

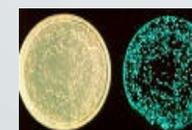


# *ToxProtect 64 vs Fish Toximeter* - a comparison



# ACUTE TOXICITY

- **Fish**
- **Algae**
- **Luminescent Bacteria**
- **Mussels**
- **Daphnia**





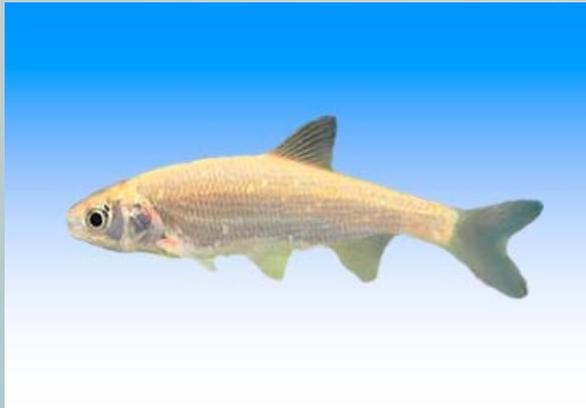
# ACUTE TOXICITY FOR FISH

The purpose of this test is to determine the acute lethal toxicity of a substance to fish in fresh water, drinking water

Dir 92/69/EEC

## Fish Test in Germany

DIN 38412- L31 used for calculation  
of wastewater tax



*Leuciscus idus*



Fish egg test

*Danio rerio* Hamilton-Buchanan



# Fish Test

- **Continuous monitoring**
- **Many toxicity data available**
- **Vertebrate - closer relationship to human being**
- **Availability**





# Water Quality Surveillance

- Drinking Water Supply
- Surface Waters
- Rivers, Lakes, Reservoirs, Dams



# Surveillance of Water

	<b>Environment protection</b>	<b>Protection against terror / accidents</b>
Expected concentration of the toxicant	Very low – medium	Medium – high
Type of the toxicant	Often known	Unknown
Risk of an event	Low – medium	Extremely low
Expected damage	Variable	Extremely high
Type of Location	Line	Network



# Requirements in drinking water protection

- **Fairly sensitive**
- **Detection of a wide range of toxic chemicals**
- **Reasonable Price**
- **Easy to handle**
- **Very low probability of false alarms**

## The ToxProtect64

The ToxProtect is a cost-effective, automated biomonitor for early and rapid detection of acute toxic substances.

It is sensitive to a wide range of toxins which affect test substances (fish) comparable to humans.

- easy to use
- access via LAN, Internet or GSM
- detection of fish movements by an array of 78 light barriers
- software allows remote access to all data including all optional sensors
- online operation



# Features and Benefits

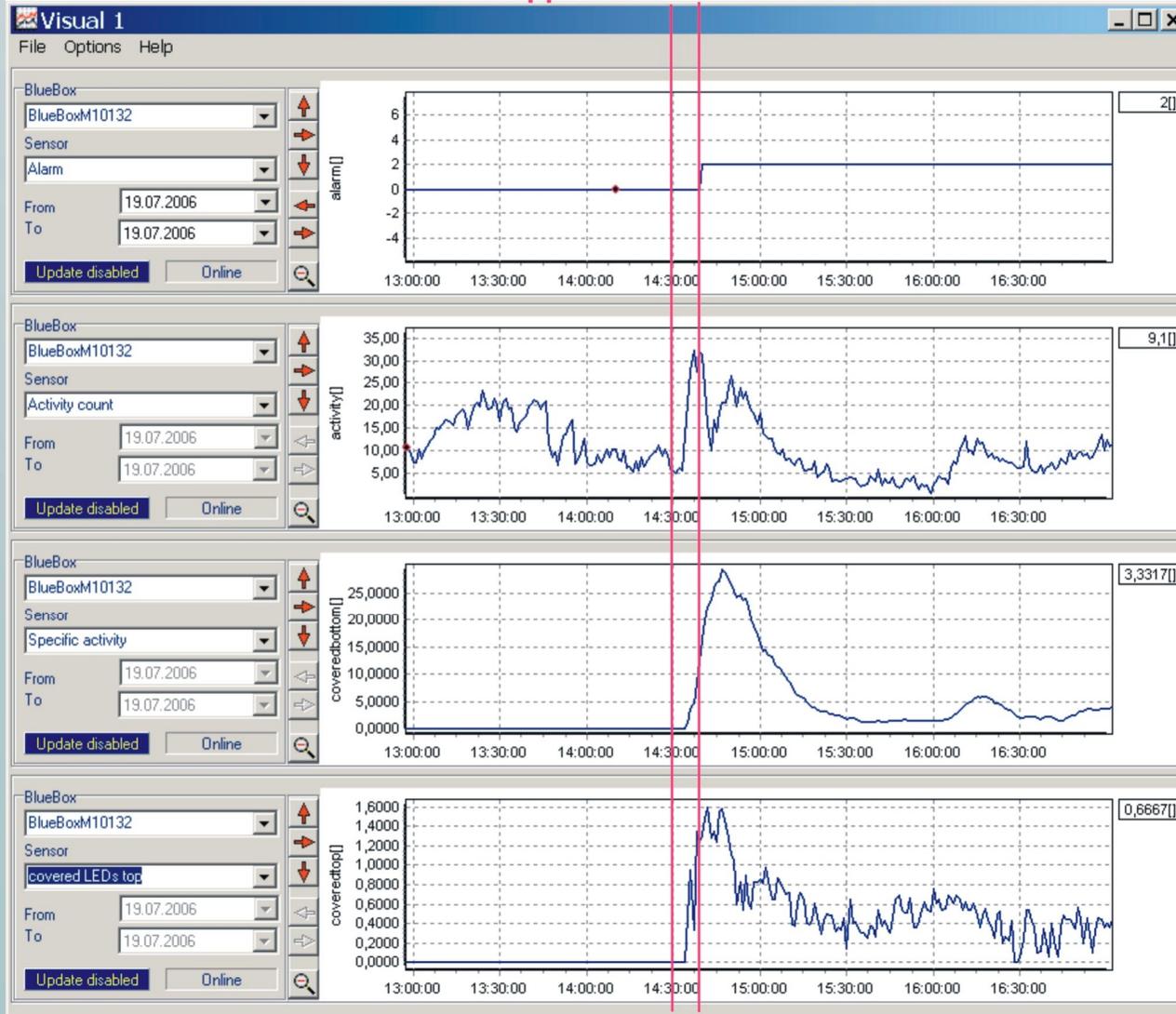
Features	Benefits
<b>Array of 64 Light barriers to detect fish movements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Detecting the movements in the whole aquarium</b></li> <li>• <b>Possibility to use single light barriers or rows of light barriers for special alarm algorithms</b></li> </ul>
<b>30 Light barriers to detect immobile fish</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Immobile fish on the top or on the bottom generate an alarm relevant signal</b></li> </ul>
<b>Alarm verification system</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Significant reduce of false alarms</b></li> </ul>
<b>Sensors to control the instrument</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sample flow control</b></li> <li>• <b>Sample temperature detector</b></li> <li>• <b>Overflow detector</b></li> <li>• <b>Optional redox detector</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Avoids alarms due to insufficient operating conditions</b></li> </ul>

# Features and Benefits

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<b>Access via LAN or Internet</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Simple maintenance, service and data evaluation</b></li></ul>
<b>Optional access via GSM modem</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Possibility to access to the instrument even if no phone line is available</b></li></ul>
<b>PC data evaluation software available</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Simple data evaluation</b></li></ul>
<b>Optional dechlorination</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Applicable at sites with chlorinated drinking water</b></li></ul>
<b>Various additional sensors available</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Possible extension of the instrument according to the requirements on site</b></li></ul>



1ppm KCN 10min later: Alarm



Alarm

Activity count

Specific Activity

Top Coverage



# False Alarm Prevention

## Problem:

- False alarms occur due to the natural variation of the behaviour
- Due to the extremely low risk of an event most of the alarms can be false

## Consequence:

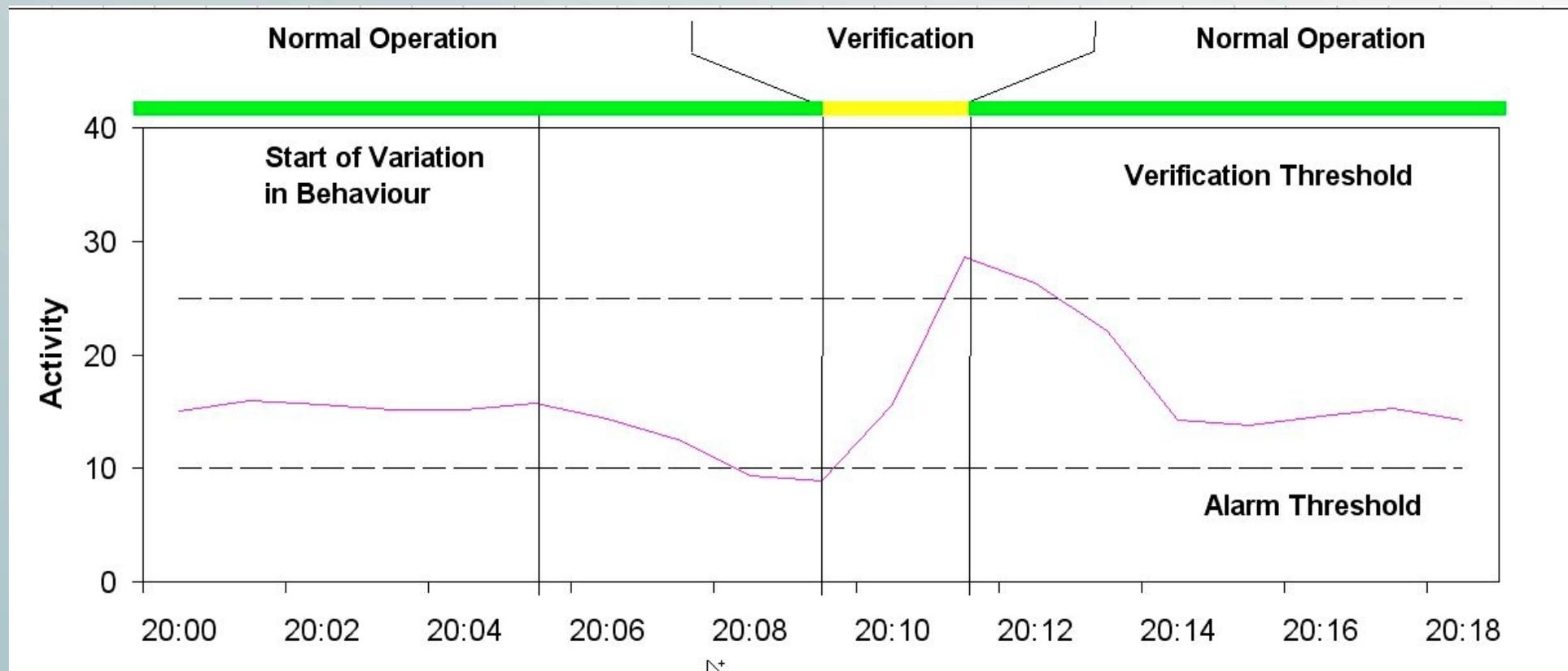
- A second alarm indicator is required to reduce this risk

## Possible solutions:

- second independent instrument
- second type of test in the same instrument



# Alarm Verification



# The Fish Toximeter

This instrument enables supervision and assessment to detect, record and respond rapidly to incidents of toxic contamination. It is capable of long-term monitoring during the "strategic" evaluation of water quality.



Live video camera images of swimming fish are recorded with a digital camera and analysed online by an integrated PC.



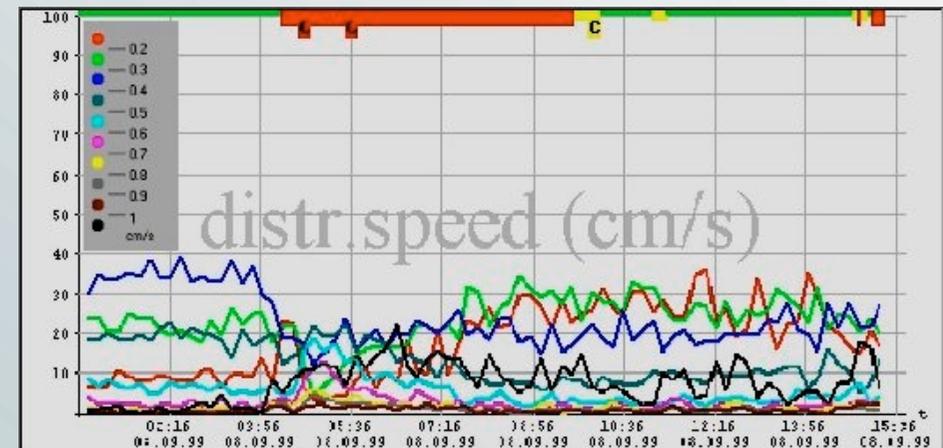
# Fish Toximeter with Video Camera

- Rivers
- Reservoirs
- Water supply systems
- Water treatment plant intakes
- Sewers



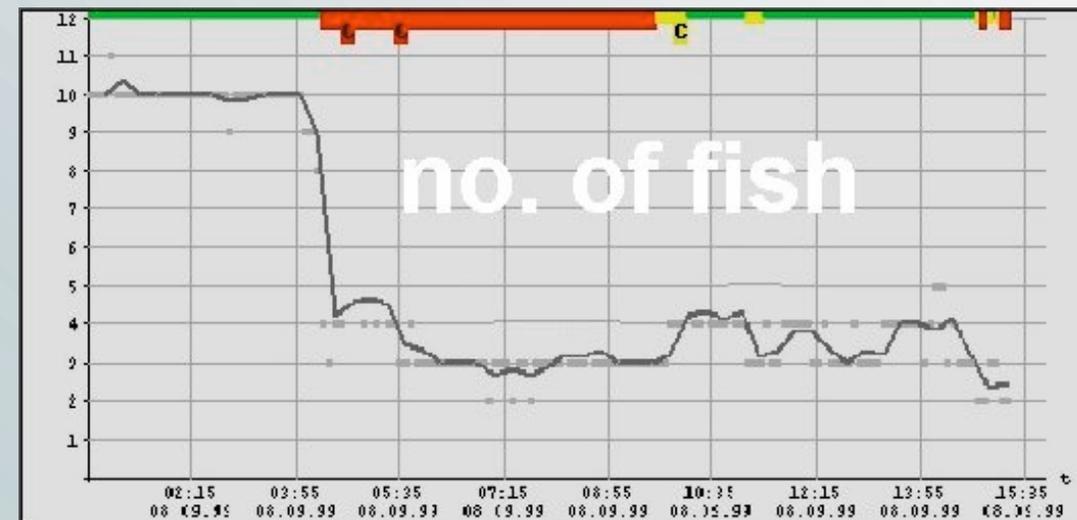
# Behavioural Parameters

- Speed observation
- Altitude
- Turns
- Circling movements
- Growth observation
- Number of living fish



# Evaluation of Parameters

The behaviour of the fish is examined and analysed for significant changes. A combined parameter - the so-called toxic index - is calculated continuously.



## The Fish Toximeter

### Water protection:

- drinking water
- process water
- raw water

### Medium-high sensitivity:

- pesticides
- neurotoxins
- respiratory toxins

### Alarm Verification:

- no

Work involved: 1 h/week



## The ToxProtect64

### Water protection:

- drinking water

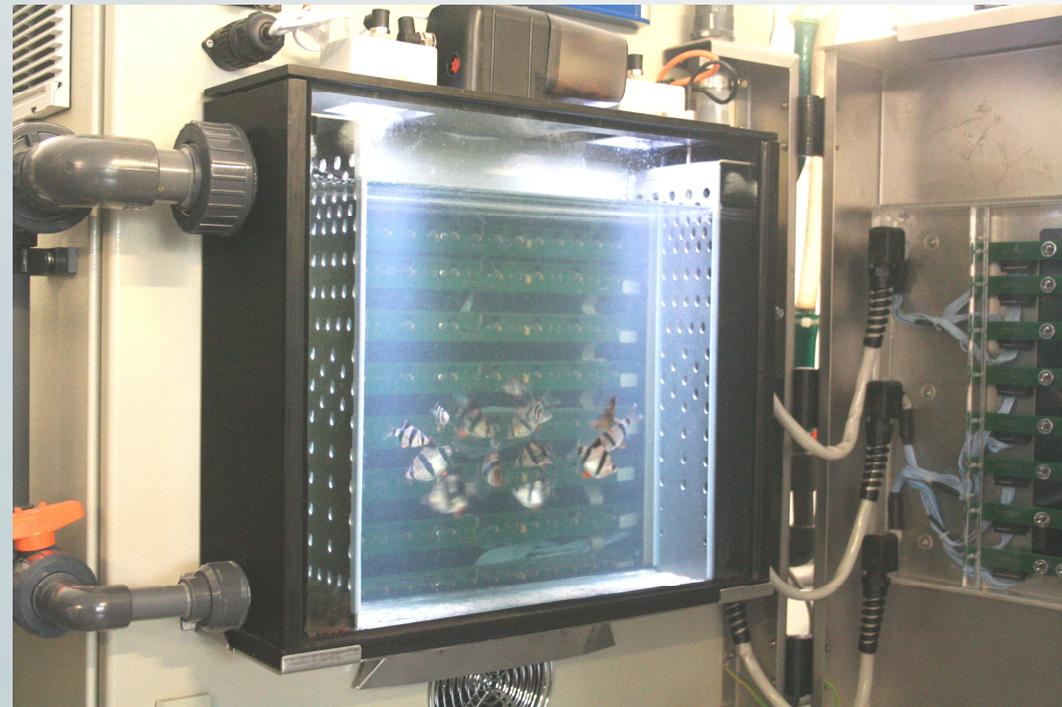
### High sensitivity:

- pesticides
- neurotoxins
- respiratory toxins

### Alarm Verification:

- yes

Work involved: →2h/ month





**Many thanks for  
your attention**



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