



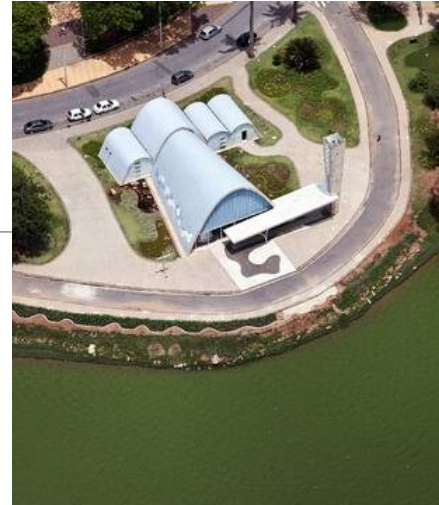
Emerging Pollutants: Protecting Water Quality for the Health of People and the Environment

Occurrence of Emerging Contaminants in the Pampulha Lake: anthropic pollution of a UNESCO Heritage Site

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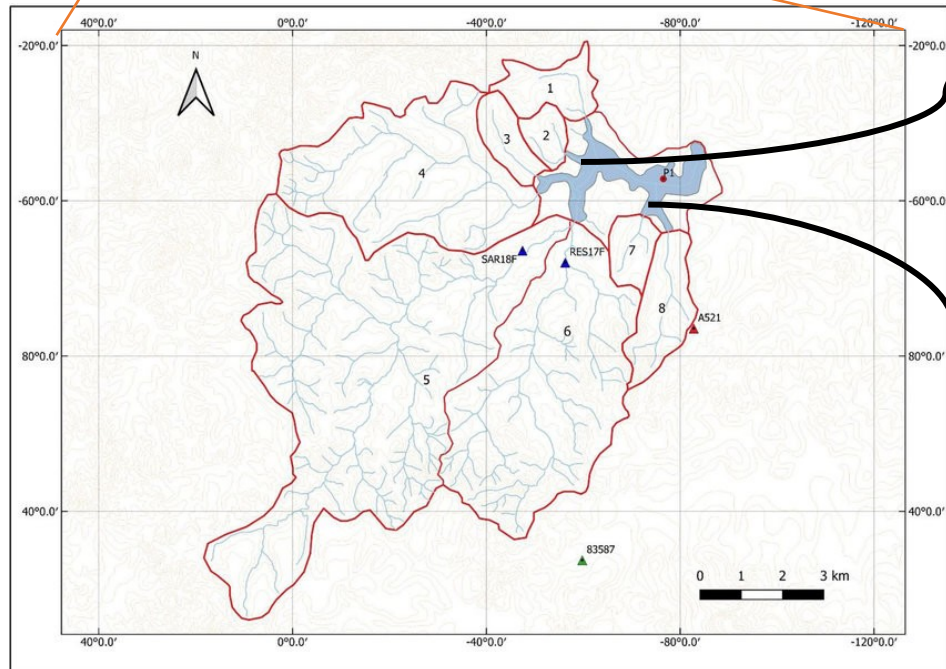




The Pampulha Modern Ensemble (1940)



The Pampulha Lake



Plec et al. (2021). DOI: 10.1590/2318-0331.262120200150.

Emerging Contaminants

Pesticides

2,4-D	Fipronil*
Ametryn	Hexazinone
Atrazine*	Imidacloprid
Azoxystrobin	Malathion
Carbendazim	Simazine
Carbofuran	Tebuconazole
Diuron*	Tebuthiuron

Pharmaceutical/PCP

Acetaminophen	Ibuprofen
Caffeine	Triclosan
Diclofenac	

Hormones

Estrogen*	Testosterone
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* Includes metabolites or related compounds

Total analytes: 30

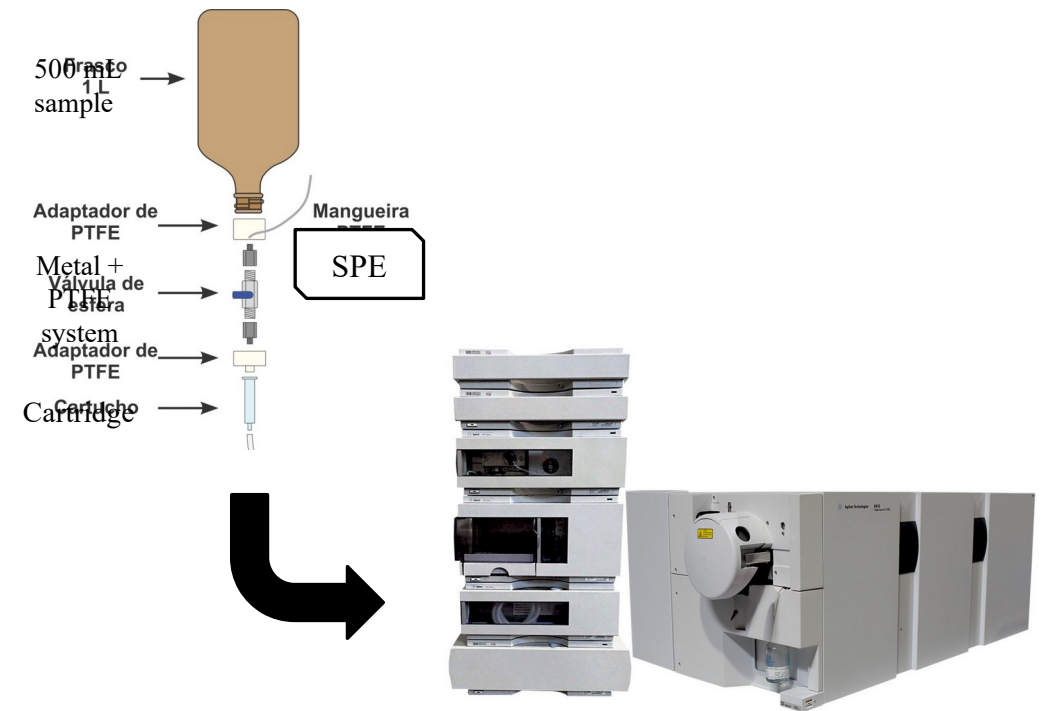
Method: Sampling and sample preparation

➤ Sampling Points



Sampling campaigns in June/2022 and August/2022.

➤ Sample Preparation and Analysis



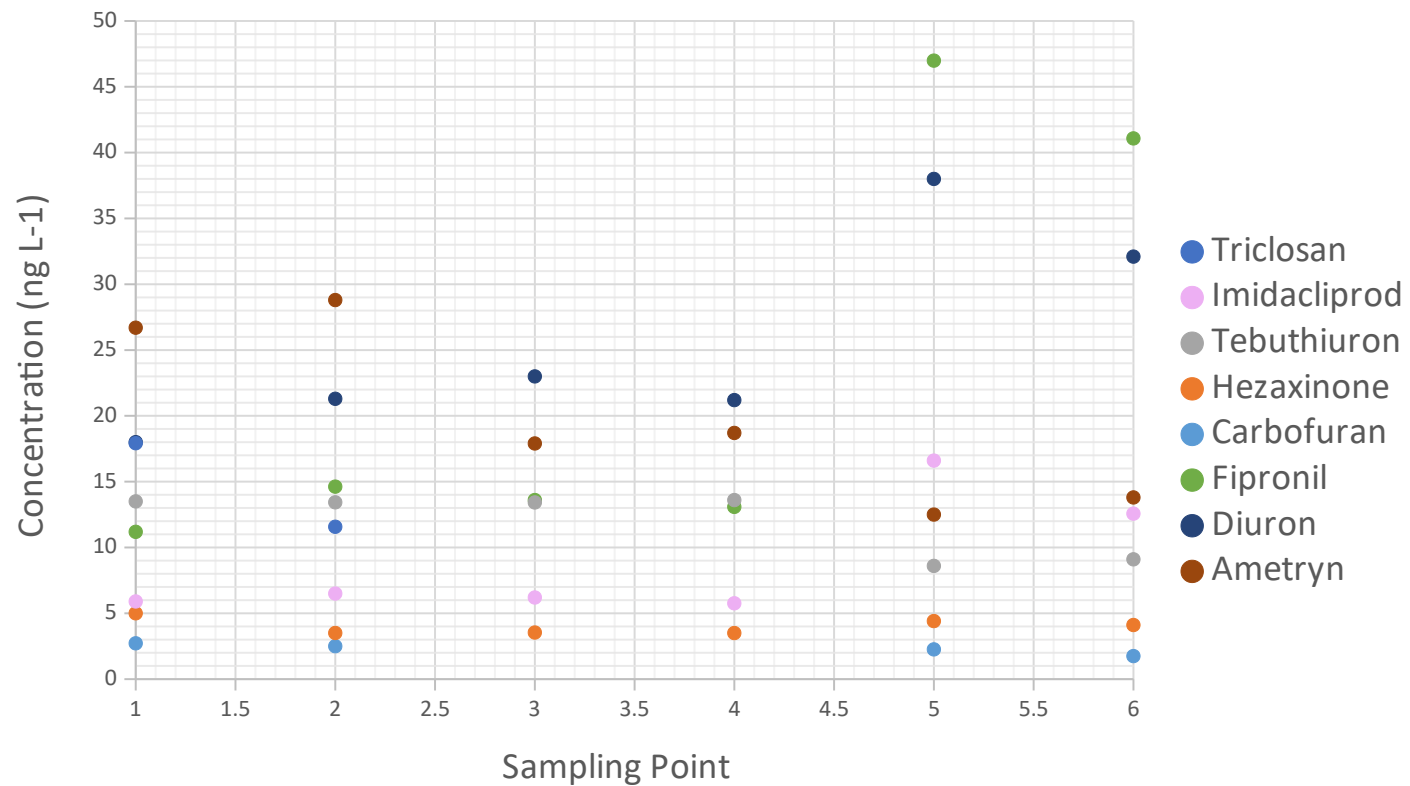
LC-MS/MS Agilent 1200-6410B

Preliminary Results

- 7 compounds were not found in any of the samples: acetaminophen (LOQ = 25 ng L⁻¹), caffeine (LOQ = 25 ng L⁻¹), diclofenac (LOQ = 10 ng L⁻¹), estrogen (LOQ = 5 ng L⁻¹), ibuprofen (LOQ = 10 ng L⁻¹), malathion (LOQ = 1 ng L⁻¹), testosterone (LOQ = 2.5 ng L⁻¹).
- Most of the compounds presented higher concentrations in Aug/2022 (possible seasonal effect).
- Atrazine (450 ± 60 ng L⁻¹), carbendazim (230 ± 15 ng L⁻¹), and hexazinone (4.0 ± 0.6 ng L⁻¹) evenly distributed throughout the lake.
- Atrazine, simazine, carbendazin and 2,4-D presented the higher concentrations (100 – 450 ng L⁻¹).

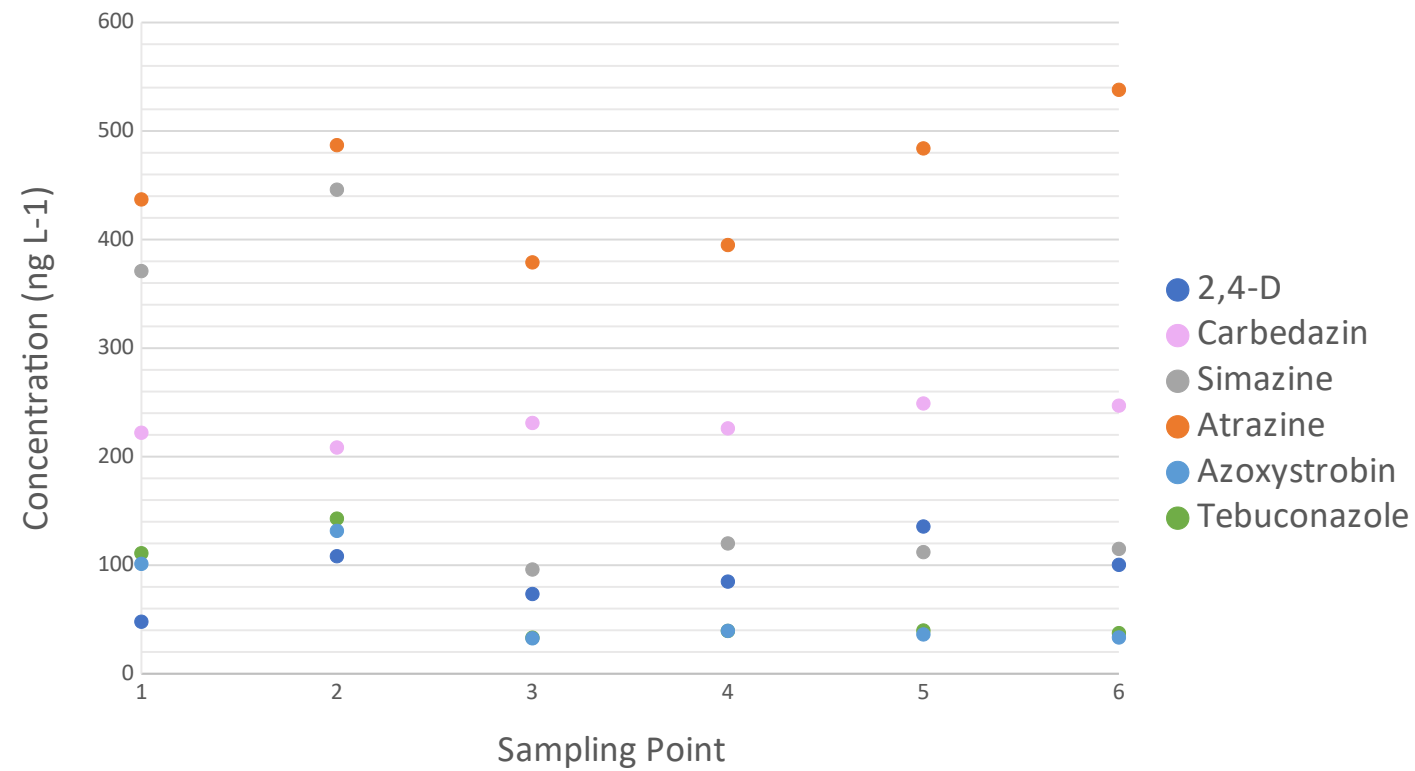
Preliminary Results

Concentration range: 0 – 50 ng L⁻¹



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Concentration range: 50 – 600 ng L⁻¹



Preliminary Results

Dilution patterns

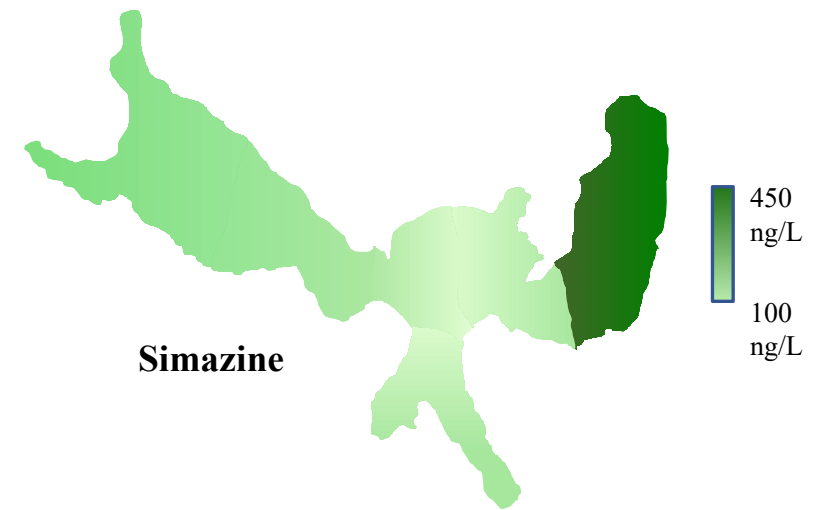


Fipronil

Higher influence from tributaries



Carbofuran



Simazine

Closest to the gardens and buildings
around the lake

Next steps

- Scheduled sampling campaigns for 2023.
- Assess the seasonal effect in the levels of the contaminants.
- Confirm the distribution patterns observed so far, aiming to discuss the possible sources for the contaminants in the Pampulha Lake.

Thank you for watching!

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