

# BALTSEM-C – recent development of the BALTSEM model



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## State variables

State variables included in the original BALTSEM version

Notation	Meaning	Unit
Pelagic		
S	salinity	-
T	temperature	°C
O <sub>2</sub>	dissolved oxygen	g O <sub>2</sub> m <sup>-3</sup>
N <sub>N</sub>	ammonium	mg N m <sup>-3</sup>
N <sub>O</sub>	nitrate + nitrite	mg N m <sup>-3</sup>
N <sub>P</sub>	phosphate	mg P m <sup>-3</sup>
N <sub>S</sub>	silicate	mg Si m <sup>-3</sup>
D <sub>N</sub>	nitrogen detritus	mg N m <sup>-3</sup>
D <sub>P</sub>	phosphorus detritus	mg P m <sup>-3</sup>
D <sub>S</sub>	biogenic silica	mg Si m <sup>-3</sup>
A <sub>1</sub>	cyanobacteria	mg N m <sup>-3</sup>
A <sub>2</sub>	diatoms	mg N m <sup>-3</sup>
A <sub>3</sub>	"other autotrophs"	mg N m <sup>-3</sup>
Z <sub>H</sub>	heterotroph community	mg N m <sup>-3</sup>
Benthic		
B <sub>N</sub>	benthic nitrogen	mg N m <sup>-2</sup>
B <sub>P</sub>	benthic phosphorus	mg P m <sup>-2</sup>
B <sub>S</sub>	benthic silica	mg Si m <sup>-2</sup>

Additional state variables included in the expanded model version

Notation	Meaning	Unit
Pelagic		
DIC	dissolved inorganic carbon	µmol kg <sup>-1</sup>
Alk	total alkalinity	µmol kg <sup>-1</sup>
H <sub>2</sub> S <sub>T</sub>	total hydrogen sulphide (HS <sup>-</sup> + H <sub>2</sub> S)	µmol kg <sup>-1</sup>
DON <sub>L</sub>	dissolved organic nitrogen, labile	mg N m <sup>-3</sup>
DON <sub>R</sub>	dissolved organic nitrogen, refractory	mg N m <sup>-3</sup>
DOP <sub>L</sub>	dissolved organic phosphorus, labile	mg P m <sup>-3</sup>
DOP <sub>R</sub>	dissolved organic phosphorus, refractory	mg P m <sup>-3</sup>
DOCL <sub>T</sub>	allochthonous dissolved organic carbon, labile	mg C m <sup>-3</sup>
DOCR <sub>T</sub>	allochthonous dissolved organic carbon, refractory	mg C m <sup>-3</sup>
DOCL <sub>M</sub>	autochthonous dissolved organic carbon, labile	mg C m <sup>-3</sup>
DOCR <sub>M</sub>	autochthonous dissolved organic carbon, refractory	mg C m <sup>-3</sup>
DETC <sub>T</sub>	allochthonous carbon detritus	mg C m <sup>-3</sup>
DETC <sub>M</sub>	autochthonous carbon detritus	mg C m <sup>-3</sup>
Benthic		
BENC <sub>T</sub>	benthic carbon, allochthonous	mg C m <sup>-2</sup>
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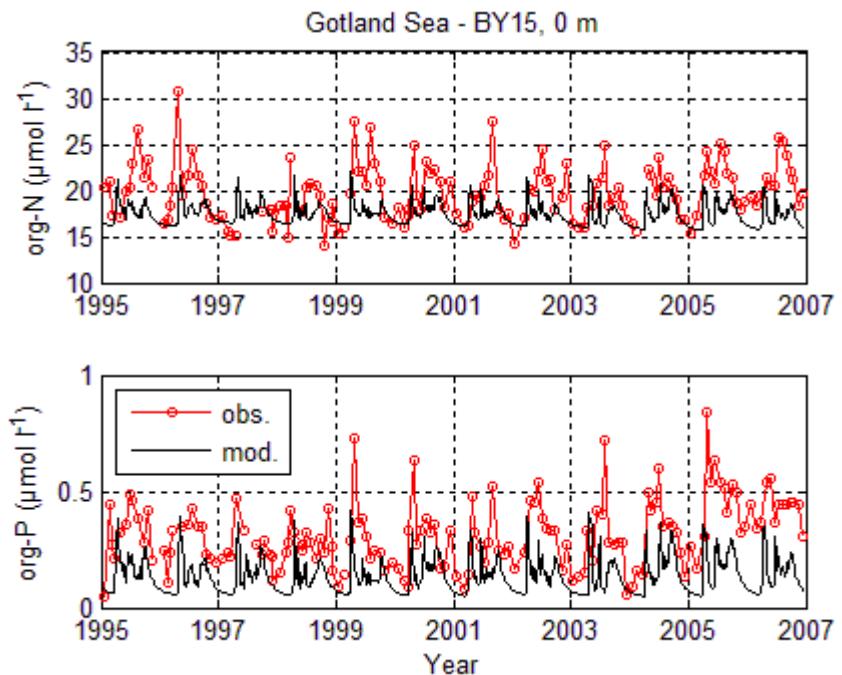
### Riverine organic N

- 20% PON
- 56% DON<sub>R</sub> (refractory)
- 24% DON<sub>L</sub> (bio-available)

### Riverine organic P

- 67% POP
- 0% DOP<sub>R</sub> (5%)
- 33% DOP<sub>L</sub> (28%)

Stepanauskas, R., Jørgensen, N.O.G., Eigaard, O.R., Zvikas, A., Tranvik, L.J., Leonardson, L., 2002. Summer inputs of riverine nutrients to the Baltic Sea: bioavailability and eutrophication relevance. Ecological monographs 72, 579–597.



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Average riverine DOC loads and concentrations (1996-2000). Collected and compiled as a part of the Baltic-C program (BALTEX Phase II (BONUS+)).

Sub-basin	DOC <sub>T</sub> river load (Gmol y <sup>-1</sup> )	Riverine DOC <sub>T</sub> (μmol l <sup>-1</sup> )
KT	20	610
DS	8.1	950
BP	89	840
BS	51	510
BB	74	640
GR	42	1400
GF	52	500
Total	340	670

### External sources

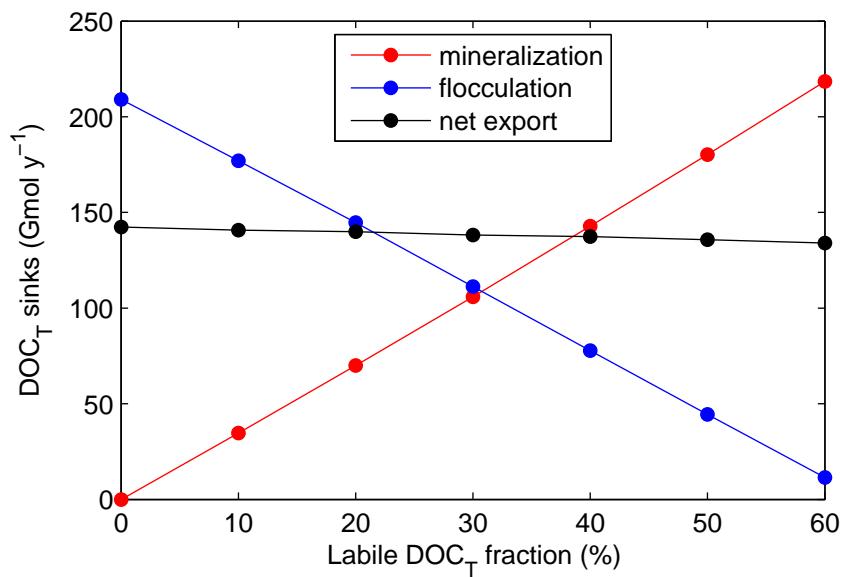
- River loads  $\approx 340 \text{ Gmol y}^{-1}$
- Atmospheric deposition\*  $\approx 1 \text{ g C m}^{-2} \text{ y}^{-1} = 34 \text{ Gmol y}^{-1}$
- Gross deep water DOC<sub>T</sub> input to the Northern Kattegat basin  $\approx 90 \text{ Gmol y}^{-1}$

## Measured/simulated DOC concentrations

Observed and modelled average  $\text{DOC}_M$  and  $\text{DOC}_T$  surface concentrations ( $\mu\text{mol l}^{-1}$ )

	GS	BS	BB
$\text{DOC}_T$			
Observed	173 <sup>2)</sup> -202 <sup>1)</sup>	193 <sup>2)</sup> -237 <sup>1)</sup>	209 <sup>2)</sup> -291 <sup>1)</sup>
Modelled	201	205-211	242-275
$\text{DOC}_M$			
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Modelled			

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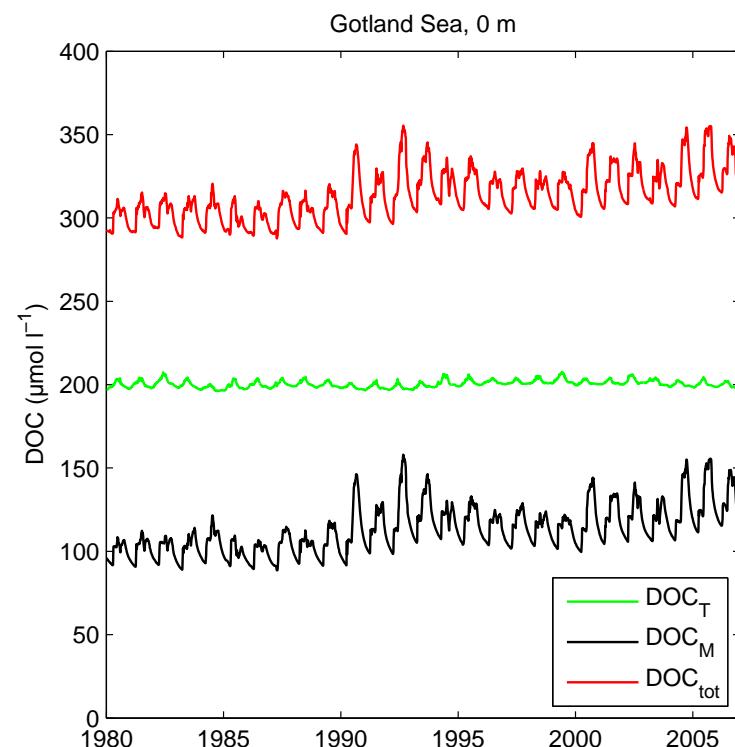
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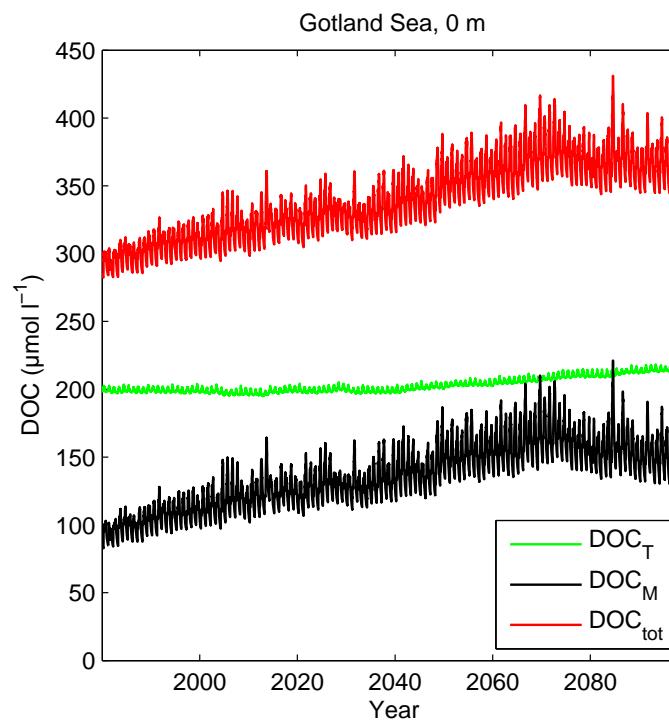
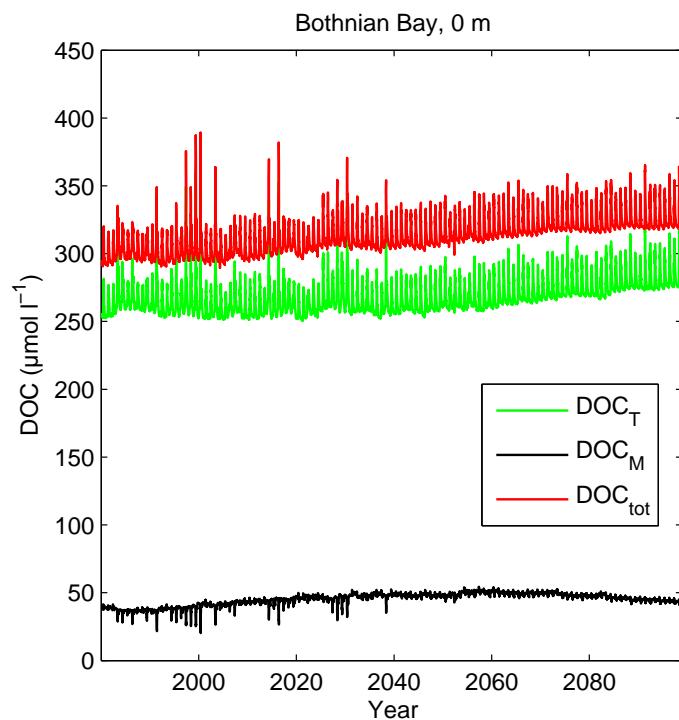
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RCAO-ECHAM5, A1B1 emission scenario, constant N & P loads



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