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**To:** 'Anders Chr. Erichsen'; Karen Timmermann  
**Cc:** Martin Enevoldsen - Implement Consulting Group  
**Subject:** FW: Question to researchers

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Kære Anders og Karen

Jeg videresender hermed et enkelt spørgsmål fra Peter Herman i panelet – se nedenfor.

Vil I være så behjælpelig med at svare på dette?

På forhånd tak,

VH

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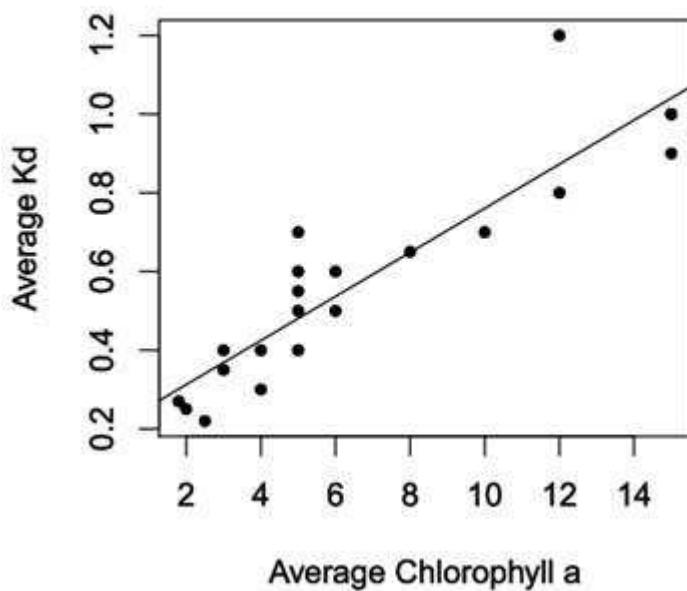
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Enclosed you find the answer to Peter's question that was forwarded to the researchers.

BR Eske

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Kære Eske,

Her er de efterspurgte data – håber du kan videreforsmidle.

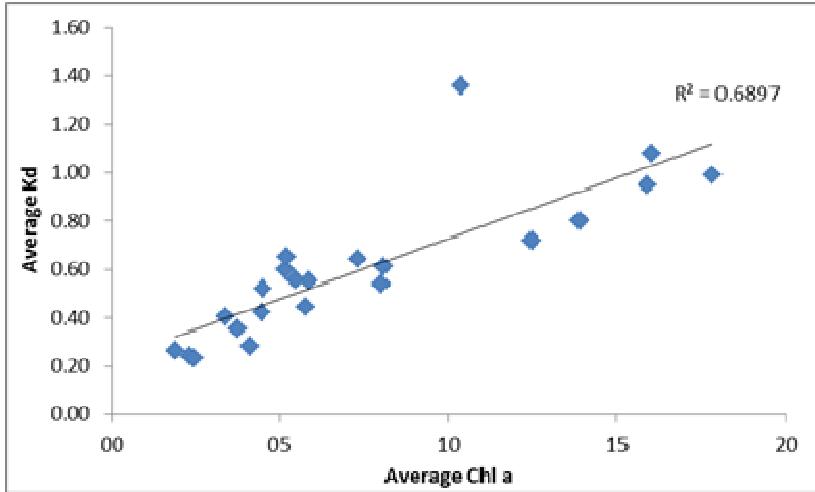
Pft, Karen

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Dear Peter/Panel,

The data (calculated average from 1991 to 2012) of Chl a and Kd show essentially the same interesting pattern as observed by Peter Herman. Although the Kd values are higher than can be explained by the direct bio optical effects of chl a alone (chl a specific absorption coefficients are around 0.015 m<sup>2</sup> mg<sup>-1</sup> Chl a, Pedersen et al., 2014, Timmermann et al., 2010, Stæhr and Markager 2004 ), the rather convincing correlation indicates that there is a common factor governing both parameters. This could be phytoplankton primary production that over time cause an accumulation of organic matter both as POM and DOM which, together with Chl a adds to the light attenuation.

Also, the curve seems to be slightly non-linear as expected based on optical theory. Very beautiful!



Best regards Stig, Jesper and Karen

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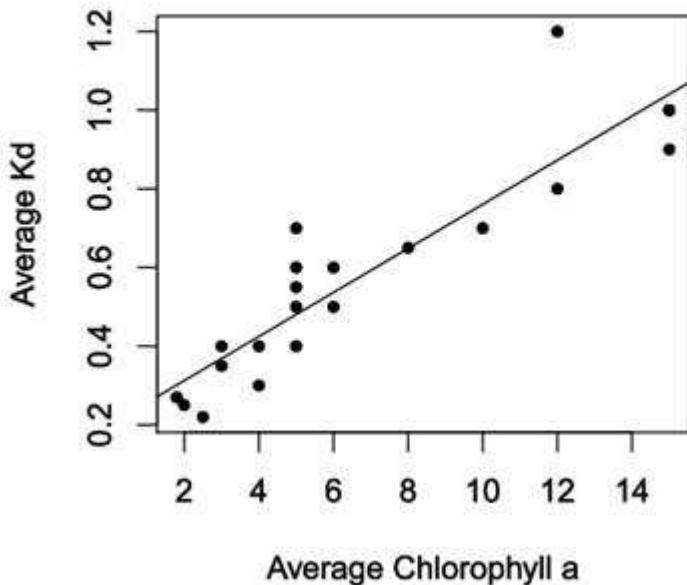
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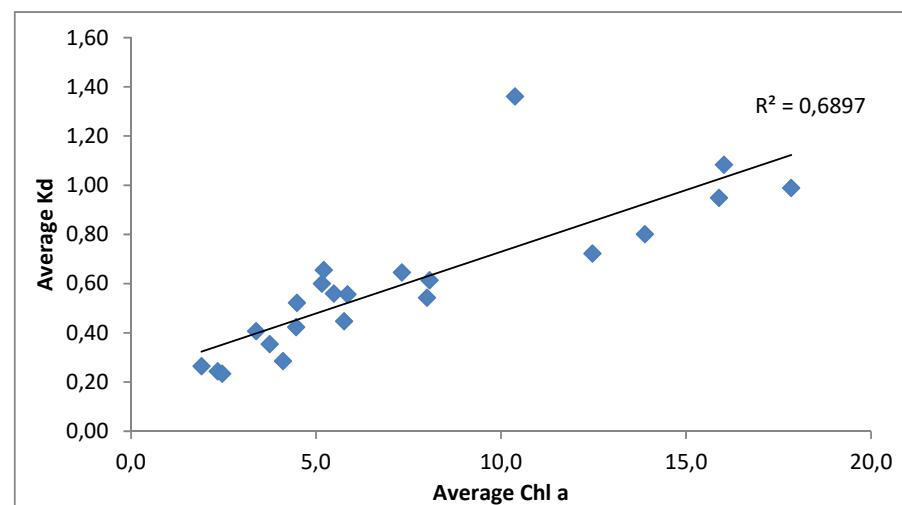
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## AU og DHI's svar på Panelets spørgsmål

		Chl, average	Kd, average 1991- 2012
		1991- 2012 [µg/l]	1991-2012 [m-1]
Åbenrå	15	3,7	0,35
Flensborg	KFF2	8,0	0,54
Horsens inder	5790	7,3	0,65
Horsens yder	6489	4,5	0,42
Kolding	3350	12,5	0,72
Vejle	5503	5,8	0,45
Randers inder	230902	16,0	1,08
Randers yder	230905	8,1	0,61
Kås	3705-1	5,5	0,56
Lovns	3728-1	17,8	0,99
Løgstør	3708-1	5,9	0,56
Nissum	3702-1	4,5	0,52
Riisgaarde	3726-1	13,9	0,80
Skive	3727-1	15,9	0,95
Isefjord	10003	3,4	0,41
Roskilde	60	5,2	0,60
Odense ydre	6900017	5,2	0,66
Odense indre	6910008	7,3	
Århus bugt	170006	1,9	0,26
Lillebælt	6100051	4,1	0,28
Storebælt	6700009	2,3	0,24
Ringkøbing	1	10,4	1,36
Storebælt	6700053	2,5	0,23



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**Subject:** Yderlige spørgsmål fra Panelet

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Vi har fået følgende spørgsmål, som Panelet ønsker besvaret. Har I mulighed for det?

- 1) Has Kd been intercalibrated? "the importance of these indicators in the official ecological classification where only intercalibrated indicators are used"
- 2) Do you have one or a few typical time series for monitoring of Kd (preferably with high resolution) that you can send us?

Venlig hilsen

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The latest answers to your questions to the scientists

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Kære Eske,

Så lykkedes det at få data ud af databasen ☺ Vores svar er markeret med gult nedenfor.

Hilsen Karen

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1. Has Kd been intercalibrated? "the importance of these indicators in the official ecological classification where only intercalibrated indicators are used"

Answer: The Kd indicator has not been intercalibrated according to the WFD. As described in the report, the Kd indicator is used as a proxy for the indicator "eelgrass depth limit", which has been intercalibrated. Only intercalibrated indicators (i.e. eelgrass depth limit, summer chl concentration and the DKI) are used in the official assessment of ecological status of Danish WFD water bodies. Kd (or light availability) is very important for predicting potential eelgrass depth limit, but other factors may prevent or delay eelgrass recovery and hence an observable eelgrass depth limit may be lower than predicted by light availability.

2. Do you have one or a few typical time series for monitoring of Kd (preferably with high resolution) that you can send us?

Answer: Attached is two time series of Kd monitoring data from the Danish monitoring program (NOVANA). High frequency Kd data is often scattered due to e.g. resuspension event whereas the Kd level and long term trends will reflect the amount of substances that either absorb or scatter light - mainly organic matter (POM and DOM).

Venlig hilsen

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