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# Event-Triggered Leak Detection System for Water Supply Network









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NUS invests \$1.5m in 15 deeptech start-ups

From left: Dr Zhu and Dr Tan, creators of NUSoil

Twenty start-ups under the new Graduate Research Innovation Programme (GRIP) pitch their ideas to potential investors at a Lift-Off event organised by the NUS Industry Liaison Office on 19 January. The teams, shortlisted from more than 90 applications received, showcased working prototypes featuring a broad range of deep technologies in three key tracks: engineein, biomedical, as well as information and communications technology





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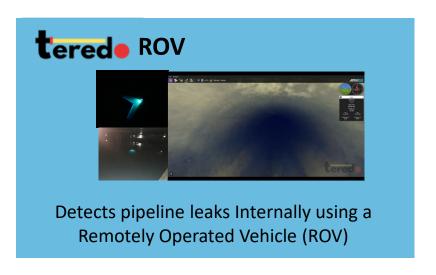


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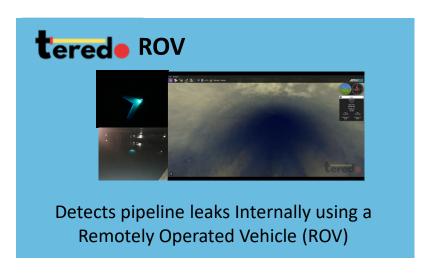


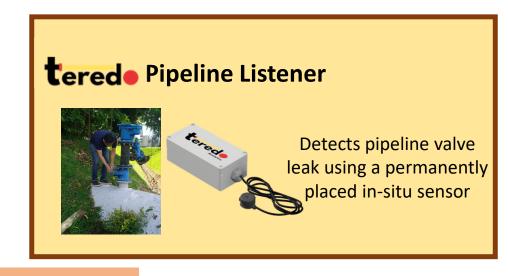






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Detects abnormalities in machineries using an ex-situ sensor









# Why automated leak detection?

#### Prevent situations that -

- 1. Increase non-revenue water.
- 2. Harm the reputation of a utility board.





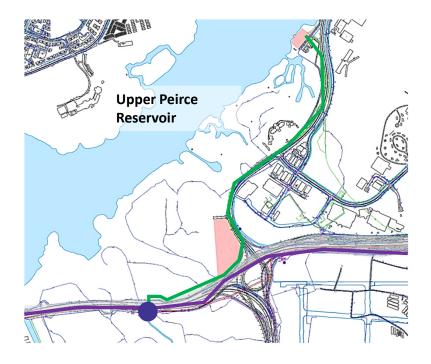






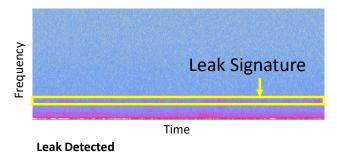
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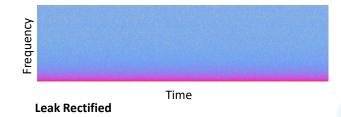
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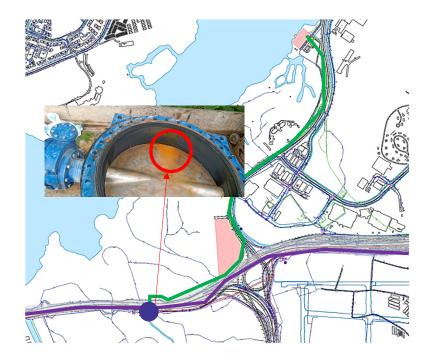






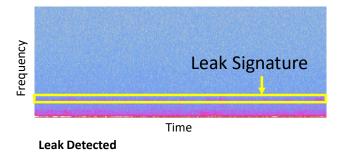
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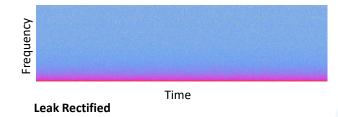
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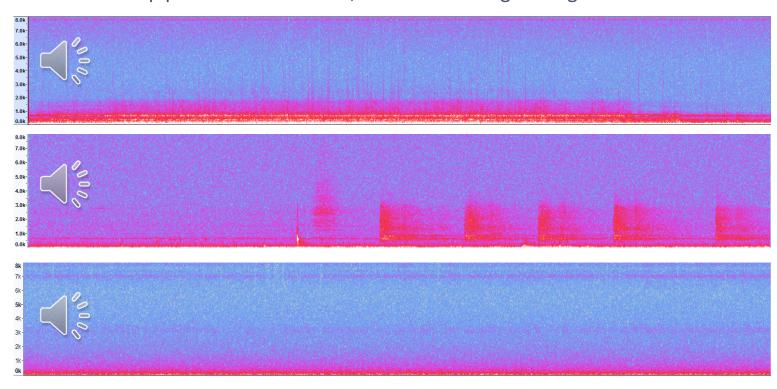




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## **Motivation for Event-Triggered**



Sensor takes reading once every 24 hours

Any leak that occurs outside the sensor's scheduled monitoring time will go undetected till the next leak monitoring schedule.



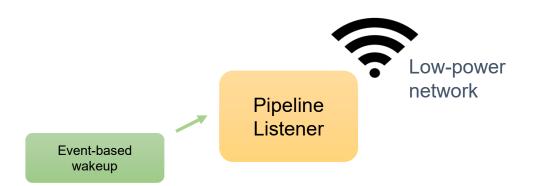
High **false positive** alarm rate.





## The Event-Triggered Approach

A leak-detection device that activates on certain frequency signature.





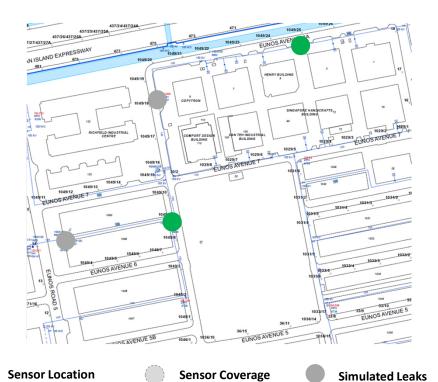
A multi-fold decision layer for detecting leaks.



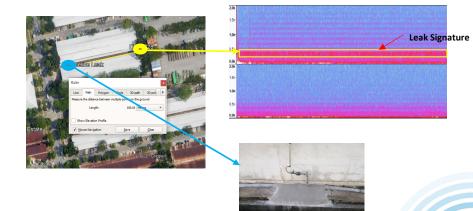




# Results from Deployment









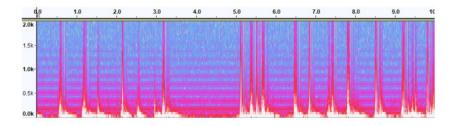


## **Results from Deployment**



Simulated leak position at a washout valve

Installed sensor at another washout valve located approximately 160m away.



Able to detect false-positive produced by the construction work happening near-by the valve.





- Exploring to deploy beyond Singapore.
- Actively looking for partners and investors in ASEAN and OCEANIA countries.





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