

# Terrænnær højopløselig geofysik

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# Motivation

- **Electromagnetic induction (EMI) instruments**
  - High resolution, small footprint
- **EMI instrumentation dramatically improved**
  - More robust instruments — better data quality
  - More coil geometries — larger depth of exploration (DOE)
- **Tool developed for airborne electromagnetic**
  - Automatic processing
  - Robust, fast, full non-linear inversion
  - Approximations are no-go



# Applications

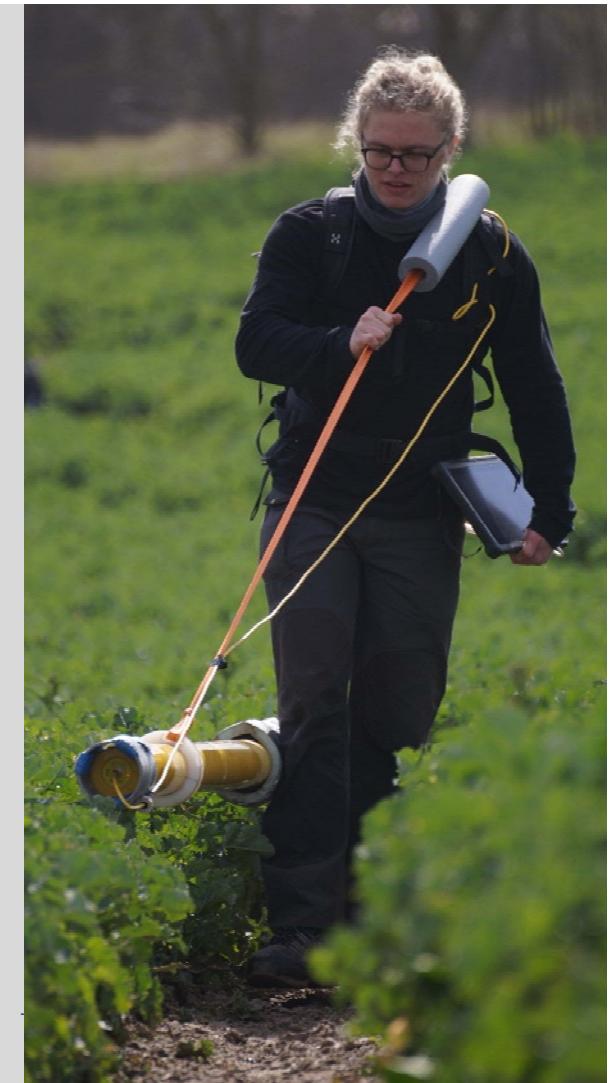
- Soil mapping
- Geotechnical engineering
- Pre-housing development (LAR)
- Archeology
- Dike construction

**Any application involving shallow geology**



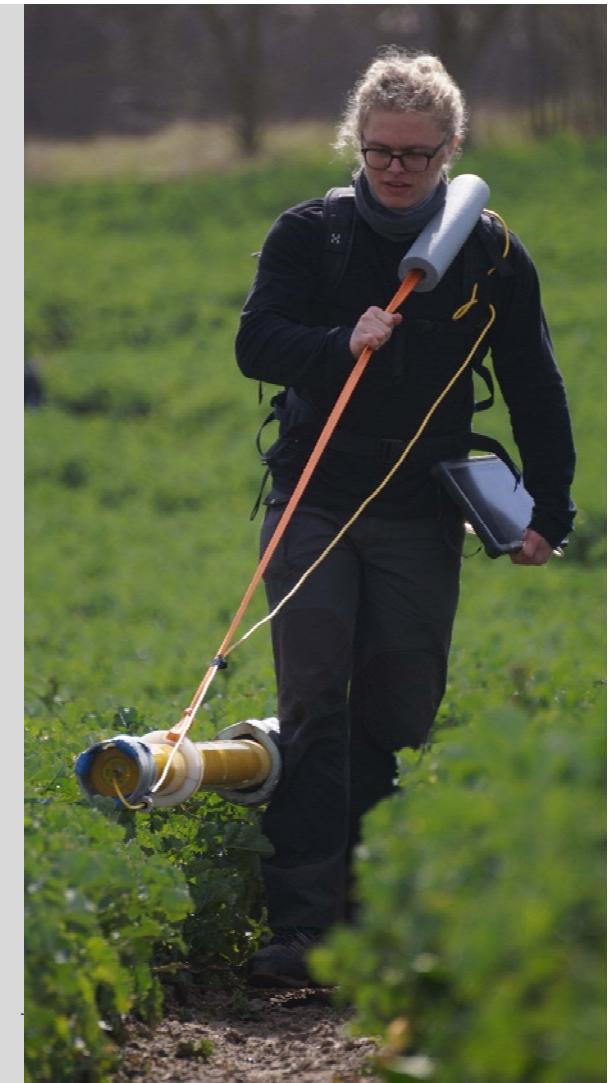
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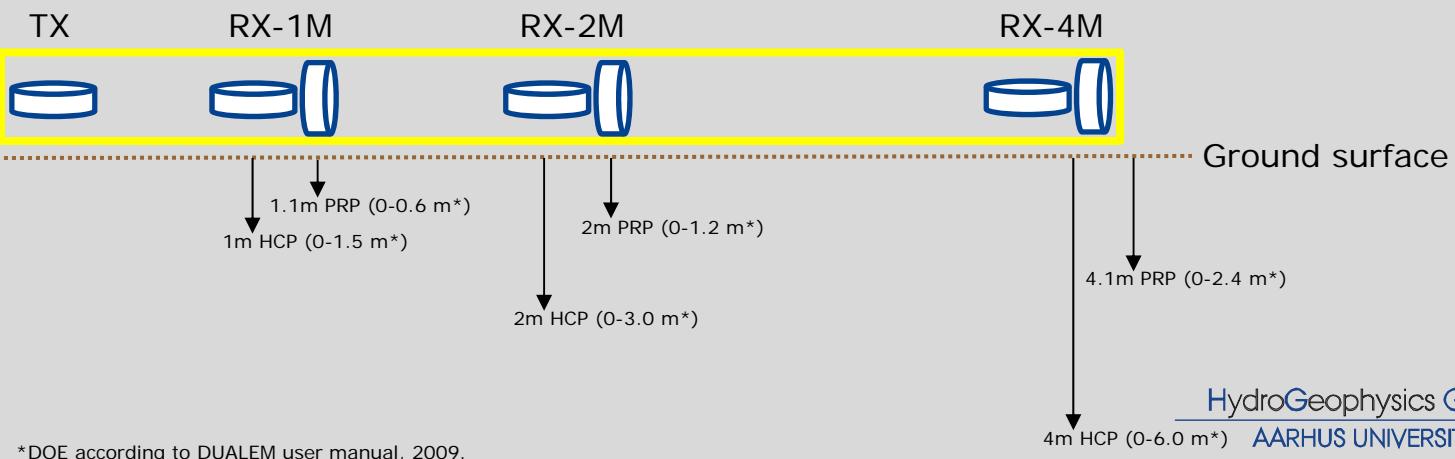
- DUALEM-421S
- Frequency domain, 9000 Hz
- Sampling rate, 10 Hz
- 6 coils, providing apparent resistivity information of the soil



# Electromagnetic Induction



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\*DOE according to DUALEM user manual, 2009.  
Assuming low frequency-approximation (LIN condition)

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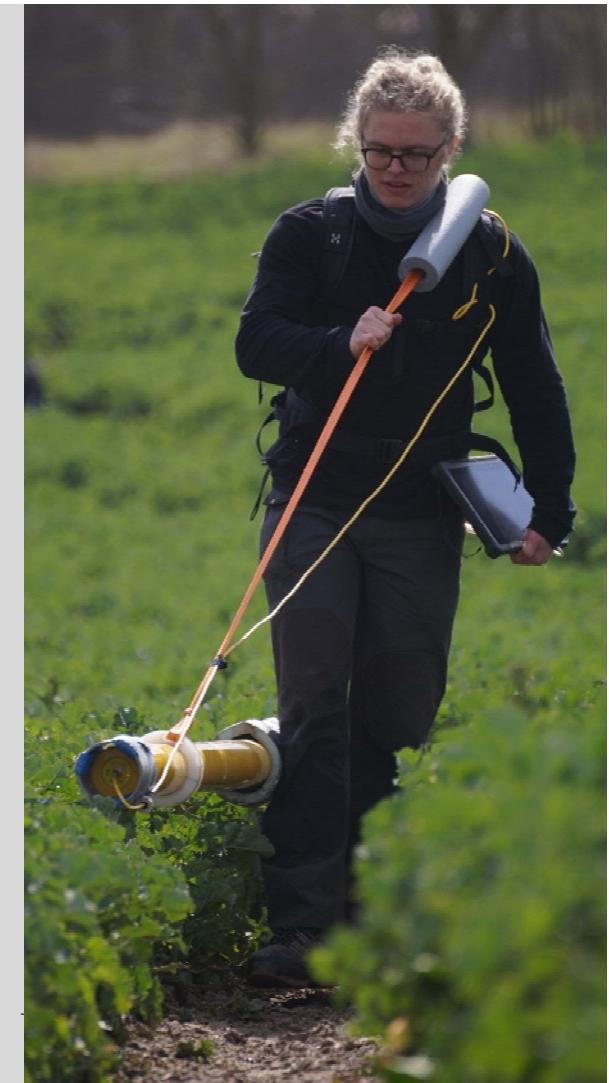


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# Processing in the Aarhus Workbench

## 1. Alignment of sounding data

- Shift of GPS position

## 2. Automatic processing

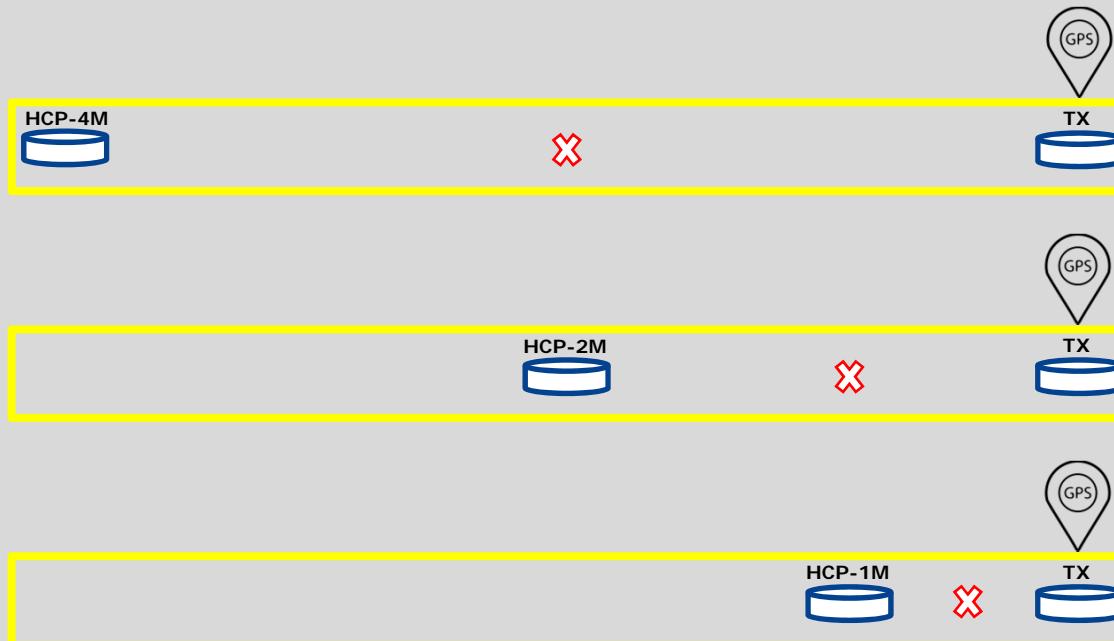
- Averaging (increase S/N ratio due to motion induced and background noise)

## 3. Manual processing

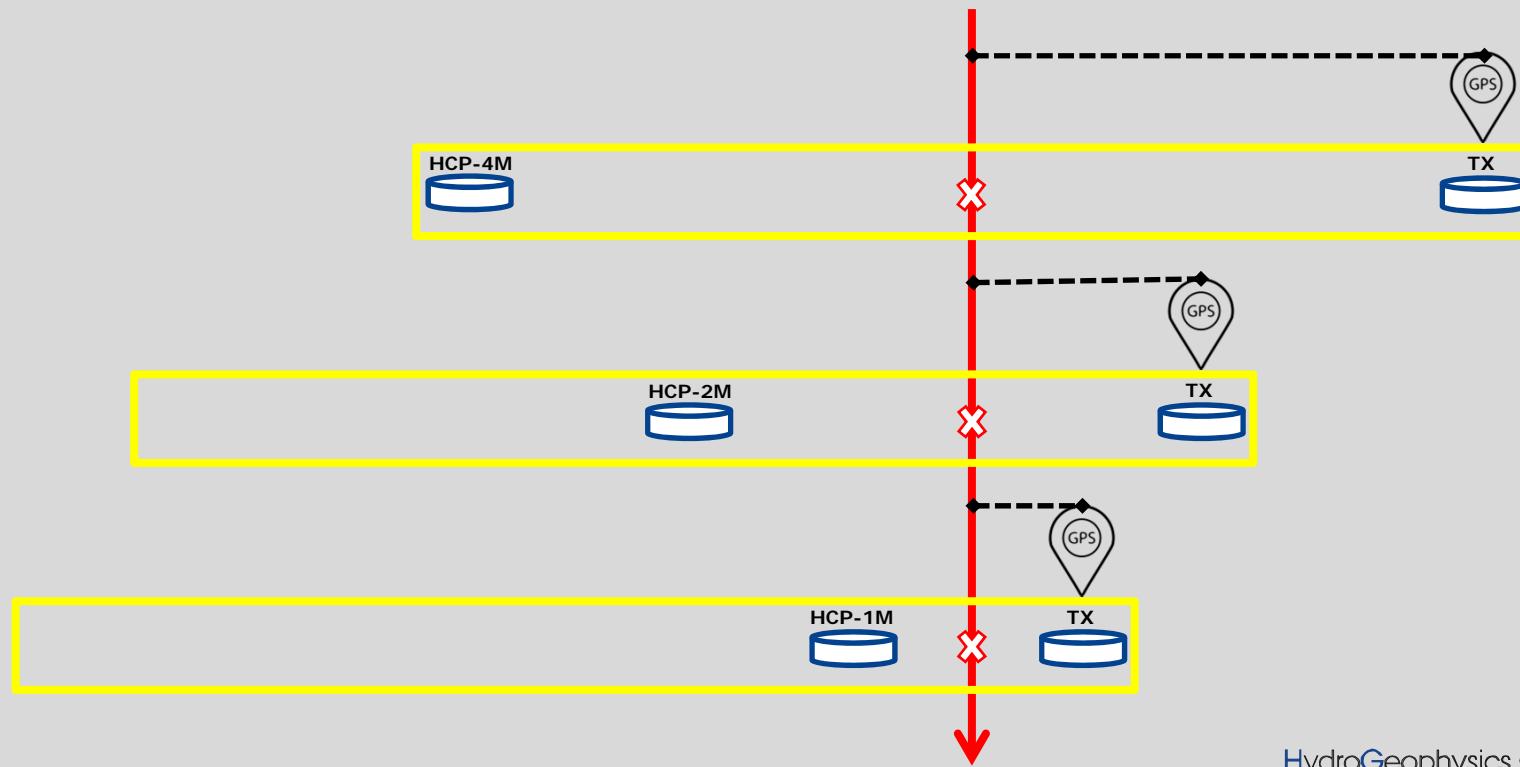
- Removal of signals from man-made installations



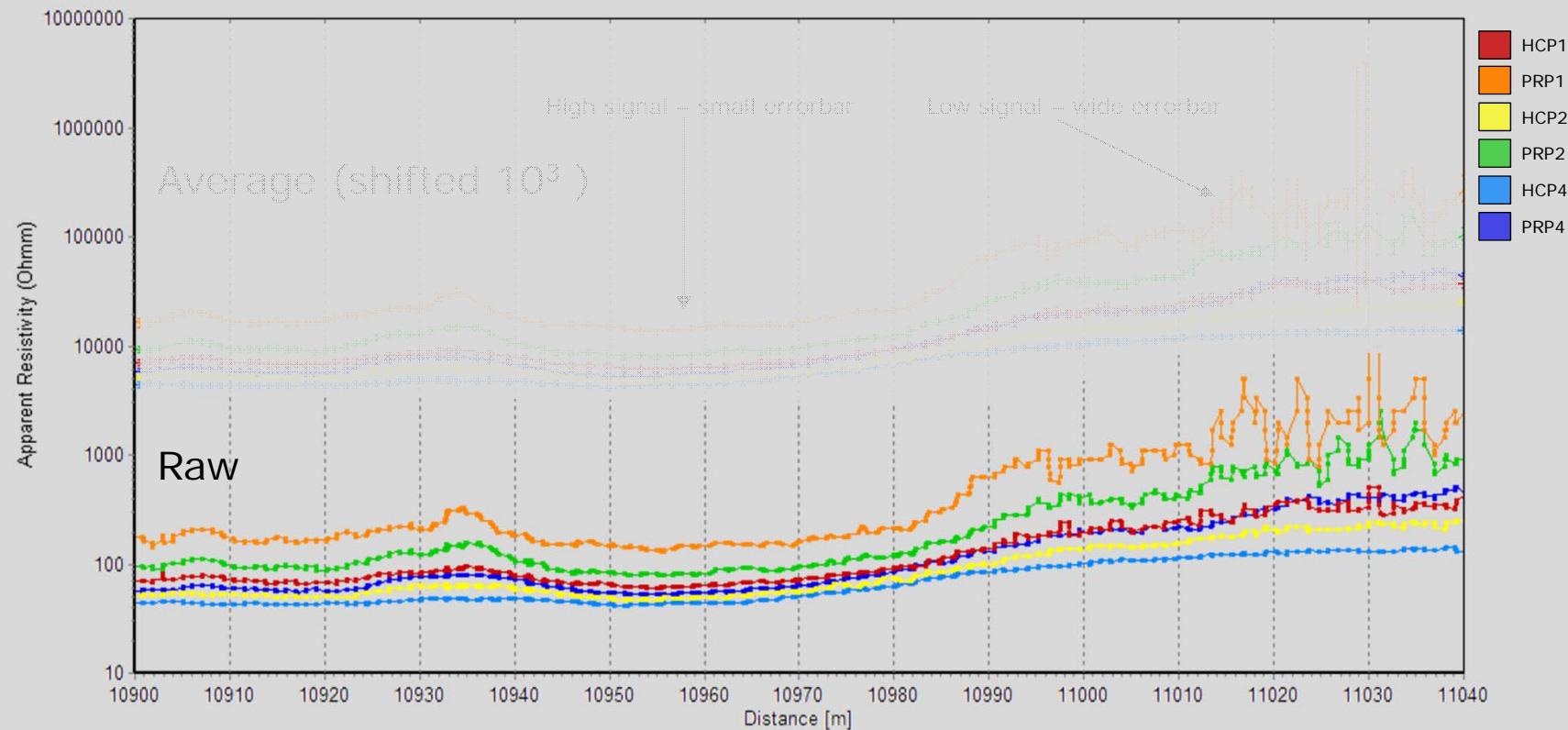
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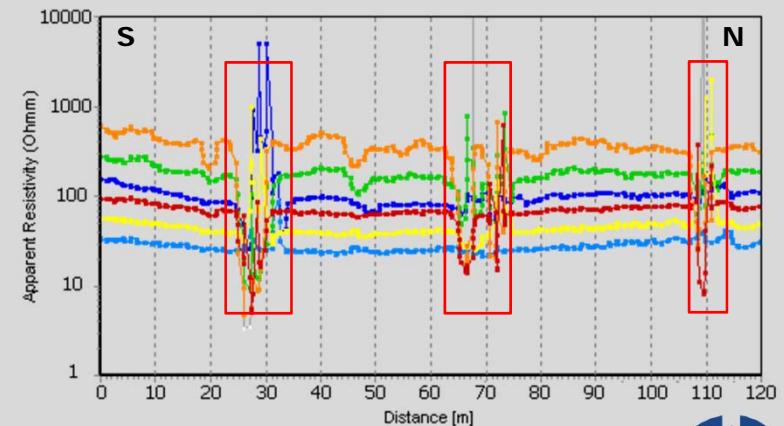
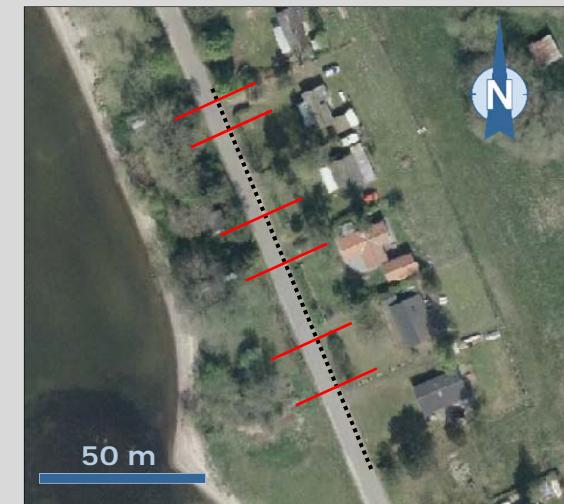
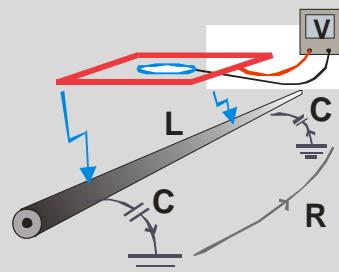


# Processing - automatic



# Processing - manual

- Capacitive coupling LCR - circuit with oscillating decay
- Insulated conductor, telephone cables, buried electrical cables
- Easily recognizable in the data



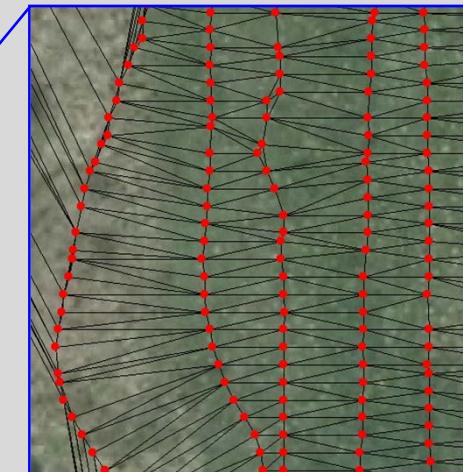
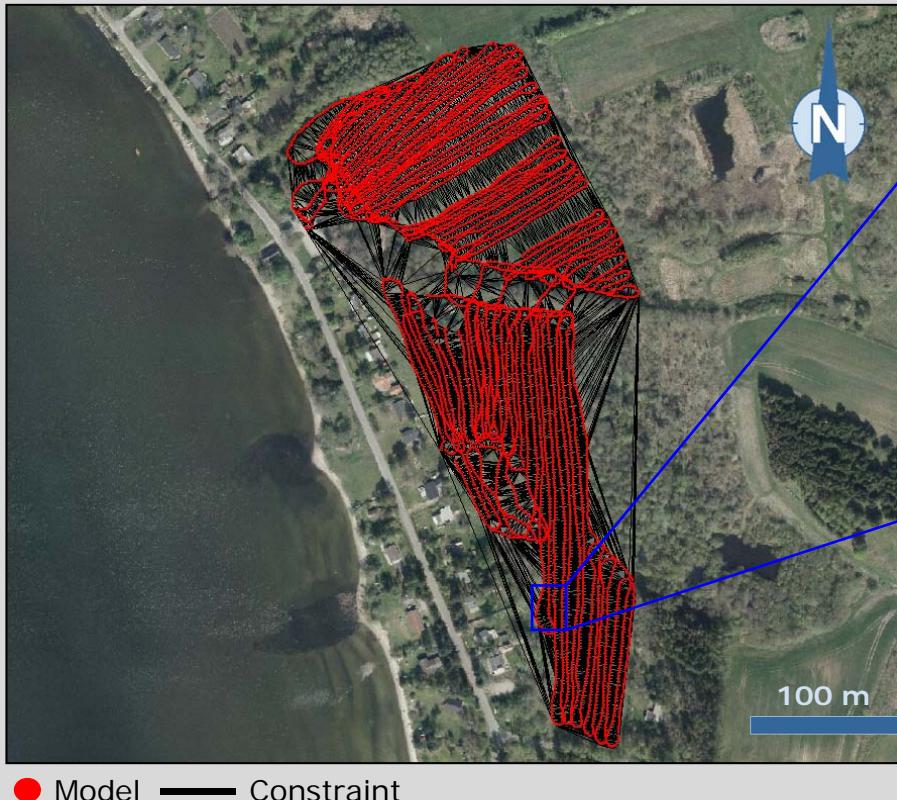
# Inversion

- Aarhus Workbench inversion code
  - Least squares, full non-linear solution
  - 1D - spatially constrained inversion
- Production code for AEM, ERT, IP and EMI data
  - More than 500.000 line km of AEM data interpreted in worldwide mappings

Auken, E. et al., 2015, An overview of a highly versatile forward and stable inverse algorithm for airborne, ground-based and borehole electromagnetic and electric data, **46** exploration geophysics.



## Inversion – spatially constrained

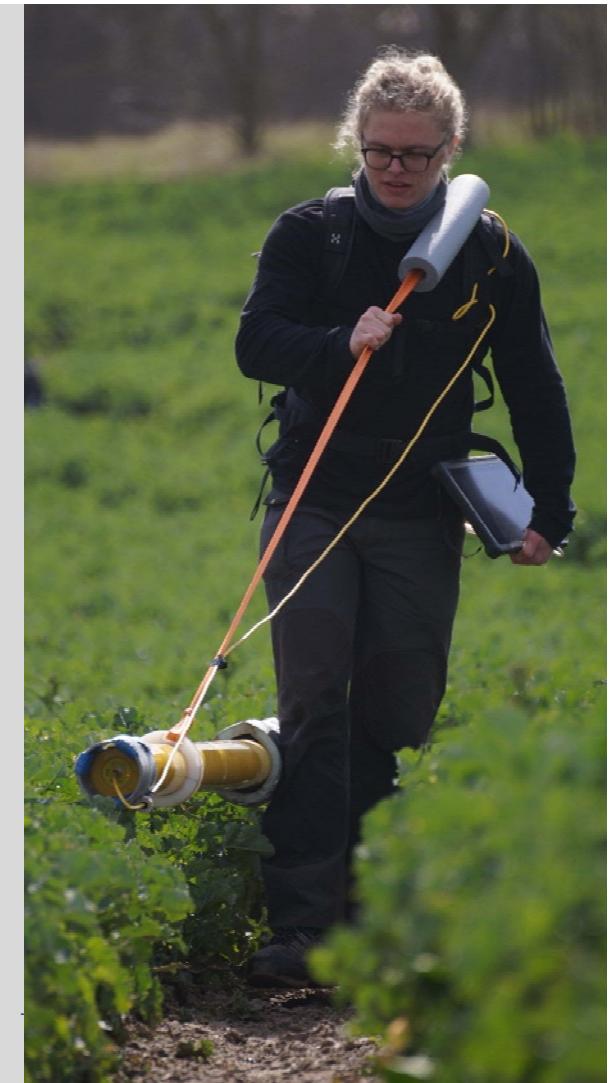


- **Inline and crossline constraints**
  - Ensure lateral consistency
  - No striping in maps
  - Sedimentary environment



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# Results – Pillemark study

## Mapping soil heterogeneity

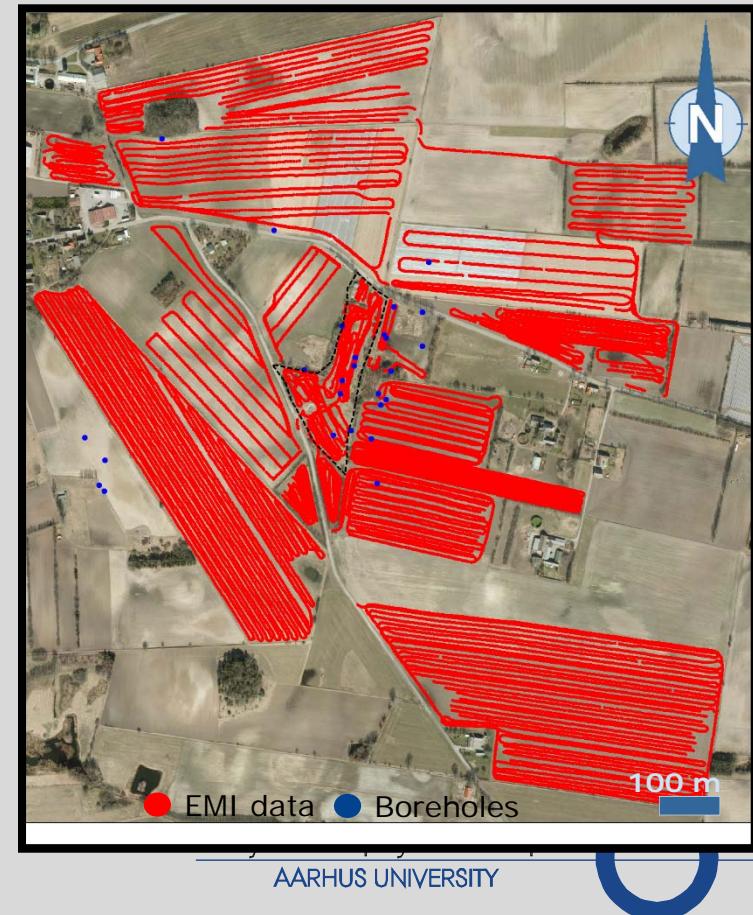
- Soil maps
- Resolve small scale geological structures i.e. paleo stream channels
- Resolve continuity of shallow sand layers

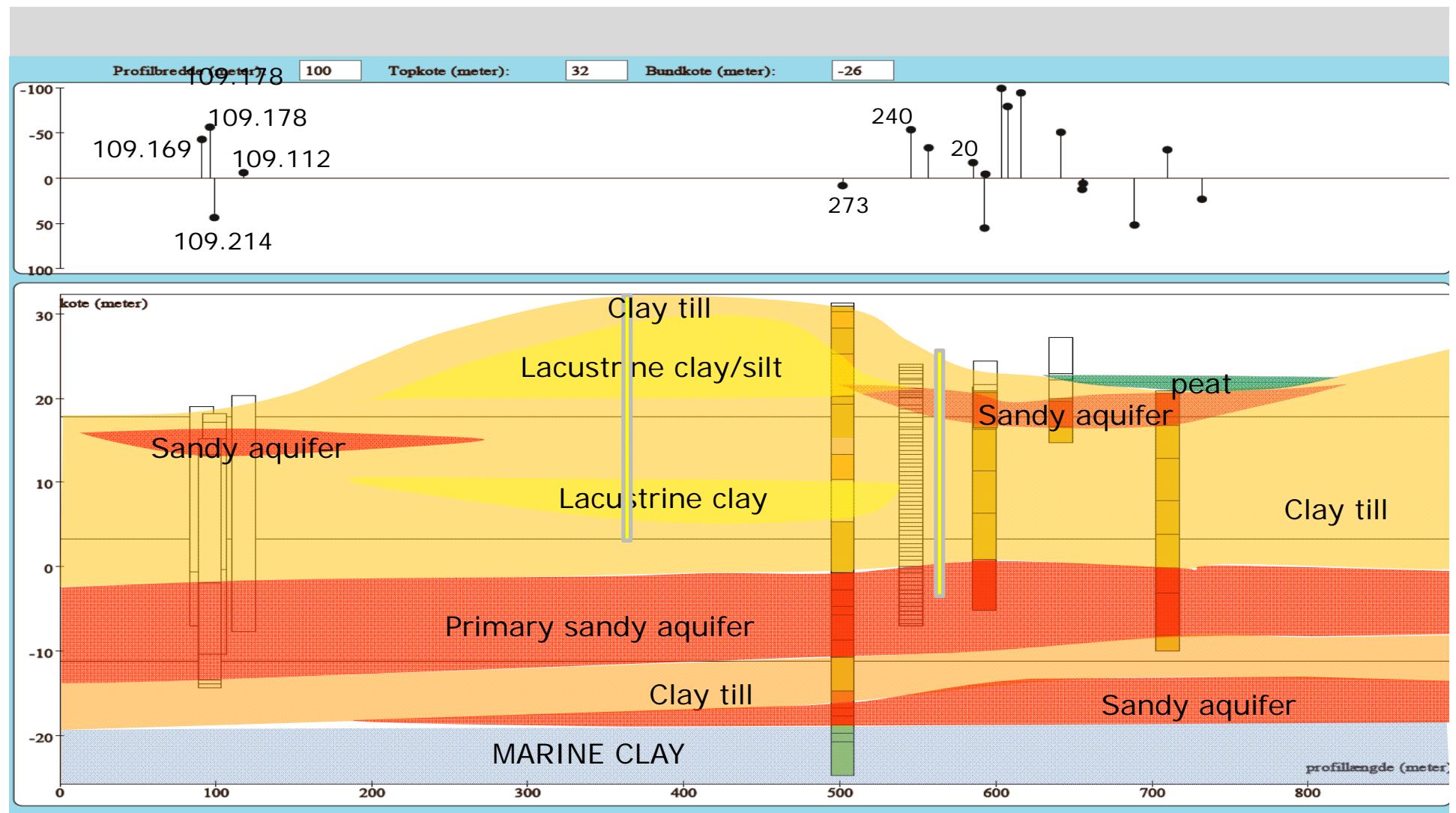
## Mapping campaign

- 2 days of acquisition time
- 5 – 25 m line distance, 0.5 m sample density
- 93 km of data, 42 950 unique measurements

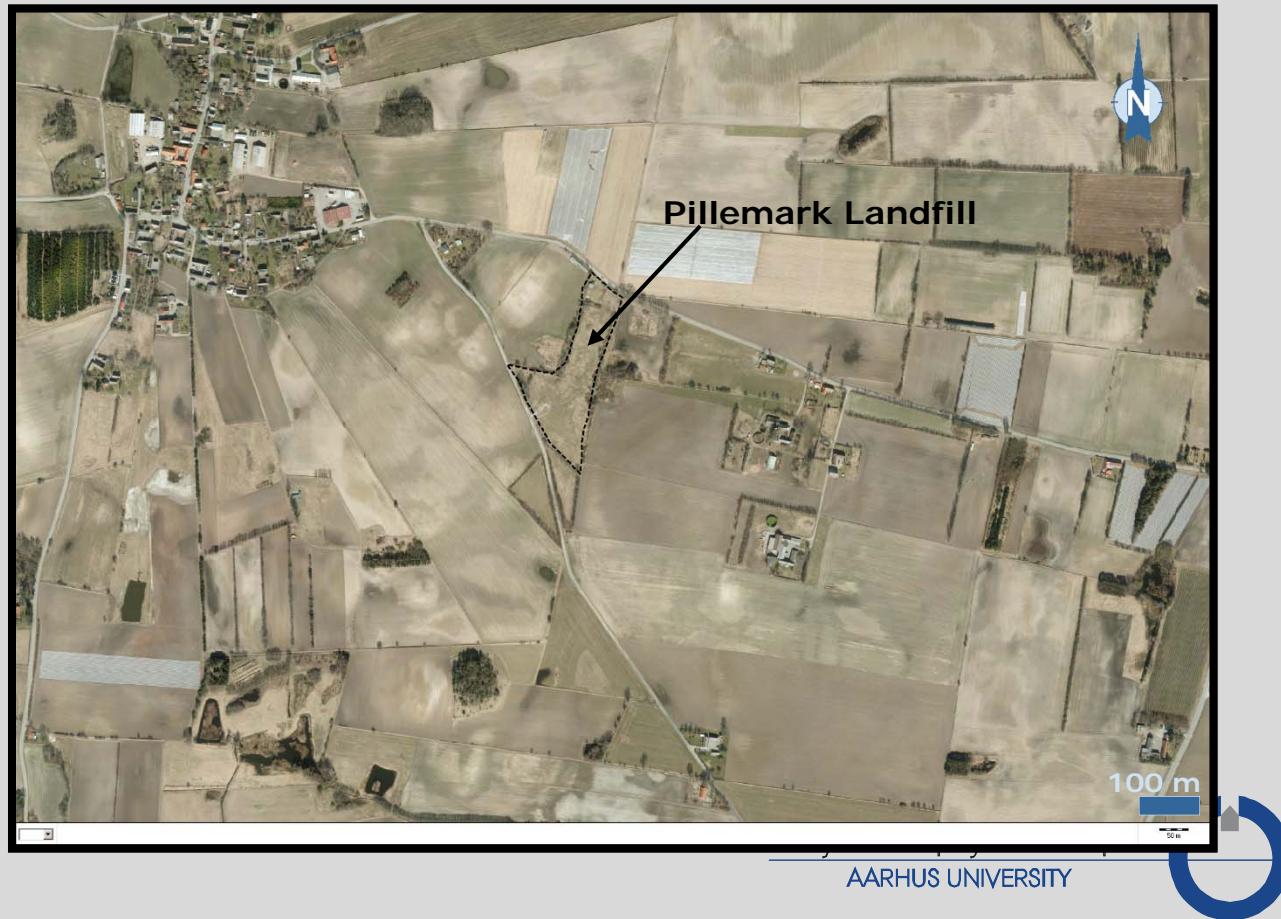
## Processing & inversion

- 10 hour processing
- Runtime of ~20 minutes for full non-linear inversion



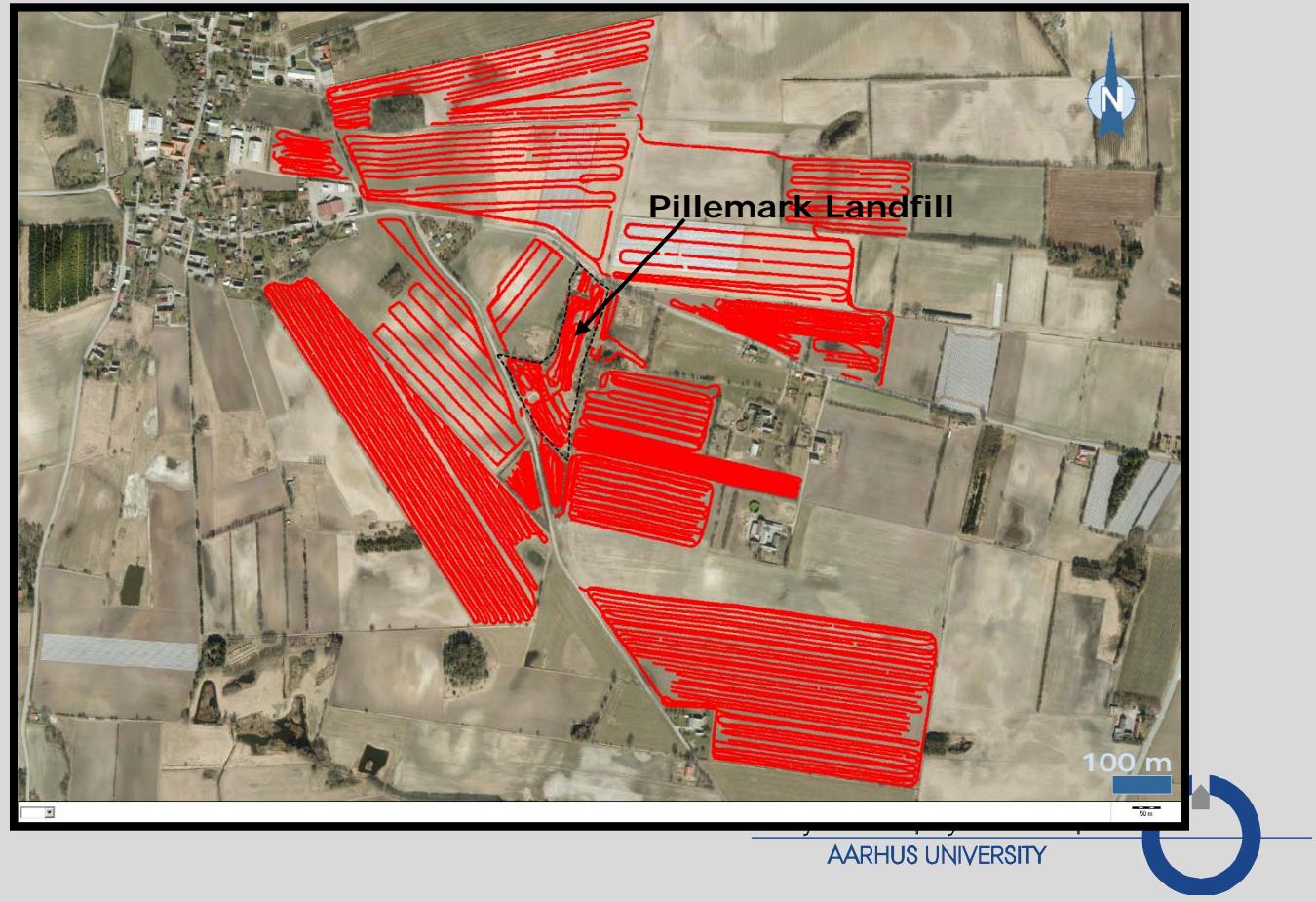


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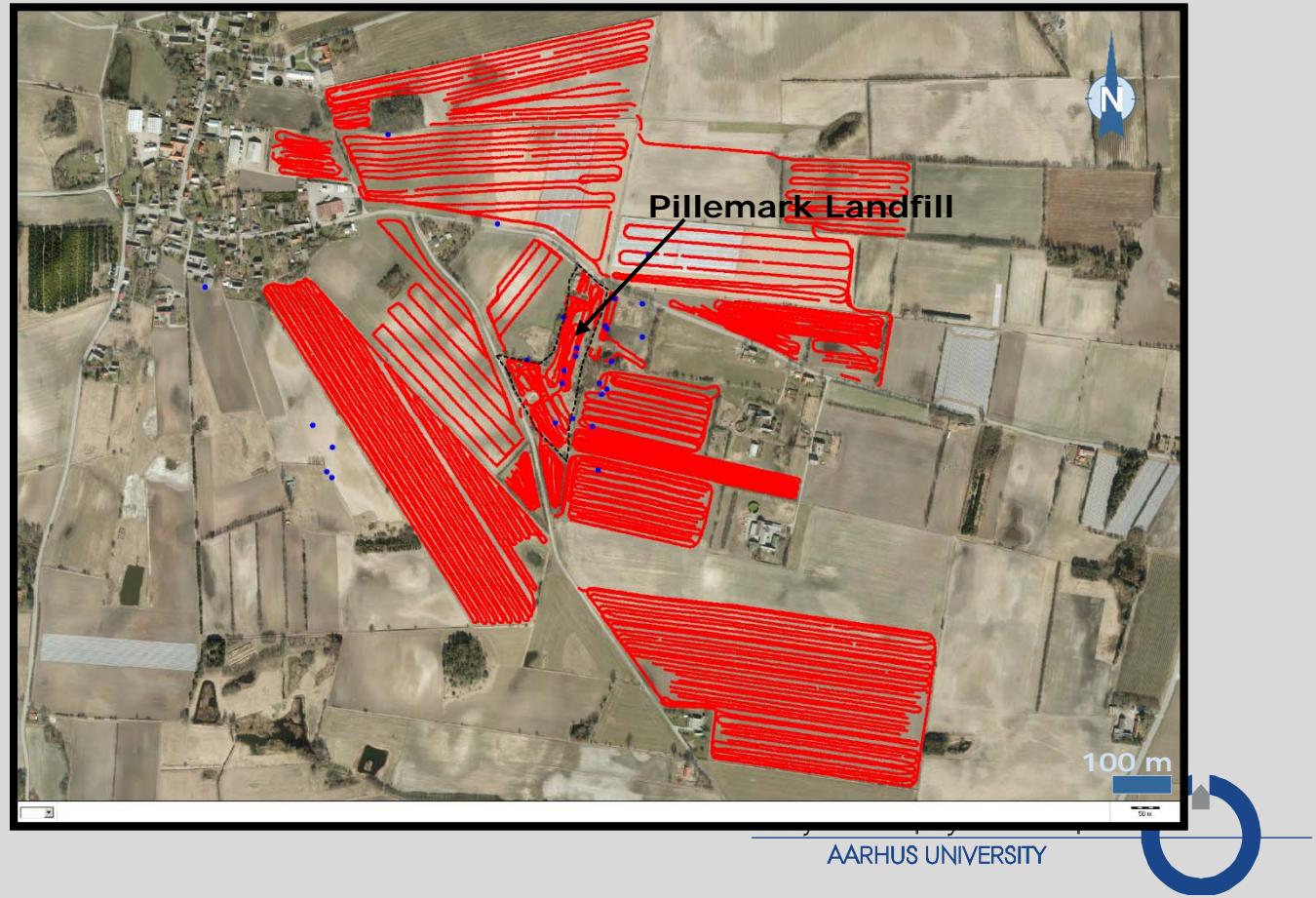
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- GCM soundings

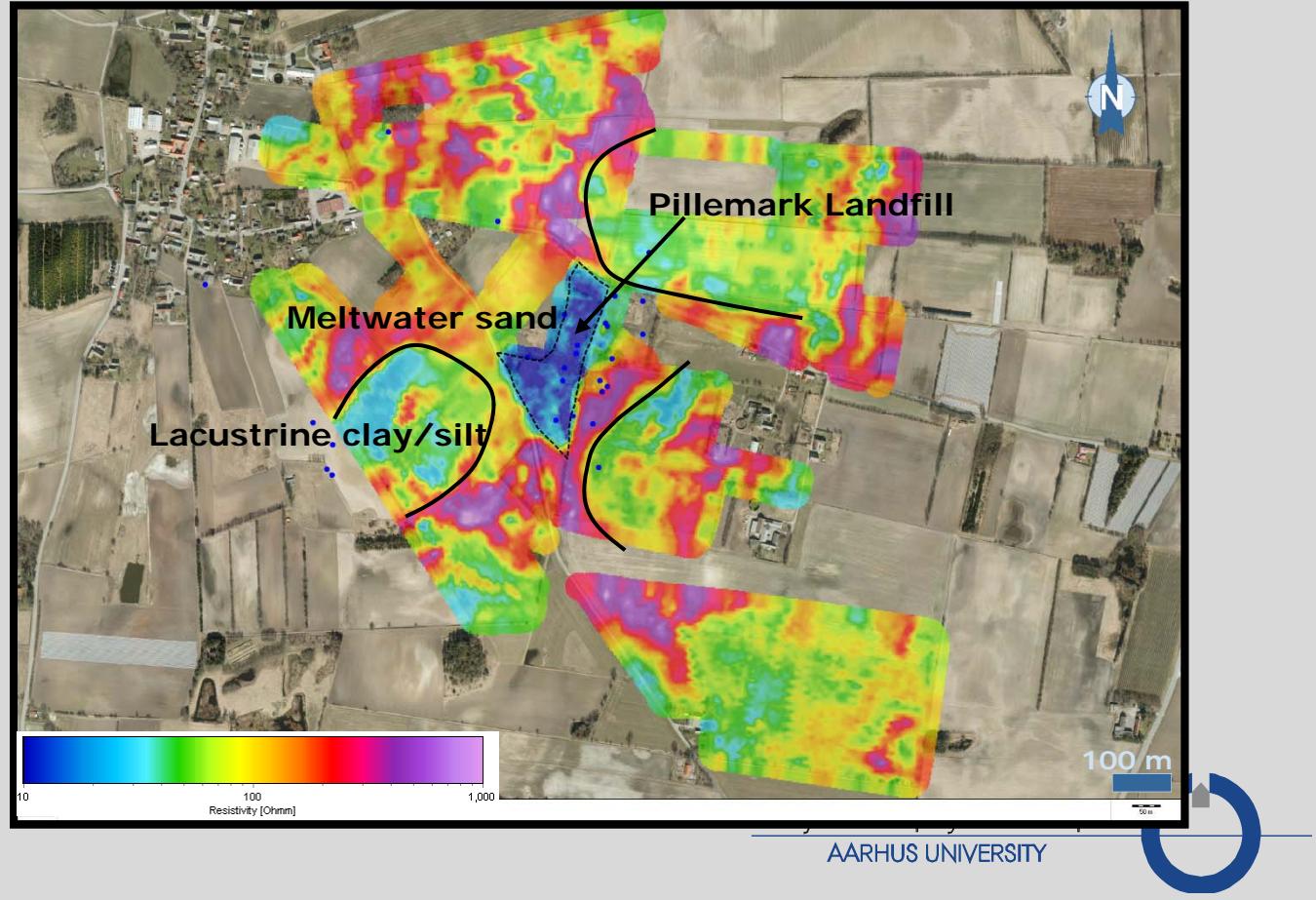


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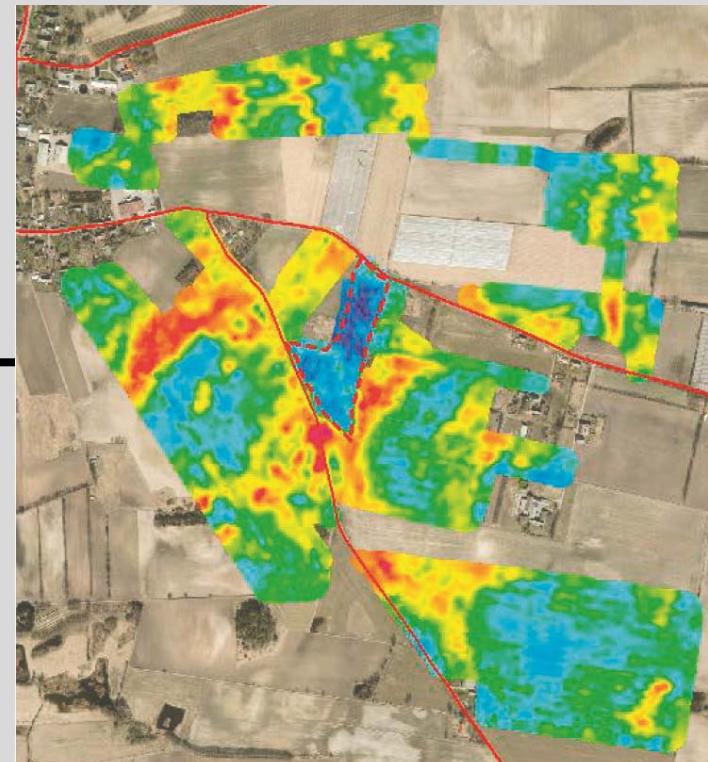
- GCM soundings
- Boreholes



## Average resistivity 0 – 1 mbs



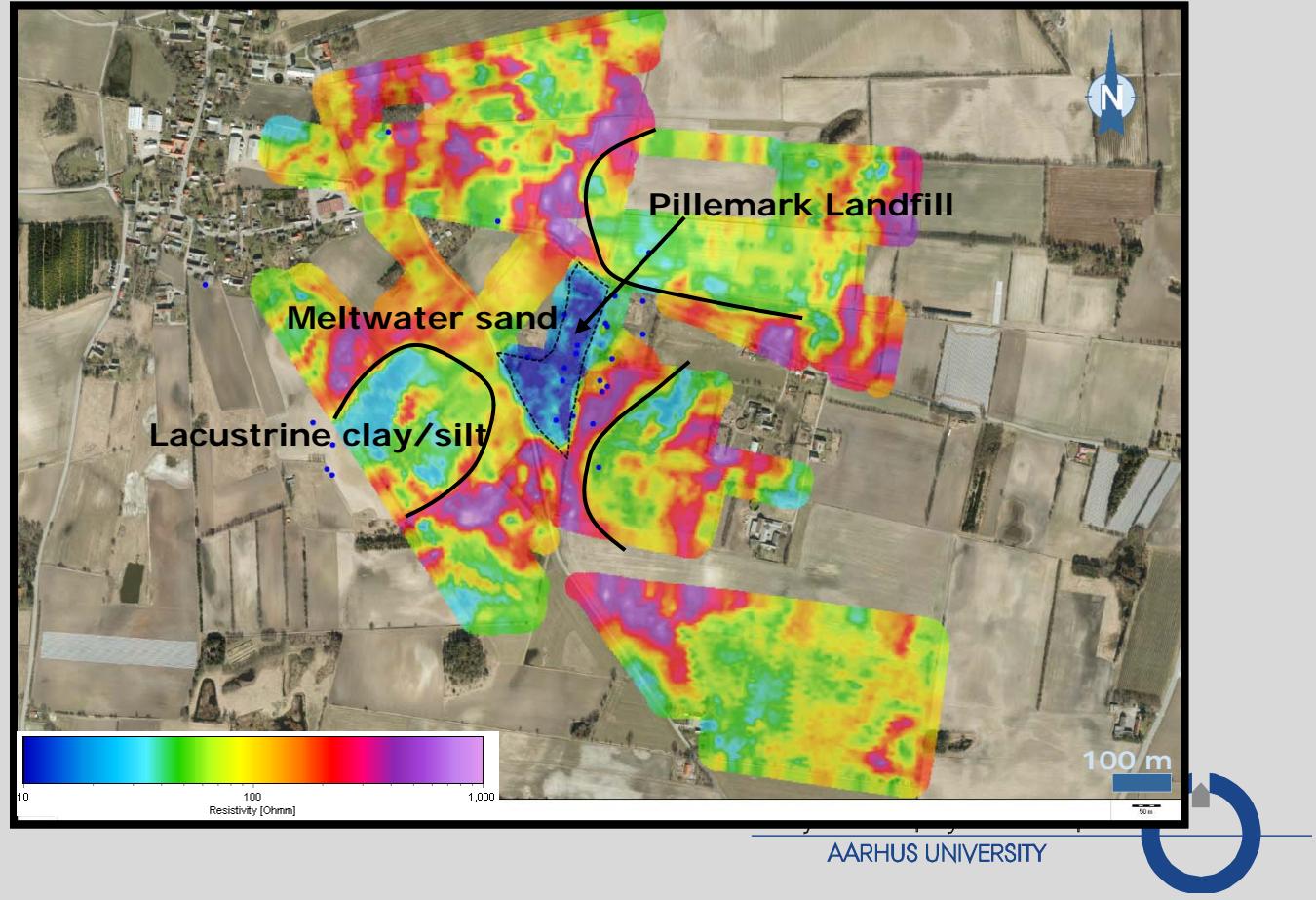
# Soil maps



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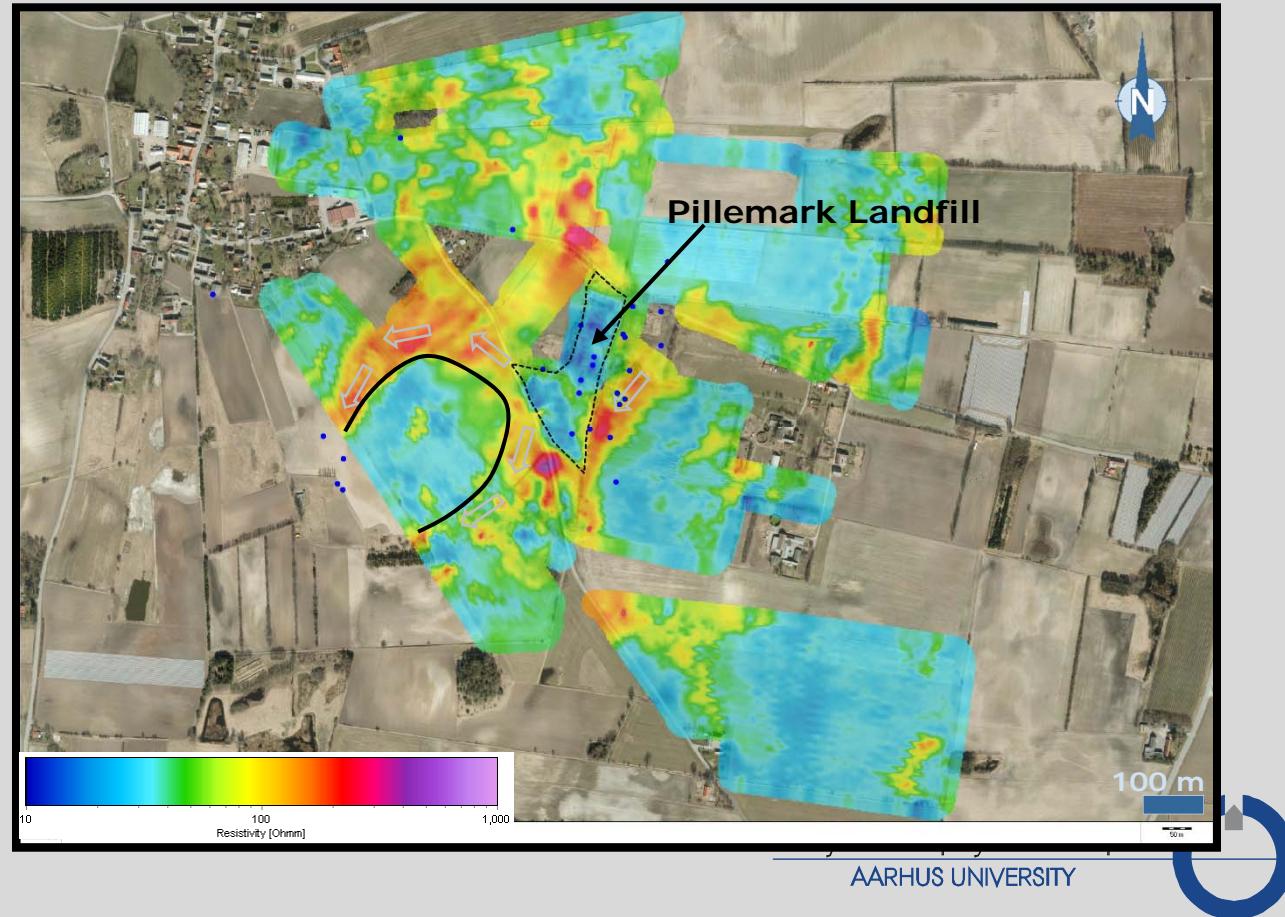


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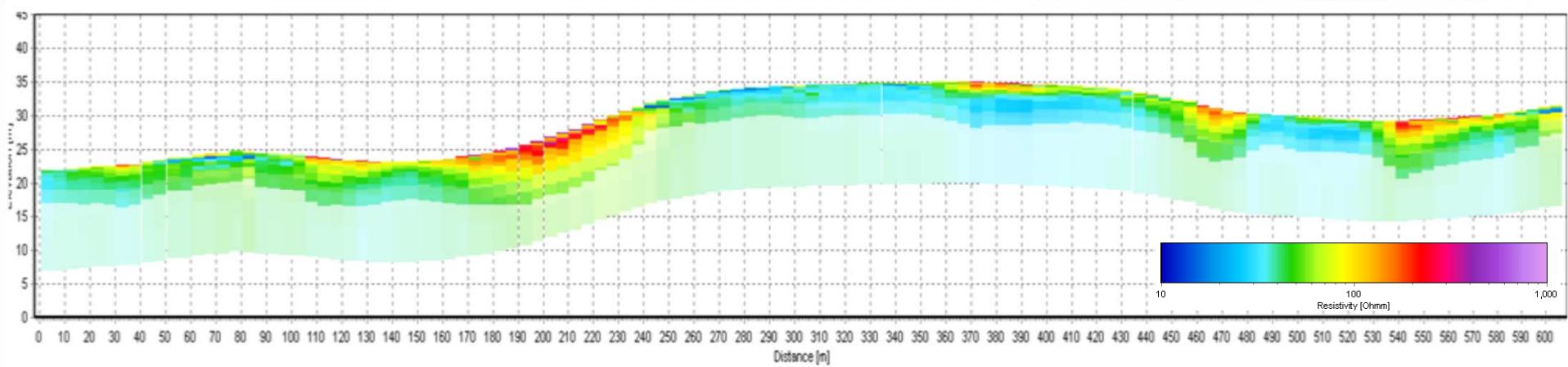
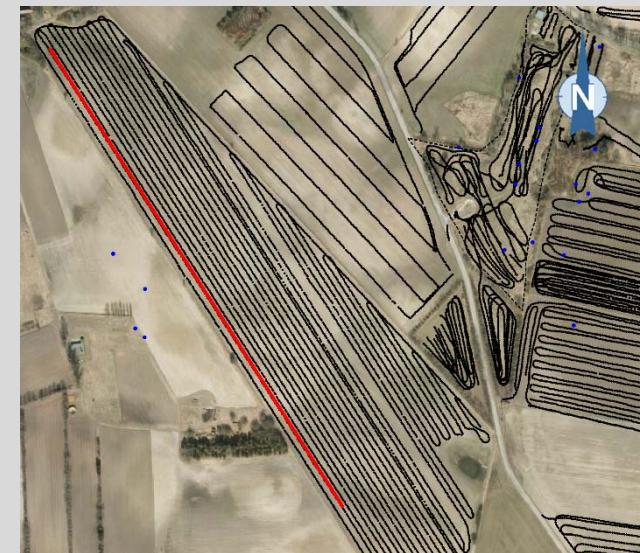


# Average resistivity 1 – 2 mbs

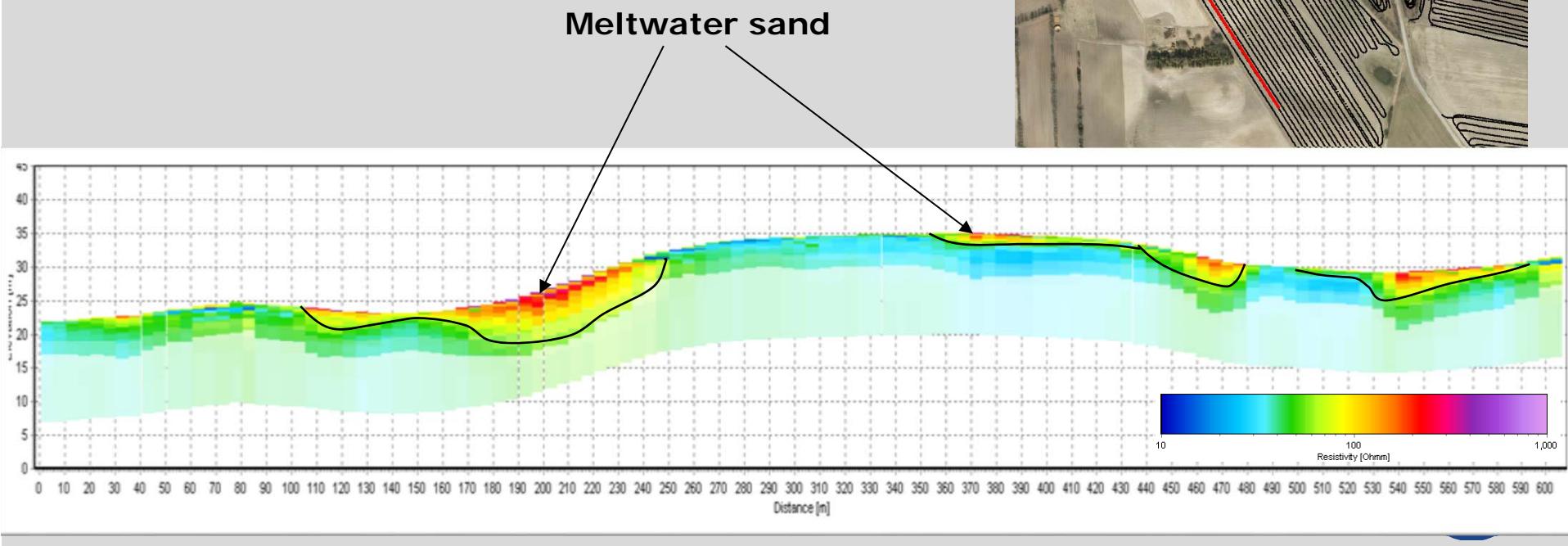
- Deeper structure



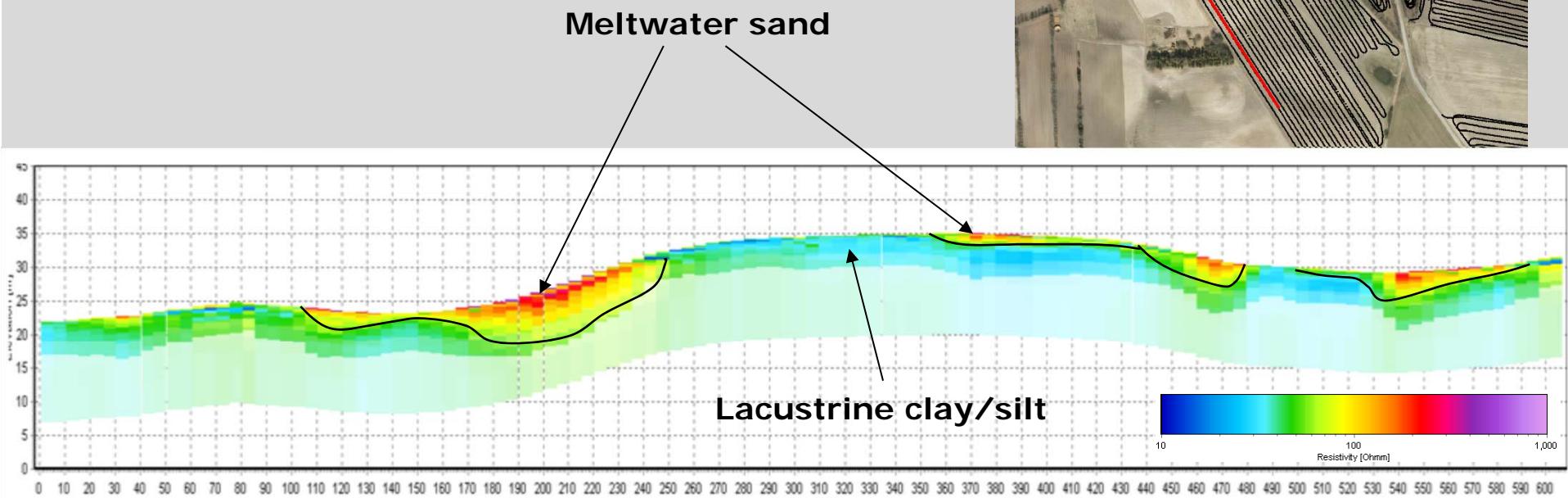
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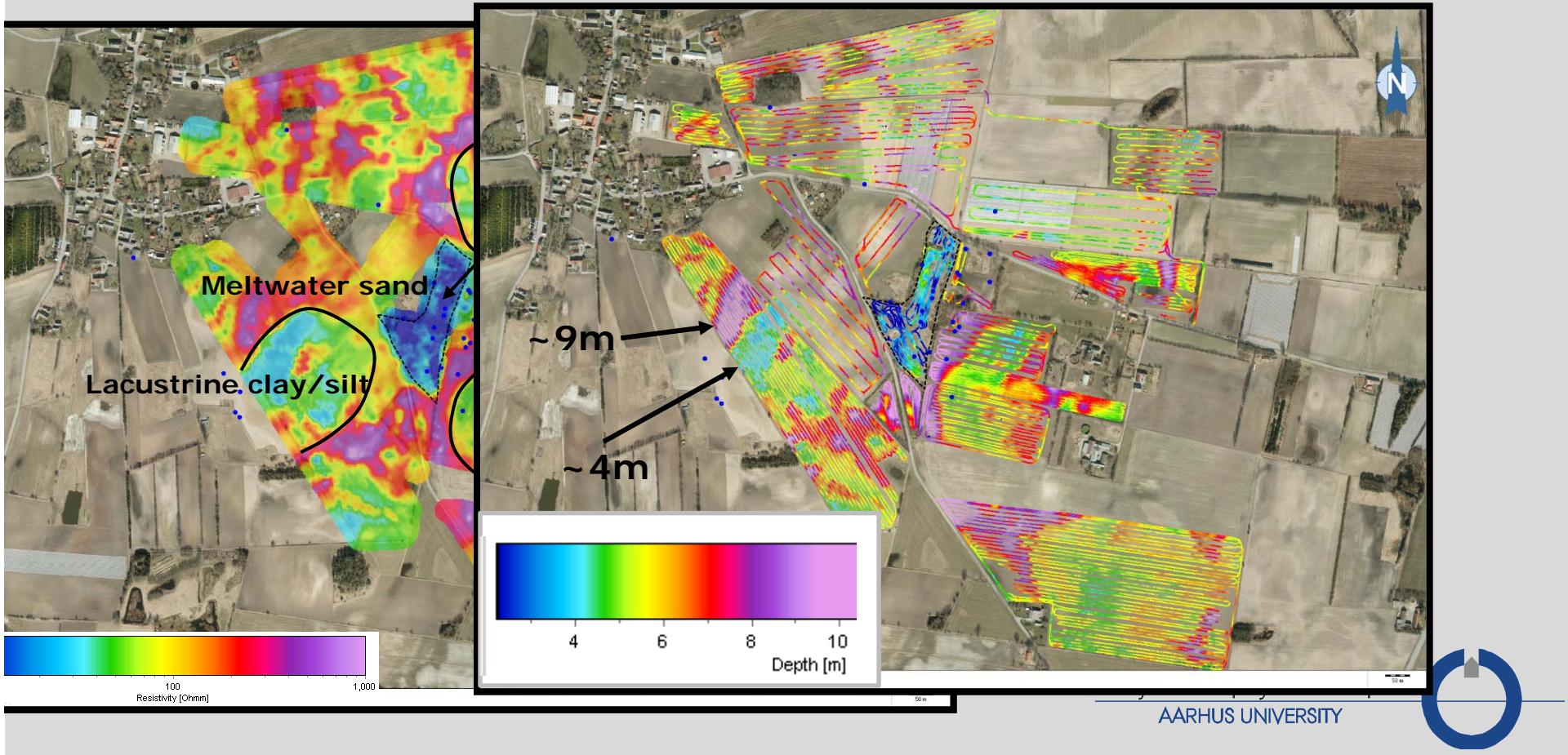
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# Depth of Investigation (DOI)



# **Outlook**

- Basis for the hydrostratigraphic input for GW modelling in the unsaturated zone
- Operational methodology to address effects of
  - Extreme rain events,
  - LAR design,
  - Shallow groundwater tables
  - Nitrate infiltration
  - ect.



## Conclusion

- **Small and efficient system to deployed on the hectare scale**
- **Detailed processing and full non-linear inversion gives:**
  - True resistivity information with depth
  - Resolution of small scale shallow geological layers
- **Very good correlation with boreholes and soil maps**

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- HyGEM – [www.hygem.dk](http://www.hygem.dk)

**Thank you for your attention!**

**Remember the HyGEM day April  
6<sup>th</sup> in Aarhus**

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