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# Validation of SEPA Method for SLICE Loch Duich Field Trial

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## Validation

- EmBZ field trial data:
  - Iongitudinal sampling transects: 10m, 25m, 50m
    & 100m
  - transverse sampling transects: 10m & 25m
- 9, 32, 125, & 370 days after start of 7 day treatment
- consent method applied
- known biomass/feedload
- concurrent hydrographic data for first 15 days
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#### Model Prediction and Field Measurements: 9 Days Post Treatment



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#### Model Prediction and Field Measurements: 125 Days Post Treatment



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# **Validation Summary**

- consent method predictions show reasonable agreement with field data
- mass/area to mass/mass conversion assumes deposition in faecally modified sediment
- actual deposition is likely to be more patchy due to pulsed release of treatment regime
- resuspension critical to improved predictions
- resuspension events not reflected in current data result in variance between predictions and field data

