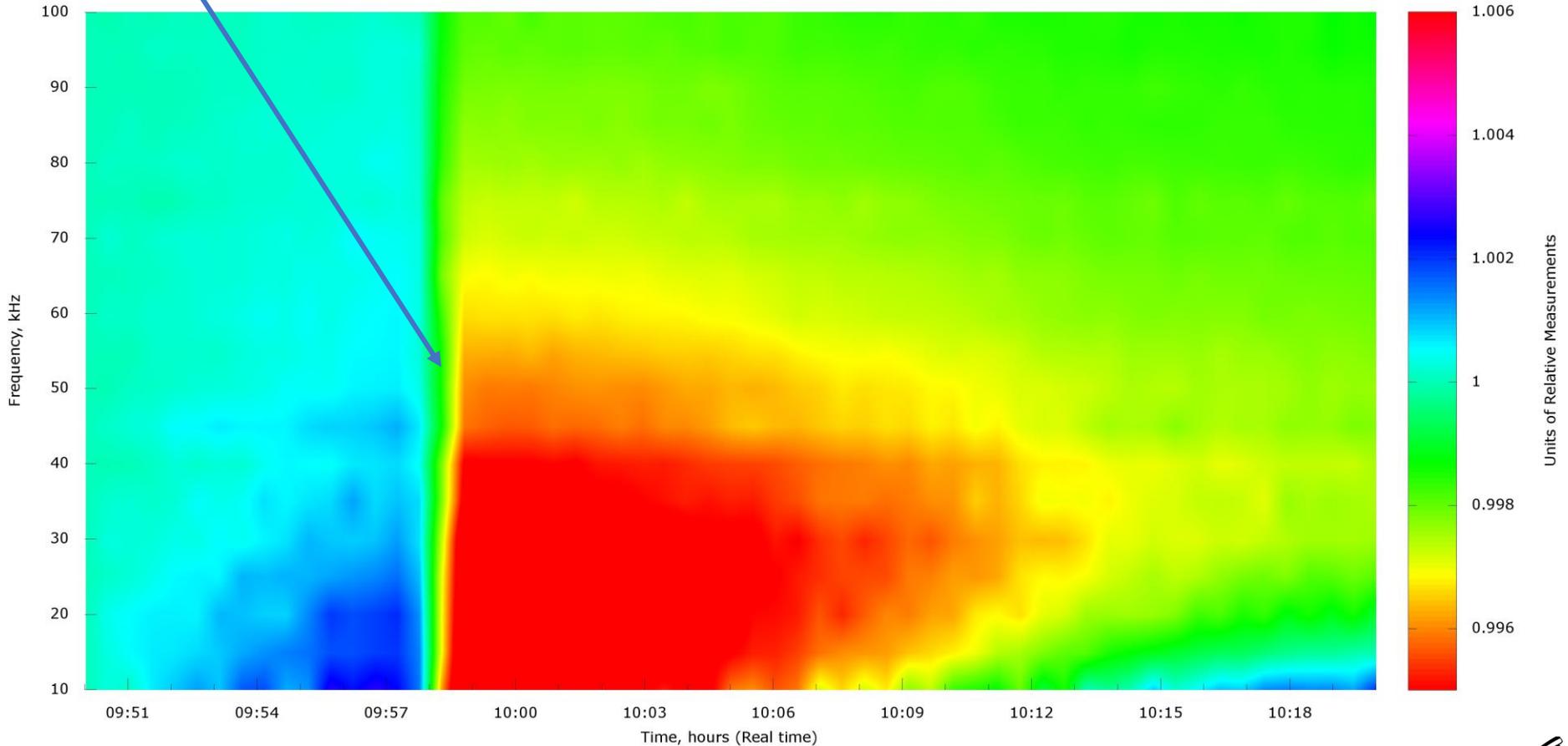
# Non-chemical treatment with Urs Surbeck Hochkonzentrat



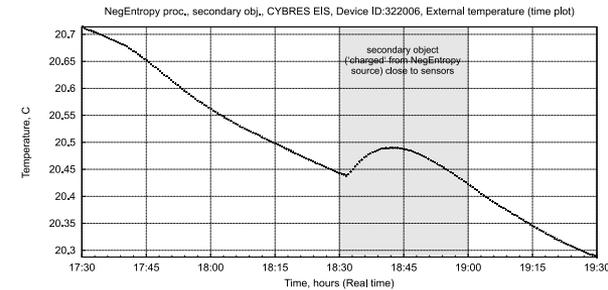
placed close to electrodes  
outside of thermobox



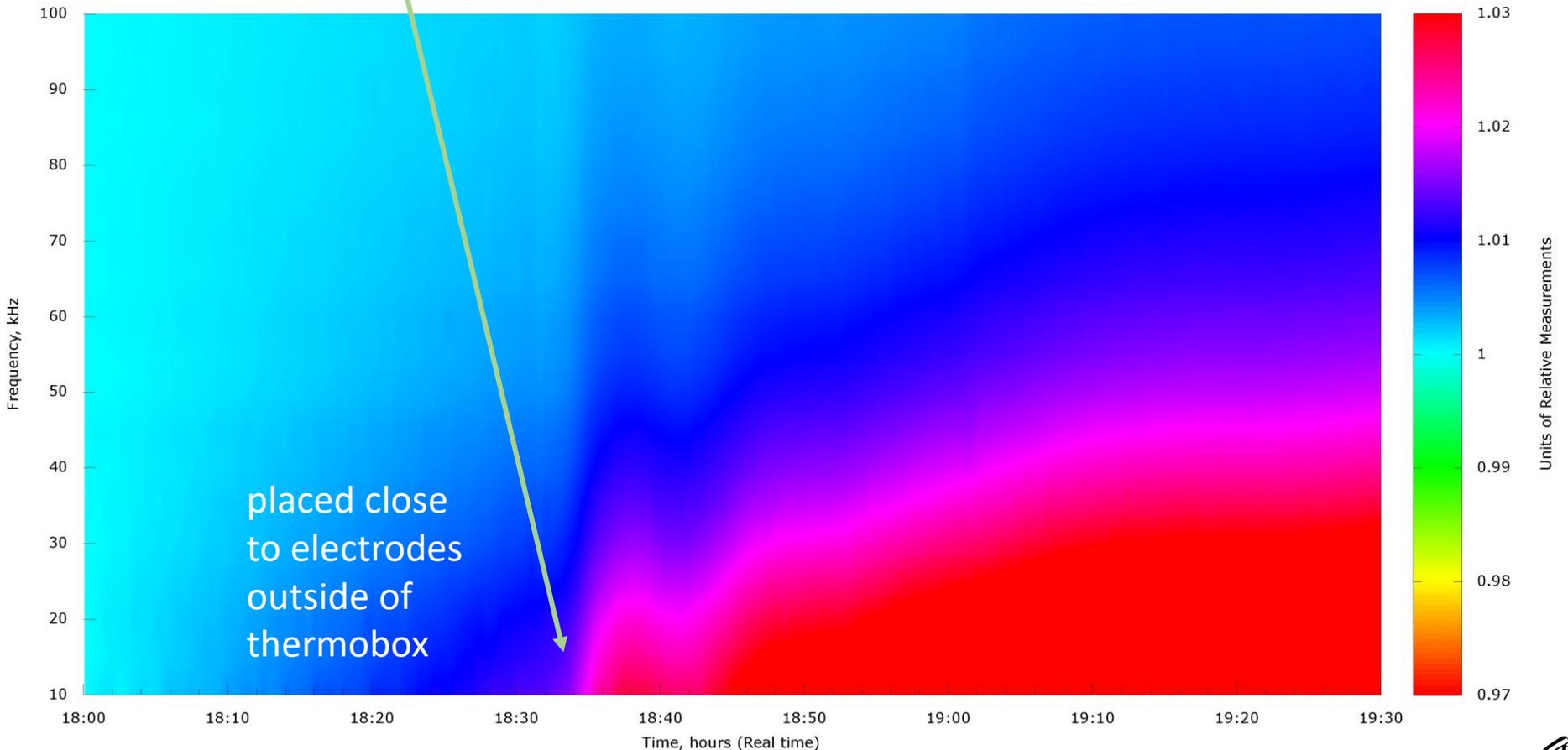
Urs Surbeck, 180 Hochkonzentrat, CYBRES EIS, Device ID:322006, Heat map of RMS conductivity, ch.1 (Vernadsky Scale)



# Non-chemical treatment with NegEntropic source



NegEnt. Exp., sec. obj. charg. 2 days, CYBRES EIS, Device ID:322006, Heat map of RMS conductivity, ch.1 (Vernadsky Scale)



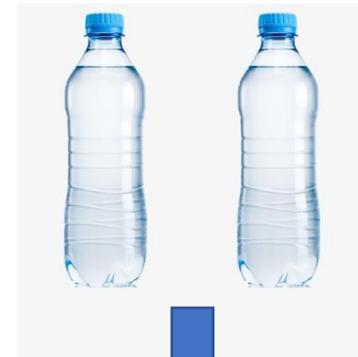
# dynamics of ionic response is characteristic for non-chemical treatment



handling during measurements



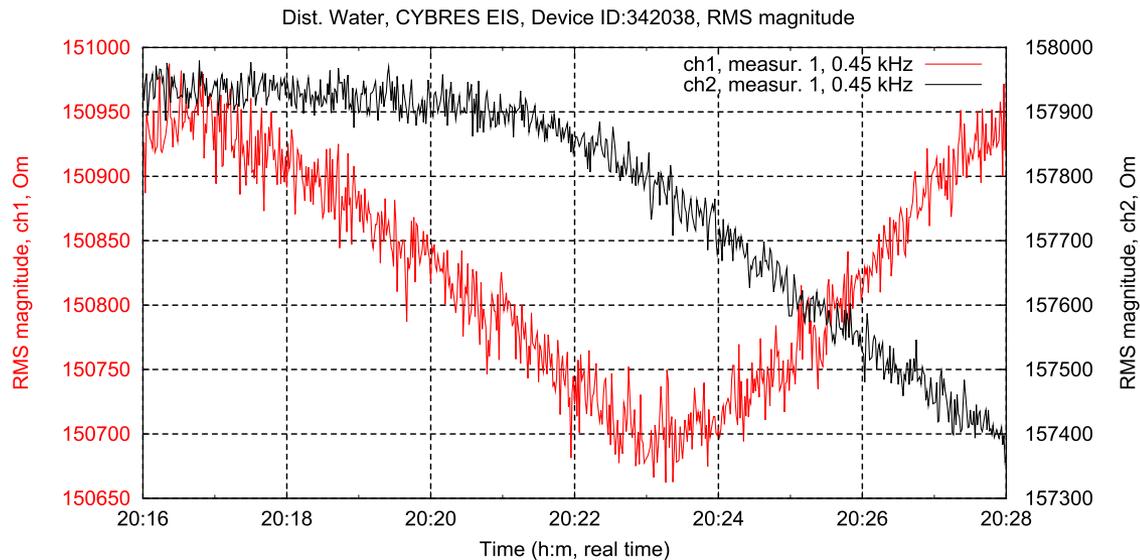
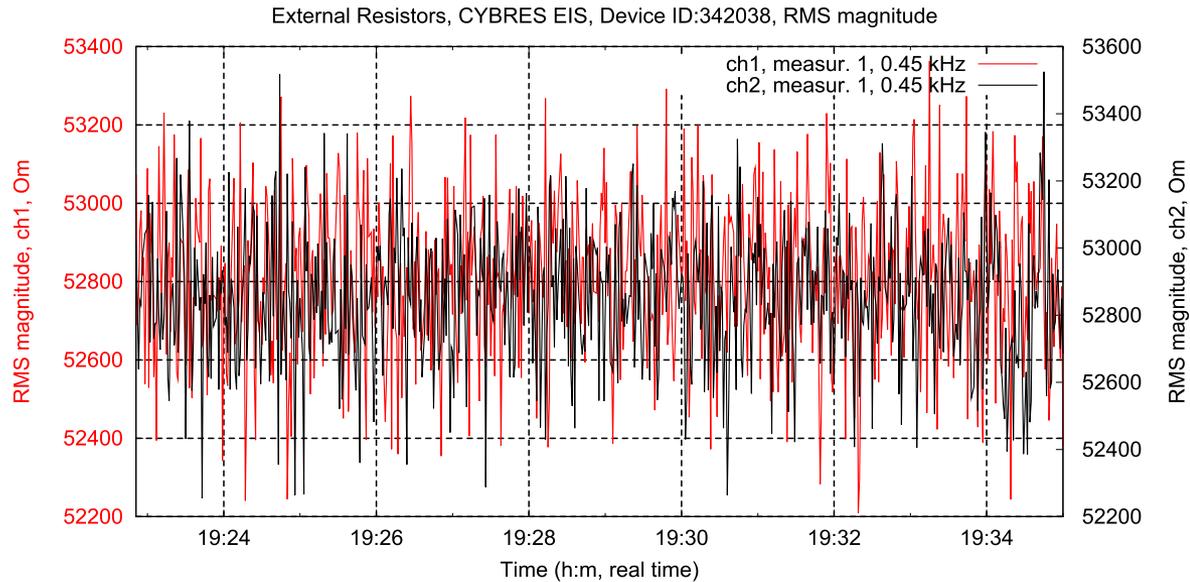
analysis of pre-handled fluid



additional excitation necessary

How to analyse  
the ionic response?

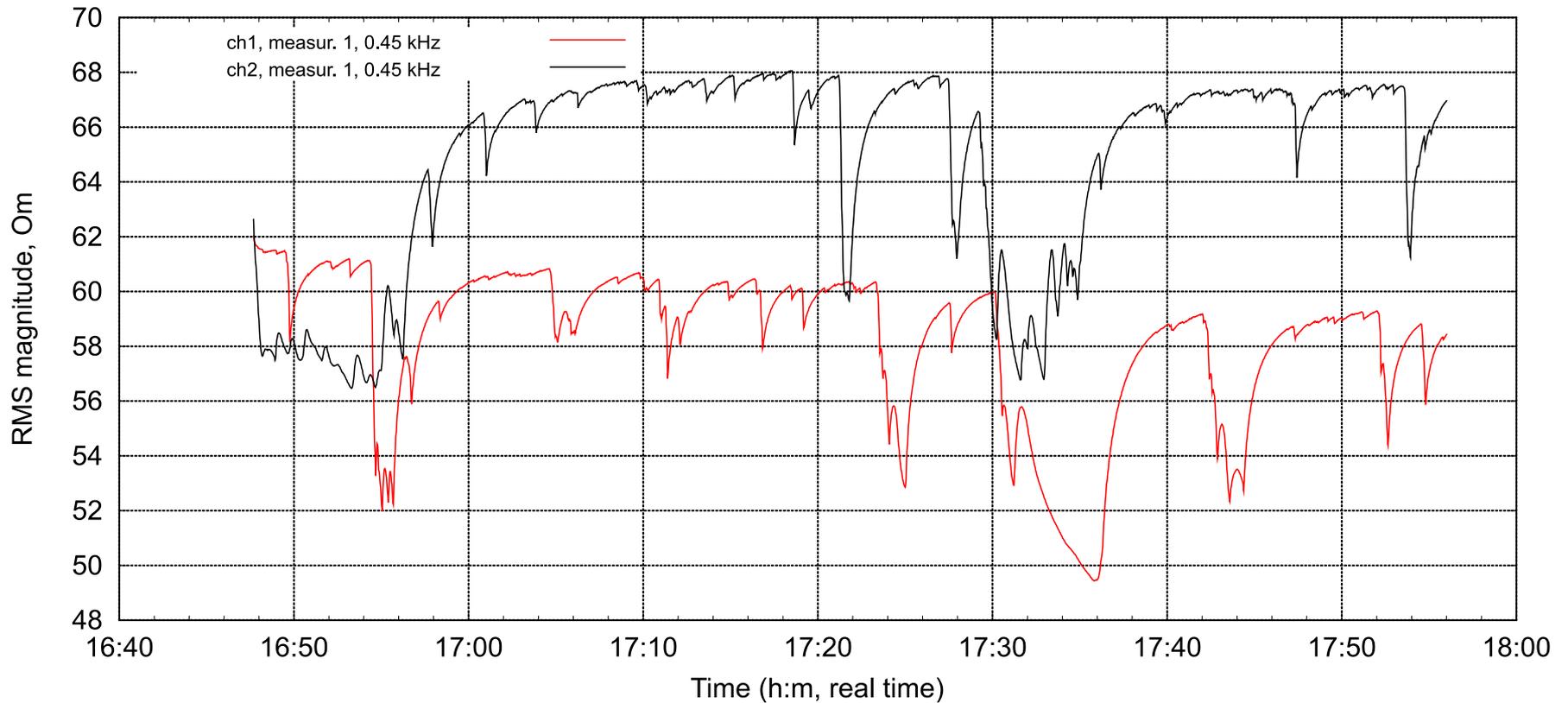
# noise dynamics of low-conductive water/material



# noise dynamics of high-conductive water/material



Prj. 102F-051018, "Control"-to-"bacterial", CYBRES EIS, Device ID:346041, RMS magnitude



a physiological solution (saline solution): it involves a large number of additional effects

# Analysis of electrochemical noise with statistical moments

$$\mu = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i. \quad (1)$$

The second statistical moment is the variance

$$Var(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j=1}^N (x_j - \mu)^2, \quad (2)$$

its square root represents the standard deviation

$$\sigma(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sqrt{Var(x_1, \dots, x_n)}. \quad (3)$$

The third moment is the skewness

$$Skew(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \left[ \frac{(x_j - \mu)}{\sigma} \right]^3 + k_s, \quad (4)$$

and the fourth moment is the kurtosis

$$Kurt(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \left[ \frac{(x_j - \mu)}{\sigma} \right]^4 + k_k. \quad (5)$$

## Application Note 24. Analysis of electrochemical noise for detection of non-chemical treatment of fluids

Serge Kernbach

**Abstract**—This application note describes the statistical module of CYBRES EIS device. It explains the main methodological and technical aspects, settings and provides examples of measurements and obtained results. The statistical module is enabled in EIS, biosensor and phytosensor applications, it is implemented as post-processing of measured data by the DA module, performed in real time. The statistical description allows characterizing the non-chemical treatment in reliable and well reproducible way. Application of this approach in signal scope mode enables performing an express analysis with the measurement time of 4.4 ms. Calibration and different measurement strategies for non-chemical treatment

impedance does not change in time) to non-stationary systems. It means that the excitation  $V_V^{f,t}$  and response  $V_I^{f,t}$  signals depend not only on the frequency  $f$  but also on time  $t$  [2]. Since the created by EIS electric field interacts with self-ionization process (this involves several quantum effects [3]), the continuous EIS is sensitive to micro- (e.g. quantum) and macro- factors applied to samples during the measurements and allows observing them on a macroscopic scale as a change of impedance in real time.

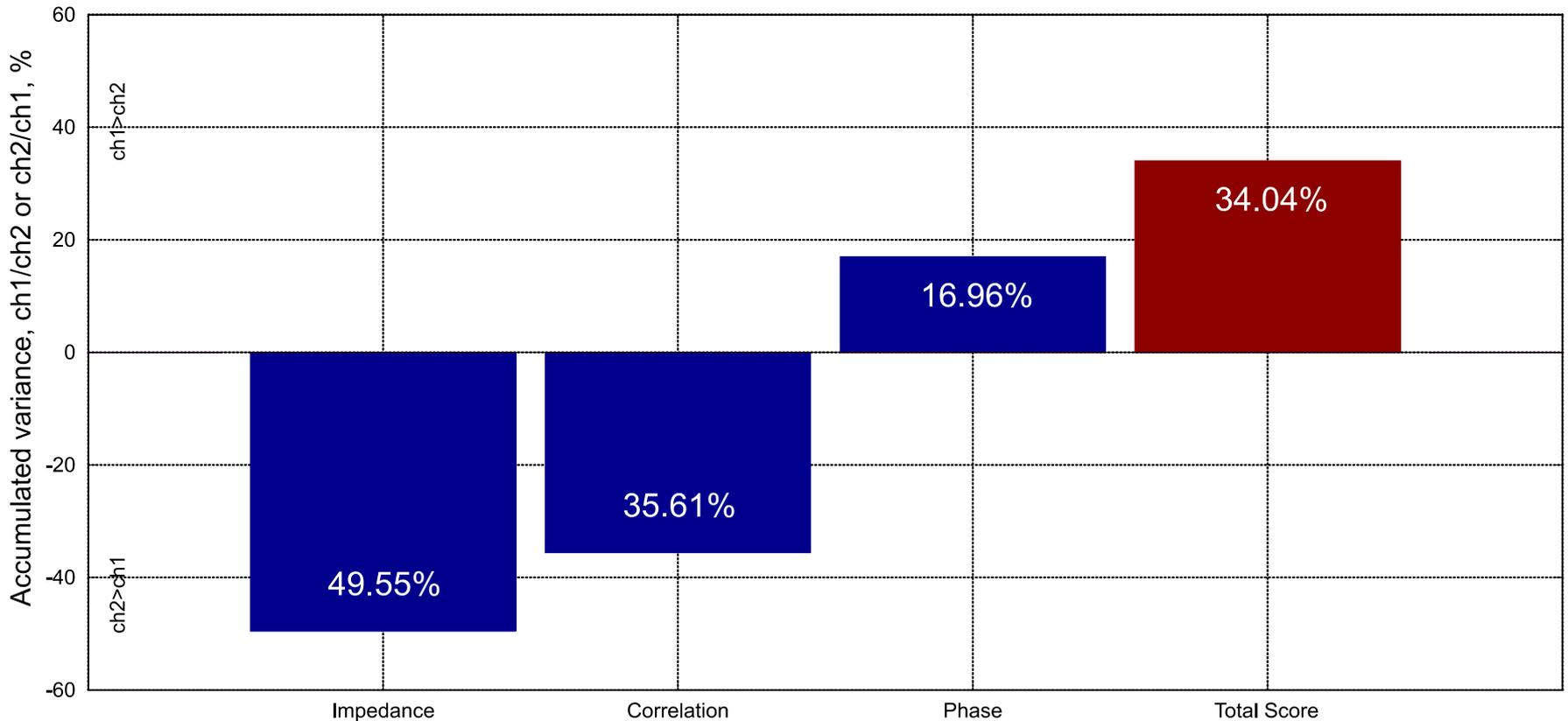
measurement mode: signal scope  
statistical module enabled

- single measurement time: 4.4 ms
- N of processed values: 8400
- statistically significant measurements



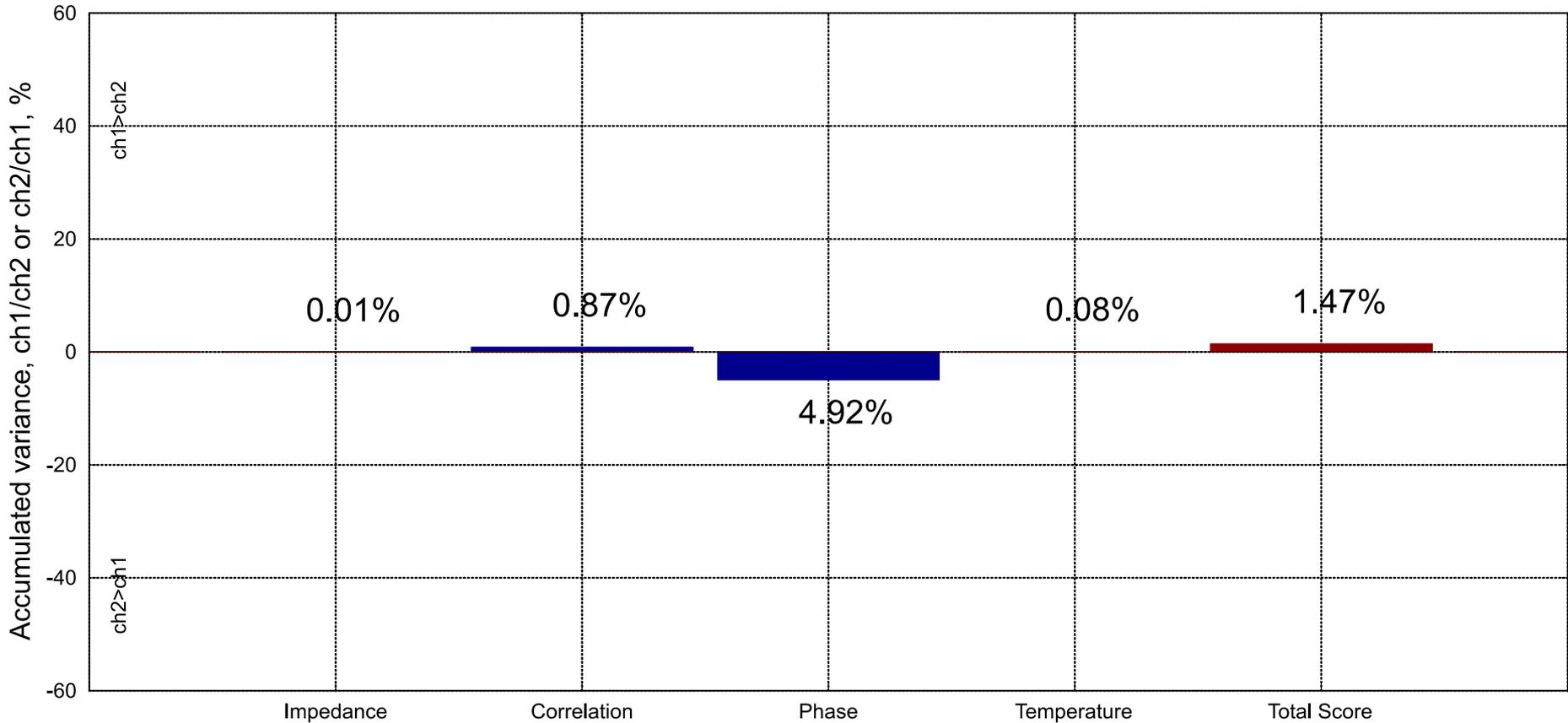
DST Foundation

Global experiment, 23.09.17, CYBRES EIS, Device ID:322005, Accumulated 2nd statistical moments (at 100Hz, custom time accumulation)



# Analysis of electrochemical noise with statistical moments, Control Attempt, Equal Fluids

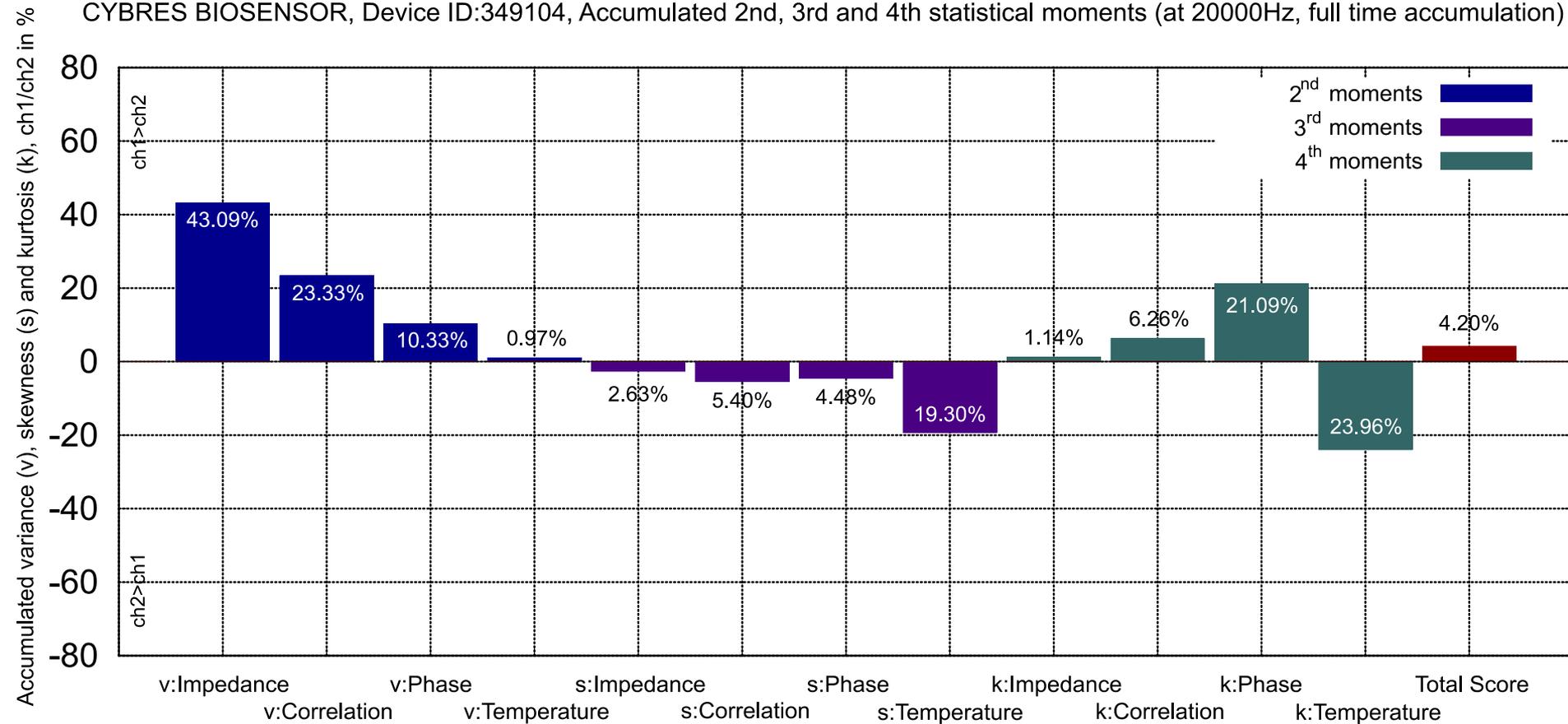
Control attempt, equal fluids, CYBRES EIS, Device ID:346128, Accumulated 2nd stat. moments (at 449Hz, time diff. mode)



34% vs 1.5% -- clear result (!)

# Characterization with 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> statistical moments

CYBRES BIOSENSOR, Device ID:349104, Accumulated 2nd, 3rd and 4th statistical moments (at 20000Hz, full time accumulation)



characterization based on 12-component vector

video

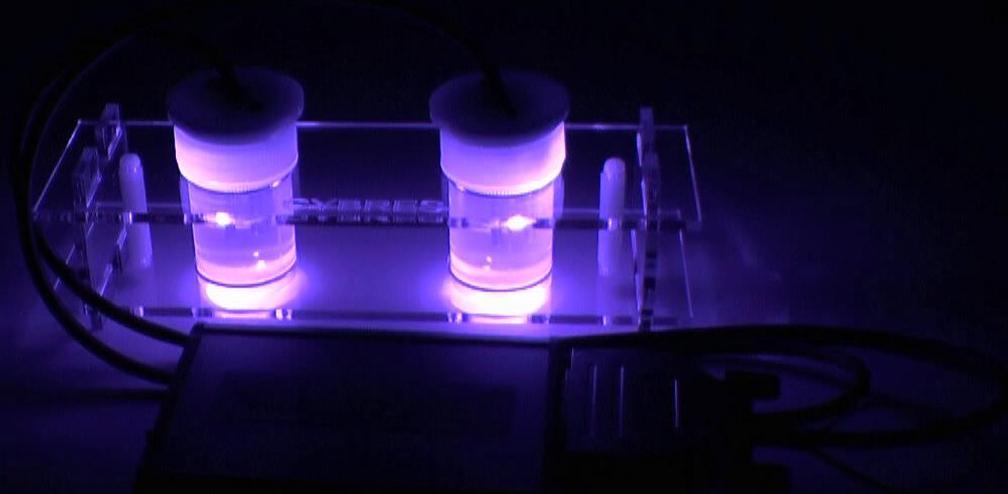
# multi-parametric characterization of non-chemical treatment

in real time with statistical DA processor

Analysis of pre-handled fluids  
requires additional  
optical/magnetic/thermal  
excitation

video

# Excitation Spectroscopy



new MU3 features for bio-chemical EIS measurements

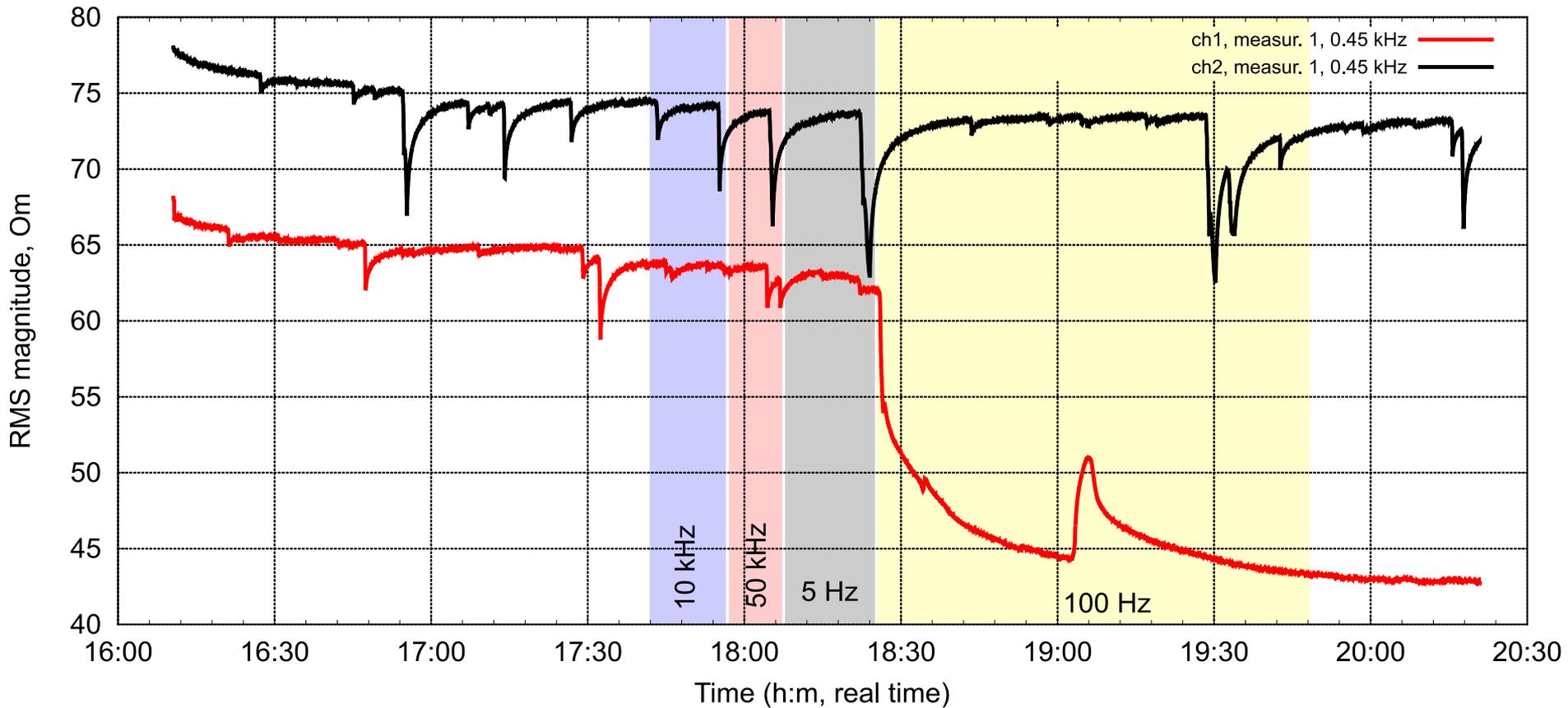
# Example of EIS analysis with optical excitation



Technology developed  
by Frédéric Roscop

ROSCOP  
PRACTICE

CYBRES EIS, Device ID:346069, RMS magnitude



clear qualitative difference between channels

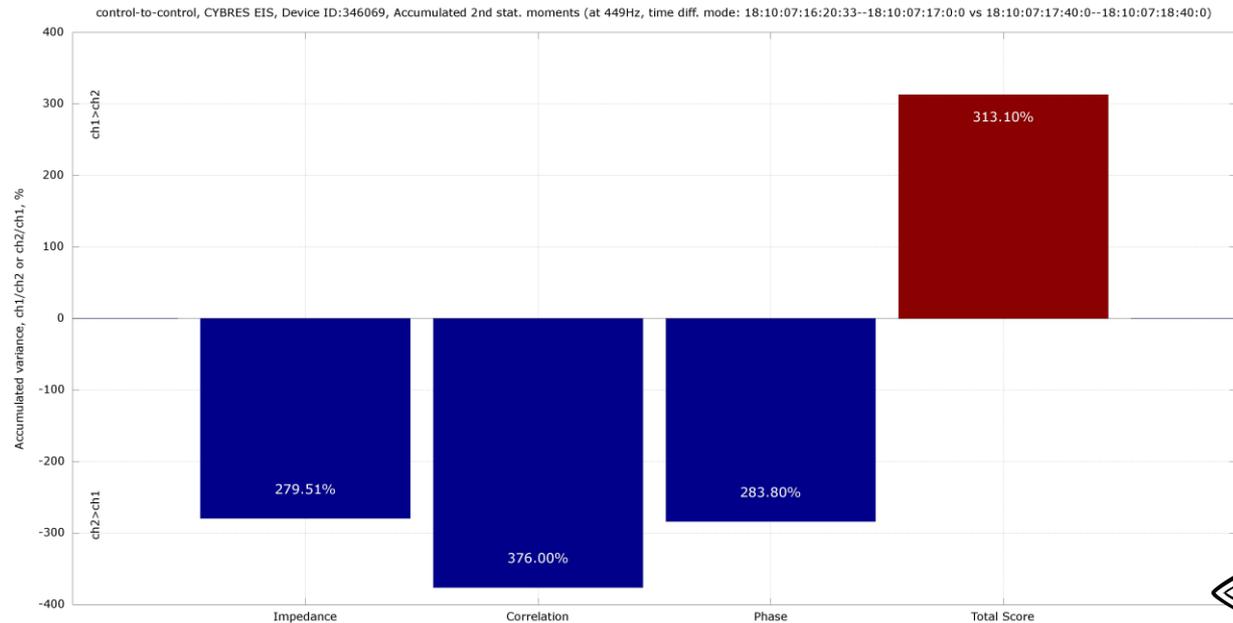
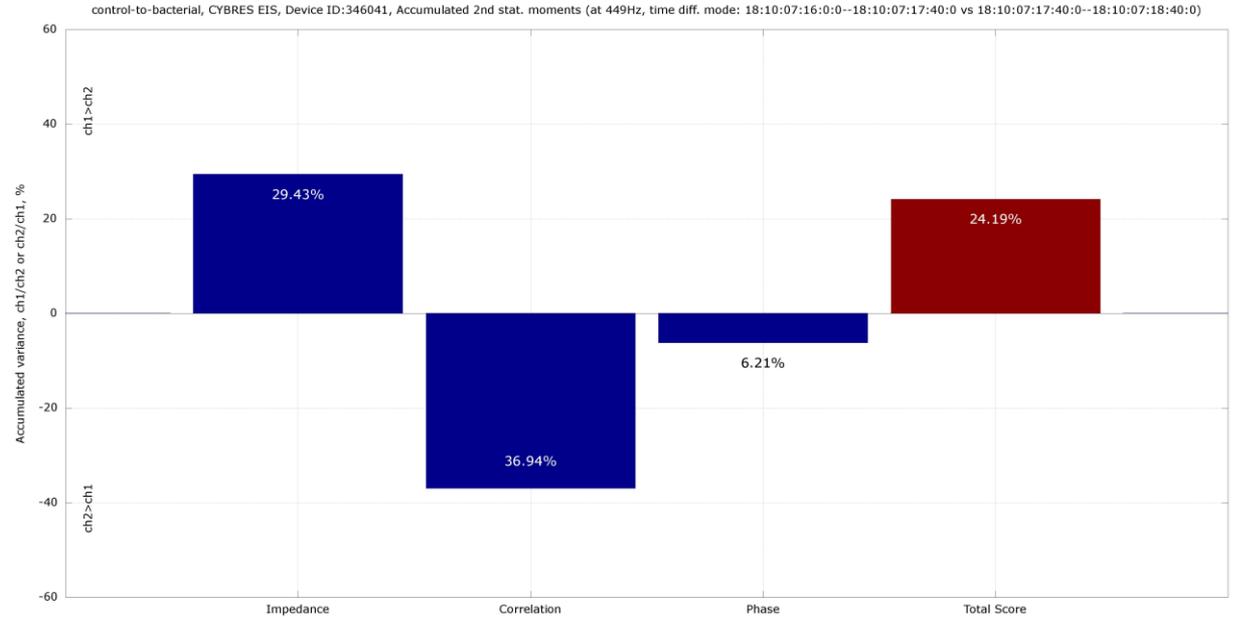
# Example of EIS analysis with optical excitation



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clear numerical  
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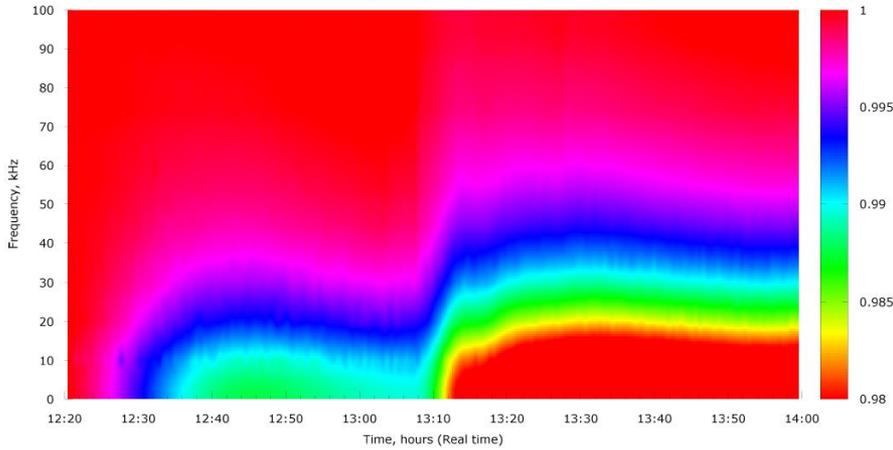




# Example of EIS analysis with thermal excitation

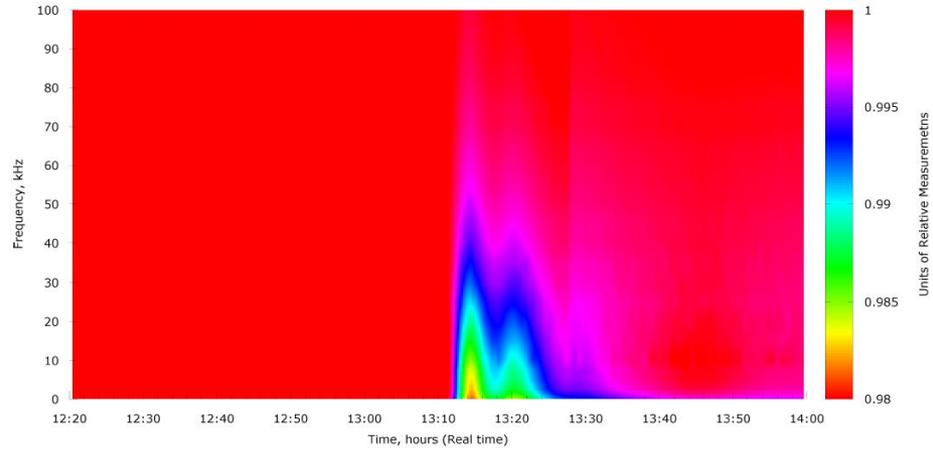
MRET technology by Dr. I.Smirnov

MRET Device, T-Stress Test, CYBRES EIS, Device ID:322006, Heat map of RMS conductivity, ch.1 (Vernadsky Scale of Relative Measurements)



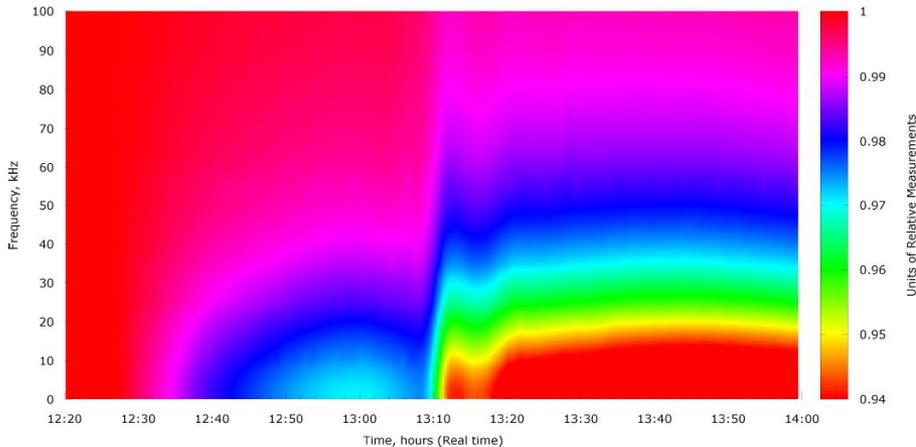
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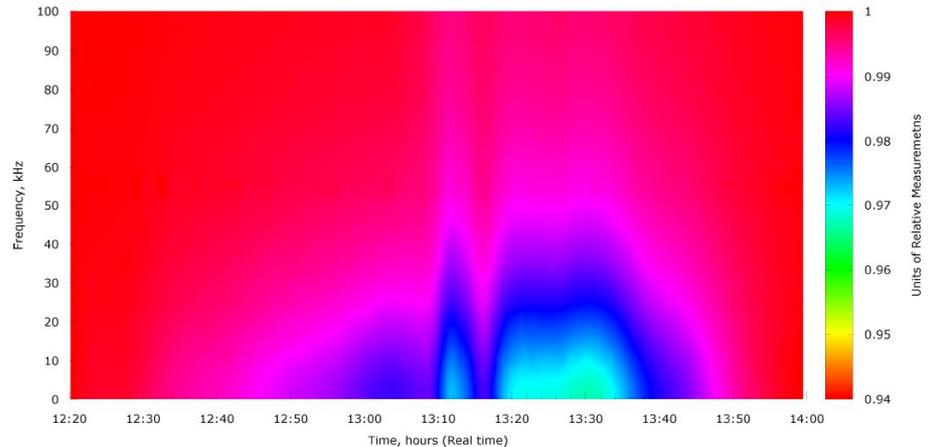
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MRET Device, T-Stress Test, CYBRES EIS, Device ID:322004, Heat map of RMS conductivity, ch.1 (Vernadsky Scale of Relative Measurements)



experiment

MRET Device, T-Stress Test, CYBRES EIS, Device ID:322004, Heat map of RMS conductivity, ch.2 (Vernadsky Scale of Relative Measurements)



control

# Example of EIS analysis with optical excitation (ultra-low concentrated solutions)

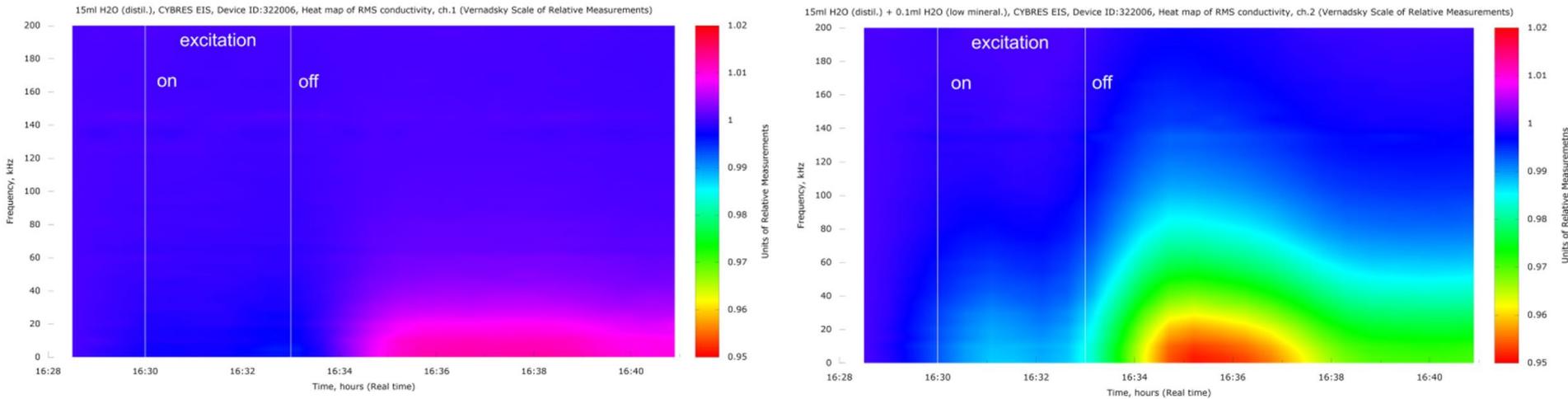


Figure 3. Example spectrograms of two water samples with optical excitation: **(left)** distilled H<sub>2</sub>O; **(right)** 3 droplets of low-mineralized water (ion contamination  $10^{-3}$ - $10^{-4}\%$ ) were added to the first sample. Different time-frequency patterns are well observable.

# Example of EIS analysis with optical excitation (complex biochemical fluids, wine & honey)

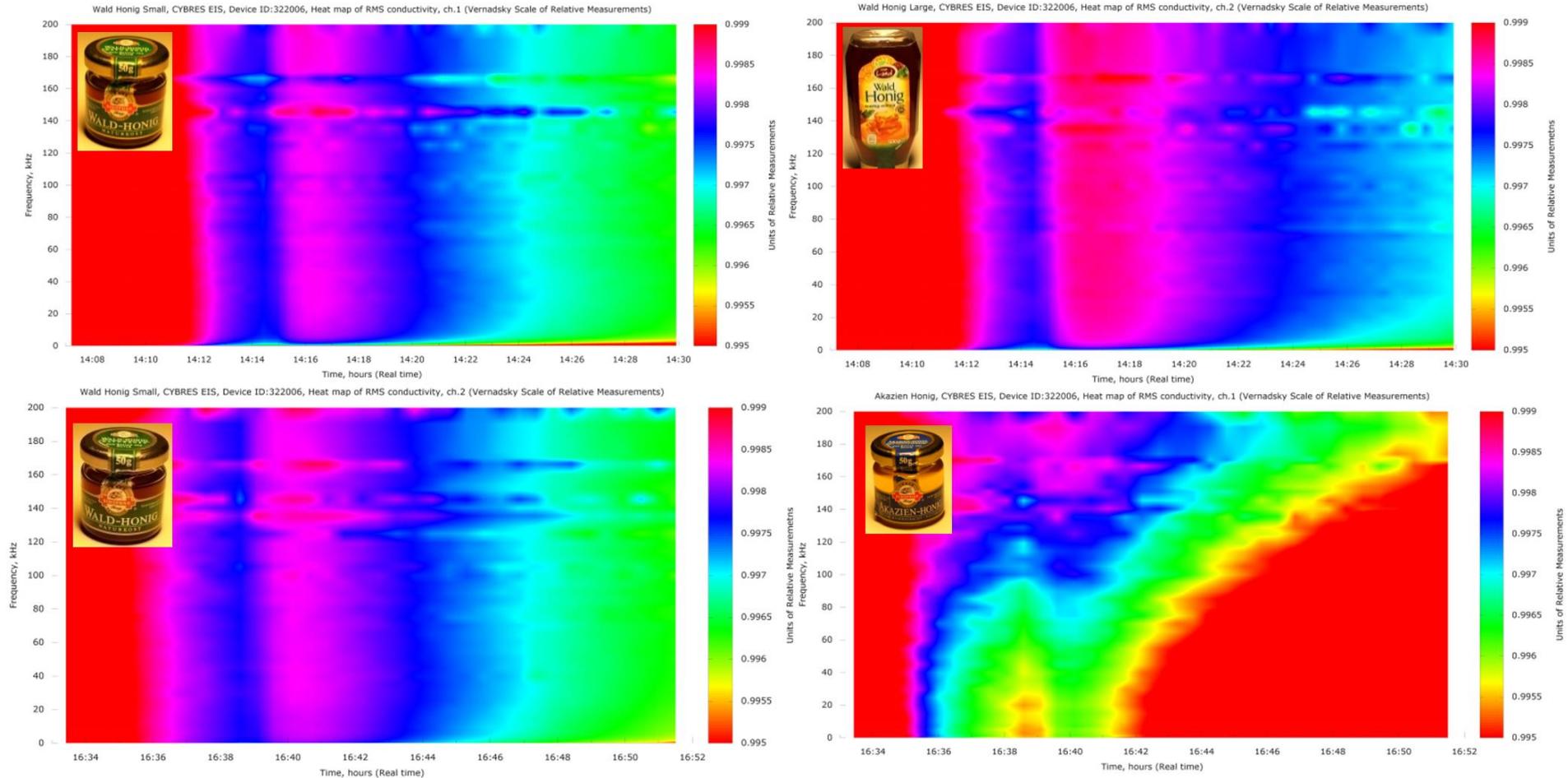


Figure 4. Tests to identify equal, similar and different sorts of honey, (**left**) equal sorts, (**top right**) similar, (**bottom right**) different sorts. Optical excitation is applied.

video

# time-frequency excitation patterns



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## E-SPECTR

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## Excitation Spectroscopy Sensor

**From** 2018-09-01 **to** 2020-02-29, ongoing project

### Objective

This sensing technology is based on the excitation-response dynamics of samples (organic objects and materials, tissues or fluids) embedded into alternating electric field. The system of samples-in-electric-field is excited in optical, magnetic or thermal way. Varying the frequency of the e-field, an analysis of excitation patterns over the frequency and time delivers information about structure, behavior and dielectric/electrochemical properties of objects and materials. Fully operational prototypes of the excitation spectrometer are produced; they demonstrated a high sensitivity and resolution of this approach, for instance, the sensor is able to detect small physicochemical differences between samples. The innovative applications are detections of low-concentrated chemical contaminations and non-chemical treatments in water quality monitoring, and an express identification of complex biochemical substances in field conditions (demonstrated in wine/honey production). The technological and economic impacts – as the enabling technology – are generated in the fields of material analysis in biology/chemistry, biotechnology, material science, and robotics. This sensing approach was awarded to the finale of Innovation Radar Prize 2016 in the category 'Excellent Science'. The proposal describes a concrete strategy for targeting a global market of sensor devices. It is complementary to the ASSISI|bf project and allows extending its technological impact.



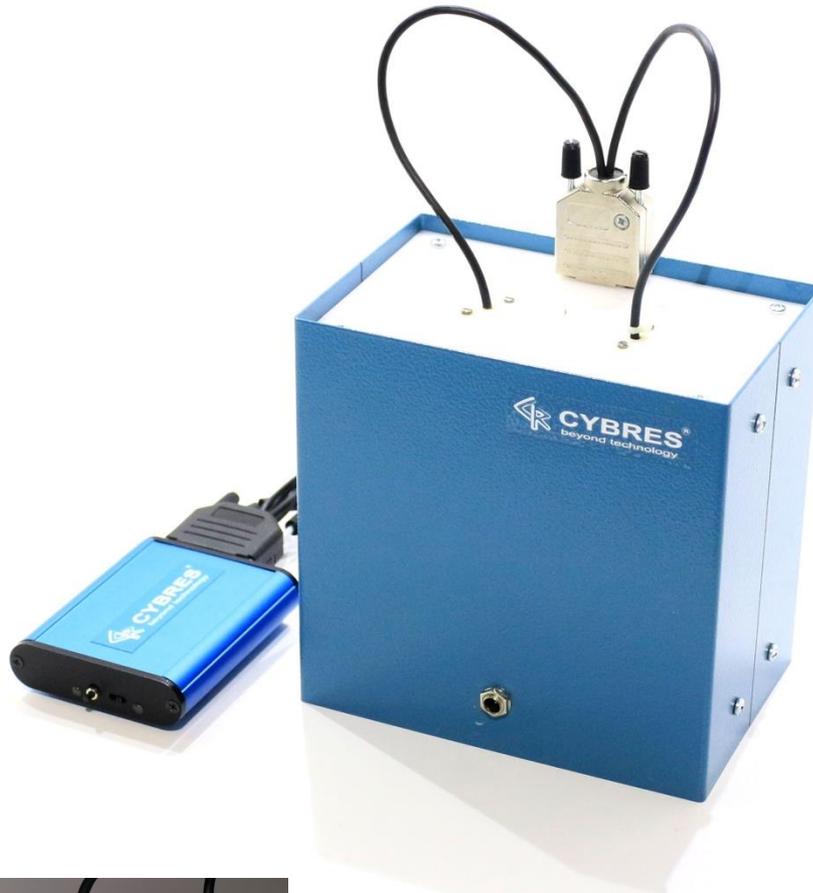
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# Using EIS with microorganisms (yeast *Saccharomyces Cerevisiae*)



anaerobic fermentation



metabolic products with  
 $\text{Zn}^{+2}$ ,  $\text{Co}^{+2}$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{+2}$  and  $\text{Mn}^{+2}$

- using electrochemical impedance spectroscopy
- statistical approach (the same MU system)
- 100 ml containers
- optical/magnetic/thermal excitation
- biological response (e.g. stimulation/inhibition)





*Article*

# The Biosensor Based on Measurements of Zymase Activity of Yeast *Saccharomyces Cerevisiae*

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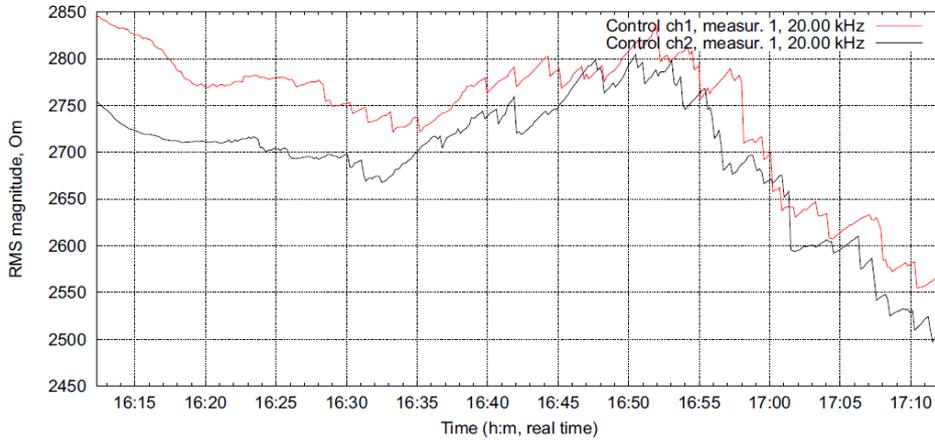
**Abstract:** This paper describes the bio-hybrid approach for environmental monitoring and estimating quality of water by measuring the zymase activity of yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*. Comparing to bacterial bioluminescence approach, the proposed method has no toxicity, excludes usage of gene-modified microorganisms, and enables low-cost express analysis. Two measurement systems, based on pressure sensing and on electrochemical impedance spectroscopy, have been developed. Results of measurements are compared with each other from the viewpoint of accuracy, reproducibility and usability in field conditions. The performed experiments demonstrated sensitivity of this approach for measuring the quality of drinking water, non-chemical water treatment, and impact of distant environmental stressors.

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# Example of biological EIS analysis

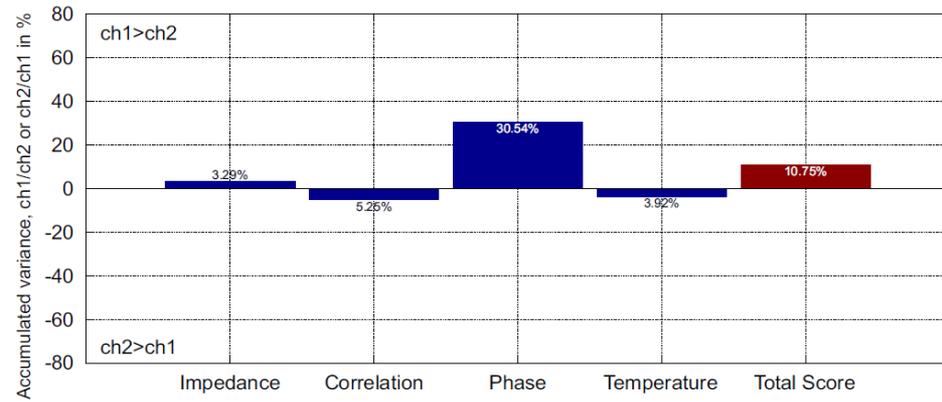


CYBRES BIOSENSOR, Device ID:325005, RMS magnitude



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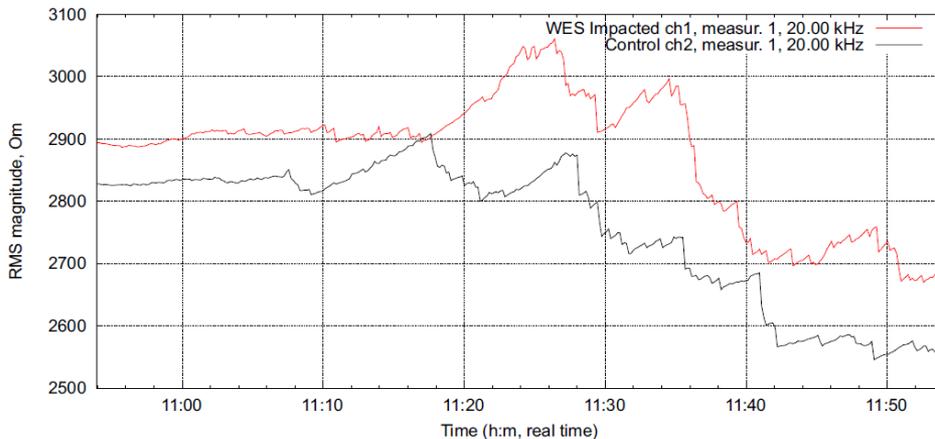
CYBRES Device ID:325005, Accumulated 2nd statistical moments (at 20 kHz, custom time accumulation)



control

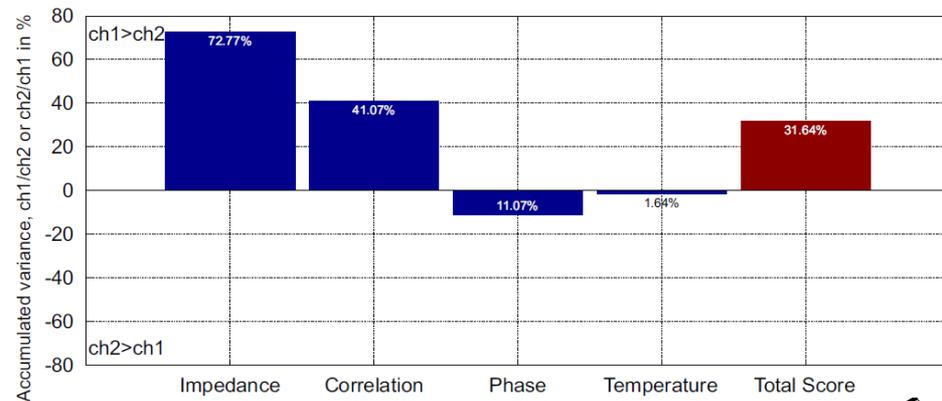
(b)

CYBRES Device ID:325005, RMS magnitude



experiment

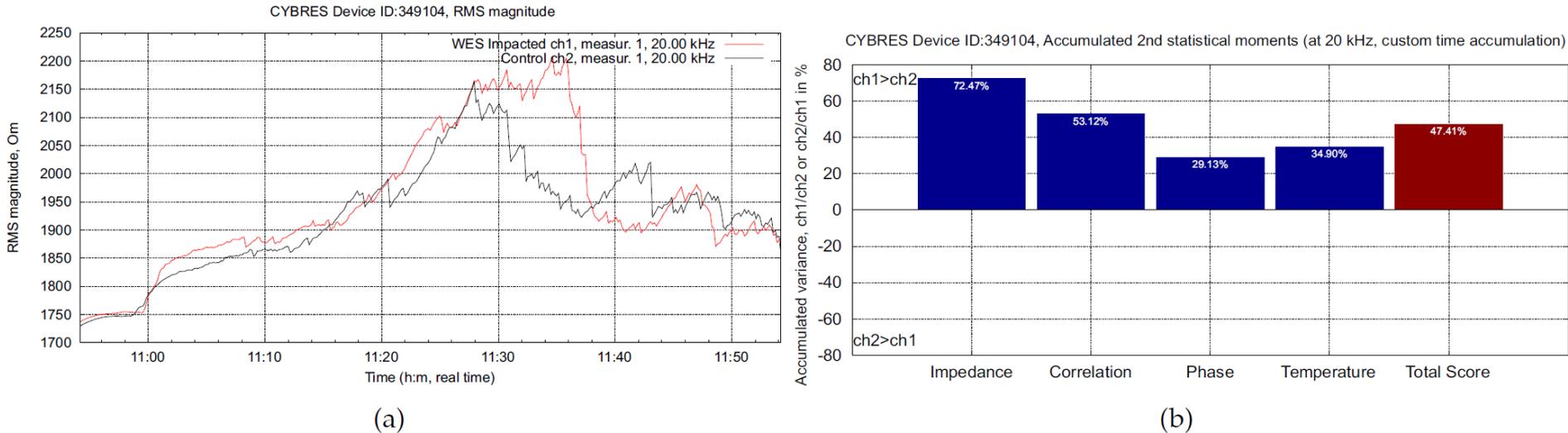
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# Example of biological EIS analysis



Experimental generator of magnetic vector potential (Poynting vector emitter \*)



**Figure 16.** Yeast fermentation dynamics at 20 kHz. Experimental attempt with WES impact (Vector Magnetic Potential) in Ch1: **(a)** RMS magnitude; **(b)** Accumulated variance.

(\*) S. Kernbach. Tests of the circular Poynting vector emitter in static E/H fields, IJUS, Issue E2, pages 23-40, 2018

# Conclusion

1. Non-chemical treatment is **enabling technology** for many areas
2. **Measurement** is the key issue for non-chemical treatment
3. No only complex laboratory methods -> simplicity of measurements for **end-users** or on a **factory (production) scale**
4. Based on **ionic dynamics** and **statistical moments**
5. Water and microorganisms for **electrochemical** and **biological** characterization of non-chemical treatment
6. Available on the market