

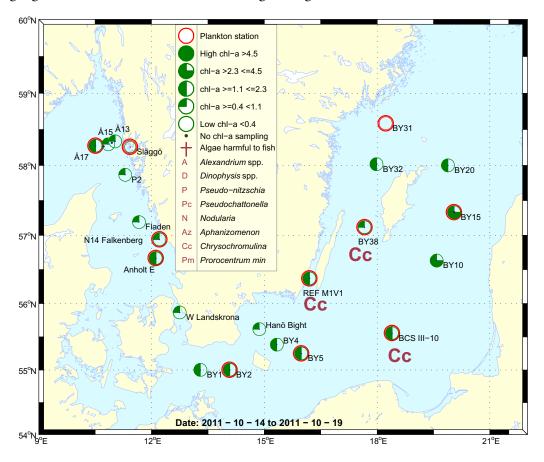
### Sammanfattning

De integrerade klorofyll a värdena (0-20m) i Skagerrak och Kattegatt var på de flesta stationer normala för säsongen.

Fytoplanktonsamhället i Skagerrak och Kattegatt karaktäriserades i oktober av en sparsam artdiversitet och dominerades framförallt av cryptomonader, små nakna dinoflagellater samt arter från släktet *Pyramimonas*.

I Östersjön var de integrerade klorofyll *a* värdena (0-20m) under det normala för säsongen på många stationer.

Cryptomonader och *Pyramimonas* spp. dominerade även i Östersjön och på sina ställen hittades även *Heterocapsa* spp. i sådan omfattning att den är värd att nämnas. *Chrysochromulina* var fortfarande vanlig söder om Gotland och den vackra kragflagellaten *Calliacantha natans* var väldigt vanlig i Kalmarsund.



#### **Abstract**

The integrated (0-20 meters) chlorophyll *a* concentrations were normal for the season at most of the Skagerrak and Kattegat sampling sites.

The phytoplankton species diversity and cell density were very low as last month. Naked dinoflagellates (10-20 µm) and cryptomonads were still most abundant together with species from the genus *Pyramimonas*.

The integrated (0-20 meters) chlorophyll *a* concentrations from the Baltic Sea were below normal for the season at most sampling sites.

Cryptomonads, *Pyramimonas* spp. dominated at all stations in the Baltic. The abundance of the genus *Chrysochromulina* was common south of Gotland. *Calliacantha natans* was very common in the Kalmar Sound.

More detailed information on species composition and abundance

# The Skagerrak

## Å17 14th of October (open Skagerrak)

The phytoplankton species diversity and cell density were very low, as last month. Naked dinoflagellates (10-20  $\mu$ m) and cryptomonads were most abundant. The potentially toxic dinoflagellate, *Azadinium* spp. was found at this station but only with a few cells.

## Släggö 14th of October (Skagerrak coast)

The species diversity and cell density were low compared to last month. Naked dinoflagellates (10-20  $\mu$ m), cryptomonads and species from the genus *Pyramimonas* were dominating the otherwise scarce phytoplankton community at this station.

The integrated (0-20 meters) chlorophyll *a* concentrations from Skagerrak were normal for the season at Å17 but lower than normal at Släggö.



The dinoflagellate Ceratium tripos (left) and C. lineatum.

# The Kattegat

### N14 Falkenberg 15th of October

The density and species diversity were low. The sample was dominated by cryptomonads and naked dinoflagellates. The species *Ceratium lineatum* dominated among the large dinoflagellates. A few cells of the potentially toxic dinoflagellates *Dinophysis norvegica* and *Prorocentrum minimum* were present in the sample. Diatoms were mostly represented by some cells from the potentially toxic genus *Pseudo-nitzschia*.

## Anholt E 15th and 19th of October

This station had a similar species composition as N14, but with a rather high cell density. *Ceratium lineatum* dominated among the large dinoflagellates and there were a few cells of the potentially toxic *Dinophysis norvegica* and *Dinophysis acuta*. Diatoms were more or less absent.

There was no particular difference in either species composition or cell density, between the two sampling dates.

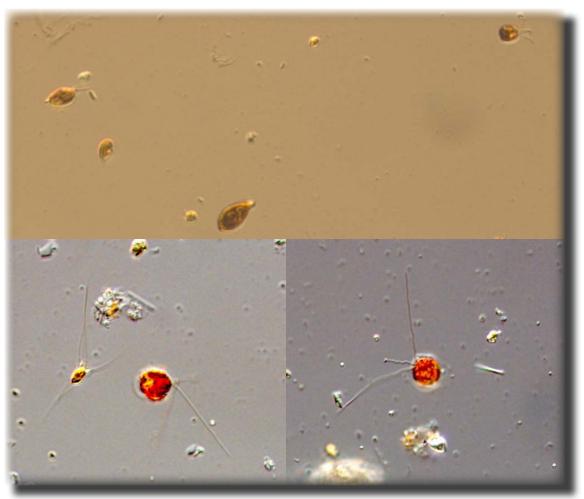
The integrated (0-20 meters) chlorophyll *a* concentrations from the Kattegat were at the first visit lower than normal and at the second visit higher than normal. The chlorophyll *a* values do not correspond to the measured cell density values from these occasions.

## The Baltic Sea 16th to 18th of October

The phytoplankton community in the Baltic Sea was dominated by cryptomonads, *Pyramimonas* spp. and at some stations the genus *Heterocapsa*. The highest total cell density was found at BY 2 and the lowest at BY 5 and BY 38. Small naked dinoflagellats were present at all stations and diatoms were represented by a few cells of centric diatoms.

The abundance of the genus *Chrysochromulina* was common at some stations south of Gotland. Choanoflagellates were represented by the genus *Calliacantha* at almost all stations and the species *Calliacantha natans* was very common in the Kalmar Sound (Ref. M1-V1).

The integrated (0-20 meters) chlorophyll *a* concentrations from the Southern Baltic were lower than normal for this season. In the Eastern and Western Baltic the chlorophyll *a* concentrations were lower than normal and at the Gotland Deep the concentration was close to normal for the season.



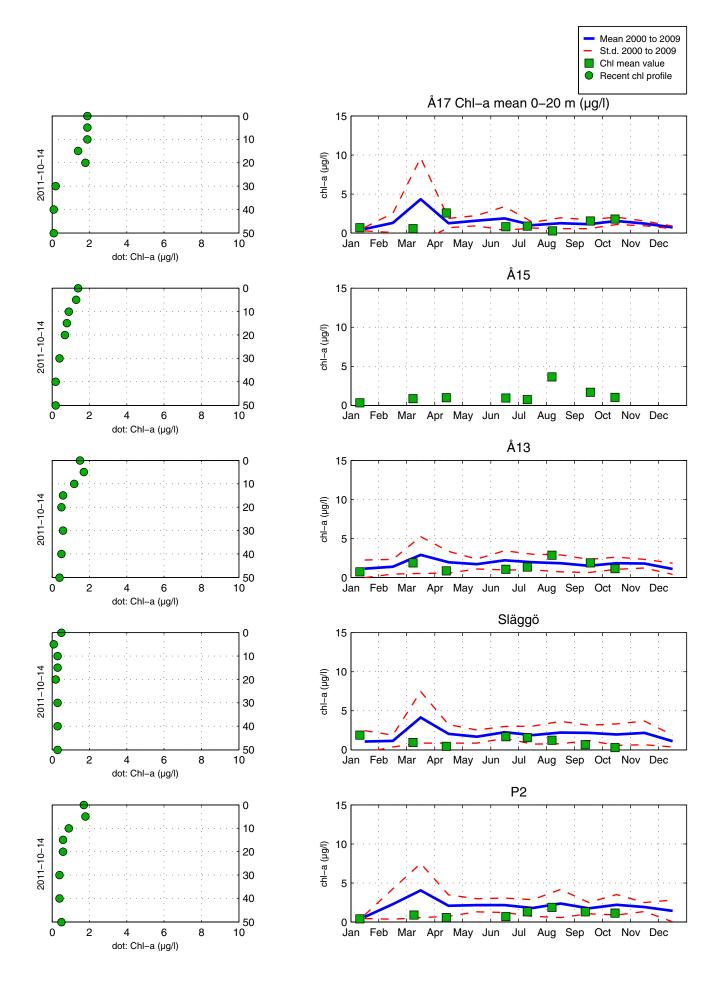
The most common species in the Baltic were small species like cryptomonads and *Pyramimonas* spp. (upper picture) and *Calliacantha natans* and *Chrysochromulina* spp. (lower pictures).

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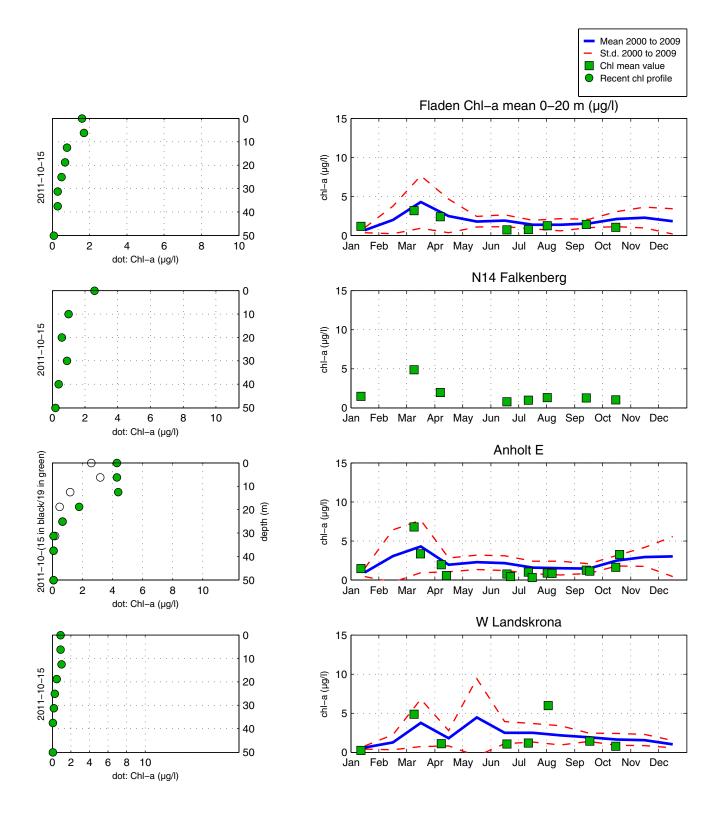
Selection of observed species	Å17	Släggö	N14	Anholt E	Anholt E
Red=potentially toxic species	14/10	14/10	15/10	15/10	19/10
	cells/l	cells/l	cells/l	cells/l	cells/l
Aulacoseira spp.	present				
Centrales	present				
Ceratulina pelagica	present		present		
Guinardia delicatula			present		
Leptocylindrus minimus	present				
Nitzschia longissima					
Pennales	present				
Pseudo-nizschia spp.	present		present		
Skeletonema marinoi	present				
Azadinium spp. cf	present				
Ceratium furca		present	present	present	present
Ceratium fusus		present	present	present	present
Ceratium lineatum	present		present	very common	very common
Ceratium longipes	present		present	present	present
Ceratium tripos		present	present	present	present
Dinophysis acuta	present			present	present
Dinophysis norvegica			present	present	present
Gymnodiniales	common	common	common	present	present
Gyrodinium flagellare	present				present
Heterocapsa spp.	present				
Katodinium glaucum		present	present	present	present
Protoperidinium spp.			present	present	present
Peridiniales	present	present	present	present	
Prorocentrum micans	present	present	present	present	present
Prorocentrum minimum			present		present
Prorocentrum redfieldii	present				
Apedinella radians		present			
Dichtyocha fibula			present	present	present
Dichtyocha speculum			present	present	present
Cryptomonadales spp.	common	common	common	common	common
Plagioselmis prolonga	common	present	present	present	common
Teleaulax spp.	common	common	present	present	present
Pyramimonas spp.	common	common			
Ebria tripartita			present		present
Leucocryptos marina		present			
Ciliophora	present	present	present	present	present

Selection of observed species	BY2	BY5	BCS III-10	BY15	BY38	Ref. M1-V1
Red=potentially toxic species	16/10	16/10	17/10	17/10	18/10	18/10
	cells/l	cells/l	cells/l	cells/l	cells/l	cells/l
Centrales	present	present		present		
Chaetoceros impressus	present					
Chaetoceros spp.				present		present
Skeletonema marinoi					present	
Cladopyxis claytonii				present	present	present
Dinophysis acuta		present				present
Gymnodiniales	common	common	present	common	present	common
Heterocapsa spp.	very common	common	common	common	common	present
Peridiniales				present	present	present
Prorocentrum minimum	present					
Cryptomonadales spp.	very common	very common	very common	very common	common	very common
Plagioselmis prolonga			common			
Teleaulax spp.			common		common	common
Apedinella radians		present				
Chrysochromulina spp cf		present	common		common	very common
Cyanobacteria colony forming					present	
Aphanizomenon flos-aquae	present		present		common	
Woronichinia spp.			present		present	
Oocystis spp.						
Pterosperma spp.			present			
Eutreptiella spp. cf.	present	common	common	common	present	present
Pyramimonas spp.	very common	very common	common	very common	very common	very common
Calliacantha longicaudata						present
Calliacantha natans		present	common	present	common	very common
Ebria tripartita						
Leucocryptus marina			present		present	present
Ciliophora	present	present	present	present	present	present
Mesodinium rubrum	present	present	common	present	common	common

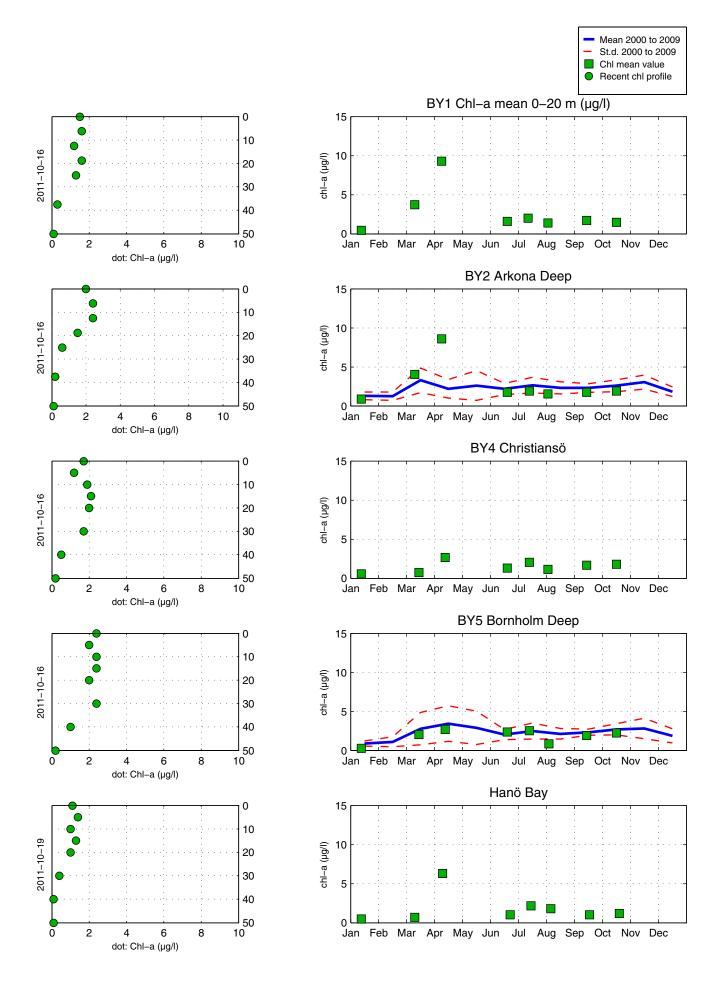
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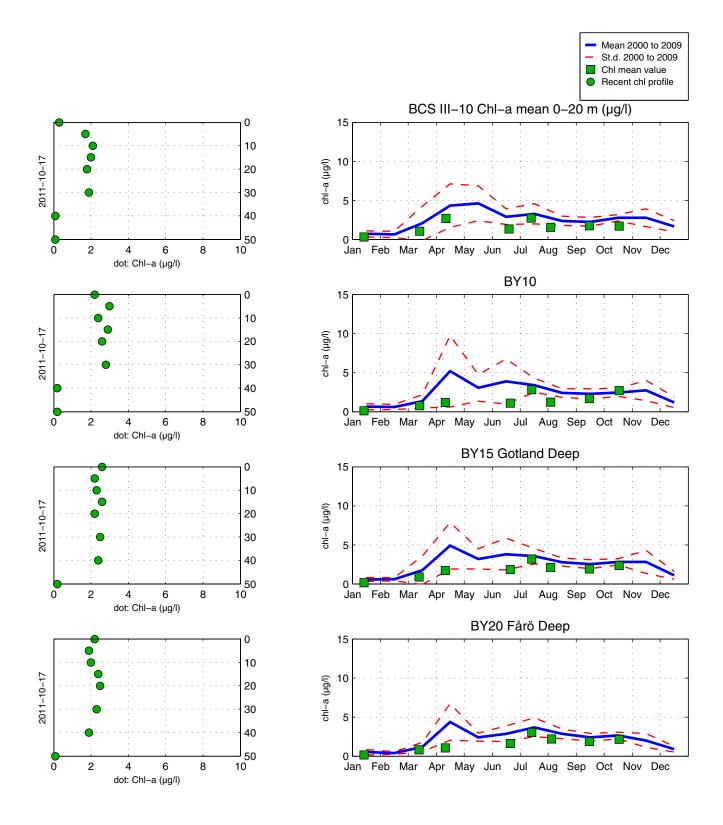
# The Kattegat and the Sound



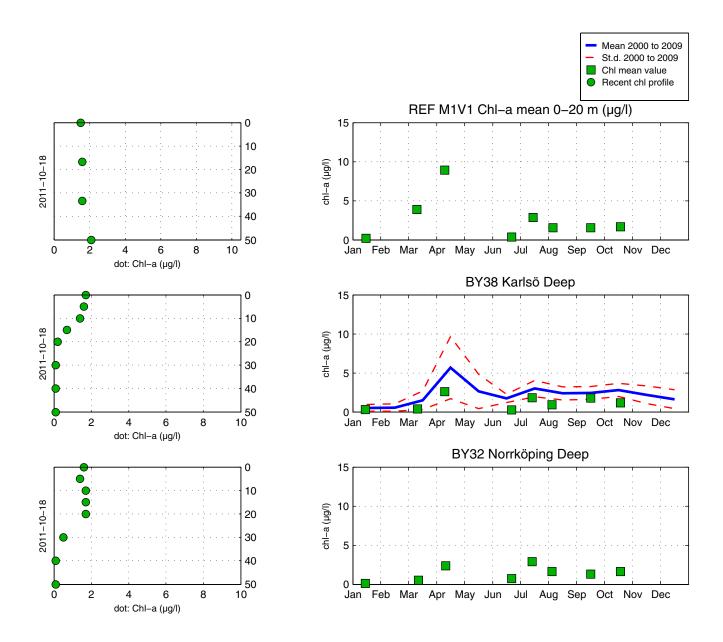
# The Southern Baltic



# The Eastern Baltic



## The Western Baltic



### Om klorofylldiagrammen

Klorofyll *a* är ett mått på mängden växtplankton. Prover tas från ett antal djup från U/F Argos. 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. Tekniska problem ombord satte stopp för månadens fluorescens-mätningar.

#### About the chlorophyll graphs

Chlorophyll *a* is sampled from several depths from the R/V Argos. Data is 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 layes of phytoplankton occurring below the surface. Chlorophyll fluorescence was not measured this month due to technical problems on board.

## Om AlgAware

SMHI genomför ca en gång per månad expeditioner med U/F Argos i Östersjön och Västerhavet. Resultat baserade på semikvantitativ mikroskopanalys av planktonprover samt klorofyllmätningar presenteras kortfattat i denna rapport. Information från SMHI:s satellitövervakning av algblomningar finns på www.smhi.se.

### About AlgAware

SMHI carries out monthly cruises with R/V Argos 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 SMHI:s satellite monitoring of algal blooms is found on www.smhi.se.

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:
7,	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.
		magont	Extreme case:
		Extrema symptom:	Repeated exposure may cause cancer.
		Upprepad exponering kan orsaka	
		cancer	
Pseudo- niztschia	Amnesic	Milda symptom:	Mild case:
spp.	shellfish	Efter 3-5 timmar:	Within 3-5 hours: dizziness, nausea,
	poisoning	yrsel, illamående, kräkningar, diarré,	vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal cramps.
	(ASP)	magkramper	Extreme case:
		Extrema symptom:	dizziness, hallucinations, confusion, loss of
		Yrsel, hallucinationationer, 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:
C.convolutus	on setae	Fiskens gälar skadas, fisken dör.	Fish death due to gill damage.
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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,  $\mu g/l$  (0-20 m) vid de olika stationerna. Förekomst av skadliga alger vid stationer där arter analyseras markeras med symbol. Då cirkeln är tom innebär detta att stationen inte provtagits.

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 An empty cirkel indicates that there has been no sampling at that station.

