

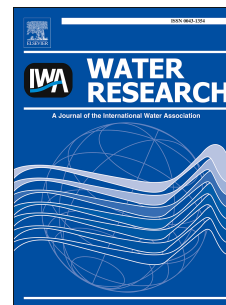
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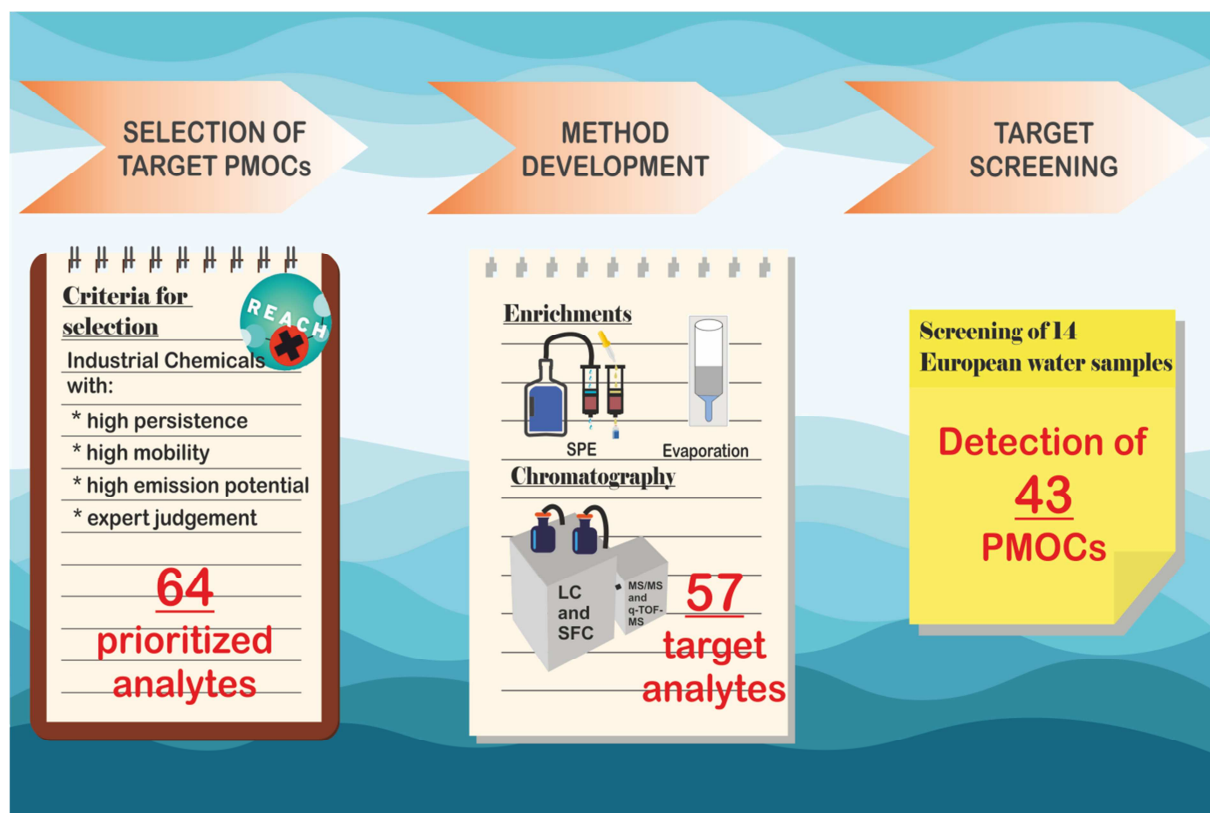
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17 **Abstract**

18 The release of persistent and mobile organic chemicals (PMOCs) into the aquatic  
19 environment puts the quality of water resources at risk. PMOCs are challenging to analyze in  
20 water samples, due to their high mobility. The aim of this study was to develop novel  
21 analytical methods for PMOCs and to investigate their occurrence in surface and groundwater  
22 samples. The target compounds were culled from a prioritized list of industrial chemicals that  
23 were modeled to be persistent, mobile, and emitted into the environment. Analytical screening  
24 methods based on mixed-mode liquid chromatography (LC), hydrophilic interaction LC,  
25 reversed phase LC, or supercritical fluid chromatography in combination with mass  
26 spectrometric detection were successfully developed for 57 target PMOCs and applied to 14  
27 water samples from three European countries. A total of 43 PMOCs were detected in at least  
28 one sample, among them 23 PMOCs that have not been reported before to occur in  
29 environmental waters. The most prevalent of these novel PMOCs were methyl sulfate, 2-  
30 acrylamino-2-methylpropane sulfonate, benzyltrimethylammonium, benzyldimethylamine,  
31 trifluoromethanesulfonic acid, 6-methyl-1,3,5-triazine-diamine, and 1,3-di-*o*-tolylguanidine  
32 occurring in  $\geq 50\%$  of the samples at estimated concentrations in the low  $\text{ng L}^{-1}$  up to  $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$   
33 range. The approach of focused prioritization combined with sensitive target chemical  
34 analysis proved to be highly efficient in revealing a large suite of novel as well as scarcely  
35 investigated PMOCs in surface and groundwater.

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37 **Keywords:** Persistent and mobile organic chemicals, PMOC, water, occurrence,  
38 chromatography

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## 40 1. Introduction

41 Persistent and mobile organic compounds (PMOCs, also referred to as PM substances) are  
42 man-made, highly polar organic chemicals that only degrade very slowly (if at all) in the  
43 environment and that show a low tendency to sorb to surfaces or to organic matter in soil and  
44 sediments (Reemtsma et al. 2016). PMOCs can enrich in (semi-)closed water cycles, as the  
45 only relevant process leading to decreasing concentrations in the aquatic environment is  
46 dilution. Consequently, if PMOCs are emitted in significant quantities, they may threaten the  
47 quality of surface water bodies, groundwater aquifers, and ultimately also our drinking water  
48 resources (Reemtsma et al. 2016). Known examples of such PMOCs are melamine (Beltrán-  
49 Martinavarro et al. 2013), saccharine, acesulfame (Buerge et al. 2009), and sulfanilic acid  
50 (Holm et al. 1995). PMOCs are particularly critical if they also exhibit toxicological effects.  
51 Such compounds are then denoted as PMT (persistent, mobile, and toxic) substances  
52 (Neumann 2017). In Europe there is a currently ongoing discussion whether or not PMT  
53 substances should be regulated under the European Union chemical regulation REACH  
54 (European Parliament 2006) in a similar way as is the case for PBT (persistent,  
55 bioaccumulative, and toxic) substances (Neumann and Schliebner 2017).

56 Whereas chemical analytical methods to detect and quantify PBT substances are well  
57 established, PMOCs are much more challenging to analyze in environmental water samples.  
58 This is due to their intrinsic property of high mobility, which makes PMOCs extremely  
59 difficult to extract and enrich from water samples or to separate (retain) using routine liquid  
60 chromatography techniques (Reemtsma et al. 2016). The most commonly applied separation  
61 method for polar environmental contaminants is undoubtedly reversed phase liquid  
62 chromatography (RPLC). However, in RPLC, PMOCs tend to elute with or close to the void  
63 volume, together with most of the waterborne matrix constituents. Furthermore, they often  
64 exhibit poor peak shape. This severely hampers unambiguous identification, sensitive  
65 detection, and reliable quantification of PMOCs. Recently, alternative liquid chromatographic

66 methods for separation of highly polar compounds such as PMOCs have been developed,  
67 based on either hydrophilic interaction liquid chromatography (HILIC) (Mazzarino et al.  
68 2011; Christophoridis et al. 2016; Zahn et al. 2016) or tri-functional mixed-mode liquid  
69 chromatography (MMLC) separation columns (Montes et al. 2017). Furthermore, also  
70 supercritical fluid chromatography (SFC) with hybrid or normal phase columns and a polar  
71 modifier/co-solvent can be used as an orthogonal technique to RPLC (Parr et al. 2016; Bieber  
72 et al. 2017).

73 A recent modeling study identified potential PMOCs as well as precursors to PMOCs among  
74 the high production volume substances registered under REACH (Arp et al. 2017). Arp and  
75 co-workers came up with a list of 2167 unique substance identities, whereof 1811 have been  
76 modeled to be persistent and mobile in the aquatic environment (PMOC score of 4 to 5 in Arp  
77 et al. 2017) and 356 have been modeled to be PMOC precursors (i.e. to have the potential to  
78 be hydrolyzed to PMOCs with a PMOC score of 4 to 5). Building on this work, we estimated  
79 the environmental emission potential of the 2167 substances (Schulze et al. 2018). This study  
80 resulted in two consolidated lists, one for PMOCs that are expected to be emitted into the  
81 environment (936 substances) and a corresponding list for PMOC precursors (174 substances)  
82 (supplementary data in Schulze et al. 2018). Both lists are ranked according to the  
83 environmental emission potential, i.e. the magnitude of expected emissions. However, the  
84 ultimate proof that a substance is released into the environment in significant quantities and  
85 possesses PMOC properties is its presence in environmental water samples far from potential  
86 points of emissions.

87 The aim of the present study was thus to screen for PMOCs of concern in selected water  
88 samples from three European countries. The target analytes were primarily chosen from the  
89 list of 936 PMOCs prioritized with regard to expected emissions (Schulze et al. 2018).

90 Enrichment methods based on solid phase extraction or evaporation as well as instrumental  
91 methods based on MMLC (Montes et al. 2017), HILIC (Zahn et al. submitted), or SFC were

92 employed, as well as two RPLC-based separation methods. Target chemical analytical  
93 methods were used (rather than HRMS-based suspect screening) for two reasons. 1) PMOCs  
94 are not expected to be sufficiently retained on a generic RPLC-based separation column  
95 (Reemtsma et al. 2016). 2) We intended to screen for the PMOCs in surface and groundwater,  
96 rather than in WWTP effluent, to verify their persistence and mobility (i.e. their occurrence  
97 far from primary environmental emission points), and thus we needed methods of utmost  
98 sensitivity. The results of the present study should be used to validate the PMOC and  
99 emission modeling (Arp et al. 2017; Schulze et al. 2018) and to obtain a first picture of the  
100 potential magnitude of the problem of PMOCs in European water cycles.

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## 102 **2. Materials and methods**

### 103 **2.1 Target analytes**

104 A total of 64 target analytes were selected for the present study. Table S1 in the  
105 supplementary data shows the structures and CAS registry numbers of all analytes and lists  
106 the suppliers and purities of the commercial standards. The majority of these analytes (54  
107 substances) originated from the top 300 substances on the list of modeled PMOCs ranked  
108 according to their expected emission potential (Table S1 in the supplementary data in Schulze  
109 et al. 2018). The selection of the 54 target analytes was based on the prerequisites of  
110 availability of chemical standards and amenability to at least one of the employed  
111 instrumental methods (see section 2.4). Additionally, substances were excluded if they were  
112 assessed to be non-persistent or volatile by expert judgement. The remaining ten target  
113 analytes were ID-2, -22, -32, -37, -38, -41, -43, -49, -52, and -59 (Table S1). They were  
114 chosen based on knowledge or suspicion of their occurrence in environmental water samples  
115 (e.g. Stüber and Reemtsma 2004; Landesamt für Natur, Umwelt und Verbraucherschutz NRW  
116 2015; Scheurer et al. 2016; Montes et al. 2017).

117 ChemAxon (JChem for Office, JChem for Excel) was used to estimate substance properties,  
118 as the studied chemicals are within its application domain (personal communication with D.  
119 Szisz, ChemAxon). The majority of the selected analytes (44) are highly hydrophilic  
120 compounds with a negative  $\log D$  value at pH 7 (Table S1). Among the analytes there were 26  
121 compounds possessing acidic properties, with either a carboxylic, sulfonic, sulfuric or  
122 phosphonic acid moiety (strongest acidic  $pK_a$  between -4.6 and 5.5) and 35 compounds  
123 possessing basic properties (strongest basic  $pK_a$  between 2.4 and 10.7) (ChemAxon). Stock  
124 standard solutions of analytes were prepared in acetonitrile, acetonitrile:water (50:50) or  
125 water (depending on solubility) at  $1 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$  and stored at  $-20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . Aliquots of the stock  
126 standard solutions were combined to obtain standard mixture solutions, which were  
127 subsequently diluted with acetonitrile or water depending on the chromatographic system to  
128 be used (see section 2.4).

## 129 **2.2 Samples**

130 The 14 water samples analyzed in the present study were grab samples obtained from  
131 different locations in Germany (DE, country code used in sample names), Spain (ES), and  
132 The Netherlands (NL). They consisted of surface water (SW, 7 samples), groundwater (GW,  
133 4), bank filtrate (BF, 1), as well as reverse osmosis concentrate (ROC, 1) and permeate (ROP,  
134 1) from a full-scale pilot plant for drinking water production. The samples were taken in 2016  
135 and stored for up to six weeks at  $+4 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  in the dark until analysis. Details on all samples are  
136 given in Table S2 and Figure S1 in the supplementary data.

## 137 **2.3 Sample preparation**

138 Chemical analysis of all samples was performed in parallel in three different labs with  
139 complementary instrumental techniques. A number of sample preparation methods were used  
140 in each lab, which are briefly described individually hereafter. In total 8 different sample  
141 preparation techniques (denoted as *Enrichment I-VIII*) were developed, using spike and  
142 recovery experiments at PMOC concentrations in the  $\text{ng L}^{-1}$  to  $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  range in surface and



143 drinking water. Materials, chemicals, and instrumentation used in the different enrichments  
144 are listed in Table S3 in the supplementary data.

145 *Enrichment I.* The water sample was filtered through a 0.45  $\mu\text{m}$  cellulose filter and an aliquot  
146 of 100 mL was submitted to a mixed-mode weak anion exchange (WAX) solid phase  
147 extraction (SPE) cartridge. The cartridge was previously conditioned with 5 mL of 2 % formic  
148 acid in methanol and 5 mL of Milli-Q water. After sample loading the cartridge was dried and  
149 analytes were eluted with 10 mL of 5 % ammonia in methanol. The extract was evaporated to  
150 dryness and the residues were reconstituted in 200  $\mu\text{L}$  of Milli-Q water:acetonitrile (90:10).  
151 Finally, the extract was filtered through a 0.22  $\mu\text{m}$  PP filter. For more details see Montes et al.  
152 (manuscript).

153 *Enrichment II.* Identical to *Enrichment I* but employing a mixed-mode weak cation exchange  
154 (WCX) SPE cartridge previously conditioned with 5 mL of 5 % ammonia in methanol and 5  
155 mL of Milli-Q water. Elution of the analytes was performed with 10 mL of 2 % formic acid in  
156 methanol (Montes et al., manuscript).

157 *Enrichment III.* A multi-layer SPE cartridge (3 mL) was prepared by filling in (from bottom  
158 to top) 60 mg ( $\pm 5$  mg) of graphitized carbon black (GCB), 60 mg ( $\pm 5$  mg) of WCX bulk  
159 material, and 60 mg ( $\pm 5$  mg) of WAX bulk material, separated by polyethylene frits. The  
160 cartridge was conditioned with 1 mL 5 % ammonia in methanol, 1 mL 2 % formic acid in  
161 methanol, 1 mL methanol, and 3 mL deionized water. The water sample was filtered through a  
162 glass fiber filter and the pH was adjusted to  $5.5 \pm 0.1$  with formic acid or ammonium  
163 hydroxide. An aliquot of 100 mL was passed through the cartridge. The cartridge was dried  
164 and elution was performed with 3 mL 5 % ammonia in methanol, 3 mL 2 % formic acid in  
165 methanol, and 1.5 mL methanol:dichloromethane (80:20). The combined extracts were  
166 evaporated to dryness and the residues were reconstituted in 500  $\mu\text{L}$  of acetonitrile:water  
167 (95:5). Finally, the extract was filtered through a 0.2  $\mu\text{m}$  cellulose syringe filter. For more  
168 details see Köke et al. (2018).

169 *Enrichment IV.* An aliquot of 10 mL of the unfiltered sample was evaporated to dryness at  
170 45°C and 9 mbar. The residues were reconstituted in 500 µL of acetonitrile:water (95:5) and  
171 the extract was filtered through a 0.2 µm cellulose syringe filter (Köke et al. 2018).

172 *Enrichment V.* The water sample was filtered through a glass fiber filter. An aliquot of 50 mL  
173 was adjusted to pH 2 (with 0.02 M Glycin/HCl buffer) and submitted automatically to a WAX  
174 SPE cartridge. The cartridge was previously conditioned with 3 mL methanol and 3 mL  
175 ultrapure water. After sample loading the cartridge was washed with 4 mL 2 % formic acid in  
176 ultrapure water (discarded) and the analytes were eluted with 4 mL methanol and 4 mL 5 %  
177 ammonia in methanol. The combined extracts were evaporated to dryness and the residues  
178 were reconstituted in 1 mL ultrapure water for *Chromatography C<sub>1</sub>/C<sub>2</sub>* or in 1 mL  
179 acetonitrile:ultrapure water (90:10) for *Chromatography D<sub>1</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>* (see section 2.4). Finally, the  
180 extract was filtered through glass wool in the tip of a Pasteur pipette.

181 *Enrichment VI.* Identical to *Enrichment V* but employing a strong mixed-mode cation  
182 exchange (MCX) SPE cartridge.

183 *Enrichment VII.* Identical to *Enrichment V* with the following modifications. An aliquot of 50  
184 mL was adjusted to pH 7 (with 0.02 M phosphate buffer) and submitted automatically to a  
185 highly retentive non-polar SPE phase (ENV+) previously conditioned with 3 mL methanol  
186 and 3 mL ultrapure water. After sample loading the cartridge was washed with 2 mL  
187 methanol:ultrapure water (5:95, discarded) and the analytes were eluted with 4 mL methanol.

188 *Enrichment VIII.* Identical to *Enrichment V* with the following modifications. An aliquot of 50  
189 mL was adjusted to pH 12 (with 0.02 M Glycin/NaOH buffer) and submitted automatically to  
190 a graphitized non-porous carbon SPE phase (ENVI-Carb) previously conditioned with 5 mL  
191 methanol:dichloromethane (20:80), 2 mL methanol, and 5 mL ultrapure water. After sample  
192 loading the cartridge was washed with 5 mL ultrapure water (discarded) and the analytes were  
193 eluted with 4 mL methanol, 2 mL methanol:dichloromethane (20:80), and 4 mL 2 % formic  
194 acid in methanol:dichloromethane (20:80).

## 195 2.4 Instrumental analyses

196 In total 4 different, complementary instrumental analytical techniques (denoted as  
197 *Chromatography A-D*) were used. *Chromatography C* and *D* were performed with two  
198 different separation columns each (*Chromatography C<sub>1</sub>/C<sub>2</sub>* and *Chromatography D<sub>1</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>*,  
199 respectively). Chemicals and instrumentation used in the different instrumental analytical  
200 techniques are listed in Table S4, the gradient profiles for all separation methods are shown in  
201 Figure S2, and mass spectrometric parameters are listed in Tables S5A-D (for  
202 *Chromatography A-D*, respectively) in the supplementary data.

203 *Chromatography A* was used with extracts from *Enrichments I and II*. *Chromatography A*  
204 consisted of mixed-mode liquid chromatography (MMLC, Thermo Acclaim Trinity P1  
205 column) coupled to triple quadrupole tandem mass spectrometry (MS/MS) (Table S4).  
206 Aliquots of 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of the sample extracts were injected. MMLC separation was performed at a  
207 flow rate of 200  $\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$  using a water-acetonitrile gradient buffered with ammonium acetate  
208 at pH 5.5 (Figure S2). The mass spectrometer was operated in positive and negative  
209 electrospray ionization (ESI) and in the multiple reaction monitoring (MRM) mode, acquiring  
210 two transitions for each analyte (Table S5A).

211 *Chromatography B* was used with extracts from *Enrichments III and IV*. *Chromatography B*  
212 consisted of hydrophilic interaction liquid chromatography (HILIC, Waters Acquity BEH  
213 Amide column) coupled to MS/MS (Table S4). Aliquots of 5  $\mu\text{L}$  of the sample extracts were  
214 injected. HILIC separation was performed at a flow rate of 500  $\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$  using an acetonitrile-  
215 water gradient buffered with ammonium formate (Figure S2). The mass spectrometer was  
216 operated in positive and negative ESI and in the scheduled MRM mode, acquiring two to  
217 three transitions for each analyte (Table S5B).

218 *Chromatography C<sub>1</sub>/C<sub>2</sub>* was used with extracts from *Enrichments V-VIII*. *Chromatography C<sub>1</sub>*  
219 consisted of  $\text{C}_{18}$ -based liquid chromatography (Waters Acquity UPLC HSS T3 column) and  
220 *Chromatography C<sub>2</sub>* consisted of porous graphitic carbon-based liquid chromatography

221 (Thermo Hypercarb column). Both these RPLC-techniques were coupled to MS/MS (Table  
222 S4). Aliquots of 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of the sample extracts were injected. Separation for *Chromatography*  
223  $C_1$  was performed at 60  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  at a flow rate of 500  $\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$  using a water-methanol gradient  
224 containing 5 mM ammonium formate (Figure S2). Separation for *Chromatography*  $C_2$  was  
225 performed at 50  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  at a flow rate of 250  $\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$  using a water-acetonitrile gradient  
226 containing 0.1 % diethylamine (Figure S2). The mass spectrometer was operated in  
227 positive/negative ESI switching and in the scheduled MRM mode, typically acquiring two  
228 transitions for each analyte (Table S5C).

229 *Chromatography*  $D_1/D_2$  was used with extracts from *Enrichments V-VIII*. *Chromatography*  
230  $D_1/D_2$  consisted of supercritical fluid chromatography (SFC, Waters Acuity UPC<sup>2</sup> BEH ( $D_1$ )  
231 or Waters Torus Diol ( $D_2$ ) column) coupled to high resolution quadrupole time-of-flight MS  
232 (HRMS) (Table S4). Aliquots of 5  $\mu\text{L}$  of the sample extracts were injected. Separation was  
233 performed at 55  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  at a flow rate of 1500  $\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$  using a carbon dioxide-methanol/water  
234 gradient containing 0.2 % ammonium hydroxide in the methanol/water co-solvent (Figure  
235 S2). A methanol/water make-up flow at 300  $\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$  containing 0.1 % formic acid was used  
236 for transferring the column effluent into the mass spectrometer. The HRMS instrument was  
237 operated in positive and negative ESI and full scan mode ( $m/z$  50 to 600). A mass tolerance of  
238 5 ppm was used when extracting high resolution mass chromatograms of the analytes (Table  
239 S5D).

## 240 **2.5 Method performance evaluation and concentration estimations**

241 Method performance evaluation had the main purpose to prevent false positive results and to  
242 allow for semi-quantitative concentration estimations. It consisted of the determination of  
243 instrumental blanks, instrumental detection limits (IDLs), retention time repeatability,  
244 procedural blanks, and estimation of method detection limits (MDLs). A full method  
245 validation was not envisaged, as highly variable compound-specific and sample-specific  
246 apparent recoveries (i.e. combination of extraction recovery and matrix effect) hampered

247 proper quantification in this multi-chemical screening approach. It is thus important to keep in  
248 mind that all concentrations given in the present study are semi-quantitative estimates. Details  
249 on how method evaluation (including procedural blank experiments and determination of  
250 MDLs) and semi-quantitative concentration estimation were performed are given in the  
251 supplementary data (page S24).

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### 253 **3. Results and discussion**

#### 254 **3.1 Performance of the different enrichment and instrumental methods**

255 The method development targeted at analytical methods encompassing a maximum number of  
256 PMOCs, rather than optimization of parameters for certain analytes. Since the 64 targeted  
257 PMOCs widely varied in their properties (functional groups, molecular weight,  $\log D$ ,  $pK_a$ ), a  
258 number of complementary analytical methods were required to cover the large range of  
259 analytes.

##### 260 **3.1.1 Separation methods, instrumental blanks, and instrumental detection limits**

261 Four principally different instrumental separation methods (section 2.4) were developed and  
262 compared for the analysis of the 64 selected PMOCs. The separation methods comprised  
263 MMLC, HILIC, RPLC, and SFC. In contrast to MMLC and HILIC, which were used with  
264 one separation column each, two different column types were tested for both RPLC and SFC  
265 (see 2.4). A total of 57 compounds were amenable to at least two separation methods, i.e.  
266 leading to a distinct chromatographic signal in two MRM transitions (Tables S5A-C) or, in  
267 case of HRMS data, in two extracted high resolution mass chromatograms (usually the quasi-  
268 molecular ion and a fragment at higher collision energy, Table S5D). The remaining 7  
269 compounds could only be analyzed by one separation method each, i.e. 3 by HILIC (bis(2-  
270 dimethylaminoethyl)ether (ID-7), pyrazole (ID-49), 5-chloro-2-methylaniline (ID-59)), 3 by  
271 RPLC (gluconate (ID-1), 1,5-naphthalenedisulfonic acid (ID-8), phenylphosphonic acid (ID-  
272 27)), and 1 by SFC (1,3,5-triallyl-1,3,5-triazinane-2,4,6-trione (ID-55)). Retention time

273 repeatability was excellent (max. +/- 0.1 min) for all PMOCs in all separation methods (Table  
274 S6).

275 The instrumental detection limits (IDLs) for all PMOCs with the different instrumental  
276 methods are listed in Table S7. Almost all PMOCs (60 out of 64) could be sensitively  
277 detected (single digit pg to sub pg injected) with at least one of the tested instrumental  
278 methods. The good sensitivity is facilitated by the high polarity of PMOCs, which  
279 consequently tend to readily ionize in the ESI-source. Exceptions were bis(2-  
280 dimethylaminoethyl)ether (ID-7, with an IDL of 0.13 ng injected), pyrazole (ID-49, IDL 0.5  
281 ng), 1,3,5-triallyl-1,3,5-triazinane-2,4,6-trione (ID-55, IDL 0.013 ng), and 2,6-dimethylaniline  
282 (ID-56, IDL 0.012 ng), for which higher IDLs were found. These four PMOCs were all  
283 substances that were detected in positive ESI mode based on amine groups. Reasons for their  
284 relatively high IDLs were poor ionization efficiency and/or poor fragmentation (in MRM).  
285 Furthermore, the following analytes suffered from elevated IDLs due to instrumental blank  
286 contamination: Methyl sulfate (ID-14), 4-hydroxy-1-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2,2,6,6,-  
287 tetramethylpiperidine (ID-17), *N*-(3-(dimethylamino)-propyl)methacrylamide (ID-29),  
288 dicyclohexyl sulfosuccinate (ID-47), 1,3-diphenylguanidine (ID-52), 3,5-di-*tert*-butylsalicylic  
289 acid (ID-54), 1,3-di-*o*-tolylguanidine (ID-58), and tri-(2-chloroisopropyl)phosphate (ID-63).

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### 291 **3.1.2 Retention of PMOCs in the different separation systems**

292 One challenge with highly mobile substances is to retain (and separate) them in a  
293 chromatographic system (Reemtsma et al. 2016). Certain retention is, however, mandatory in  
294 order to minimize matrix effects in ionization and to facilitate quantification. Table S8 and  
295 Figure S3 show the retention factors  $k'$  of the PMOCs (i.e. their retention relative to the dead  
296 time of the system) for the different methods. HILIC and RPLC show a clear trend of low  
297 retention, i.e. early elution for many PMOCs. However, while RPLC shows early elution  
298 especially for PMOCs with a very low  $\log D$  value, HILIC shows an opposite trend (Figure

299 S4). In MMLC the retention factors of the PMOCs cover a wide range including very late  
300 elution ( $k' > 30$ , predominantly for sulfonic acids), despite a steep gradient profile (though  
301 ending at 80 % organic mobile phase, Figure S2). The SFC methods (*Chromatography D<sub>1</sub>*  
302 *and D<sub>2</sub>*) show moderate retention for most PMOCs, which is a favorable compromise in terms  
303 of separation from matrix components and time efficient chromatography. A strong positive  
304 relationship of  $k'$  values and calculated  $\log D$  values of the substances was observed in RPLC-  
305 HSST3 (*Chromatography C<sub>1</sub>*), whereas this relationship was weaker (and partly negative) for  
306 the other separation techniques (Figure S4). In conclusion, RPLC is generally only applicable  
307 to PMOCs with moderate polarity ( $\log D > 0$ , Reemtsma et al. 2016). PMOCs with  $\log D < 0$   
308 should be analyzed with alternative methods such as HILIC, MMLC, or SFC (Figure S4),  
309 whereby the MMLC method used in the present study was inefficient for many sulfonic acids  
310 (long retention times). SFC showed moderate retention and very narrow signals for most of  
311 the investigated PMOCs but has the drawback that it cannot be performed on a conventional  
312 LC system.

### 313 3.1.3 Evaluation of the analytical methods

314 Enrichment of mobile substances from water samples is another challenge in PMOC analysis  
315 (Reemtsma et al. 2016). A total of 8 different enrichment methods (section 2.3) were tested in  
316 specific combinations with the instrumental methods (section 2.4). Table S9 lists the method  
317 combinations that were successfully applied for analysis of the different target PMOCs. For  
318 seven of the 64 PMOCs (gluconate (ID-1), 1,1,4,7,7-pentamethyl-diethylenetriamine (ID-11),  
319 3-mercapto-1-propanesulfonic acid (ID-19), phenylphosphonic acid (ID-27), pyrazole (ID-  
320 49), 5-chloro-2-methylaniline (ID-59), and N1-isopropyl-N4-phenylbenzene-1,4-diamine (ID-  
321 64)) none of the tested method combinations worked. These seven PMOCs could thus not be  
322 analyzed in the present study and are not discussed further. All in all 20 different  
323 combinations of enrichment and instrumental methods were tested and used for environmental  
324 water analysis (Table S9 and Figure S5). None of the method combinations was applicable to

325 more than 24 of the investigated PMOCs (Figure S5), which demonstrates the  
326 complementarity of the methods. Nevertheless, there were distinct differences in the  
327 broadness of applicability. *Enrichments III* and *IV* (multi-layer SPE and evaporation, both in  
328 combination with HILIC) and *Enrichment VII* (ENV+ SPE, in combination with RPLC or  
329 SFC) were the enrichment methods capturing most PMOCs. Multi-layer SPE methods have  
330 also earlier been used successfully in environmental water analysis for a variety of polar  
331 micropollutants (Huntscha et al. 2012). On the other hand, *Enrichment VI* (MCX) was only  
332 successful for few PMOCs in the present study. MCX is a strong reversed-phase mixed-mode  
333 cation-exchange polymer. Some cationic analytes may have sorbed too strongly on this  
334 polymer to be eluted with the chosen elution method. In terms of separation methods,  
335 *Chromatography C<sub>2</sub>* (RPLC with Hypercarb column) showed a comparatively poor  
336 performance. It worked well for standard chemicals, but many signals broadened significantly  
337 in the presence of sample matrix, preventing this method from a broad applicability range  
338 among the selected target PMOCs (Figure S5).

#### 339 **3.1.4 Procedural blanks and method detection limits**

340 The estimated method detection limits (MDLs) for all PMOCs applying the developed  
341 methods (i.e. combinations of enrichment and instrumental methods) are listed in Table S9.  
342 They were generally in the low to sub ng L<sup>-1</sup> range, but covered overall five orders of  
343 magnitude (0.02 to 2000 ng L<sup>-1</sup>) for the different PMOCs and methods. Also for some  
344 individual PMOCs the MDLs of different methods varied considerably. It is important to note  
345 that the MDLs were not only dependent on the enrichment and separation methods, but also  
346 on the employed MS instrument and on the presence (or absence) of procedural blank  
347 contamination. A total of 29 investigated PMOCs seem to be widely dispersed water  
348 pollutants or contaminants in lab consumables and equipment, as they were detected  
349 repeatedly in procedural blank experiments, leading to correspondingly elevated MDLs.  
350 These compounds were ID-2, -10, -14, -16, -17, -20, -21, -22, -23, -24, -25, -26, -32, -33, -34,



351 -36, -37, -39, -40, -43, -44, -46, -47, -51, -52, -54, -58, -61, and -63. No effort was made in the  
352 present study to elucidate or eliminate the source(s) of the procedural blank contaminations.

### 353 **3.2 Detection frequencies in target screening of environmental water samples**

354 All developed method combinations were applied to 14 water samples (section 2.2 and Table  
355 S2) to screen for the 57 PMOCs amenable to at least one of the methods (see 3.1.3). The  
356 samples comprised surface water, groundwater, and bank filtrate as well as reverse osmosis  
357 concentrate and permeate. In total 43 PMOCs (75 % of the investigated substances) were  
358 detected above their MDL in at least one sample with at least one of the applied methods  
359 (Figure 1). Figure 1 shows the detection frequency for the individual PMOCs in the 14  
360 samples including information on the number of underlying principally different separation  
361 methods (*Chromatography A-D*). Of the 43 detected PMOCs, 21 were found in at least 50 %  
362 of the samples and often at relatively high concentrations (Figure S6 and section 3.3 below).  
363 Chromatography method-specific detection frequencies are listed in Table S10, underpinning  
364 the complementarity of the employed separation methods in analysis of the target PMOCs.  
365 The most important detected PMOCs are discussed in section 3.4 below.

### 366 **3.3 Concentration estimates**

367 Concentrations of the detected PMOCs in the water samples were estimated according to  
368 section 2.5. They need to be considered as semi-quantitative estimates. Since extraction  
369 recoveries and matrix effects (suppression more common than enhancement) were not taken  
370 into account, it can be assumed that the estimated concentrations are mostly underestimations.  
371 Figure 2 shows boxplots of estimated concentrations of selected PMOCs in the water samples.  
372 The selection of PMOCs for Figure 2 was based on the quality criteria that the substance was  
373 detected by more than one method and that the estimated concentrations by the different  
374 methods for a given sample were consistent (i.e. typically within one order of magnitude, then  
375 averaged over all methods in Figure 2). Furthermore, Figure S6 depicts the maximum

376 estimated concentration (gray shade) for all detected PMOCs together with the frequency of  
377 detection.

378 Some PMOCs were detected in the high  $\text{ng L}^{-1}$  up to  $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  range (Figure 2 and Figure S6).  
379 Of the PMOCs shown in Figure 2, these were notably ID-13 (acesulfame), ID-25 (sulfanilic  
380 acid), ID-26 (melamine), ID-33 (trifluoromethanesulfonic acid), ID-37 (cyanoguanidine), ID-  
381 39 (*p*-toluenesulfonic acid), ID-40 (saccharine), ID-44 (dimethylbenzenesulfonic acid), and  
382 ID-45(benzyl dimethylamine). It is noteworthy that a high frequency of detection did not  
383 necessarily go along with high concentrations. An example is ametryn (ID-61), which was  
384 detected in 11 samples, but at a low maximum concentration (Figure 2).

### 385 **3.4 Discussion of detected PMOCs**

386 All of the 43 detected PMOCs were industrial chemicals registered under REACH with  
387 calculated  $\log D$  values at pH 7 ranging between -5.6 and 3.4 (average -1.9, ChemAxon).  
388 Their uses cover many different fields of application, including coating products, inks and  
389 paints, adhesives and sealants, water treatment products, leather and textile treatment  
390 products, cosmetics and personal care products, vulcanization or polymerization processes,  
391 and processing aids in other applications (Table 1). Also the tonnages manufactured in and/or  
392 imported into the European Union vary widely. They range from single digit up to hundred  
393 thousands of tons (Table 1, ECHA 2018).

394 The detected PMOCs were categorized according to two criteria: Frequency of detection and  
395 level of awareness as environmental water pollutants (Figure 3 and Table 1). PMOCs that  
396 were detected in at least half of the samples ( $\geq 7$  samples) were placed in the category “high  
397 frequency of detection”, other detected PMOCs were placed in the category “low frequency  
398 of detection”. For the awareness criterion, three categories were made based on a literature  
399 search using Google Scholar including the substance name (IUPAC or trivial name) and the  
400 search terms ‘environment’, ‘surface water’, ‘groundwater’, or ‘drinking water’. The three  
401 categories were “novel” PMOCs, i.e. substances that have not been reported as environmental

402 water pollutants so far, “scarcely investigated” PMOCs, i.e. substances for which very few  
403 reports on environmental occurrence exist (often only from industrial sites or waste water  
404 treatment effluents), and “well-known” PMOCs, for which ample literature data exist. This  
405 categorization allows a prioritization of the detected PMOCs for future investigations as  
406 indicated in Figure 3, with PMOCs in the top left corner having the highest priority (priority  
407 1), followed by PMOCs in the top middle (priority 2), PMOCs in the bottom left corner  
408 (priority 3), and so forth. The PMOCs in the two top priority categories are shown with their  
409 structures in Figure 3 and shortly discussed individually in the following sub-sections, while  
410 all detected PMOCs are presented in Table 1.

### 411 **3.4.1 Priority 1 PMOCs**

412 **Methyl sulfate** (ID-14) as a relatively small surfactant was detected in surface and  
413 groundwater samples primarily from The Netherlands at levels up to the high  $\text{ng L}^{-1}$  range.  
414 The present study is the first report on the occurrence of methyl sulfate in the environment.

415 **2-Acrylamino-2-methylpropane sulfonate** (ID-16) was one of several sulfonic  
416 acids/sulfonates frequently detected in the present study. This compound was typically found  
417 in the range of  $1\text{-}10 \text{ ng L}^{-1}$ , but occasionally also exceeding  $100 \text{ ng L}^{-1}$ . ID-16 was detected in  
418 every analyzed sample type. The occurrence of ID-16 in environmental waters is reported  
419 here for the first time.

420 **Benzyltrimethylammonium** (ID-23), a permanently charged quaternary ammonium cation,  
421 and **benzyl dimethylamine** (ID-45) are two PMOCs with similar basic structures that were  
422 frequently detected here for the first time. They were both primarily found in surface water,  
423 but in single cases also in groundwater samples. ID-23 was detected in single digit  $\text{ng L}^{-1}$   
424 concentrations while ID-45 occurred in up to several hundreds of  $\text{ng L}^{-1}$ .

425 **Trifluoromethanesulfonic acid** (TFMSA, ID-33) was found in all analyzed samples with the  
426 exception of the reverse osmosis permeate and at levels up to the  $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  range (Figure 2).  
427 TFMSA could be analyzed by all of the separation methods (Table S9), even though the

428 retention in HILIC and RPLC was poor (Table S8). We have chosen to categorize TFMSA as  
429 “novel” since we are the only ones so far who have reported on the occurrence of TFMSA in  
430 environmental water samples (Zahn et al. 2016; Montes et al. 2017, in another context and in  
431 other samples from the same larger collaborative study). TFMSA belongs to the group of  
432 short-chain perfluoroalkane sulfonic acids. Other short-chain perfluoroalkyl acids, such as  
433 trifluoroacetic acid, have already been found in drinking water (Mak et al. 2009; Janda et al.  
434 2018).

435 **6-Methyl-1,3,5-triazine-diamine** (acetoguanamine, ID-42) was detected in all of the 7  
436 surface water samples at concentrations typically around or below  $10 \text{ ng L}^{-1}$  (Figure 2). To the  
437 best of our knowledge the presence of acetoguanamine in environmental water samples is  
438 reported here for the first time.

439 **1,3-Di-*o*-tolylguanidine** (DTG, ID-58) was detected in all 14 analyzed samples (in 11  
440 samples with at least two methods, Figure 1) at estimated concentrations typically around  $10$   
441  $\text{ng L}^{-1}$  (Figure 2). Likewise TFMSA (ID-33), so far only our reports exist on the presence of  
442 DTG in surface water, groundwater, and drinking water (present study and Montes et al. 2017  
443 with a different sample set).

#### 444 **3.4.2 Priority 2 PMOCs**

445 **Adamantan-1-amine** (amantadine, ID-32) is a pharmaceutical used as antiviral (against  
446 influenza A virus) and antiparkinsonian medication. Moreover, amantadine is also a chemical  
447 registered under REACH because of its use as an intermediate in industrial processes (ECHA  
448 2018). Also this PMOC was identified in every sample with the exception of the reverse  
449 osmosis permeate. It has earlier been identified in German municipal effluent water (Möhle  
450 and Metzger 2001).

451 All of the three guanidine derivatives that were analyzed (including DTG discussed above and  
452 DPG discussed below) were detected in the majority of samples. **Cyanoguanidine** (CG, ID-  
453 37) was detected in 8 of the analyzed water samples, i.e. in all 7 surface water samples and in

454 one German groundwater sample (Figure 1) at concentrations exceeding 3000 ng L<sup>-1</sup> (Figure  
455 2). Few studies have previously reported the environmental occurrence of CG. Scheurer and  
456 co-workers detected CG in German surface water in the mg L<sup>-1</sup> range, with an industrial site  
457 as a point source (Scheurer et al. 2016). In surface water samples in a coastal agricultural  
458 catchment from New Zealand CG was quantified with a maximum concentration close to 1  
459 mg L<sup>-1</sup> (Smith and Schallenberg 2013).

460 ***p*-Toluenesulfonic acid** (ID-39) was detected in all 14 samples and at concentrations  
461 exceeding 1000 ng L<sup>-1</sup>. It has earlier been detected in drinking water in the United Kingdom  
462 (Crathorne et al. 1984).

463 The two isomers of **dimethylbenzenesulfonic acid** (ID-44), i.e. xylenesulfonic acid and 2,3-  
464 dimethylbenzenesulfonic acid, were both detected in 13 samples (Figure 1). Only the  
465 reverse osmosis permeate from the Netherlands showed levels <MDL. Betowski and co-  
466 workers have earlier reported on the presence of xylenesulfonic acid in groundwater  
467 (Betowski et al. 1996).

468 Two isomers of the compound **toluenesulfonamide** (ID-51) were detected in 12 out of 14  
469 samples, with the exception of one groundwater sample and the reverse osmosis permeate. In  
470 a study by Richter et al. (2017) with different types of water from Berlin ID-51 was found at  
471 concentrations up to 50 µg L<sup>-1</sup> in wastewater and 0.27 µg L<sup>-1</sup> in drinking water.

472 Likewise DTG, **1,3-diphenylguanidine** (DPG, ID-52) was detected in all 14 analyzed  
473 samples, but at higher estimated concentrations up to 100 ng L<sup>-1</sup> (Figure 2). In an earlier study  
474 on drinking water in China DPG was found at levels up to 0.74 mg L<sup>-1</sup> due to migration from  
475 high density polyethylene pipes (Tang et al. 2015).

### 476 **3.5 Evaluation of the prioritization and analytical strategy**

477 While a number of prioritization approaches for chemicals (based on regulatory databases or  
478 other available datasets) with respect to environmental and/or human exposure and risk have  
479 been published (as reviewed in e.g. Muir and Howard 2006; Bu et al. 2013; Mitchell et al.

480 2013), relatively few chemical analytical studies have been conducted taking direct advantage  
481 of such prioritization exercises (McLachlan et al. 2014; Singer et al. 2016; Sjerps et al. 2016;  
482 Montes et al. 2017; Gago-Ferrero et al. 2018). Nevertheless, monitoring is necessary to  
483 validate the prioritization approaches.

484 The present chemical analytical study builds on a prioritized list of industrial chemicals that  
485 have been modeled to be persistent, mobile, and to possess a high environmental emission  
486 potential (Schulze et al. 2018). Additionally, we used targeted analytical methods with  
487 generally very high sensitivity. Still, several target analytes were not detected in the analyzed  
488 samples. This could be due to one or several of the following uncertainties of our overall  
489 prioritization and analytical strategy. I) The modeling of especially persistence, but also  
490 mobility and emission potential, is tainted with considerable uncertainties, as discussed in  
491 detail in Arp et al. 2017 and in Schulze et al. 2018. II) For some of the target analytes  
492 enrichment from water, chromatographic retention and/or peak shape, or ionization in ESI  
493 was poor, hampering sensitive detection. III) The analyzed water samples were not  
494 representative for all European countries or regions. Some PMOCs may have well defined  
495 points of emission that were not covered by the sampling design.

496 Despite these uncertainties, our overall strategy was highly successful. Among the 54 target  
497 PMOCs selected from the prioritized list in the supplementary data in Schulze et al. 2018  
498 (section 2.1), 49 were amenable to at least one of the developed methods. Out of these 49  
499 substances 35 PMOCs were found in surface and/or groundwater, among them 23 PMOCs  
500 that have not been reported before to occur in environmental waters. The high detection rate  
501 of 71 % (35/49) validates the good accuracy of the modeling and corroborates the strength of  
502 the chosen approach, i.e. a focused prioritization combined with sensitive target analysis.

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504 **4 Conclusions**

505 The present study has validated and proven the strength of the chosen modeling and analytical  
506 approach consisting of a focused prioritization combined with sensitive target chemical  
507 analysis. The developed enrichment and chromatographic methods proved to be useful and  
508 complementary for analysis of PMOCs in water samples. They can be used individually or in  
509 combination with each other to further investigate the occurrence and fate of PMOCs in water  
510 cycles. In the present study 75 % of the analyzed PMOCs were detected in selected water  
511 samples from Germany, Spain and The Netherlands. This high rate of detection together with  
512 the fact that more than 1000 PMOC candidates with an environmental emission potential were  
513 identified only among the substances registered under REACH (Schulze et al. 2018) leads to  
514 the conclusion that there are likely hundreds of so far undiscovered PMOCs present in  
515 environmental waters, threatening the quality of drinking water resources. An important  
516 follow-up study would thus be to use the list published by Schulze et al. (2018) in order to  
517 better characterize the number and identity of PMOCs occurring in environmental waters.  
518 Furthermore, the development of quantitative analytical methods for PMOCs would enable  
519 more detailed fate studies of PMOCs, e.g. investigating the removal in different steps of  
520 drinking water production. Finally, the toxicity of the most abundant of the identified PMOCs  
521 (e.g. TFMSA, CG, and *p*-toluenesulfonic acid occurring in high  $\text{ng L}^{-1}$  up to  $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$   
522 concentrations) needs to be investigated as another important step in PMOC risk assessment.  
523 In this respect, activities are ongoing by national and European authorities to classify  
524 substances according to their persistence, mobility, and toxicity (PMT) properties (Neumann  
525 and Schliebner 2017). The results of the present study inform such activities.

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**Table 1.** PMOCs detected in at least one water sample classified according to their frequency of detection and level of awareness (Figure 3). The underlying analytical methods are listed in Table S9.

Index	Substance name	logD*	CAS no.	Use**	Tonnage/yr**	Literature
<i>Priority 1: Novel and high frequency of detection</i>						
ID-14	Methyl sulfate	-2.84	512-42-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surface active agent</li> <li>• Laboratory chemical</li> </ul>	10 - 100	
ID-16	2-Acrylamino-2-methylpropane sulfonate	-2.71	5165-97-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monomer for polymerization and in hydrogels</li> </ul>	10 000 - 100 000	
ID-23	Benzyltrimethylammonium	-2.24	56-93-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Process regulator, surface active agent</li> <li>• Used in vulcanization or polymerization processes</li> <li>• Removal of charged micropollutants from water by ion exchange polymers</li> </ul>	100 - 1 000	
ID-33	Trifluoromethanesulfonic acid	-1.23	1493-13-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Processing aid, process regulator, laboratory chemical</li> <li>• Used in vulcanization or polymerization processes</li> <li>• Ingredient of ionic liquids</li> </ul>	100 - 1 000	Zahn (2016) Montes (2017)
ID-42	6-Methyl-1,3,5-triazine-diamine	-0.39	542-02-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stabilizer for formaldehyde solutions</li> <li>• Used in the manufacturing of melamine resins, in adhesives and sealants, in the decorative layer of high-pressure laminates</li> </ul>	0 - 10	
ID-45	Benzyl dimethylamine	0.02	103-83-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Process regulator</li> <li>• Used in vulcanization or polymerization processes</li> <li>• Used in binding agents, fixing agents, polymers, adhesives and sealants, and coating products</li> </ul>	100 - 1 000	
ID-58	1,3-Di- <i>o</i> -tolylguanidine	2.25	97-39-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Process regulator</li> <li>• Used in vulcanization or polymerization processes and in rubber products</li> </ul>	100 - 1 000	Montes (2017)
<i>Priority 2: Scarcely investigated and high frequency of detection</i>						
ID-32	Adamantan-1-amine	-1.49	768-94-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intermediate</li> <li>• Antiviral and antiparkinsonian pharmaceutical</li> </ul>	Intermediate	Möhle and Metzger (2001)
ID-37	Cyanoguanidine	-1.03	461-58-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Modifying agent for melamine resins</li> <li>• Processing aid</li> <li>• Used in fertilizers, textile treatment products, and dyes</li> <li>• Used for the manufacture of textile, leather and fur</li> </ul>	10 000 - 100 000	Scheurer et al. (2016) Smith and Schallenberg (2013)
ID-39	<i>p</i> -Toluenesulfonic acid	-0.71	104-15-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Processing aid, process regulator, pH-regulating agent</li> <li>• Used in vulcanization or polymerization processes and in water treatment products</li> </ul>	10 000 - 100 000	Crathorne et al. (1984)

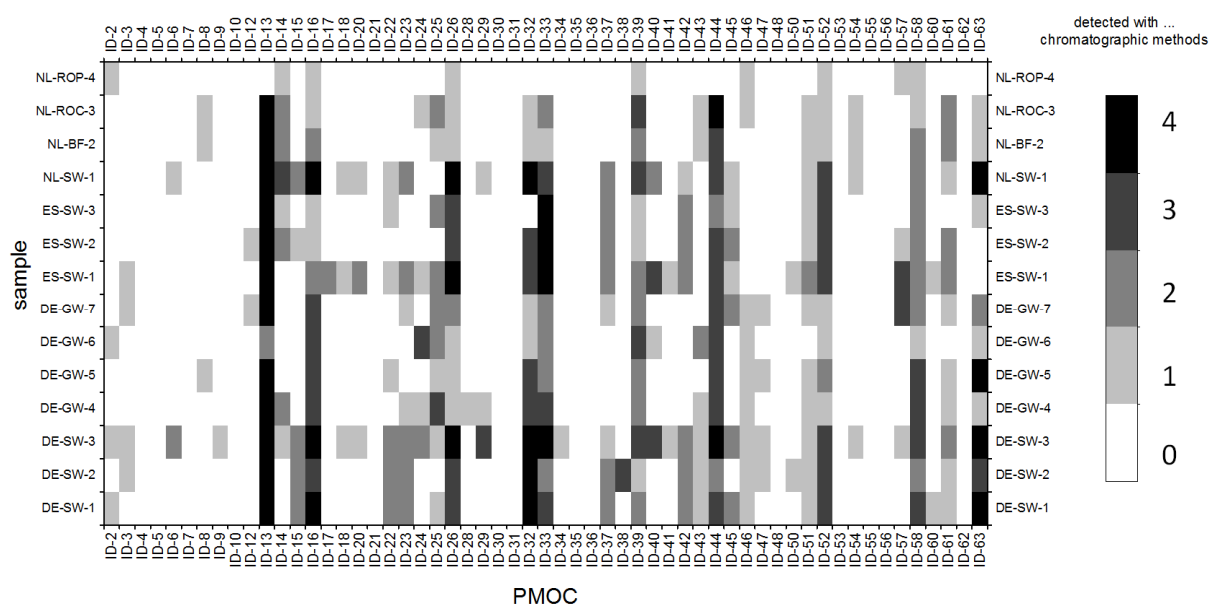
ID-44	Dimethylbenzenesulfonic acid	-0.20	1300-72-7 25321-41-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Process regulator</li> <li>• Used in vulcanization or polymerization processes</li> <li>• pH-regulating agent</li> <li>• Laboratory chemical</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	Betwoski et al. (1996)
ID-51	Toluenesulfonamide	1.09	70-55-3 88-19-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Processing aid, laboratory chemical</li> <li>• Used in polymers</li> </ul>	10 - 100	Richter et al. (2007)
ID-52	1,3-Diphenylguanidine	1.23	102-06-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Process regulator</li> <li>• Used in vulcanization or polymerization processes</li> <li>• In rubber products, polymers, tires, treated wooden products, bridges a.o.</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	Tang et al. (2015)
<i>Priority 3: Novel and low frequency of detection</i>						
ID-2	2-Piperazin-1-ylethylamine	-5.61	140-31-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used in adhesives and sealants</li> <li>• Coating products, fillers, putties, plasters, modelling clay, finger paints and polymers</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	
ID-3	Isophoronediamine	-4.59	2855-13-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adhesives and sealants</li> <li>• Coating products, fillers, putties, plasters, modelling clay</li> <li>• Laboratory chemical</li> </ul>	10 000 - 100 000	
ID-6	Methacrylamido propyl trimethyl ammonium	-3.74	51410-72-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intermediate</li> <li>• Industrial use of monomers for manufacture of thermoplastics</li> </ul>	100 - 1 000	
ID-9	2-[4-(2-hydroxyethyl)-1-piperazinyl]ethanesulfonic acid	-3.25	7365-45-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used in water treatment products, adhesives and sealants, coatings, fillers, putties, plasters, modelling clay, inks, toners, leather and textile treatment products, lubricants, greases, perfumes, fragrances, polishes, waxes, dyes, cosmetics, and personal care products</li> </ul>	100 - 1 000	
ID-12	3-Allyloxy-2-hydroxy-1-propanesulfonic acid	-3.13	52556-42-0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Processing aids at industrial sites</li> <li>• Corrosion inhibitor</li> <li>• Anti-scaling agent</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	
ID-15	1,4-Diazabicyclo-[2.2.2]octane	-2.83	280-57-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Process regulator</li> <li>• Used in vulcanization or polymerization processes</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	
ID-17	4-Hydroxy-1-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2,2,6,6,-tetramethylpiperidine	-2.62	52722-86-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used for the manufacture of chemicals and plastic products</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	
ID-18	Vinylsulfonate	-2.60	3039-83-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plating agents and metal surface treating agents</li> <li>• Surface active agent</li> <li>• Used in metal working fluids</li> </ul>	100 - 1 000	
ID-24	2-Methyl-2-propene-1-sulfonic acid	-2.21	1561-92-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Process regulator</li> <li>• Used in vulcanization or polymerization processes</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used for the manufacture of textile, leather, and fur (water repellent)</li> </ul>		
ID-28	Carbodihydrazide	-1.96	497-18-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Corrosion inhibitor and anti-scaling agent</li> <li>• Used in water treatment chemicals and polymers</li> </ul>	100 - 1 000	
ID-29	<i>N</i> -(3-(Dimethylamino)propyl)methacrylamide	-1.85	5205-93-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used in adhesives and sealants</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	
ID-34	Dimethyl-5-sulfoisophthalate	-1.22	3965-55-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Processing aid</li> <li>• Used for the manufacture of plastic products and chemicals</li> <li>• Used in textile and leather treatment products and dyes, polymers, and non-metal-surface treatment products</li> </ul>	100 - 1 000	
ID-47	Dicyclohexyl sulfosuccinate	0.42	23386-52-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used in adhesives and sealants, coating products and fillers, putties, plasters, modelling clay</li> </ul>	100 - 1 000	
ID-50	4-((4-Aminophenyl)diazenyl)benzene-sulfonic acid	0.36	104-23-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intermediate</li> <li>• Laboratory chemical</li> </ul>	Intermediate	
ID-54	3,5-Di- <i>tert</i> -butylsalicylic acid	1.62	19715-19-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surface active agent</li> <li>• Used in inks and toners, electrical batteries and accumulators</li> </ul>	10 - 100	
ID-60	4,4-Diaminodiphenylmethane	2.40	101-77-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used in lubricants and lubricant additives, polymers, greases</li> </ul>	10 000 - 100 000	
<i>Priority 4: Well-known and high frequency of detection</i>						
ID-13	Acesulfame	-3.06	55589-62-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sweetener</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	Buerge et al. (2009)
ID-22	Cyanuric acid	-2.39	108-80-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water treatment chemical</li> <li>• Used in health services and municipal supply (e.g. electricity, steam, gas, water), in sewage treatment, and in swimming pools for pH control</li> <li>• Used for the manufacture of plastic products</li> </ul>	10 000 - 100 000	Reemtsma et al. (2013)
ID-25	Sulfanilic acid	-2.04	121-47-1 121-57-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• pH regulator</li> <li>• Water treatment product</li> <li>• Laboratory chemical</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	Holm et al. (1995)
ID-26	Melamine	-2.02	108-78-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Production of melamine resins</li> <li>• Used flame retardants, laboratory chemicals, anti-set off and adhesive agents, impregnation agents, coloring agents, dyes, textile treatment products, non-metal-surface treatment products, paper chemicals, pH regulators, water and leather treatment products, and finger paints</li> </ul>	100 000 – 1 000 000	Ruff et al. (2015) Jiang et al. (2015)
ID-43	Naphthalene-1-sulfonic acid	-0.23	85-47-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used in rubbers, pharmaceuticals, pesticides, varnishes and</li> </ul>	no information	Alonso and Barcelo

				dyestuffs	available	(1999)
ID-46	$\epsilon$ -Caprolactam	0.31	105-60-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Processing aid</li> <li>• Used in tanning agents, solvents, impregnation agents, reprographic agents (roners), bleaching agents, inks and toners, plastic products, textile, leather, and fur</li> <li>• Laboratory chemical</li> </ul>	1 000 000 – 10 000 000	Wang et al. (2003)
ID-61	Ametryn	2.57	834-12-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plant protection active substance</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	Lanchote et al. (1999)
ID-63	Tri-(2-chloroisopropyl)phosphate	3.36	13674-84-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flame retardant</li> <li>• Used in adhesives and sealants, coating products, laboratory chemicals, leather treatment products, plastic and rubber products</li> </ul>	0 - 10	Reemtsma et al. (2008) Li et al. (2014)
<i>Priority 5: Scarcely investigated and low frequency of detection</i>						
ID-38	2-Amino-4,5-dichlorobenzenesulfonic acid	-0.84	6331-96-0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intermediate (for paints)</li> </ul>	10 - 100	Landesamt für Umwelt, Wasserwirtschaft und Gewerbeaufsicht Rheinland-Pfalz (2011)
ID-41	1,2,4-Triazole	-0.41	288-88-0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Semiconductors and photovoltaic agents</li> <li>• In fertilizers, forestry, fishing</li> </ul>	1 000 - 10 000	Scheurer et al. (2016)
<i>Priority 6: Well-known and low frequency of detection</i>						
ID-8	1,5-Naphthalenedisulfonic acid	-3.43	81-04-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intermediate</li> </ul>	Intermediate	Knepper et al. (1999)
ID-20	Ethyl sulfate	-2.48	342573-75-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anti-static agent</li> </ul>	Pre-registration process	Mastroianni et al. (2014)
ID-40	Saccharine	-0.49	81-07-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food/feedstuff additive (sweetener)</li> <li>• Used in cosmetics and personal care products, textile treatment products, fur, leather</li> <li>• Pharmaceutical substance</li> </ul>	100 - 1 000	Buerge et al. (2009) Scheurer et al. (2009)
ID-57	Bisphenol S	2.17	80-09-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homologue to BPA</li> <li>• Used in leather treatment products, polymers, coating products, pH regulators, water and textile treatment products, paper chemicals and dyes</li> </ul>	10 000 - 100 000	Yamazaki et al. (2015)

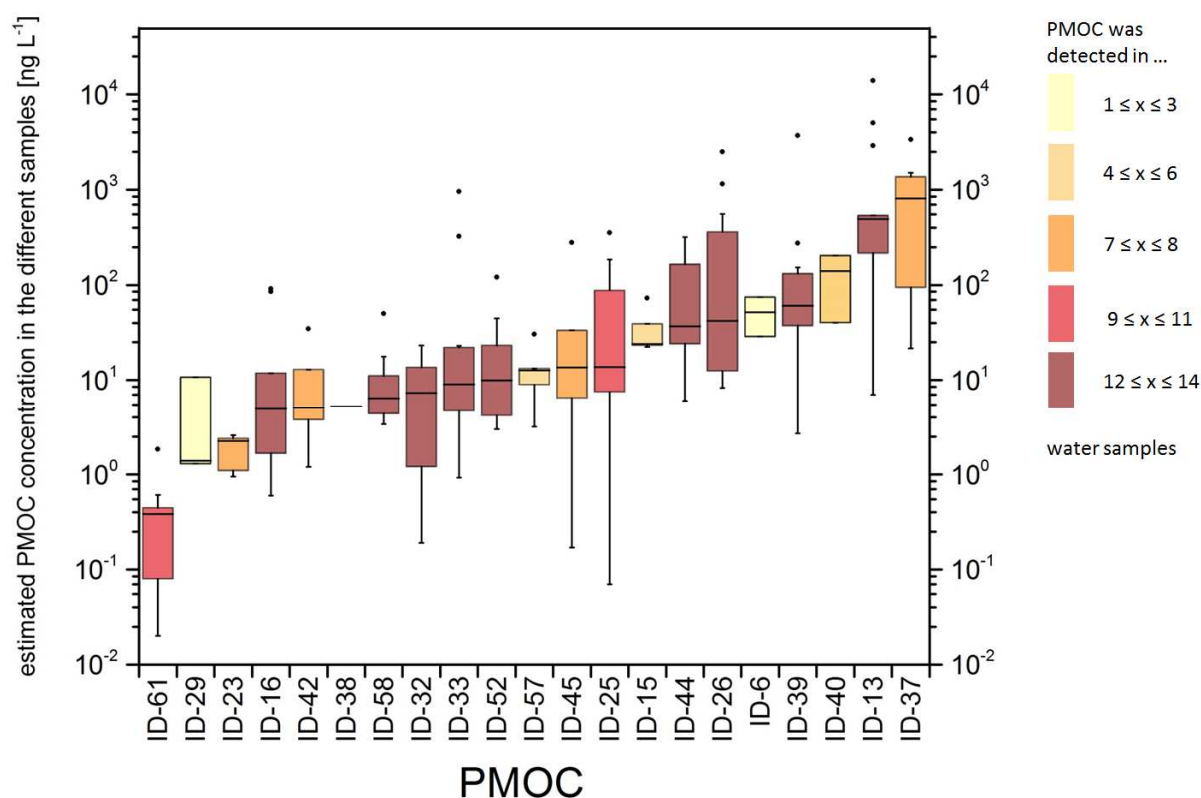
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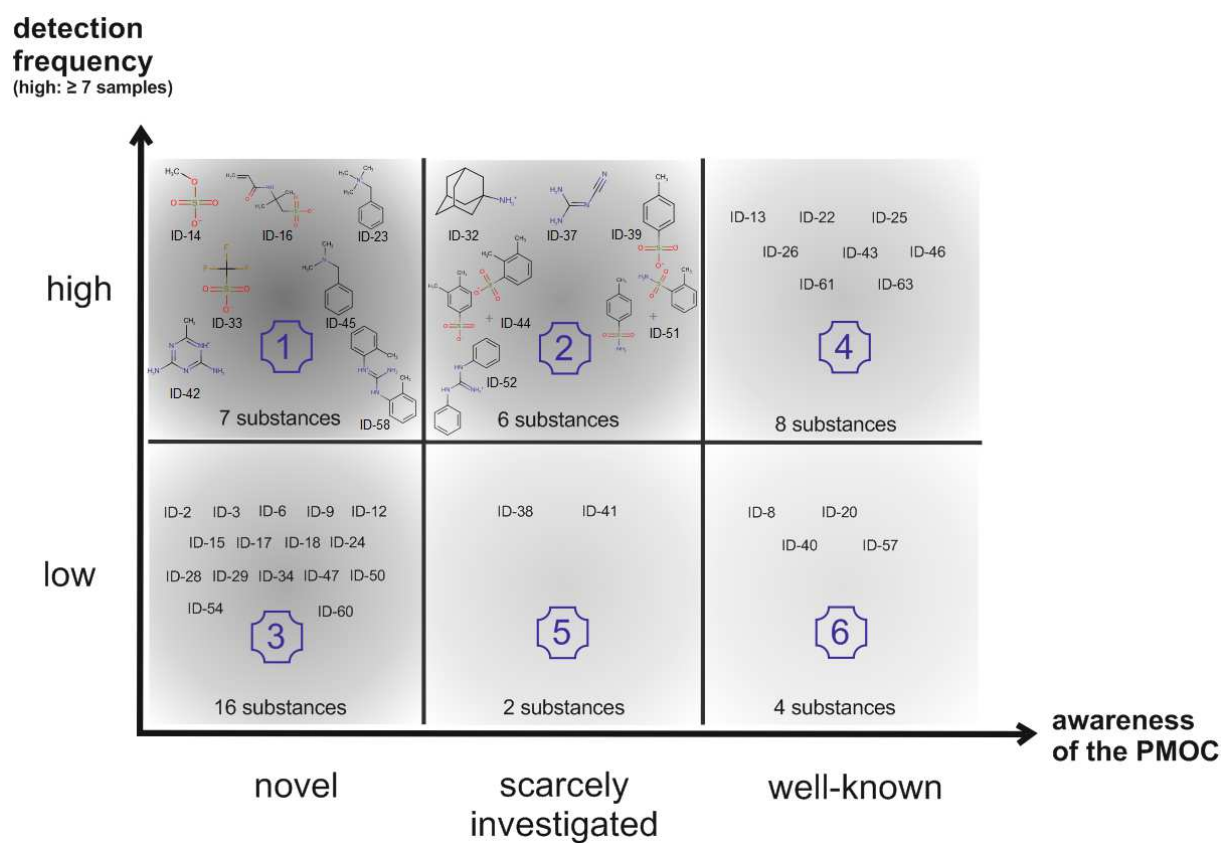


**Figure 1.** Detection frequencies of the target PMOCs in the 14 water samples. The gray shading shows the number of principally different separation methods (*Chromatography A-D*) with which the PMOCs were detected.





**Figure 2.** Estimated concentrations of selected PMOCs in the water samples. The color shading indicates the detection frequency in the 14 samples. The horizontal line marks the median value, the box comprises the interquartile range (IQR), and the whiskers reach to the outmost measuring points that are within 1.5 times the IQR. Dots represent single high concentrations. ID-6: methacrylamido propyl trimethyl ammonium, ID-13: acesulfame, ID-15: 1,4-diazabicyclo-[2.2.2]octane, ID-16: 2-acrylamino-2-methylpropane sulfonate, ID-23: benzyltrimethylammonium, ID-25: sulfanilic acid, ID-26: melamine, ID-29: N-(3-(dimethylamino)-propyl)methacrylamide, ID-32: adamantan-1-amine, ID-33: trifluoromethanesulfonic acid, ID-37: cyanoguanidine. ID-38: 2-amino-4,5-dichlorobenzenesulfonic acid, ID-39: *p*-toluenesulfonic acid, ID-40: saccharine, ID-42: 6-methyl-1,3,5,-triazine-diamine, ID-44: dimethylbenzenesulfonic acid, ID-45: benzyldimethylamine, ID-52: 1,3-diphenylguanidine, ID-57: bisphenol S, ID-58: 1,3-di-*o*-tolylguanidine, ID-61: ametryn.



**Figure 3.** Classification of PMOCs in priority classes (1-6) according to their frequency of detection and level of awareness as environmental water pollutants.

**Highlights**

- Persistent and mobile organic chemicals (PMOCs) occur in drinking water resources
- Innovative methods for analysis of PMOCs in water samples are presented
- 57 PMOCs are selected and analyzed in 14 European water samples
- 43 PMOCs (75 %) are detected, among them 23 for the first time
- PMOC concentrations range up to  $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  in surface and groundwater

## Supplementary Data

### Occurrence of emerging persistent and mobile organic contaminants in European water samples

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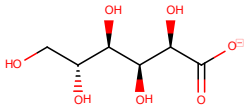
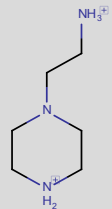
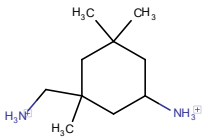
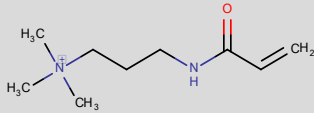
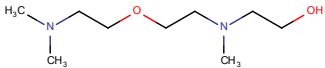
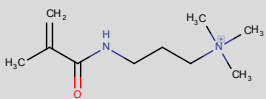
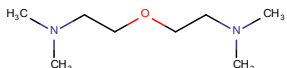
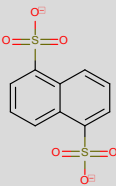
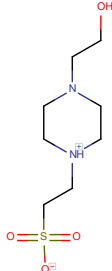
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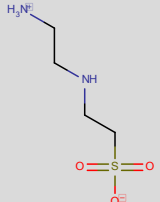
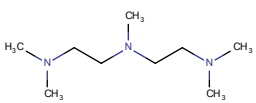
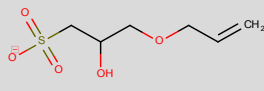
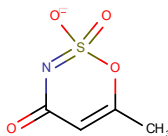
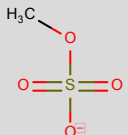
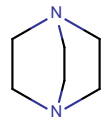
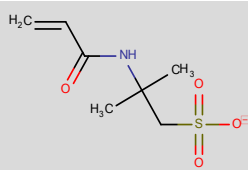
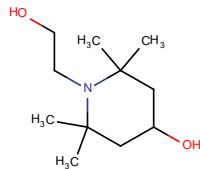
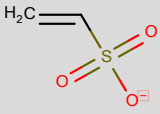
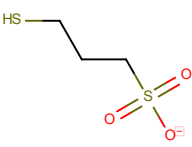
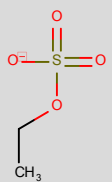
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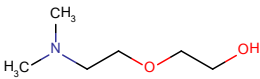

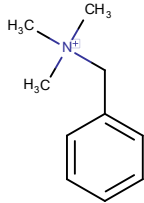
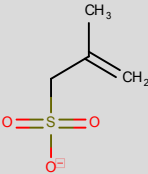
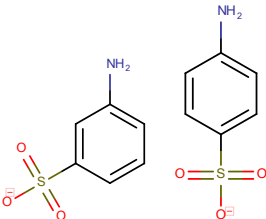
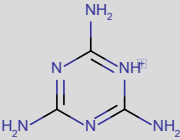
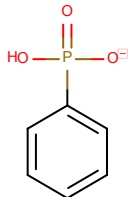
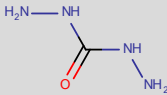
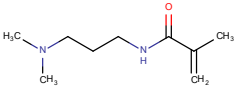
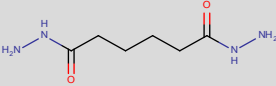
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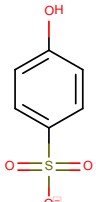
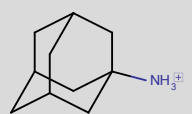
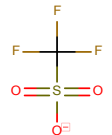
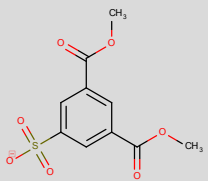
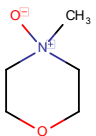
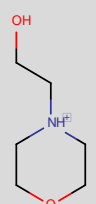
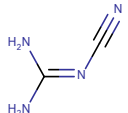
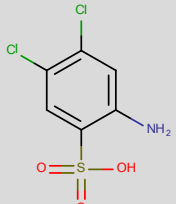
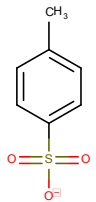
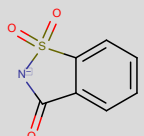
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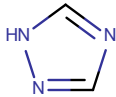
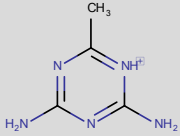
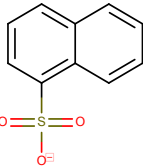
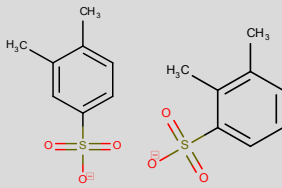
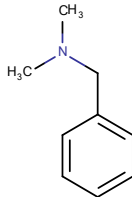
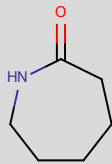
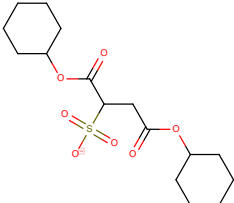
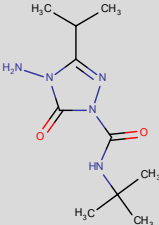
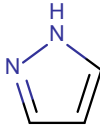
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ID-6	51410-72-1	Methacrylamido propyl trimethyl ammonium (chloride)	-3.74		abcr GmbH	50%
ID-7	3033-62-3	Bis(2-dimethylaminoethyl)ether	-3.57		Alfa Aesar	98%
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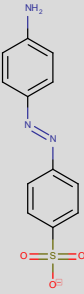
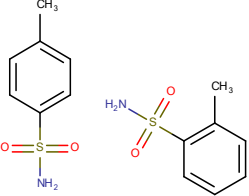
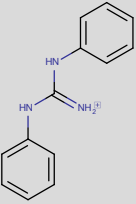
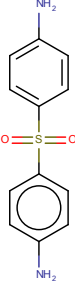
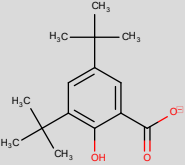
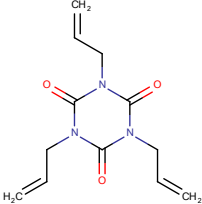
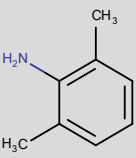
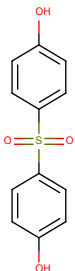
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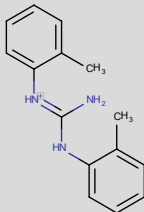
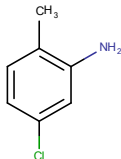
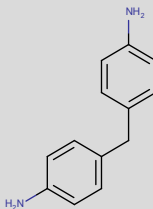
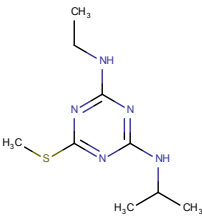
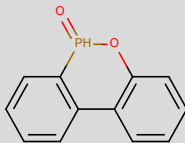
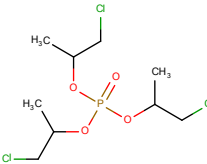
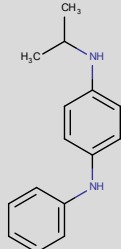
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ID-35	7529-22-8	N-methylmorpholin-N-oxid	-1.15		Sigma Aldrich	97%
ID-36	622-40-2	2-(4-Morpholinyl)ethanol	-1.13		Sigma Aldrich	99%
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<sup>1</sup> Calculated using ChemAxon (<https://www.chemaxon.com/download/jchem-for-office/#jc4x>)

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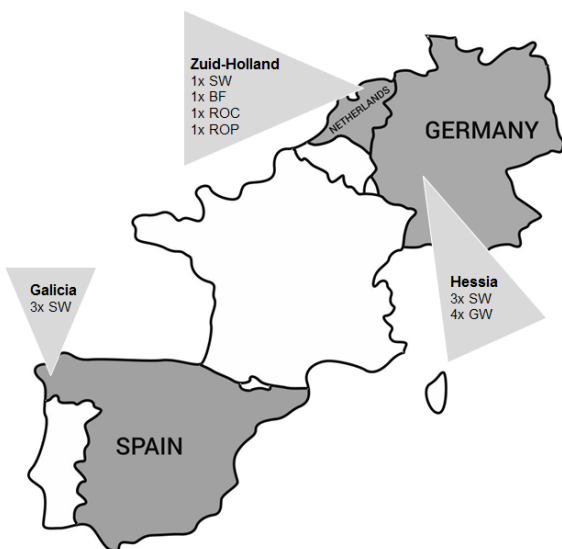
Name	Collection date	Sample type	Depth	Location	Connections between the samples
DE-SW-1	19.10.2016	surface water from a river with expected sources from urban/industrial wastewater	-	South Hestia (Germany)	-
DE-SW-2	19.10.2016	surface water from a river with expected sources from urban/industrial wastewater	-	South Hestia (Germany)	-
DE-SW-3	24.10.2016	surface water from a river with expected sources from industrial wastewater	-	South Hestia (Germany)	DE-SW-3 and DE-GW-4 are hydrologically connected
DE-GW-4	26.10.2016	groundwater with expected sources from industrial wastewater	10.5 m	South Hestia (Germany)	DE-GW-4 and DE-SW-3 are hydrologically connected
DE-GW-5	20.10.2016	groundwater with expected sources from industrial wastewater	93 m	South Hestia (Germany)	-
DE-GW-6	25.10.2016	groundwater with expected sources from urban/industrial wastewater	75 m	South Hestia (Germany)	-
DE-GW-7	01.11.2016	groundwater from an active drinking water fountain with infiltration of municipal wastewater	32.3 m	South Hestia (Germany)	-
ES-SW-1	20.10.2016	surface water from a river near a landfill with expected sources from urban/industrial landfill	-	West Galicia (Spain)	ES-SW-1 is connected with ES-SW-2; large dilution between the sampling points (~10 km) (see also comment to ES-SW-2)
ES-SW-2	20.10.2016	surface water from a river with expected sources from urban/industrial landfill	-	West Galicia (Spain)	ES-SW-2 is connected with ES-SW-1, the river from which sample ES-SW-1 was collected runs into the river where sample ES-SW-2 was collected, with a large dilution in between the two sampling points; ES-SW-2 is connected with ES-SW-3, there is a large dam between both locations
ES-SW-3	20.10.2016	surface water from a river with expected sources from urban/industrial landfill	-	West Galicia (Spain)	ES-SW-3 is connected with ES-SW-2 with a large dam between ES-SW-2 and ES-SW-3

*Samples from full-scale Reverse Osmosis installation operated at drinking water treatment plant for research purposes*

NL-SW-1	03.11.2016	surface water from a canal connected to Oude Rijn river	-	Zuid Holland (Netherlands)	all Dutch samples are connected among each other; the surface water was infiltrated to the water of the bank filtrate; the bank filtrate was used for the reverse osmosis; the permeate is the filtered water and the concentrate is the residue (brine) of the reverse osmosis process
NL-BF-2	03.11.2016	river bank filtrate from sample NL-SW-1	15-40 m	Zuid Holland (Netherlands)	
NL-ROC-3	03.11.2016	reverse osmosis concentrate produced from river bank filtrate NL-BF-2	-	Zuid Holland (Netherlands)	
NL-ROP-4	03.11.2016	reverse osmosis permeate produced from river bank filtrate NL-BF-2	-	Zuid Holland (Netherlands)	

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SW – surface water; GW – groundwater; BF – bank filtrate; ROC – reverse osmosis concentrate; ROP – reverse osmosis permeate



**Figure S 1.** Sampling regions

**Table S3.** Materials, chemicals and instrumentation for *Enrichment I-VIII*

<b>Enrichment method</b>	<b>Materials, chemicals and instrumentation</b>
I	<p><u>Materials:</u> Weak anion exchanger (WAX), OASIS, 150 mg, 6 mL (Waters, Milford, United States of America) Cellulose 0.45 um filters (Millipore, Bedford, MA, United States of America) PP 0.22 um filters (Millipore, Bedford, MA, United States of America)</p> <p><u>Chemicals:</u> Formic acid, ammonia methanolic solution 7N (Sigma Aldrich, Milwaukee, United States of America)</p>
II	<p><u>Materials:</u> Weak cation exchanger (WCX), OASIS, 150 mg, 6 mL (Waters, Milford, United States of America) Cellulose 0.45 um filters (Millipore, Bedford, MA, United States of America) PP 0.22 um filters (Millipore, Bedford, MA, United States of America)</p> <p><u>Chemicals:</u> Formic acid, ammonia methanolic solution 7N (Sigma Aldrich, Milwaukee, United States of America)</p>
III	<p><u>Materials:</u> <i>Multi-layer SPE:</i> Chromabond polypropylene cartridges (3 mL), polyethylene filters (Macherey Nagel, Düren, Germany) Weak anion exchanger (60 mg WAX) and weak cation exchanger (60 mg WCX) (Waters, Eschborn, Germany) ENVI-Carb bulk material, 120-400 mesh, 60 mg (Supelco, Bellefonte, United States of America) Glass fiber filters, GF6 (GE Healthcare, Little Chalfont, UK) Cellulose syringe 0.2 um filters (GE Healthcare, Little Chalfont, UK)</p> <p><u>Chemicals:</u> Formic acid (98-100%, Merck, Darmstadt, Germany), methanol (LC-MS Ultra Grade), ammonium hydroxide (30% in water), dichloromethane, acetonitrile (Carl Roth GmbH, Karlsruhe, Germany), ultrapure water (18 MΩcm, supplied by Simplicity UV water purification system, Merck, Darmstadt, Germany)</p>
IV	<p><u>Instrumentation:</u> Genevac EZ-2 evaporation unit (Genevac, Ipswich, UK) Cellulose syringe 0.2 um filters (GE Healthcare, Little Chalfont, UK)</p> <p><u>Chemicals:</u> Acetonitrile (Carl Roth GmbH, Karlsruhe, Germany)</p>

Materials and instrumentation:

Weak anion exchanger (WAX), OASIS, 150 mg, 6 mL (Waters, Eschborn, Germany)

Freestyle SPE unit (LCTech GmbH, Obertaufkirchen, Germany)

Glas Fibre Filters Whatman (GE Healthcare, Freiburg, Germany)

V

Chemicals:

Methanol (Biosolve, Valkenswaard, Netherlands)

Hydrochloric acid (Chemsolute, Th. Geyer, Berlin, Germany)

Glycine, formic acid (Sigma Aldrich, Taufkirchen, Germany)

Ammonium hydroxide (Fisher Scientific, Schwerte, Germany)

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Materials and instrumentation:

Moderate cation exchanger (MCX), OASIS, 150 mg, 6 mL (Waters, Eschborn, Germany)

Freestyle SPE unit (LCTech GmbH, Obertaufkirchen, Germany)

VI

Chemicals:

Methanol (Biosolve, Valkenswaard, Netherlands)

Hydrochloric acid (Chemsolute, Th. Geyer, Berlin, Germany)

Glycine, formic acid (Sigma Aldrich, Taufkirchen, Germany)

Ammonium hydroxide (Fisher Scientific, Schwerte, Germany)

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Materials and instrumentation:

Hydroxylated polystyrene divinylbenzene (ENV+), Isolute, 150 mg, 6 mL (Biotage, Uppsala, Sweden)

Freestyle SPE unit (LCTech GmbH, Obertaufkirchen, Germany)

VII

Chemicals:

Methanol (Biosolve, Valkenswaard, Netherlands)

Disodium hydrogen phosphate, potassium dihydrogen phosphate (abcr GmbH, Karlsruhe, Germany)

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Materials and instrumentation:

Graphitized carbon black (ENVI-Carb), Supelclean, 150 mg, 6 mL (Sigma Aldrich, Steinheim, Germany)

Freestyle SPE unit (LCTech GmbH, Obertaufkirchen, Germany)

VIII

Chemicals:

Methanol (Biosolve, Valkenswaard, Netherlands)

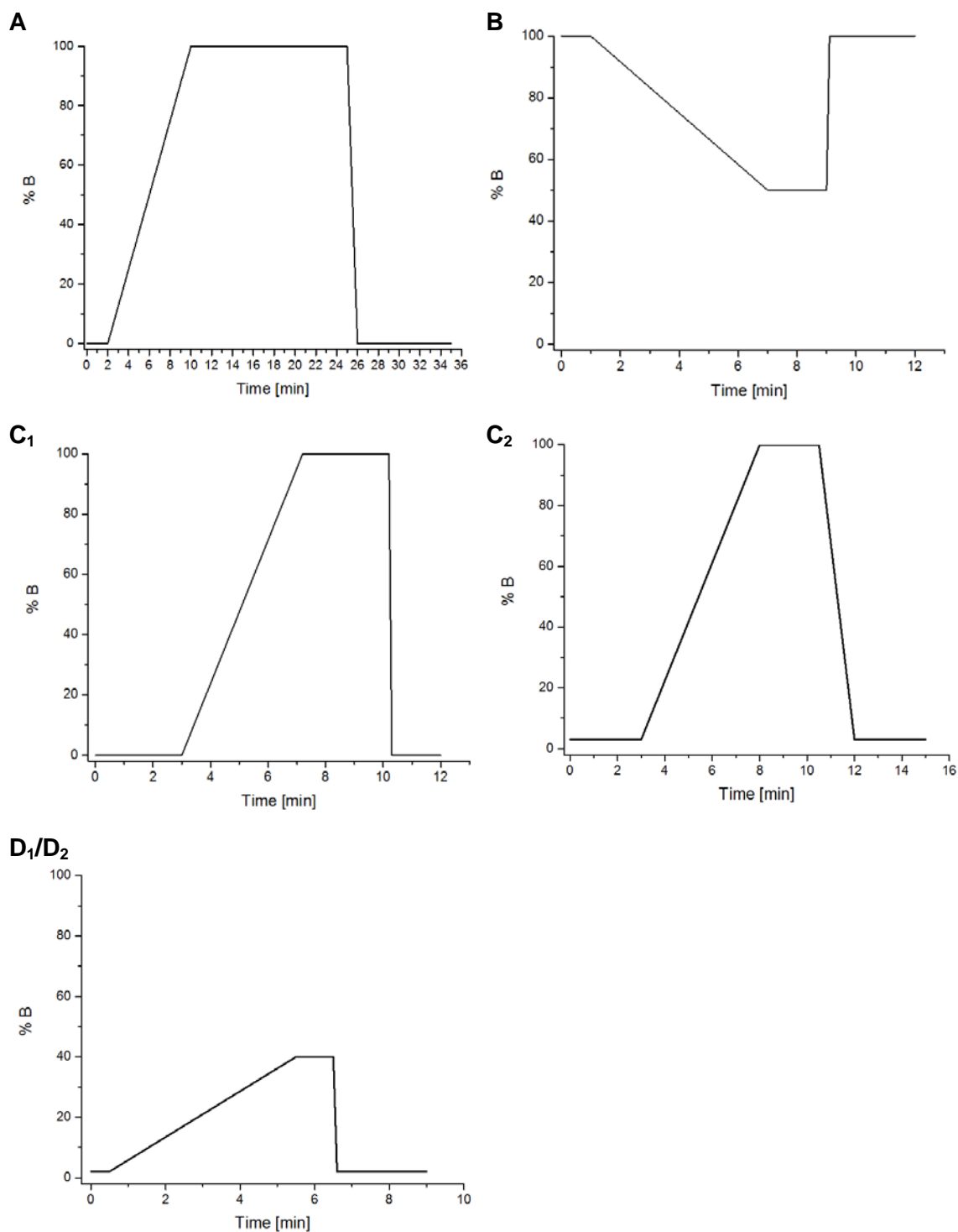
Dichloromethane (Fisher Scientific GmbH, Schwerte, Germany)

Glycine, formic acid, sodium hydroxide (Sigma Aldrich, Taufkirchen, Germany)



**Table S4.** Chemicals and instrumentation for the instrumental methods *Chromatography A-D*.

Method	Material
A	<p><u>Instrumentation:</u> HPLC: Varian 212LC Column: Thermo Acclaim Trinity P1 2.1x50mm, 3 <math>\mu</math>m Mass Spectrometer: Varian 320 MS Software: MS Workstation (Varian)</p>
	<p><u>Chemicals:</u> Acetonitrile (Merck, Darmstadt, Germany) Ammonia, Acetic acid (Sigma Aldrich, St. Louis, United States of America)</p>
B	<p><u>Instrumentation:</u> UHPLC: Nexera X2 (Shimadzu) Column: Waters Acquity BEH Amide 2.1x100mm, 1.7 <math>\mu</math>m Mass Spectrometer: Qtrap 5500 (AB Sciex) Software: Analyst 1.6.2 (Build 8489) (AB Sciex)</p>
	<p><u>Chemicals:</u> Acetonitrile (Carl Roth GmbH, Karlsruhe, Germany) Ammonium formate (Sigma Aldrich, Schnelldorf, Germany)</p>
C <sub>1</sub> /C <sub>2</sub>	<p><u>Instrumentation:</u> UHPLC: Acquity i-Class (Waters) Column: Waters Acquity UPLC HSS T3, 2.1x50mm, 1.8 <math>\mu</math>m (C<sub>1</sub>) Thermo Scientific™ Hypercarb, 2.1x100mm, 3.0 <math>\mu</math>m (C<sub>2</sub>) Mass Spectrometer: Xevo TQ-S (Waters) Software: MassLynx (Waters)</p>
	<p><u>Chemicals:</u> Acetonitrile, methanol, ammonium formate (Biosolve, Valkenswaard, Netherlands) Diethylamine (Sigma Aldrich, Taufkirchen, Germany)</p>
D <sub>1</sub> /D <sub>2</sub>	<p><u>Instrumentation:</u> SFC: Acquity UPC2 (Waters) Column: Waters Acquity UPC2 BEH 3.0x100mm, 1.7 <math>\mu</math>m (D<sub>1</sub>) Waters Acquity UPC2Torus Diol 3.0x100mm, 1.7 <math>\mu</math>m (D<sub>2</sub>) Mass Spectrometer: Synapt G2S (Waters) Software: MassLynx (Waters)</p>
	<p><u>Chemicals:</u> Carbon dioxide (Air Products, Pennsylvania, USA) Methanol, ammonium hydroxide (Biosolve, Valkenswaard, Netherlands) Formic acid (Sigma Aldrich, Taufkirchen, Germany)</p>



**Figure S2.** Gradient profiles of the mobile phases as a function of time for A) MMLC on a Acclaim Trinity P1 column; solvent A: H<sub>2</sub>O/ACN 98/2, 5 mM NH<sub>4</sub>COO, pH 5.5; solvent B: H<sub>2</sub>O/ACN 20/80, 20 mM NH<sub>4</sub>COO, pH 5.5; B) HILIC on an Acquity BEH Amide column; solvent A: H<sub>2</sub>O/ACN 95/5, 5 mM NH<sub>4</sub>COO, pH 3; solvent B: H<sub>2</sub>O/ACN 5/95, 5 mM NH<sub>4</sub>COO, pH 3; C1) RPLC on an Acquity UPLC HSS T3; solvent A: H<sub>2</sub>O, 5 mM COOH; solvent B: MeOH, 5 mM COOH; C2) RPLC on a porous graphitic carbon Hypercarb column; solvent A: H<sub>2</sub>O, 0.1 % diethylamine; solvent B: ACN, 0.1 % diethylamine; D1/D2) SFC on an Acquity UPC2 BEH and Torus Diol column, respectively; solvent A: CO<sub>2</sub>; solvent B: MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 95/5, 0.2 % NH<sub>4</sub>OH; make-up: 0.3 mL min<sup>-1</sup> MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 90/10, 0.1 % COOH, pH 6.

**Table S5A.** *Chromatography A* (MMLC-MS/MS) mass spectrometric parameters (see also footnote).

Index	ESI mode	Q1 <i>m/z</i>	Q2 <i>m/z</i>	Capillary [V]	Collision energy [eV]
ID-4	pos	171	112	52	8
ID-4	pos	171	84	52	16
ID-6	pos	185	126	44	8.5
ID-6	pos	185	69	44	21
ID-15	pos	113	84	80	14.5
ID-15	pos	113	70	80	17
ID-17	pos	202	102	64	13
ID-17	pos	202	84	64	23.5
ID-21	pos	134	72	36	9
ID-21	pos	134	57	36	22
ID-23	pos	150	91	48	15.5
ID-23	pos	150	65	48	32
ID-26	pos	127	85	64	13.5
ID-26	pos	127	68	64	21
ID-29	pos	171	126	32	9.5
ID-29	pos	171	69	32	19.5
ID-30	pos	175	143	44	6.5
ID-30	pos	175	115	44	14
ID-32	pos	152	135	52	14.5
ID-32	pos	152	93	52	24.5
ID-35	pos	118	101	60	9.5
ID-35	pos	118	71	60	16
ID-36	pos	132	114	48	10.5
ID-36	pos	132	70	48	14
ID-41	pos	70	43	60	16.5
ID-45	pos	136	91	36	13
ID-45	pos	136	65	36	31
ID-46	pos	114	79	72	11
ID-46	pos	114	96	72	9.5
ID-48	pos	242	143	30	6.5
ID-48	pos	242	113	30	26
ID-52	pos	212	119	64	15.5
ID-52	pos	212	94	64	13.5
ID-53	pos	249	156	72	10
ID-53	pos	249	92	72	19.5
ID-56	pos	122	105	56	12
ID-56	pos	122	77	56	23.5
ID-58	pos	240	133	60	16.5
ID-58	pos	240	108	60	17
ID-60	pos	199	106	76	18.5
ID-60	pos	199	77	76	40
ID-61	pos	228	186	56	15
ID-61	pos	228	96	56	21
ID-62	pos	217	199	88	16
ID-62	pos	217	152	88	35.5
ID-63	pos	327	99	44	20
ID-63	pos	327	251	44	7.5
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ID-64	pos	227	107	40	36
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ID-14	neg	111	96	-52	-19.5

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ID-20	neg	125	80	-52	-28.5
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ID-22	neg	128	42	-40	-13
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ID-34	neg	273	150	-76	-27.5
ID-34	neg	273	209	-76	-21.5
ID-37	neg	83	41	-56	-9
ID-37	neg	83	66	-56	-23
ID-39	neg	171	80	-90	-25.5
ID-39	neg	171	107	-90	-20
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ID-40	neg	182	62	-56	-16.5
ID-43	neg	207	143	-68	-21
ID-43	neg	207	80	-68	-29
ID-44	neg	185	80	-72	-26
ID-44	neg	185	121	-72	-19
ID-47	neg	361	81	-72	-21
ID-47	neg	361	133	-72	-31.5
ID-47	neg	361	81	-72	-21
ID-47	neg	361	133	-72	-31.5
ID-51	neg	170	79	-128	-25
ID-51	neg	170	62	-128	-29
ID-54	neg	249	205	-84	-21.5
ID-54	neg	249	189	-84	-28.5
ID-57	neg	249	108	-92	-29
ID-57	neg	249	156	-92	-20.5

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*ESI-MS/MS parameters:* ESI needle voltage 4000 V; ionization source temperature 50°C; drying gas temperature (N<sub>2</sub>) 200 °C; nebulizer gas pressure (N<sub>2</sub>) 55 psi; drying gas pressure (N<sub>2</sub>) 18 psi; CID gas pressure (Ar) 2 mTorr; resolution of Q1 and Q2 1 u; centroid mode for acquisition

**Table S5B.** *Chromatography B* (HILIC-MS/MS) mass spectrometric parameters (see also footnote).

Index	ESI mode	Q1 m/z	Q2 m/z	DP [V]	EP [V]	CE [V]	CXP [V]
ID-2	pos	113	84	140	10	20	10
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ID-2	pos	113	56	140	10	23	10
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ID-3	pos	171	81	76	10	31	10
ID-3	pos	171	95	76	10	29	10
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ID-4	pos	171	55	61	10	37	8
ID-4	pos	171	84	61	10	27	10
ID-5	pos	191	102	66	10	23	12
ID-5	pos	191	72	66	10	23	12
ID-5	pos	191	116	66	10	19	12
ID-6	pos	185	126	46	10	17	12
ID-6	pos	185	69	46	10	33	10
ID-6	pos	185	41	46	10	55	8
ID-7	pos	161	72	66	10	23	10
ID-7	pos	161	116	66	10	17	12
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ID-9	pos	239	56	141	10	67	8
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ID-11	pos	174	129	66	10	17	12
ID-11	pos	174	42	66	10	69	10
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ID-15	pos	113	56	236	10	31	8
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ID-17	pos	202	62	61	10	25	8
ID-17	pos	202	44	61	10	49	8
ID-21	pos	134	72	61	10	19	10
ID-21	pos	134	42	61	10	49	8
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ID-29	pos	171	41	71	10	53	8
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ID-32	pos	152	77	96	10	55	10
ID-32	pos	152	79	96	10	41	10
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ID-35	pos	118	71	81	10	27	12
ID-35	pos	118	42	81	10	51	6
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ID-36	pos	132	70	86	10	27	10
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ID-37	pos	85	43	76	10	21	6
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ID-41	pos	70	43	120	10	30	7

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ID-39	neg	171	107	-125	-10	-36	-11
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ID-40	neg	182	62	-105	-10	-26	-7
ID-43	neg	207	80	-80	-10	-50	-9
ID-43	neg	207	143	-80	-10	-32	-13
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ID-44	neg	185	170	-145	-10	-32	-15
ID-47	neg	361	81	-120	-10	-60	-10
ID-47	neg	361	197	-120	-10	-30	-10
ID-47	neg	363	83	-120	-10	-60	-10
ID-54	neg	249	205	-100	-10	-32	-15
ID-54	neg	249	189	-100	-10	-45	-11
ID-54	neg	249	93	-100	-10	-35	-7
ID-57	neg	249	108	-65	-10	-36	-11
ID-57	neg	249	113	-65	-10	-14	-9
ID-57	neg	249	92	-65	-10	-48	-11

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*ESI-MS/MS parameters:* Ion spray voltage: 5500 V (pos), -4500 V (neg); Curtain gas: 45 psi;  
Temperature: 550 °C; Ion Source gas 1 (nebulizer gas): 55 psi; Ion Source gas 2 (heater gas): 65 psi

**Table S5C.** *Chromatography C<sub>1</sub>/C<sub>2</sub>* (RPLC-MS/MS) mass spectrometric parameters (see also footnote).

Index	ESI mode	Q1 m/z	Q2 m/z	Cone [V]	Collision energy [eV]
ID-2	pos	130	84	2	18
ID-2	pos	130	113	2	12
ID-4	pos	171	84	20	20
ID-4	pos	171	112	20	14
ID-5	pos	191	58	4	24
ID-5	pos	191	102	4	14
ID-6	pos	185	69	2	24
ID-6	pos	185	126	2	12
ID-9	pos	239	88	6	24
ID-9	pos	239	131	6	18
ID-15	pos	113	56	12	20
ID-15	pos	113	84	12	18
ID-17	pos	202	62	16	16
ID-17	pos	202	102	16	16
ID-21	pos	134	72	24	14
ID-21	pos	134	85	24	10
ID-23	pos	150	58	2	14
ID-23	pos	150	91	2	20
ID-26	pos	127	43	2	20
ID-26	pos	127	85	2	16
ID-28	pos	91	47	24	8
ID-28	pos	91	74	24	8
ID-29	pos	171	69	2	22
ID-29	pos	171	126	2	12
ID-30	pos	175	115	2	16
ID-30	pos	175	143	2	8
ID-32	pos	152	93	38	24
ID-32	pos	152	135	38	16
ID-35	pos	118	71	12	16
ID-35	pos	118	101	12	14
ID-36	pos	132	69	40	14
ID-36	pos	132	114	40	14
ID-37	pos	85	41	60	14
ID-37	pos	85	68	60	12
ID-41	pos	70	43	42	14
ID-42	pos	126	43	50	18
ID-42	pos	126	85	50	14
ID-46	pos	114	69	12	16
ID-46	pos	114	79	12	14
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ID-48	pos	264	202	44	12
ID-52	pos	212	77	28	32
ID-52	pos	212	119	28	20
ID-53	pos	249	65	2	40
ID-53	pos	249	156	2	14
ID-55	pos	250	41	18	22
ID-55	pos	250	81	18	22
ID-57	pos	251	93	50	22
ID-57	pos	251	157	50	18
ID-58	pos	240	108	2	20
ID-58	pos	240	133	2	20
ID-60	pos	199	106	54	26
ID-60	pos	199	167	54	4
ID-61	pos	228	96	30	28
ID-61	pos	228	186	30	18
ID-63	pos	327	99	10	26
ID-63	pos	327	175	10	12



ID-1	neg	195	59	2	18
ID-1	neg	195	75	2	20
ID-8	neg	287	143	4	36
ID-8	neg	287	207	4	22
ID-10	neg	167	80	10	22
ID-10	neg	167	137	10	16
ID-12	neg	195	80	2	28
ID-12	neg	195	95	2	20
ID-13	neg	162	78	4	22
ID-13	neg	162	82	4	14
ID-14	neg	111	80	8	16
ID-14	neg	111	96	8	14
ID-16	neg	206	80	48	24
ID-16	neg	206	135	48	18
ID-18	neg	107	43	8	10
ID-18	neg	107	80	8	18
ID-20	neg	125	45	32	16
ID-20	neg	125	97	32	12
ID-22	neg	128	42	10	10
ID-22	neg	128	85	10	14
ID-24	neg	135	80	58	14
ID-24	neg	135	91	58	8
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ID-25	neg	172	108	2	20
ID-27	neg	157	79	2	18
ID-31	neg	173	80	30	24
ID-31	neg	173	109	30	18
ID-33	neg	149	80	4	18
ID-33	neg	149	99	4	18
ID-34	neg	273	150	26	26
ID-34	neg	273	209	26	22
ID-38	neg	240	80	64	26
ID-38	neg	240	176	64	20
ID-39	neg	171	80	2	26
ID-39	neg	171	107	2	20
ID-40	neg	182	42	4	18
ID-40	neg	182	106	4	18
ID-43	neg	207	80	42	30
ID-43	neg	207	143	42	26
ID-44	neg	185	80	6	24
ID-44	neg	185	121	6	22
ID-47	neg	361	81	6	22
ID-47	neg	361	197	6	24
ID-50	neg	276	80	58	40
ID-50	neg	276	156	58	26
ID-51	neg	170	79	14	30
ID-51	neg	170	106	14	16
ID-51	neg	170	79	2	24
ID-51	neg	170	106	2	16
ID-54	neg	249	189	2	32
ID-54	neg	249	205	2	24

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*ESI-MS/MS parameters:* Capillary Voltage 1000 – 1420 V (+/-); Source Temperature 150 °C; Desolvation Temperature 600 °C; Cone Gas Flow 150 L h<sup>-1</sup>; Collision Gas Flow 0.15 mL min<sup>-1</sup>; Nebuliser Gas Flow 100 psi

**Table S5D.** Chromatography  $D_1/D_2$  (SFC-HRMS) mass spectrometric parameters (see also footnote).

Index	ESI mode	Quantifyer $m/z$	Qualifyer $m/z$
ID-3	pos	171.19	154.16
ID-4	pos	171.15	112.08
ID-5	pos	191.18	72.08
ID-6	pos	185.17	126.09
ID-9	pos	239.11	131.12
ID-11	pos	174.20	129.14
ID-15	pos	113.11	
ID-17	pos	202.18	102.09
ID-21	pos	134.12	72.08
ID-23	pos	150.13	91.06
ID-26	pos	127.07	85.05
ID-29	pos	171.15	126.09
ID-32	pos	152.14	134.11
ID-35	pos	118.09	101.09
ID-36	pos	132.10	114.09
ID-37	pos	85.05	
ID-42	pos	126.08	85.05
ID-45	pos	136.11	
ID-46	pos	114.09	96.08
ID-48	pos	143.09	264.14
ID-52	pos	212.12	195.09
ID-53	pos	249.07	156.01
ID-55	pos	250.12	
ID-56	pos	122.10	107.07
ID-58	pos	240.15	133.08
ID-60	pos	199.13	106.07
ID-61	pos	228.13	186.08
ID-63	pos	327.01	251.00
ID-64	pos	225.14	184.10
ID-1	neg	195.05	
ID-12	neg	195.03	94.98
ID-13	neg	161.99	82.03
ID-14	neg	110.98	
ID-16	neg	206.05	135.01
ID-18	neg	106.98	79.96
ID-19	neg	154.99	176.97
ID-20	neg	124.99	96.96
ID-24	neg	135.01	
ID-25	neg	172.01	108.05
ID-31	neg	172.99	108.02
ID-33	neg	148.95	79.96
ID-34	neg	273.01	209.05
ID-38	neg	239.93	203.95
ID-39	neg	171.01	107.05
ID-40	neg	181.99	105.96
ID-43	neg	207.01	143.05
ID-44	neg	185.03	121.07
ID-47	neg	361.13	80.97
ID-51	neg	170.03	205.16
ID-54	neg	249.15	205.16
ID-57	neg	249.02	108.02
ID-62	neg	169.07	215.03

*ESI-HRMS parameters:* Full Scan recording  $m/z$  50 to 600; Analyser Mode Resolution; Scan time 0.08 sec; Cone Voltage 20000 V; Capillary 700 V (+) / 2000 V (-); Source Temperature 140 °C; Desolvation Temperature 550 °C; Function 1: Trap Collision Energy 4 eV, Transfer Collision Energy 2 eV; Function 2: Trap Collision Energy 15 eV, Transfer Collision Energy 40 eV; Function 3 (Lock Spray Configuration): Reference Cone Voltage 30 V, Reference Trap Collision Energy 4 eV, Lock Mass (leucine enkephaline) 556.2771 (+) / 554.2615 (-)

## Method performance evaluation and semi-quantitative concentration estimates

Instrumental blanks were determined by 10 solvent injections and IDLs were defined as the amount of chemical standard injected producing a signal with a signal-to-noise ratio of 3 or, in case of instrumental blank contamination, the amount of chemical injected leading to a signal area exceeding the mean signal area + 3 times standard deviation of the blank injections.

Retention time repeatability was investigated within one analytical sequence. The approaches for retention time repeatability testing for the different chromatographic methods *Chromatography A-D* are listed in Table S6 below.

Procedural blank experiments for the different methods were performed as follows, applying the full sample preparation procedure. For *Enrichments I-II* triplicates of procedural blank extractions were performed starting from 5 mL ultrapure water, for *Enrichments III-IV* triplicates were performed with 100 mL ultrapure water, and for *Enrichments V-VIII* a single procedural blank experiment was performed per method starting from 1 mL ultrapure water. For compounds that did not show procedural blank contamination, estimation of the MDL was based on quantification of the signal area in a sample chromatogram close to the MDL and extrapolation to a signal to noise ratio of 3. In case of procedural blank contamination, the MDL was calculated as mean + 3 times standard deviation of 3 quantified procedural blank signals for *Chromatography A*, as  $2 \times (\text{mean} + 3 \text{ times standard deviation})$  of 3 quantified procedural blanks for *Chromatography B*, or as 3 times the quantified procedural blank signal for *Chromatography C* and *D*.

Semi-quantitative concentration estimates were based on solvent-based external one-point calibration without correction for apparent recoveries. However, for analytes showing signals in the procedural blank chromatograms, the average blank signal area was subtracted from the signal area in the sample before concentration estimation.

**Table S6.** Retention time repeatability for the different chromatographic methods over a relevant sample batch bracketed between standards.

Method	Approach	Retention time variability
A	5 injections of the same standard in solvent	max. +/- 0.1 min
B	3 injections evenly distributed over a 10 hour sequence	max. +/- 0.05 min
C <sub>1</sub>	3 injections of the same standard in solvent/matrix with 10 other samples in between	max. +/- 0.05 min
C <sub>2</sub>	3 injections of the same standard in solvent/matrix with 10 other samples in between	max. +/- 0.1 min
D <sub>1</sub>	3 injections of the same standard in solvent/matrix with 8 other samples in between	max. +/- 0.03 min
D <sub>2</sub>	3 injections of the same standard in solvent/matrix with 8 other samples in between	max. +/- 0.03 min

Method abbreviations: A) MMLC-MS/MS; B) HILIC-MS/MS; C<sub>1</sub>/C<sub>2</sub>) RPLC-MS/MS; D<sub>1</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>) SFC-HRMS

**Table S7.** Instrumental detection limits for the target PMOCs given as injected quantities [ng] with the different instrumental methods.

Index	A	B	C <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>
ID-1	-	-	0.031	0.0018	-	-
ID-2	-	0.005	0.0064	0.0045	-	-
ID-3	-	0.005	-	-	0.002	0.0125
ID-4	0.006	-	0.00008	0.00065	-	0.005
ID-5	-	0.00025	-	-	-	0.00125
ID-6	0.003	0.00025	0.000033	0.000082	0.01	0.0017
ID-7	-	0.125	-	-	-	-
ID-8	-	-	-	0.00073	-	-
ID-9	0.18	-	0.00006	0.00048	-	0.003
ID-10	-	-	0.0014	-	-	-
ID-11	-	-	-	-	-	0.0015
ID-12	0.015	0.0005	-	0.0068	0.005	0.0009
ID-13	0.0018	0.00025	0.0005	0.00005	0.0006	0.0005
ID-14	0.06	0.0005	-	0.00153	0.003	0.0008
ID-15	0.03	0.005	0.004	0.0052	0.005	0.002
ID-16	0.09	0.00025	0.00023	0.00021	0.00021	0.00003
ID-17	0.02	0.00025	0.00003	0.0002	0.00004	0.00009
ID-18	0.03	0.0005	0.0038	-	0.0023	0.00038
ID-19	0.072	0.3	-	-	-	0.005
ID-20	0.009	0.025	-	0.00023	0.0015	0.0003
ID-21	0.009	0.00005	0.00025	0.00021	0.00034	0.0023
ID-22	1.5	0.005	0.0034	-	-	-
ID-23	0.0006	0.00005	0.00256	-	0.0003	0.0003
ID-24	0.015	0.0005	0.0005	0.00043	0.003	0.00039
ID-25	0.03	0.00025	-	0.003	0.0017	0.0075
ID-26	0.006	0.001	0.0035	-	0.00027	0.0038
ID-27	-	-	0.0054	0.002	-	-
ID-28	-	0.0025	0.0033	-	-	-
ID-29	0.003	0.000125	0.00031	0.000071	0.00027	0.00062
ID-30	0.21	-	0.00042	-	-	-
ID-31	-	-	0.0042	0.00062	0.0017	0.025
ID-32	0.006	0.00025	0.00041	-	0.0002	0.0038
ID-33	0.006	0.0005	0.00075	0.000134	0.00012	0.00005
ID-34	0.003	0.0005	0.0001	0.00008	0.00013	0.0001
ID-35	0.001	0.5	0.000078	0.000079	0.0013	0.017
ID-36	0.15	0.00025	0.00152	-	0.0011	0.00036
ID-37	0.3	0.0025	0.0027	-	0.005	0.0107
ID-38	-	0.0005	0.00033	-	0.00015	0.00009
ID-39	0.22	0.0005	0.029	0.00018	0.0005	0.0002
ID-40	0.015	0.0025	0.00072	0.019	0.0008	0.0008
ID-41	0.62	0.0025	0.0053	-	-	-
ID-42	-	0.00025	0.00019	-	0.00008	0.00028
ID-43	0.0039	0.0005	0.001	0.00042	0.0004	0.0005
ID-44	0.0015	0.00025	-	0.0007	0.00066	0.00017
ID-45	0.015	0.0005	0.014	-	0.0005	0.0002
ID-46	0.03	0.005	-	-	0.0011	0.0015

ID-47	0.018	0.00025	0.0001	0.00025	0.0003	0.00008
ID-48	0.009	0.025	0.000147	-	0.00011	0.00025
ID-49	-	0.5	-	-	-	-
ID-50	-	0.0025	0.000253	-	-	-
ID-51	0.15	-	0.0005	0.0007	0.013	0.0125
ID-52	0.003	0.00025	0.0004	-	0.00003	0.00003
ID-53	0.003	-	0.000015	-	0.0003	0.0025
ID-54	0.009	0.00025	0.0016	0.000047	0.0005	0.00054
ID-55	-	-	-	-	0.013	-
ID-56	0.45	0.25	-	-	-	0.012
ID-57	0.0033	0.00025	0.00071	-	0.00008	0.00023
ID-58	0.0015	0.00025	0.0002	-	0.0003	0.001
ID-59	-	0.005	-	-	-	-
ID-60	0.01	0.005	0.00006	-	0.00009	0.0022
ID-61	0.008	0.00005	0.00002	0.0011	0.00008	0.00004
ID-62	0.0045	-	0.00357	-	0.001	0.0015
ID-63	0.33	0.015	0.08	-	0.0013	0.0003
ID-64	0.3	0.25	-	-	0.0014	0.00049

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Method abbreviations: A) MMLC-MS/MS; B) HILIC-MS/MS; C<sub>1</sub>/C<sub>2</sub>) RPLC-MS/MS; D<sub>1</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>) SFC-HRMS

**Table S8.** Retention factor  $k'$  of the target chemicals for the different chromatographic methods.<sup>1</sup>

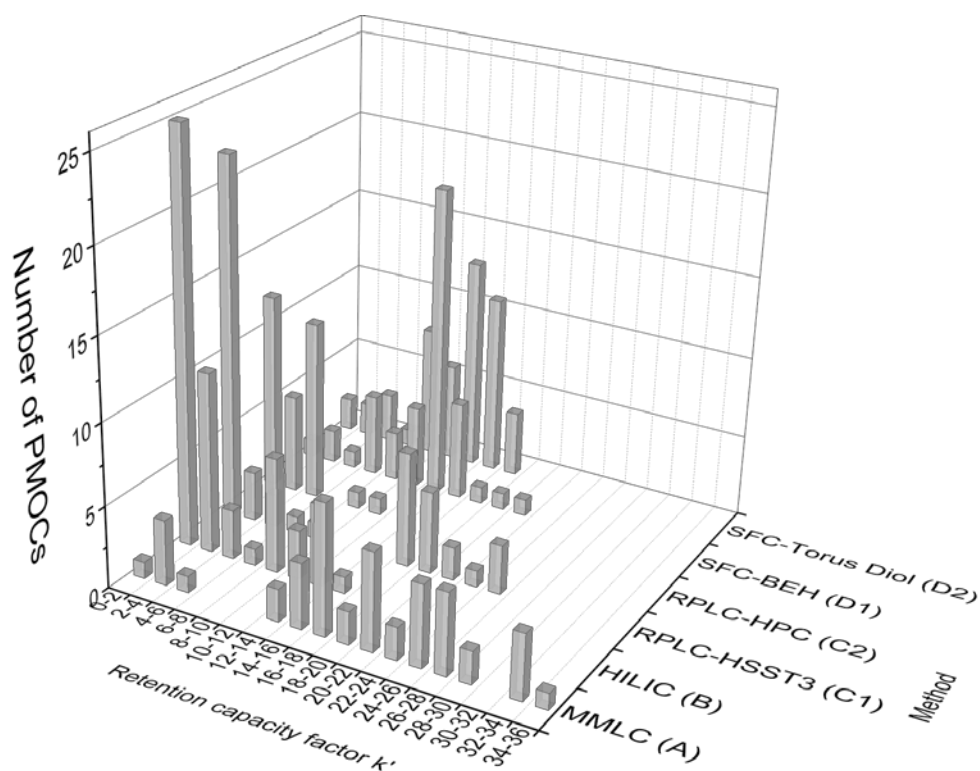
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ID-1	n.p. <sup>2</sup>	n.p.	0.1	0.1	n.p.	n.p.
ID-2	n.p.	11.9	0.3	1.4	n.p.	n.p.
ID-3	n.p.	13.1	n.p.	n.p.	17.5	15.0
ID-4	16.8	9.2	1.3	3.1	n.p.	14.2
ID-5	n.p.	13.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	13.4
ID-6	16.7	8.3	3.4	4.2	19.2	13.7
ID-7	n.p.	13.1	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
ID-8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.1	n.p.	n.p.
ID-9	33.9	12.8	0.3	2	n.p.	17.1
ID-10	n.p.	14.7	0.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
ID-11	n.p.	12.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	13.1
ID-12	32.4	3.2	n.p.	2.5	13.1	13.9
ID-13	24.2	0.6	1.8	3.9	12.6	14.0
ID-14	25.2	1.5	n.p.	0.1	13.0	14.4
ID-15	21.3	11.9	0.4	0.5	20.0	11.1
ID-16	24.9	3.2	4.6	3.9	13.7	14.1
ID-17	17.5	9.1	3.4	4.7	12.6	10.0
ID-18	24.2	3.3	0.3	0.1	13.1	14.2
ID-19	26.7	3.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	14.3
ID-20	19.4	1.2	n.p.	0.2	12.6	13.7
ID-21	15.4	9.3	0.7	3.7	15.1	9.3
ID-22	2.7	3.8	0.7	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
ID-23	20.9	3.4	9.4	n.p.	12.8	13.7
ID-24	27.0	3.1	1.4	1	12.4	13.1
ID-25	26.4	4.7	n.p.	3	15.7	18.0
ID-26	14.6	8.8	0.6	n.p.	12.5	14.0
ID-27	n.p.	n.p.	0.8	0.2	n.p.	n.p.
ID-28	n.p.	4.0	0.3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
ID-29	17.5	7.84	5.4	4.9	14.2	9.6
ID-30	2.9	n.p.	1.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
ID-31	n.p.	n.p.	0.3	0.2	14.9	17.3
ID-32	24.5	8.1	19.0	n.p.	12.3	11.2
ID-33	27.7	0.2	0.8	0.4	12.1	13.1
ID-34	40.5	0.7	18	5.8	12.7	13.7
ID-35	4.6	10.3	0.5	0.2	14.9	9.5
ID-36	17.3	8.5	1.9	n.p.	7.7	4.2
ID-37	1.9	1.7	0.4	n.p.	10.4	9.6
ID-38	n.p.	0.8	17.3	n.p.	13.8	16.5
ID-39	23.0	2.6	7.3	4.2	12.8	14.1
ID-40	27.6	1.0	1.0	4.4	13.0	14.8
ID-41	2.17	1.4	0.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
ID-42	n.p.	4.2	2.3	n.p.	9.7	9.6
ID-43	32.4	1.1	17.0	5	13.3	15.4
ID-44	29.2	1.3	n.p.	4.52	12.5	13.6
ID-45	21.8	4.0	16.1	n.p.	6.6	11.2
ID-46	3.1	1.0	n.p.	n.p.	6.5	5.3

ID-47	28.7	0.6	23.5	5.4	11.7	12.2
ID-48	13.7	0.5	21.7	n.p.	6.2	5.8
ID-49	n.p.	0.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
ID-50	n.p.	1.4	17.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
ID-51	12.8	n.p.	18.0	11	6.7	7.7
ID-52	22.2	4.9	19.2	n.p.	12.1	11.6
ID-53	15.3	0.6	17.3	n.p.	11.9	12.9
ID-54	21.0	0.5	25	5.5	8.2	8.4
ID-55	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.2	n.p.
ID-56	15.2	0.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.2
ID-57	33.9	0.7	19.0	n.p.	10.1	11.1
ID-58	21.2	2.5	19.9	n.p.	11.7	11.2
ID-59	n.p.	0.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
ID-60	19.7	0.5	20.6	n.p.	8.6	8.8
ID-61	17.9	0.5	24.1	8.9	4.2	3.9
ID-62	16.2	n.p.	19.3	n.p.	14.8	14.6
ID-63	17.9	0.4	24.4	n.p.	3.5	1.7
ID-64	21.7	0.7	n.p.	n.p.	3.2	3.0

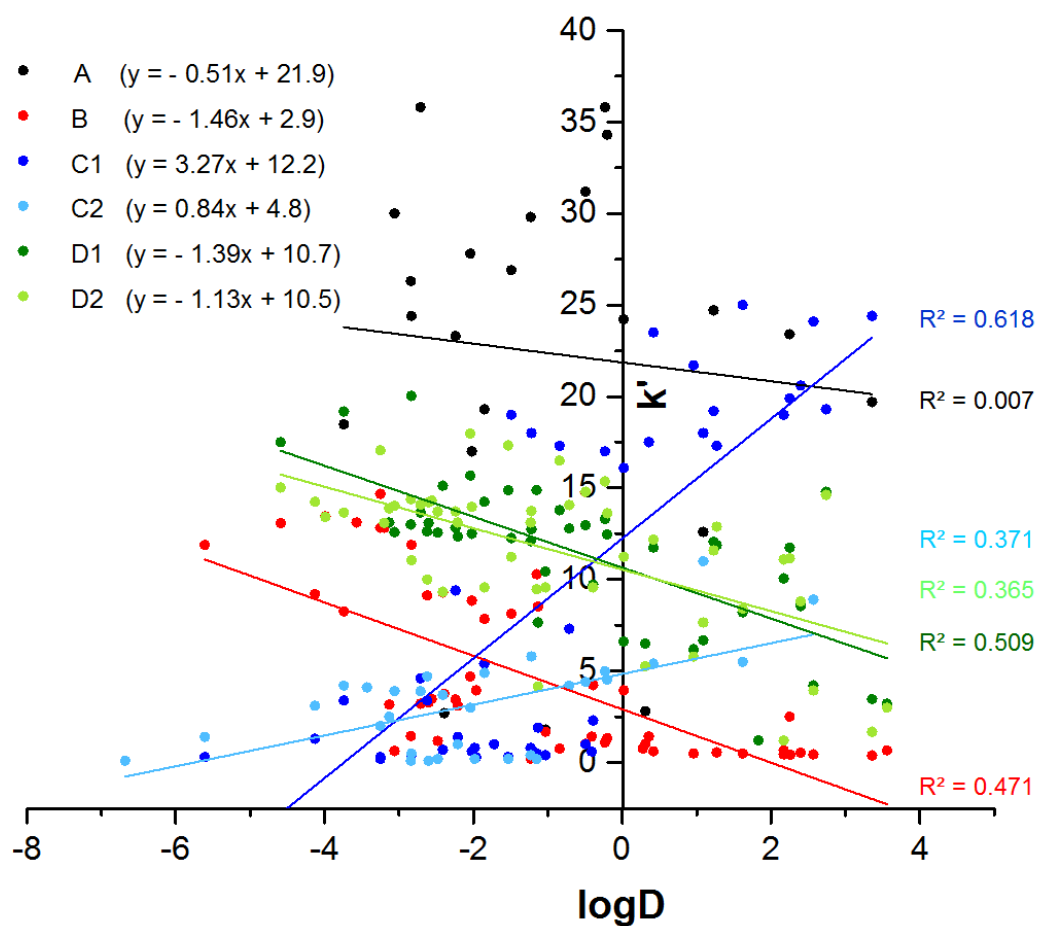
Method abbreviations: A) MMLC-MS/MS; B) HILIC-MS/MS; C<sub>1</sub>/C<sub>2</sub>) RPLC-MS/MS; D<sub>1</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>) SFC-HRMS

<sup>1</sup>  $k' = (t_R - t_0)/t_0$ ,  $t_R$  – retention time of the substance,  $t_0$  – void time

<sup>2</sup> n.p. means that it was not possible to analyze the chemical (no peak) with the chromatographic method in combination with ESI-MS

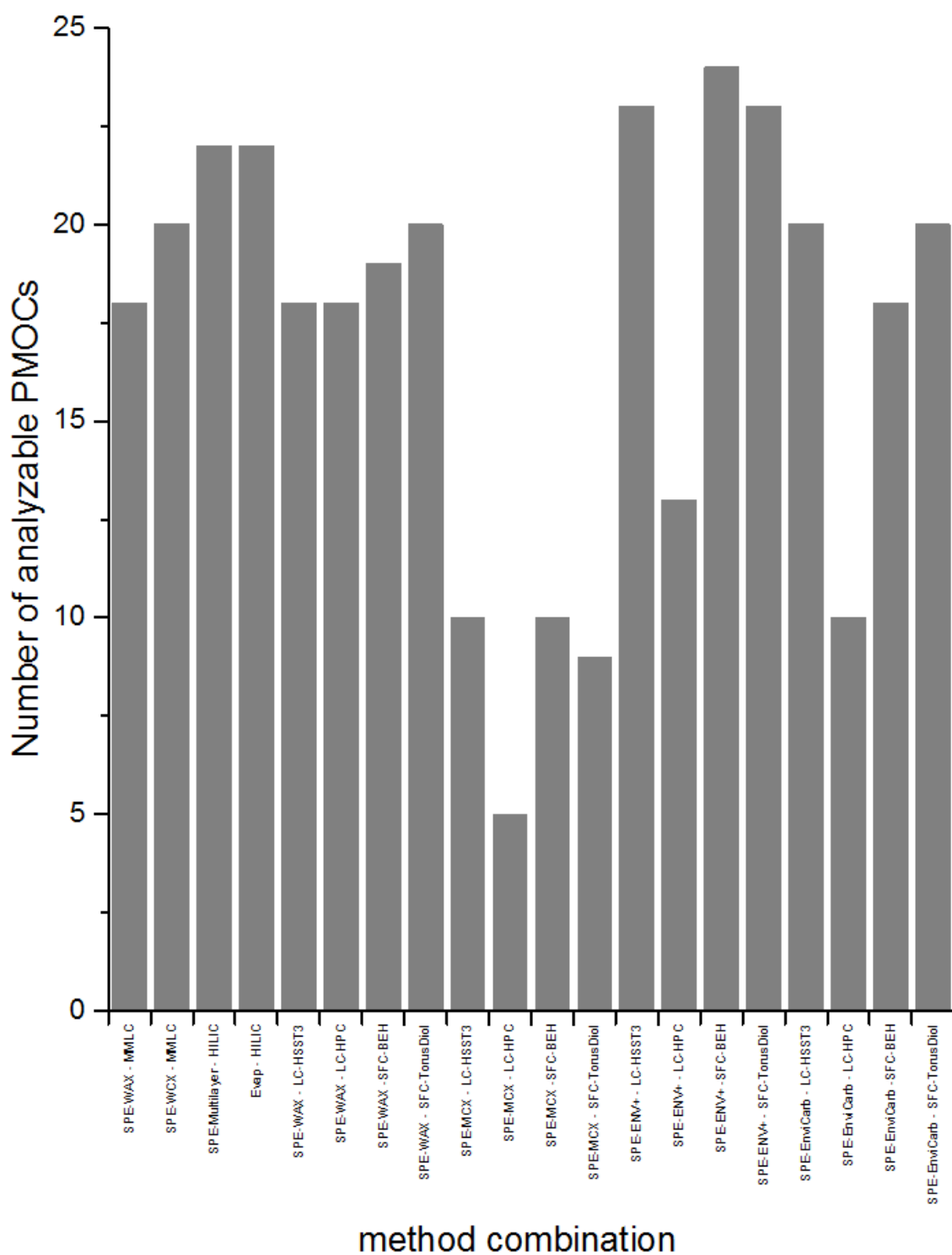


**Figure S3.** Retention factors  $k'$  of all PMOCs for the different chromatographic method.



**Figure S4.** Retention factors  $k'$  versus  $\log D$  for all PMOCs and all chromatographic methods. Method abbreviations: A) MMLC-MS/MS; B) HILIC-MS/MS; C<sub>1</sub>/C<sub>2</sub>) RPLC-MS/MS; D<sub>1</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>) SFC-HRMS





**Figure S5.** Number of PMOCs that were amenable to the different combinations of enrichment and instrumental methods.

**Table S9.** Enrichment and instrumental methods that were successfully applied for analysis of the different PMOCs (indicated with +). Combinations of enrichment and instrumental methods that were used in the target screening of water samples are listed in the last column with their individual estimated method detection limits (MDLs).

Index	Applicability of enrichment methods								Applicability of instrumental methods						Method combinations applied in the target screening of water samples In gray: methods that led to only not-detects In blue: methods that led to at least one detect In parentheses: estimated MDL [ng L <sup>-1</sup> ]
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	A	B	C <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	
ID-1	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	
ID-2	n.t.	n.t.	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	<b>B-IV (37), C<sub>1</sub>-V (335)</b>
ID-3	n.t.	n.t.	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	<b>B-III (0.4)</b>
ID-4	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	A-II (0.5), C <sub>2</sub> -VIII (60), D <sub>2</sub> -VIII (2000)
ID-5	n.t.	n.t.	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	B-III (0.06)
ID-6	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<b>A-II (5.5), B-IV (5), C<sub>2</sub>-VIII (0.5)</b>
ID-7	n.t.	n.t.	-	+	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	-	+	-	-	-	-	B-VI (1250)
ID-8	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	<b>C<sub>2</sub>-V (1.2)</b>
ID-9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	<b>C<sub>2</sub>-VIII (3), D<sub>2</sub>-VIII (5)</b>
ID-10	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	C <sub>1</sub> -V (600)
ID-11	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	
ID-12	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	<b>A-I (189), B-III (3.9), C<sub>2</sub>-V (600)</b>
ID-13	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	<b>A-I (16.8), B-IV (11), C<sub>2</sub>-V (0.5), D<sub>2</sub>-V (10)</b>
ID-14	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	<b>A-I (367), B-III (375), C<sub>2</sub>-VIII (39)</b>
ID-15	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	<b>A-II (15.4), B-IV (19), C<sub>1</sub>-VI (600), D<sub>1</sub>-VI (10), D<sub>2</sub>-VI (15)</b>
ID-16	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	<b>A-I (182), B-III (0.6), C<sub>2</sub>-V (0.2), D<sub>2</sub>-V (4)</b>
ID-17	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	A-II (46), B-IV (3), <b>C<sub>2</sub>-VII (42), D<sub>1</sub>-VII (30)</b>
ID-18	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	<b>B-IV (12), C<sub>1</sub>-V (60)</b>
ID-19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	
ID-20	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	A-I (219), B-III (20), <b>C<sub>2</sub>-V (10), D<sub>2</sub>-V (40)</b>

ID-21	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	A-II (30), B-IV (0.9), C <sub>2</sub> -VI (600)
ID-22	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	A-I (500), <b>B-IV (38), C<sub>1</sub>-VIII (2.5)</b>
ID-23	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	<b>A-II (0.3)</b> , B-III (0.75), <b>C<sub>1</sub>-VIII (0.2), D<sub>2</sub>-VIII (2.5)</b>
ID-24	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	A-I (15.6), <b>B-IV (140), C<sub>1</sub>-V (10), D<sub>2</sub>-V (55)</b>
ID-25	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	A-I (167), <b>B-III (0.04), C<sub>2</sub>-V (6), D<sub>2</sub>-V (140)</b>
ID-26	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	<b>A-II (176), B-IV (23), C<sub>1</sub>-VIII (10), D<sub>1</sub>-VIII (1.4)</b>
ID-27	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	
ID-28	n.t.	n.t.	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	<b>B-III (0.3)</b>
ID-29	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<b>A-II (3.1)</b> , B-IV (1.4), <b>C<sub>2</sub>-VIII (0.7), D<sub>1</sub>-VIII (0.6)</b>
ID-30	-	-	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	C <sub>1</sub> -VII (100)
ID-31	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	C <sub>2</sub> -V (60)
ID-32	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	<b>A-II (11.4), B-III (0.12), C<sub>1</sub>-VIII (1.2), D<sub>1</sub>-VIII (0.9)</b>
ID-33	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	<b>A-I (55.1), B-III (0.21), C<sub>1</sub>-V (3), D<sub>2</sub>-V (0.7)</b>
ID-34	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	A-I (4.0), B-III (0.2), <b>C<sub>1</sub>-V (0.6)</b>
ID-35	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	C <sub>1</sub> -VII (0.1)
ID-36	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	A-II (50.9), B-IV (1), C <sub>1</sub> -VI (600)
ID-37	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	A-I (372), <b>B-IV (70), D<sub>1</sub>-VIII (20)</b>
ID-38	n.t.	n.t.	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	<b>B-III (0.2), C<sub>1</sub>-VII (1), D<sub>2</sub>-VII (8)</b>
ID-39	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	<b>B-III (0.6), C<sub>2</sub>-V (18), D<sub>2</sub>-V (2.5)</b>
ID-40	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	<b>B-IV (50), C<sub>1</sub>-V (2), D<sub>2</sub>-V (32)</b>
ID-41	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	<b>B-IV (7.6)</b>
ID-42	n.t.	n.t.	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	B-IV (1.2), <b>C<sub>1</sub>-VII (0.8), D<sub>1</sub>-VII (0.6)</b>
ID-43	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	<b>A-I (10), B-III (15), C<sub>1</sub>-VII (10), D<sub>2</sub>-VII (10)</b>
ID-44	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	<b>A-I (26.6), B-III (2.6), C<sub>2</sub>-V (9), D<sub>2</sub>-V (3)</b>
ID-45	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	<b>A-II (9.6), B-III (0.07)</b>
ID-46	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	<b>A-II (14.6)</b> , B-IV (1400), C <sub>1</sub> -VII (600)
ID-47	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	A-I (0.6), <b>C<sub>1</sub>-V (1.5)</b>
ID-48	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	A-II (15.7), C <sub>1</sub> -VII (6)
ID-49	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	

ID-50	n.t.	n.t.	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	B-III (4), <b>C1-VII (0.01)</b>
ID-51	+	-	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	A-I (105), <b>C2-VIII (1.6), D2-VII (100)</b>
ID-52	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	<b>A-II (3.2)</b> , B-IV (0.5), <b>C1-VIII (1), D1-VIII (0.6)</b>
ID-53	-	+	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	A-II (3.9), C1-VII (60)
ID-54	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	A-I (20.6), <b>B-IV (2.9)</b> , C1-VII (91)
ID-55	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	D1-VII (2000)
ID-56	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	A-II (85)
ID-57	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	<b>A-I (5.7)</b> , B-III (20), <b>C1-V (1.7), D2-V (3.2)</b>
ID-58	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	<b>A-II (4.3)</b> , B-III (0.28), <b>C1-VIII (1.5), D1-VIII (1.5)</b>
ID-59	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	
ID-60	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	B-III (0.02), C1-VI (60), <b>D1-VI (9)</b>
ID-61	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	A-II (7.5), <b>B-IV (0.5), C1-VIII (0.02), D2-VIII (0.7)</b>
ID-62	-	+	n.t.	n.t.	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	A-II (71.1), D1-VII (15), D2-VII ()
ID-63	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	<b>A-II (72.1), B-III (0.5), C1-VIII (100), D1-VIII (120)</b>
ID-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	

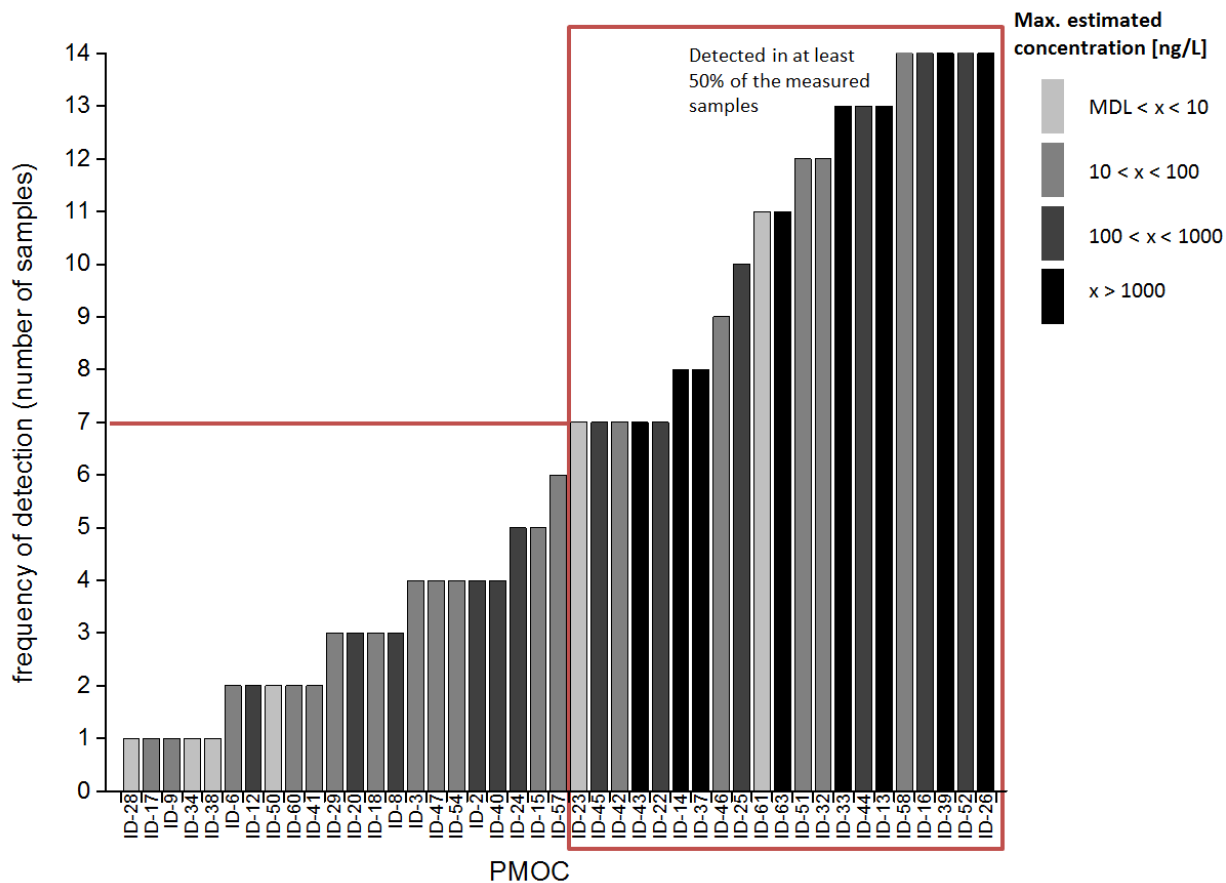
Method abbreviations – Enrichment methods: I) SPE-WAX; II) SPE-WCX; III) SPE-Multilayer; IV) Evaporation; V) SPE-WAX; VI) SPE-MSX; VII) SPE-ENV+; VIII) SPE-EnviCarb

Instrumental methods: A) MMLC-MS/MS; B) HILIC-MS/MS; C<sub>1</sub>/C<sub>2</sub>) UHPLC-MS/MS; D<sub>1</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>) SFC-HRMS

+ enrichment or chromatographic method applicable

- enrichment or chromatographic method not applicable

n.t. not tested



**Figure S6.** Frequency of detection (including all methods) and maximum estimated concentration of the detected PMOCs in the 14 water samples.

**Table S10.** Chromatography method-specific detection frequencies (number of samples) of the detected PMOCs in the 14 water samples.

<b>Index</b>	<b>Detection frequency Chromatography A (with Enrichment I/II)</b>	<b>Detection frequency Chromatography B (with Enrichment III/IV)</b>	<b>Detection frequency Chromatography C<sub>1</sub>/C<sub>2</sub> (with Enrichment V-VIII)</b>	<b>Detection frequency Chromatography D<sub>1</sub>/D<sub>2</sub> (with Enrichment V-VIII)</b>
ID-2	-	2	2	-
ID-3	-	4	-	-
ID-6	2	-	1	-
ID-8	-	-	3	-
ID-9	-	-	1	-
ID-12	1	1	-	-
ID-13	12	13	13	12
ID-14	8	2	4	-
ID-15	5	4	-	-
ID-16	13	7	10	5
ID-17	-	-	1	1
ID-18	-	3	-	-
ID-20	-	-	1	3
ID-22	-	5	5	-
ID-23	6	-	5	1
ID-24	-	1	5	2
ID-25	-	9	6	2
ID-26	3	7	8	14
ID-28	-	1	-	-
ID-29	1	-	3	1
ID-32	6	10	8	8
ID-33	5	8	10	13
ID-34	-	-	1	-
ID-37	-	6	-	8
ID-38	-	1	1	1
ID-39	-	4	10	14
ID-40	2	1	3	3
ID-41	-	2	-	-
ID-42	-	-	6	7
ID-43	3	-	1	4
ID-44	3	10	13	13
ID-45	6	5	-	-
ID-46	9	-	1	-
ID-47	-	-	4	-
ID-50	-	-	2	-
ID-51	-	-	12	1
ID-52	14	-	8	7
ID-54	-	4	-	-
ID-57	3	-	2	4
ID-58	4	-	14	11
ID-60	-	-	-	2
ID-61	-	5	10	1
ID-63	7	10	4	5