

ALGAL SITUATION IN MARINE WATERS SURROUNDING SWEDEN

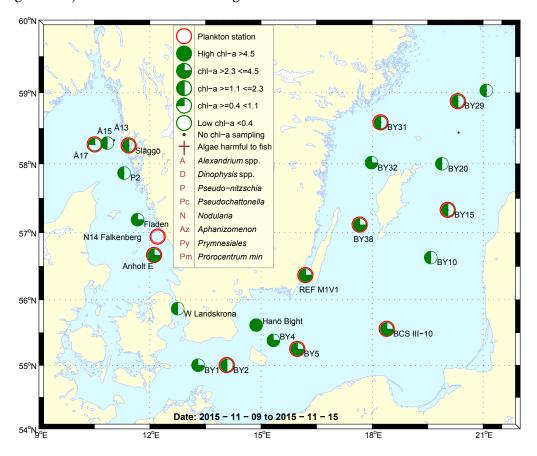
Sammanfattning

I Skagerrak var artdiversiteten och celltätheten låg. Antalsmässigt dominerade relativt små kiselalger. I Kattegatt var kiselalgssläktet *Pseudo-nitzschia* klart dominerande och talrik. Den potentiellt toxiska nakna dinoflagellaten *Karenia mikimotoi* förekom i låga antal.

De integrerade (0-10 m) klorofyll *a*-värdena var normala för denna månad men vid det andra besöket vid Anholt E var koncentrationerna något förhöjda.

Artdiversiteten och celltätheten var generellt låg vid samtliga stationer i Östersjön. De södra delarna av Östersjön dominerades av relativt stora kiselalger, de östra delarna av kolonibildande cyanobakterier och de västra hade ett samhälle med båda dessa grupper i jämnt antal.

De integrerade (0-10 m) klorofyll *a*-värdena var överlag normala för denna månad med undantag av västra Östersjön där de var något förhöjda mot normalt för säsongen.



Abstract

The phytoplankton diversity and cell concentrations were low in the Skagerrak area. Small diatoms dominated. In the Kattegat the potentially toxin producing genus *Pseudo-nitzschia* spp dominated the community. The potentially harmful naked dinoflagellate *Karenia mikimotoi* was present. The integrated (0-10 m) chlorophyll *a* concentrations were normal for this month at all stations except at the second visit at Anholt E where it was a bit higher than normal for the season.

The diversity and cell concentrations were low at all stations The southern stations were dominated by relatively large diatoms, the eastern stations were dominated by small colony forming cyanobacteria and the western stations had a community with both of these groups represented in almost equal amounts. The integrated (0-10 m) chlorophyll *a* concentrations were normal for this month with an exception of the western stations where they were a bit above normal for this season.

More detailed information on species composition and abundance

The Skagerrak

Å17 (open Skagerrak) and Släggö (Skagerrak coast) 13th of November

The phytoplankton diversity and abundances were quite low this month. The diatom *Skeletonema marinoi* dominated at Släggö but only a few cells of the species were found at Å17. The coccolithophore, *Emiliania huxleyi*, was present in low amounts at both stations. The potentially harmfull dinoflagellate *Karenia mikimotoi* (Fig 1) was present at Släggö.

The integrated (0-10 m) chlorophyll *a* concentrations were low which is normal for this season.

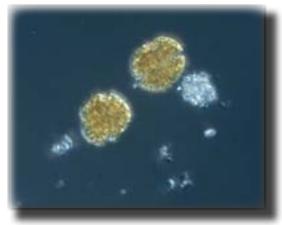


Figure 1. The potentially harmful dinoflagellate *Karenia mikimotoi* was present in low concentrations in both Skagerrak and Kattegat areas.

The Kattegat

Anholt E 12th and 14th of November

The phytoplankton community in the Kattegat area was quite divers, the diatom *Pseudo-nitzschia* spp. (Fig 2) dominated. The coccolithophore *Emiliania huxleyi* was present in low amounts on both occasions. The potentially harmfull dinoflagellate *K. mikimotoi* was observed.

The integrated (0-10 m) chlorophyll *a* concentration was normal at the first visit and slightly high for the season at the second visit.



Figure 2. The potentially toxic diatom genus *Pseudo-nitzschia* dominated the phytoplankton community at Anholt E on both occassions.

The Baltic Sea

The phytoplankton community in the Baltic Sea was mainly dominated by colonies of small cyanobacteria and other small unicells. The cell concentrations were overall low.

The Southern Baltic Sea BY2 Arkona Basin 12th of November and BY5 Bornholm Basin 11th of November

Diatoms dominated in a community with low overall abundance. The diatoms *Coscinodiscus centralis* and *Actinocyclus* spp were the most common species.

The integrated (0-10 m) chlorophyll *a* concentrations were normal for this season.

The Eastern Gotland Basin BY15 10th of November and BCS III-10 11th of November

The total cell number was low. Colonies of small cyanobacteria were most common. *Aphanocapsa* spp. and *Woronichinia* spp. dominated at BY15 but were also quite common at BCS III-10. Remnants of the filamentous cyanobacteria *Aphanizomenon* were found at BY15.

The integrated (0-10 m) chlorophyll *a* concentrations were normal for this season.

The Western Gotland Basin BY38 and REF M1V1 Kalmar Sound 14th of November

The phytoplankton diversity in The Western Gotland Basin was a bit higher than the other Baltic areas but the cell concentrations were low. Both diatoms and cyanobacteria were present in equal concentrations at BY38. Cyanobacteria, both colony forming and filamentous, were present at BY38.

The total cell concentration at REF M1V1 was low. Diatoms dominated the sample and *Skeletonema marinoi* and *Chaetoceros danicus* (Fig 3) were relatively common.

The integrated (0-10 m) chlorophyll *a* concentrations were slightly higher than normal for the season at both stations.

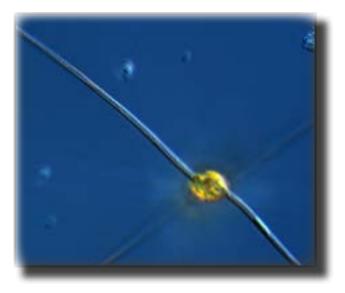
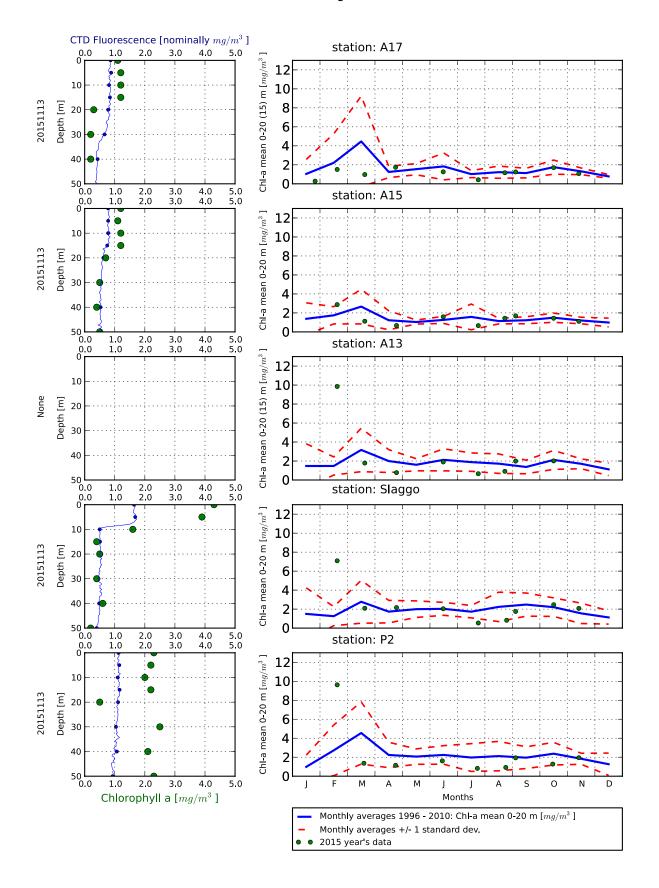
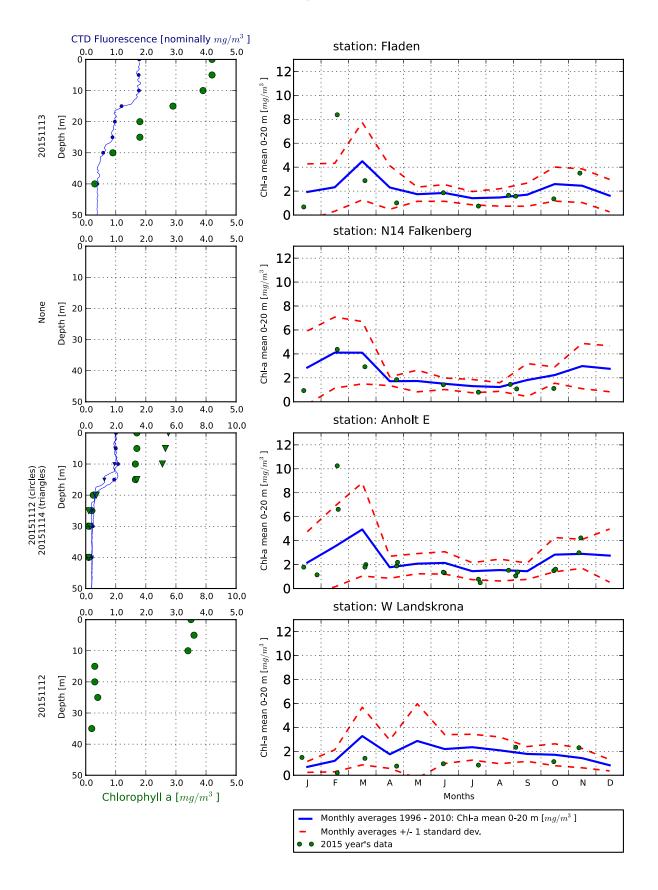


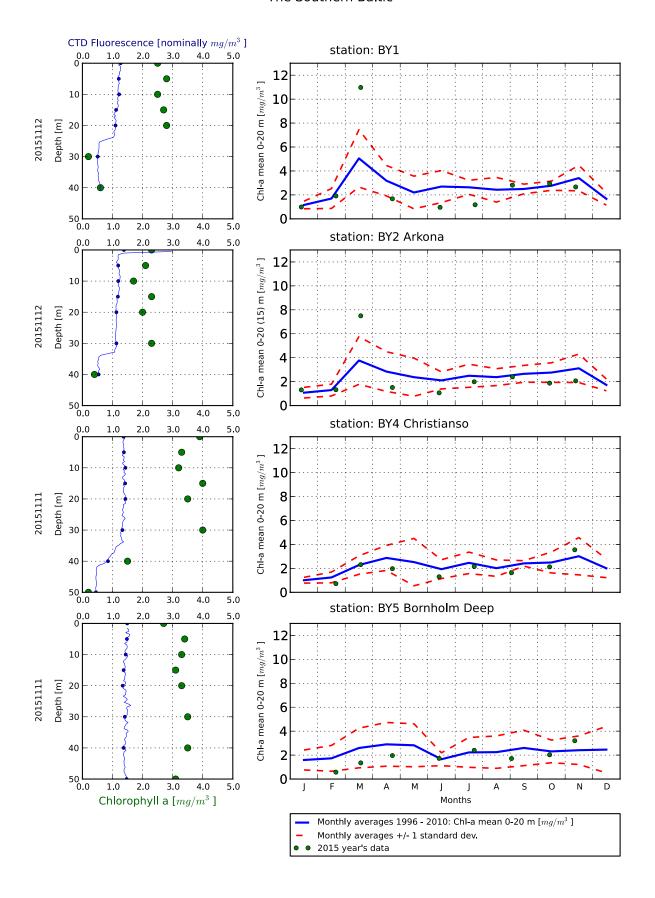
Figure 3. The diatom *Chaetoceros danicus* was common at REF M1V1.

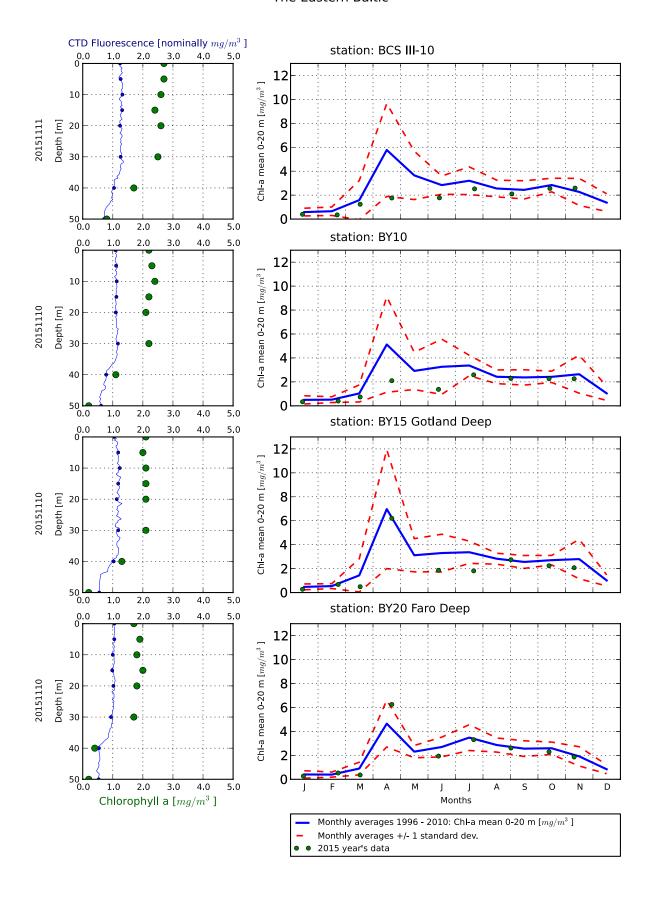
Selection of observed species	Å17	Släggö	Anholt E	Anholt E	
Red=potentially toxic species	13/11	13/11	12/11	14/11	
Hose 0-10 m	presence	presence	presence	presence	
Pseudo-nitzschia spp	present	common	very common	very common	
Guinardia delicatula		present	present	present	
Leptocylindrus danicus		present	present	present	
Proboscia alata		present	present	present	
Pseudosolenia calcar-avis			present	present	
Rhizosolenia pungens			present	present	
Rhizosolenia setigera			present		
Skeletonema marinoi	present	common			
Thalassiosira spp		present	present		
Thalassiosira angulata				present	
Thalassiosira punctigera			present	present	
Thalassiosira rotula			present		
Chaetoceros danicus			present	common	
Chaetoceros debilis		present			
Ditylum brightwellii				present	
Ceratium furca	present	present	present	present	
Ceratium lineatum	present	present	present	present	
Ceratium longipes	present		present		
Dinophysis acuminata				present	
Diplopsalis complex		present			
Gymnodiniales			present		
Karenia mikimotoi		present	present	present	
Polykrikos schwartzii		present			
Protoperidinium crassipes				present	
Protoperidinium divergens			present		
Protoperidinium pallidum				present	
Emiliania huxleyi	present	present	present		
Heterosigma akashiwo				present	
Pseudanabaena spp			present		
Dictyocha fibula				present	
Dictyocha speculum			present	present	
Cryptomonadales	present	present			
Laboea strobila	present		present		
Ciliophora	present	present		present	

Selection of observed species	BY2	BY5	BCS III-10	BY15	REF M1V1	BY29	BY38
Red=potentially toxic species	12/11	11/11	11/11	10/11	14/11	15/11	15/11
Hose 0-10 m	presence	presence	presence	presence	presence	presence	presence
Pseudo-nitzschia spp				present			
Coscinodiscus centralis	common	present	present		common	present	present
Coscinodiscus granii	present	present			present		
Skeletonema marinoi					common	present	
Chaetoceros danicus			present	present	common	present	present
Chaetoceros impressus				present			
Centrales	present	present					
Cyclotella choctawhatcheeana		present					
Actinocyclus spp	common	common	common		present	present	present
Dinophysis norvegica	present	present	present	present	present	present	
Dinophysis rotundata				present			
Gymnodiniales	common	present			present		
Katodinium glaucum					present	present	
Protoperidinium spp					present		
Aphanizomenon spp				present			common
Nodularia spumigena							present
Woronichinia spp			present	common	present	present	present
cf. Cyanodictyon spp				common			
Aphanocapsa spp				present		present	
Aphanothece spp							present
Planctonema lauterbornii				present	present	present	common
Oocystis spp						present	present
Ebria tripartita	present						
Cryptomonadales	common	common	present		common	present	present
Mesodinium rubrum	present		present	present	present	present	present
Ciliophora	present		present	common		present	present

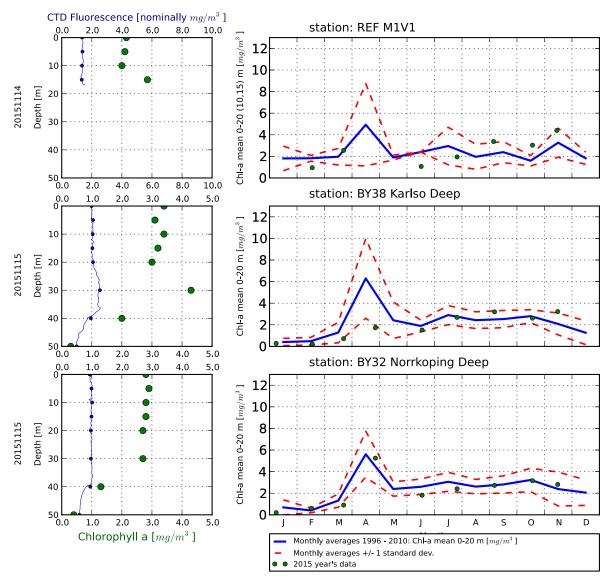








The Western Baltic



Om klorofylldiagrammen

Klorofyll *a* är ett mått på mängden växtplankton. Prover tas från ett antal djup. Data presenteras både från de fasta djupen och som medelvärden 0-20 m. Utöver resultaten från laboratorieanalyserna av vattenprover mäts klorofyll *a* som fluorescens från ett automatiskt instrument som sänks ned från fartyget. På så sätt kan djupt liggande, ibland tunna lager av växtplankton observeras.

About the chlorophyll graphs

Chlorophyll *a* is sampled from several depths. Data are presented both from the discrete depths and as an average 0-20 m. In addition to the laboratory analysis from the water samples chlorophyll fluorescence is measured in continuous depth profiles from the ship. This is a way to observe thin layers of phytoplankton occurring below the surface.

Om AlgAware

SMHI genomför månatliga expeditioner i Östersjön och Västerhavet. Resultat baserade på semikvantitativ mikroskopanalys av planktonprover samt klorofyllmätningar presenteras kortfattat i denna rapport. Information från SMHIs satellitövervakning av algblomningar finns under perioden juni-augusti på www.smhi.se.

About AlgAware

SMHI carries out monthly cruises in the Baltic and the Kattegat/Skagerrak. Results from semi quantitative microscopic analysis of phytoplankton samples as well as chlorophyll measurements are presented in brief in this report. Information from SMHIs satellite monitoring of algal blooms is found on www.smhi.se during the period June-August.

Art / Species	Gift / Toxin	Eventuella symptom	Clinical symptoms
Alexandrium spp.	Paralytic	Milda symptom:	Mild case:
	shellfish	Inom 30 min.:	Within 30 min:
	poisoning	Stickningar eller en känsla av	tingling sensation or numbness around lips,
	(PSP)	bedövning runt läpparna, som	gradually spreading to face and neck; prickly
		sprids gradvis till ansiktet och nacken;	sensation in fingertips and toes; headake,
		stickningar i fingertoppar och tår;	dizziness, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea.
		Huvudvärk; yrsel, illamående,	Extreme case
		kräkningar, diarré	Muscular paralysis; pronounced respiratory
		Extrema symptom:	difficulty; choking sensation; death trough
		Muskelförlamning;	respiratory paralysis may occur within 2-24
		andningssvårigheter; känsla av att	hours after ingestion.
		kvävas;	
		Man kan vara död inom 2-24	
		timmar efter att ha fått i sig giftet, på	
		grund av att andningsmuskulaturen	
		förlamas.	
Dinophysis spp.	Diarrehetic	Milda symptom:	Mild case:
Dinophysis spp.	shellfish	Efter cirka 30 minuter till några	Within 30 min-a few hours:
	poisoning	timmar:	dizziness, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea,
	(DSP)	yrsel, illamående, kräkningar, diarré,	abdominal pain.
	(1551)	magont mariaeride, krakimigar, diarre,	Extreme case:
		Extrema symptom:	Repeated exposure may cause cancer.
		Upprepad exponering kan orsaka	repeated exposure may eause eareer.
		cancer	
Pseudo- niztschia	Amnesic	Milda symptom:	Mild case:
spp.	shellfish	Efter 3-5 timmar:	Within 3-5 hours: dizziness, nausea,
·rr.	poisoning	yrsel, illamående, kräkningar, diarré,	vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal cramps.
	(ASP)	magkramper	Extreme case:
	()	Extrema symptom:	dizziness, hallucinations, confusion, loss of
		Yrsel, hallucinationer, förvirring,	memory, cramps.
Chaetoceros	Mechanical	förlust av korttidsminnet, kramper Låg celltäthet:	Low cell numbers:
concavicornis/	damage	Ingen påverkan.	No effect on fish.
C.convolutus	through hooks	Hög celltäthet:	High cell numbers:
	on setae	Fiskens gälar skadas, fisken dör.	Fish death due to gill damage.
Pseudochattonella	Fish toxin	Låg celltäthet:	Low cell numbers:
spp.		Ingen påverkan.	No effect on fish.
		Hög celltäthet:	High cell numbers:
		Fiskens gälar skadas, fisken dör.	Fish death due to gill damage.

Översikt över några potentiellt skadliga alger och det aktuella giftets effekt. Overview of potentially harmful algae and effects of toxins. Manual on harmful marine microalgae (2003 - UNESCO Publishing).

Kartan på framsidan visar viktat medelvärde för klorofyll *a*, μg/l (0-20 m) vid de olika stationerna. Förekomst av skadliga alger vid stationer där arter analyseras markeras med symbol.

The map on the front page shows weighted mean of chlorophyll a, $\mu g/l$ (0-20 m) at sampling stations. Presence of harmful algae at stations where species analysis is performed is shown with a symbol.

