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Preface

The programme covers sampling and analyses of organisms in a marine food web of the Inner Oslofjord in 2019 in addition to samples of blood and eggs of herring gull. The programme also includes inputs of pollutants via surface water (storm water), and sewage treatment plant discharges. This monitoring programme adds to results from other monitoring programmes such as "Contaminants in coastal waters" (MILKYS) and "the Norwegian river monitoring programme". These programmes are referred to, when relevant. 2019 represents the seventh year of the Urban Fjord programme. As such, the programme has begun to produce unique time series valuable for capturing developments in the environmental concentrations of a vast number of contaminants. Some changes/improvements were made in the design from 2014 to 2015 and from 2016 to 2017.

The study was carried out by NIVA, with a majority of the chemical analyses performed by the Norwegian Institute for Air Research, NILU. Collection of herring gull samples was conducted by the University of Oslo (Morten Helberg).

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Summary

In 2019, the programme, “Environmental Contaminants in an Urban Fjord” has covered sampling and analyses of sediment and organisms in a marine food web of the Inner Oslofjord, samples of blood and eggs from herring gull, as well as inputs of pollutants via surface water (storm water), and sewage treatment plant discharges.

The objective of the programme was to monitor the presence of chemicals in a densely populated area and to study how this contaminant input affects a fjord system. The present study adds to previous surveys and provides knowledge to answer the Norwegian Environment Agency’s objectives to:

- Estimate the degree of bioaccumulation of selected contaminants at several trophic levels in marine food chains.
- Connect pollutant exposure of marine organisms to toxic effects at different biological levels, including endocrine disruption and contaminant interactions ("cocktail effects").
- Identify sources and sinks (i.e. the fate) of environmental contaminants in fjord systems and design targeted actions.

Furthermore, there is an intention that data will be used in international chemical regulation, such as REACH and the Stockholm Convention. The programme was also meant to provide data from governmental monitoring in Norway to comply with the requirements of The Water Framework Directive (The Water Regulation/“Vannforskriften”). 2019 represents the seventh year of the Urban Fjord programme. Some changes/improvements have been made in the design from the start in 2013 to 2019. Adjustments in 2019 included analysis of dechlorane plus and related compounds, as well as behentrimonium, in selected samples.

The bioaccumulation potential of the contaminants in the Oslo fjord food web was evaluated. The exposure to/accumulation of the contaminants was also assessed in herring gull, as an indicator of an urban fjord inhabitant. A vast number of chemical parameters have been quantified, in addition to some biological effect parameters in cod, and the report serves as valuable documentation of the concentrations of these chemicals in different compartments of the Inner Oslofjord marine ecosystem.

Analyses of stable isotopes of carbon and nitrogen showed the same results/trophic interactions as in 2015-2018. The biomagnifying potential of contaminants was evaluated by calculation of Trophic Magnification Factors (TMFs) and several contaminants, and especially legacy contaminants with well-known biomagnifying properties, displayed a positive significant relationship between (\log_{10} -) concentrations and trophic position. Silver (Ag) and PFOS were also contaminants that displayed a positive significant relationship between (\log_{10} -) concentrations and trophic position, as previously observed. The quaternary ammonium compounds behentrimonium (ATAC-C20 and ATAC-C22; used as ingredients in industrial applications and household products) showed significant biomagnification (significant $TMF > 1$) on a wet weight basis, with high concentrations in cod liver, but not on a lipid weight basis. High concentrations in lipid rich cod liver and affinity for particles might suggest that it is most appropriate to express the concentrations on a lipid weight basis.

The sediments of the inner Oslofjord is a potential source of environmental contaminants to sediment dwelling organisms and the contaminants may thus enter the food chain. Several of the target compounds of this study were detected in sediment. Inputs of several compounds to the fjord

via storm water and effluent water from a sewage treatment plant (STP) is also shown. Concentrations of some compounds exceeded environmental quality standards in sediment (D5, Cu, PCB7, Zn, As, Pb, Ni, Hg and PFOS), storm water (Bisphenol A, MCCPs, Cu, PCB7, Zn, 4-*tert*-octylphenol and PFOS) and STP effluent water (MCCPs, 4-*tert*-octylphenol and PFOS).

Dechlorane plus, a flame retardant in plastics, was detected in storm water, in sediment, in fish and invertebrates of the Inner Oslofjord food web, and in herring gull (blood and eggs). The sediment concentration appeared in the same range as concentrations found in sediments of the North American Great Lakes. Furthermore, the concentrations in cod appeared not very different from those found in brown trout from Lake Mjøsa, which were higher than found in trout from Lake Ontario, Canada. The concentrations in herring gull eggs appeared a factor of approximately 3 lower than those in eggs of herring gull from the Great Lakes, North America. 1,3-dechlorane plus monoadduct (1,3-DPMA) and 1,5-DPMA were not detected in any samples.

As previously reported, concentrations of PBDEs and D5 in eggs of herring gull from the Oslo area in 2019 were higher than concentrations in herring gull eggs from more remote marine colonies (Sklinna and Røst, 2012), suggesting urban influence on the Oslo gulls. In blood of gulls, concentrations of DBDPE were higher than concentrations of any PBDE congeners, likely reflecting that DBDPE is a substitute for BDE-209 in the market. In STP sludge, DBDPE, as well as TBPH (BEH/TBP), were found in equally conspicuous concentrations as BDE-209.

UV-compounds, and especially octocrylene (OC), were found in STP sludge, reflecting the use of UV-chemicals in sunscreens and other cosmetics, as well as in other products.

Sammendrag

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I 2019 har overvåkingsprogrammet "Miljøgifter i en Urban Fjord" omfattet prøvetaking og analyse av sediment og organismer i en marin næringskjede i Indre Oslofjord, analyser av prøver av blod og egg fra gråmåke, samt undersøkelser av tilførsler av miljøgifter via overvann og kloakkrensaneanlegg.

Målet med programmet var å undersøke tilstedeværelsen av miljøgifter i et tett befolket område og studere hvordan disse påvirker et fjordsystem. Denne undersøkelsen bygger på tilsvarende tidligere undersøkelser og utgjør ytterligere ett skritt mot Miljødirektoratets generelle mål om å:

- Anslå graden av bioakkumulering av utvalgte miljøgifter på flere trofiske nivåer i marine næringskjeder.
- Koble eksponeringen av miljøgifter på marine organismer til toksiske effekter på ulike biologiske nivåer, inkludert hormonforstyrrende effekter og interaksjonseffekter ("cocktaileffekter").
- Identifisere kilder og sluk for miljøgifter i fjordsystemer ("skjebnen" til miljøgifter i en fjord), og utforme målrettede tiltak.

Intensjonen er videre at data skal brukes i internasjonale miljøgiftreguleringer, som REACH og Stockholmkonvensjonen. Dessuten skal programmet frembringe data som vil være til hjelp i å gjennomføre kravene i Vanddirektivet ("Vannforskriften") i forbindelse med statlig basisovervåking. 2019 er det sjuende året "Miljøgifter i en Urban Fjord" har vært gjennomført. Det er gjort noen forandringer/forbedringer i design/innhold av programmet fra starten i 2013, frem til 2019. Spesielle tilpasninger i 2019 inkluderte analyser av dekloran plus og relaterte forbindelser, samt behentrimonium, i utvalgte prøver.

Bioakkumuleringspotensialet til de ulike miljøgiftene i Oslofjord-næringsnettet er undersøkt. Eksponering for/akkumulering av disse stoffene er også undersøkt i gråmåke, som representant for «urbane innbyggere». Konsentrasjoner av et stort antall kjemiske parametere er kvantifisert i denne undersøkelsen. I tillegg er enkelte biologiske effekt-parametere i torsk undersøkt. Rapporten fungerer som verdifull dokumentasjon av konsentrasjonene av ulike kjemikalier i ulike deler («compartments») av det marine økosystemet i Indre Oslofjord.

Analysen av stabile isotoper av karbon og nitrogen viste de samme resultater/trofiske interaksjoner som i 2015-2018. Biomagnifiseringspotensialet til stoffene i undersøkelsen ble evaluert ved beregning av trofiske magnifiseringsfaktorer (TMF) og flere stoffer, særlig eldre miljøgifter med kjente biomagnifiserende egenskaper, viste som ventet positive sammenhenger mellom (\log_{10} -) konsentrasjoner og trofisk posisjon. Sølv (Ag) og PFOS var også stoffer som viste positive sammenhenger mellom (\log_{10} -) konsentrasjoner og trofisk posisjon, som også tidligere observert. De kvartære ammoniumforbindelsene behentrimonium (ATAC-C20 og ATAC-C22; brukt som ingredienser i industrielle applikasjoner og husholdningsprodukter) viste signifikant biomagnifisering (TMF > 1) på våtvektbasis, med høye konsentrasjoner i torskelever, men ikke på en lipidvektbasis.

Høye konsentrasjoner i fettrik torskelever og affinitet for partikler kan tyde på at det er mest hensiktsmessig å uttrykke konsentrasjonene på lipidvektsbasis

Sedimentene i Indre Oslofjord er i utgangspunktet en potensiell kilde til miljøgifter i sedimentlevende bunndyr og dermed også en kilde til miljøgifter i den marine næringskjeden. Flere av stoffene i denne undersøkelsen ble funnet i sediment. Tilførsel til fjorden via overvann og utslippsvann fra kloakkrensianlegg ble også vist for flere av stoffene. Konsentrasjoner av enkelte stoffer overskred miljøkvalitetsstandarder i sediment (D5, Cu, PCB7, Zn, As, Pb, Ni, Hg og PFOS), overvann (Bisphenol A, MCCPs, Cu, PCB7, Zn, 4-*tert*-octylphenol og PFOS) og utslippsvann fra kloakkrensianlegg (MCCPs, 4-*tert*-octylphenol og PFOS).

Dechlorane plus, et flammehemmende middel i plast, ble detektert i overvann, i sediment, i fisk og evertebrater fra det marine næringsnett i Indre Oslofjord og i gråmåke (blod og egg). Sedimentkonsentrasjonene fremsto i samme størrelsesorden som tidligere funnet i de store innsjøene i Nord-Amerika. Konsentrasjonene i torsk fremsto som ganske like konsentrasjoner tidligere målt i ørret fra Mjøsa. Disse er høyere enn i ørret fra Lake Ontario (Canada). Konsentrasjonene i egg fra gråmåke fremsto omtrent en faktor 3 lavere enn i egg av gråmåke fra de store innsjøene i Nord-Amerika. 1,3-dechlorane plus monoadduct (1,3-DPMA) og 1,5-DPMA ble ikke detektert i noen prøver.

Som rapportert tidligere var konsentrasjonene av PBDE-forbindelser og D5 funnet i gråmåkeegg fra Oslofjordområdet i 2019 høyere enn konsentrasjoner funnet i gråmåkeegg fra mer fjerntliggende marine kolonier (Sklinna og Røst, 2012), som kan tyde på urban påvirkning av måkene fra Oslofjorden. I blod fra gråmåke var konsentrasjonene av DBDPE høyere enn konsentrasjonene av de enkelte PBDE-kongenerne, hvilket nok gjenspeiler at DBDPE er en erstatning for BDE-209 i markedet. I slam fra rensianlegg ble DBDPE, og TBPH (BEH/TBP), funnet omtrent like høye konsentrasjoner som BDE-209.

UV-stoffer, og spesielt oktokrylen (OC), ble funnet i slam fra rensianlegg, noe som gjenspeiler bruken av UV-kjemikalier i solkremer og annen kosmetikk, så vel som i andre produkter.

1 Introduction

"Environmental contaminants in an urban fjord" is a programme designed to monitor discharges of anthropogenic chemicals in a densely populated area and to study how this contaminant input affects a fjord system. The programme addresses inputs of pollutants from potential sources, measurements of contaminant concentrations in different marine species, assessment of bioaccumulation patterns within a food web and estimation of effect risks in organisms. The programme contributes to the Norwegian Environment Agency's ongoing monitoring activity in coastal areas and supplements two other monitoring programmes: "the Norwegian river monitoring programme " and "MILKYS - Environmental contaminants in coastal waters".

1.1 Objectives

The environmental monitoring activity in the present programme contributes to the Norwegian Environment Agency's general aim to:

- Estimate the bioaccumulation of selected contaminants at several trophic levels in marine food chains.
- Connect pollutant exposure of marine organisms to toxic effects at different levels of biological organisation, including endocrine disruption and contaminant interactions ("cocktail effects").
- Identify sources and sinks of environmental contaminants in fjord systems ("the fate of the contaminants in a fjord") and designing targeted actions.

The programme will also provide data that will aid to implement the requirements of The Water Framework Directive (The Water Regulation/"Vannforskriften") regarding governmental basic monitoring as well as used in international chemical regulation. The present report (2019) represents the seventh year of the Urban Fjord project. As such, the programme has begun to produce unique time series valuable for capturing developments in the environmental concentrations of a vast number of contaminants.

2 Material and Methods

2.1 Sample Collection

Polychaetes, zooplankton (krill), prawns, blue mussel, herring and cod were collected as representatives of a food chain in the inner Oslo Fjord. In addition, sediment was collected. The samples were collected in an area within 4.7 km from Steilene (**Figure 1**), the autumn of 2019. Herring gull samples (blood and eggs) were also collected within the programme (spring 2019), as a representative of an urban fjord inhabitant. **Table 1** shows the sampling plan of the programme. The programme also included samples of storm water, and effluent water and sludge from a waste water treatment plant.

2.1.1 Sediment

Sediment was collected at station Cm21 by means of a van Veen grab (0.15 m²) from Research Vessel Trygve Braarud. Four grabs of the top layer (0-2 cm in grab samples with undisturbed surface) were prepared¹ for one sample.

2.1.2 Food web of the Inner Oslofjord

Polychaetes, zooplankton (krill), prawns, blue mussel, herring and cod were collected as representatives of a food chain in the inner Oslo Fjord.

Polychaetes were collected at station Cm21 (**Figure 1**) using a van Veen grab (0.15 m²) from RV Trygve Braarud. When possible (dependent on species and mechanical damage), the worms were held in a container of clean seawater for 6-8 hours prior to freezing and analysis. This was done in order to allow the worms to purge any residual sediment from the gut. Some gut content (sediment particles and/or organic matter) may still have been included in the polychaete samples, possibly having some influence on the chemical analysis, but the amount of gut content was minor relative to the polychaete tissue. Material for three pooled samples was collected. The samples consisted of the species listed in **Table 2**.

Krill (*Euphausiacea*) were collected at Midtmeie, southwest of Steilene (**Figure 1**), as representatives of the zooplankton. A fry trawl was operated from RV Trygve Braarud for this purpose. Material for three pooled samples was collected.

Prawns (*Pandalus borealis*) were caught with benthic trawl from RV Trygve Braarud in the same area as zooplankton (krill); Midtmeie, southwest of Steilene (**Figure 1**). Material for three pooled samples (of 50 individuals each; size: 92-146 mm) was collected.

Mussels were collected at Steilene (**Figure 1**) by standard procedures (handpicked, using rake, or snorkelling; as done in the project "Contaminants in coastal waters", MILKYS; Green et al. 2019; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1515). Three pooled samples (each of 15-16 shells; shell length 56 to 79 mm) was prepared. The method for collecting and preparing blue mussels was based on the National Standard for mussel collection (NS 9434:2017).

¹ According to the Norwegian Environment Agency guidelines for risk assessment of contaminated sediment (M-409/2015).

Herring (*Clupea harengus*) were caught with trawl from RV Trygve Braarud at Midtmeie, southwest of Steilene (**Figure 1**). Material (muscle tissue) for three pooled samples (of 5 individuals in each; length: 21.5-27 cm, weight: 111-199 g) was collected.

Cod (*Gadus morhua*) were caught with trawl from RV Trygve Braarud at Midtmeie, southwest of Steilene (**Figure 1**). Samples of muscle tissue, liver and bile were taken. Biometric data for the fish are given in Appendix. Note that for 3 individual specimens, the livers were not sufficiently large for all chemical analyses, thus each liver was pooled with livers from three spare specimens (see Appendix).

2.1.3 Herring gull

Herring Gull (*Larus argentatus*) blood samples (from adult breeding individuals trapped at nest) and eggs (15 egg samples and 15 blood samples) were sampled at Søndre Skjælholmen (Nesodden municipality; 59.85317 N, 10.7281 E; **Figure 1**). Biometric data for the birds are given in Appendix. Adult birds were trapped by walk-in trap placed at the nest. Blood samples (~5 ml) were taken from a vein under the wing. Adult female and egg were sampled from the same nest.

2.1.4 Storm water

Storm water samples were collected at one occasion at two specific sampling points (Bryn Ring 3/E6, and Breivoll E6, downstream terminal; **Figure 1**). The samples were collected from manholes by filling bottles directly in the storm water. Subsequently, the storm water samples were separated into a filtered fraction (hereafter referred to as “dissolved fraction”) and a particulate fraction by filtering (polyethylene (PE) frit, 20 µm porosity prior to analysis of per- and polyfluorinated substances (at NIVA) and Whatman Glass Microfilters GF, pore size 1.2 µm, prior to analysis of other chemical parameters (at NILU)).

2.1.5 Sewage treatment plant

Sludge and treated effluent water were collected from Bekkelaget Sewage Treatment Plant (STP; **Figure 1**) at two occasions (August 26th and August 27th). Samples of effluent water were collected by the use of the STPs fixed equipment for collection of 24h-samples (according to rules for accredited sampling). Aliquots were transferred to appropriate flasks for the different analytes.

Table 1. Overview of samples collected for the «Urban Fjord» programme 2019.

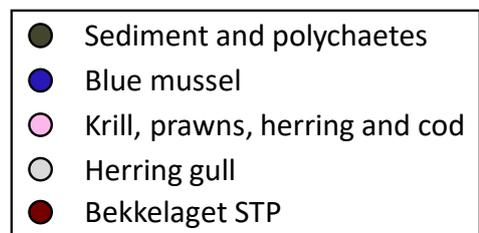
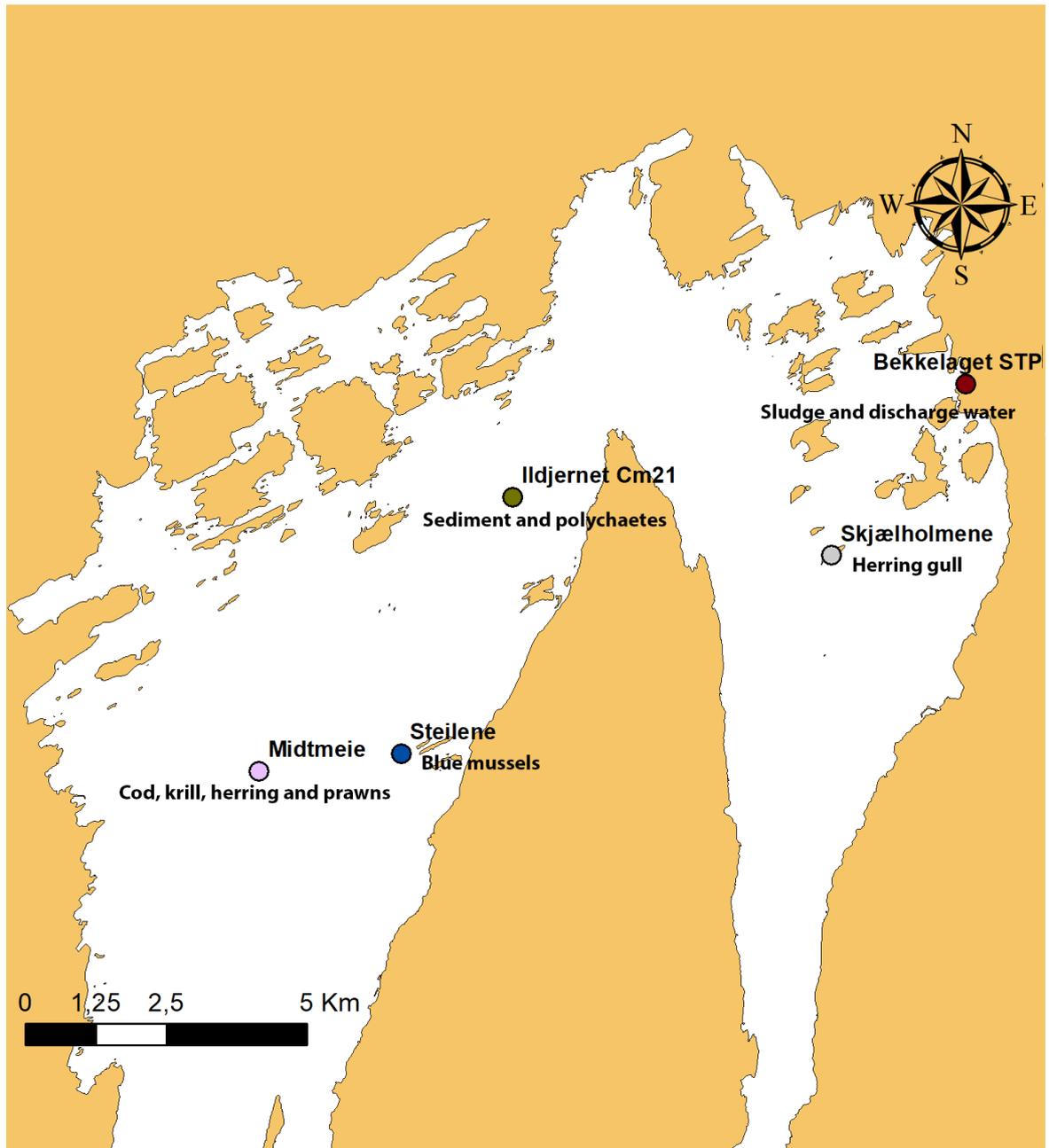
Species/sample	Matrix	Locality	Frequency	No. for analysis
Sediment	Whole sediment	Cm21	Once per year	1
Polychaetes	Pooled samples, whole individuals	Cm21	Once per year	3 pooled samples
Zooplankton (krill)	Pooled samples, whole individuals	Midtmeie	Once per year	3 pooled samples
Prawns	Pooled samples, soft tissue tails	Midtmeie	Once per year	3 pooled samples
Blue mussel	Pooled samples, soft body	Steilene	Once per year	3 pooled samples
Herring	Muscle	Midtmeie	Once per year	3 pooled samples
Cod	Muscle, liver, bile	Midtmeie	Once per year	15 individuals
Herring gull (blood)	Blood	Søndre skjælholmen	Once per year	15 individuals
Herring gull (egg)	Egg	Søndre skjælholmen	Once per year	15 eggs
Inputs storm water	Water (dissolved) and particulate fraction	See Figure 1	Once per year	4 samples (2 samples of dissolved fraction plus 2 of particulate fraction)
Inputs from Sewage Treatment Plant	Effluent water and sludge	Bekkelaget	Twice per year	4 samples (2 samples of discharge water and 2 samples of sludge)

Table 2. Species constituting polychaete samples (grams of each species).

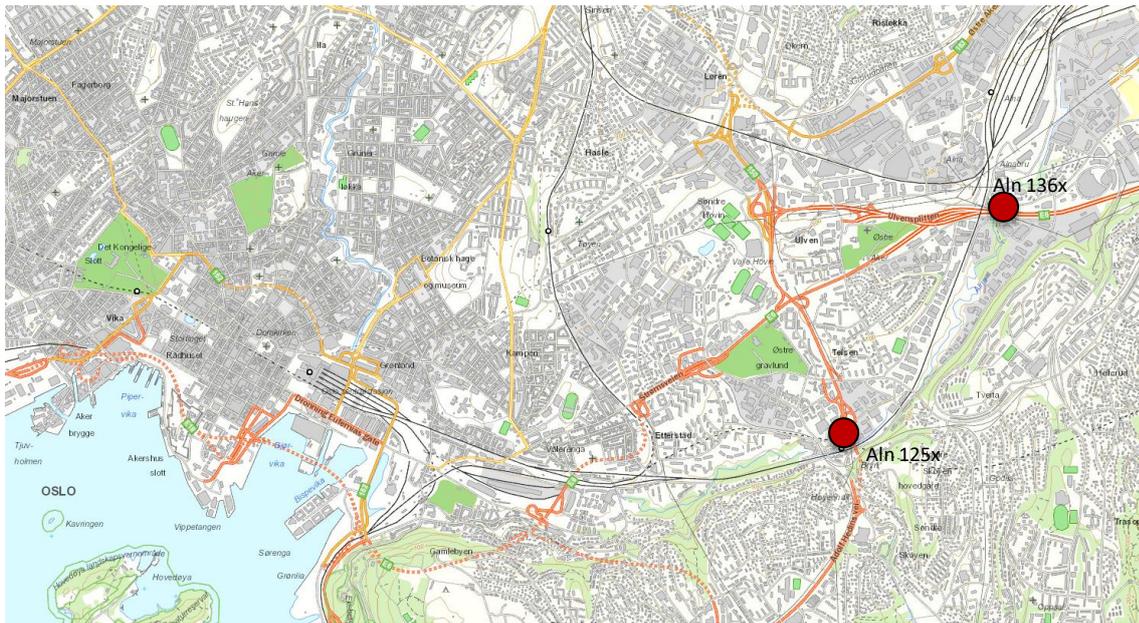
	Inner Oslofjord (Cm21)		
	Repl. 1	Repl. 2	Repl. 3
<i>P. crassa</i>	300	0	0
<i>Lumbrineridae</i>	0	137	0
<i>Terbellidae</i>	0	0	102
<i>Aphrodita aculeata</i>	0	0	55
Misc. *	0	0	105
Total (grams)	300	137	262

* *Inter alia*: *Nephtys*, *Glycera*, *Goniadidae*, *Ophelina*, *Ophiodromus flexuosus*, *Skoloplos*, *Spiophanes kroyeri*, *Scalibregma inflatum*.

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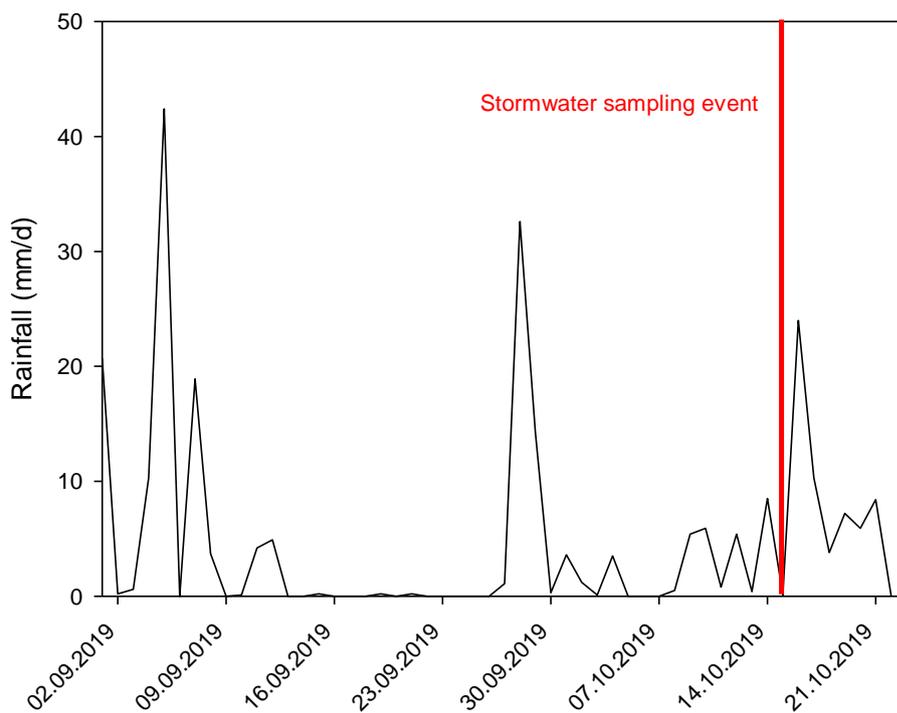


Figure 1. A.: (previous page) Map depicting stations for collection of sediment and polychaetes, blue mussel, and krill, prawns, herring and cod in the Inner Oslofjord, as well as collection of herring gull eggs and blood in the inner Oslofjord. The map also shows the location of Bekkelaget STP. B.: Map depicting sites for collection of storm water/surface water samples. C.: Overview of time of sampling of storm water/surface water in relation to rainfall (mm/d).

2.2 Chemical analysis, support parameters and biological effect parameters

Table 3 to **Table 6** provide a detailed overview of the compounds/parameters analysed in the different samples in 2019. The samples were analysed at NIVA and NILU. Stable isotopes of carbon and nitrogen were analysed at IFE.

Biological effect parameters (in cod) were also included in the programme (**Table 7**). These were analysed at NIVA.

Table 3. Overview: Analyses in different matrices from the different localities in 2019.

Species/matrix	Locality	Analytes
Sediment	Cm21 (Inner Oslofjord)	Metals, PCB, PFAS, brominated flame retardants, chlorinated paraffins, UV-chemicals, siloxanes, dechlorane plus.
Polychaetes	Cm21 (Inner Oslofjord)	Metals, PCB, PFAS, brominated flame retardants, chlorinated paraffins, UV-chemicals, siloxanes, dechlorane plus, behentrimonium, stable isotopes of C and N.
Zooplankton (krill)	Midtmeie	Metals, PCB, PFAS, brominated flame retardants, chlorinated paraffins, UV-chemicals, siloxanes, dechlorane plus, behentrimonium, stable isotopes of C and N.
Prawns	Midtmeie	Metals, PCB, PFAS, brominated flame retardants, chlorinated paraffins, UV-chemicals, siloxanes, dechlorane plus, behentrimonium, stable isotopes of C and N.
Blue mussel	Steilene	Metals, PCB, PFAS, brominated flame retardants, chlorinated paraffins, UV-chemicals, siloxanes, dechlorane plus, behentrimonium, stable isotopes of C and N.
Herring	Midtmeie	Metals, PCB, PFAS, brominated flame retardants, chlorinated paraffins, UV-chemicals, siloxanes, dechlorane plus, behentrimonium, stable isotopes of C and N.
Cod ¹	Midtmeie	Metals, PCB, PFAS, bisphenols, brominated flame retardants, octylphenol, nonylphenol, chlorinated paraffins, UV-chemicals, siloxanes, dechlorane plus, behentrimonium stable isotopes of C and N.
Herring gull (blood)	Søndre skjælholmen	Metals, PCB, PFAS, brominated flame retardants, chlorinated paraffins, UV-chemicals, siloxanes, dechlorane plus antioxidant MB1, stable isotopes of C and N.
Herring gull (eggs)	Søndre skjælholmen	Metals, PCB, PFAS, brominated flame retardants, chlorinated paraffins, UV-chemicals, siloxanes, dechlorane plus antioxidant MB1, stable isotopes of C and N.

Inputs storm water ²	See Figure 1	Metals, PCB, PFAS, bisphenols, brominated flame retardants, octylphenol, nonylphenol, chlorinated paraffins, UV-chemicals, dechlorane plus.
Sewage Treatment Plant ³	Bekkelaget	Silver (Ag), PFAS, bisphenols, brominated flame retardants, octylphenol, nonylphenol, chlorinated paraffins, UV-chemicals, PFR, siloxanes, antioxidant MB1.

¹ Liver. Mercury in fillet. Bisphenols, octylphenol and nonylphenol in bile.

² Dissolved and particulate fractions.

³ Sludge and discharge/effluent water.

Table 4. Overview: Additional analyses performed in 2019*.

Analytes	Description
Dechlorane plus	Dechlorane plus syn, dechlorane plus anti, dibromoaldrin, dechlorane 601, dechlorane 602, dechlorane 603, dechlorane 604, 1,3-dechlorane plus monoadduct (1,3-DPMA) and 1,5-DPMA were analysed in polychaetes, krill, prawn, blue mussel, herring, cod, herring gull (blood and egg) and storm water.
Behentrimonium	ATAC-C20 and ATAC-C22 were analysed in polychaetes, krill, prawn, blue mussel, herring and cod
M3T(Ph)	M3T(Ph) was analysed in all samples of which were analysed for siloxanes.

* To include these analytes, analyses of bisphenols and alkylphenols (octyl- and nonylphenol) in sediment, polychaetes, krill, prawns, blue mussel, herring and herring gull were omitted from the main programme in 2019.

Table 5. Analytes included in the programme (see the electronic Appendix for CAS-no.). Additional compounds are indicated.

Parameter	Single compounds
Metals	Hg, Pb, Cd, Ni, Ag, Cu (plus Cr, Zn, Fe, As, Sb)
PCB	PCB-28, -52, -101, -118, -138, -153, -180 (plus -18, -31, -33, -37, -47, -66, -74, -99, -105, -114, -122, -123, -128, -141, -149, -156, -157, -167, -170, -183, -187, -189, -194, -206, -209)
PFAS	PFPA, PFHxA, PFHpA, PFOA, PFNA, PFDA, PFUdA, PFDoA, PFTTrDA, PFTTeDA, PFPeDA, PFBS, PFPS, PFHxS, PFHpS, PFOS, 8Cl-PFOS, PFNS, PFDS, PFDoS, PFOSA, meFOSA, etFOSA, meFOSE, etFOSE, 4:2 FTS, 6:2 FTS, 8:2 FTS, 10:2 FTS, meFOSAA, etFOSAA
Brominated flame retardants	PBDEs ¹ : BDE-47, -99, -100, -126, -153, -154, -183, -196, -202, -206, -207, and -209. Tetrabromobisphenol A (TBBPA), decabromodiphenyl ethane (DBDPE), bis(2-ethylhexyl) tetrabromophthalate (TBPH/BEH-TBP), hexabromobenzene (HBB), pentabromotoluene (PBT) (plus tribromoanisole, TBA)
Bisphenols	Bisphenol A, bisphenol S, bisphenol F (plus bisphenol AF, AP, B, E, FL, M, Z) (Bisphenol F is also separated in 2,2'- and 4,4'-)
Octyl-/nonylphenol	Octyl-/nonylphenol (isomer-specific, i.e. we separate 4- and 4-tert)
UV-chemicals	Octocrylene, benzophenone-3, ethylhexylmethoxycinnamate (plus UV-327, -328 and -329)
Chlorinated paraffins	SCCP (C10-C13) and MCCP (C14-C17)
Siloxanes	Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane (D4), decamethylcyclopentasiloxane (D5), dodecamethylcyclohexasiloxane (D6), Tris(trimethylsiloxy) Phenylsilane (M3T(Ph))
Phosphorus flame retardants (PFR)	Tri-iso-butylphosphate (TIBP), tributylphosphate (TBP), tri(2-chloroethyl)phosphate (TCEP), tri(1-chloro-2-propyl)phosphate (TCPP), tri(1,3-dichloro-2-propyl)phosphate (TDCP), tri(2-butoxyethyl)phosphate (TBEP), triphenylphosphate (TPhP), 2-ethylhexyl-di-phenylphosphate (EHDPP), dibutylphenylphosphate (DBPhP), butyldiphenylphosphate (BdPhP), tris(2-ethylhexyl)phosphate (TEHP), tris-o-cresylphosphate (ToCrP), tricresylphosphate (TCrP)
Antioxidant MB1	4,4'-methylenebis[2,6-bis(1,1 dimethylethyl)-phenol]
Dechlorane plus ²	Dechlorane plus syn, dechlorane plus anti, dibromoaldrin, dechlorane 601, dechlorane 602, dechlorane 603, Dechlorane 604
Behentrimonium	ATAC-C20 and ATAC-C22

¹ Plus: BDE-17, -28, -49, -66, -71, -77, -85, -119, -138, -156, -184, -191, -197.² Plus: 1,3-dechlorane plus monoadduct (1,3-DPMA) and 1,5-DPMA

Table 6. Support parameters included in the programme.

Parameter	Specific single parameters	Comment
Stable isotopes	$\delta^{15}\text{N}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$	In biological matrices
Lipid content (%) in biota		In biological matrices
Weight and length		Fish
Age		Cod
Grain size distribution	Fraction <63 μm	Sediment
TOC		Sediment

Table 7. Biological effect parameters (in cod).

Parameter	Indicator of
Acetylcholin esterase (AChE)	Inhibition by contaminants such as organophosphates
Other relevant physiological parameters: Liversomatic index Gonadosomatic index	

2.2.1 Background, target compounds

The metals are naturally occurring elements, but human activities have through history led to increasing amounts of several of them in the environment. In the aquatic environment, inorganic mercury (Hg) may be transformed to the organic form methylmercury, mainly by bacterial activity. In fish, the majority of the mercury is in the form of methylmercury, which is more bioaccumulative and toxic than inorganic mercury (Wolfe et al. 1998). Cadmium (Cd) has been used e.g. in various industrial processes, such as protecting steel against corrosion. Other applications have been e.g. batteries, pigments, ceramic glaze and surface treatments, but the element is also a contaminant in products, including some types of fertilizer. Cadmium can enter fish by passive diffusion across the gills or by entering the marine food chain at the plankton and microorganisms level and thereby being transferred to fish through the diet. Cadmium is highly toxic to humans and its bioaccumulative properties prevents the reduction of the accumulated body burden (Bosch et al. 2016). Lead (Pb) has a great number of industrial applications, both in its elemental form and in the form of alloys and compounds. The major use of lead has been the manufacture of lead accumulators. Furthermore, tetraalkyl lead, R_4Pb , mostly tetraethyl lead is an organic lead species used as anti-knocking agents in leaded gasoline. This application has declined dramatically due to restrictions imposed through environmental legislation. Lead interferes with the biosynthesis of porphyrins and heme, eventually leading to anemia.

Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) are a group of industrial chemicals (209 theoretical congeners), that are also formed as byproduct in different industrial processes and combustion processes. The PCBs have unique physical and chemical properties, such as high thermal and chemical stability and high electrical resistance, hence their application in many industrial applications, such as hydraulic fluids, cooling liquids in transformers and dielectric liquids in capacitors. They have also been applied in plasticizers, lubricants, inks and paints. In Norway, the production and use of PCBs was restricted since the 1970s and later banned by law. Immunosuppressive effects, endocrine disrupting effects and impairment of reproduction are some toxic effects expressed by PCBs (Safe, 1994).

PFAS compounds have been applied in both industrial processes and consumer products since the 1950s. They may for instance give products water and dirt repellent properties, and they have been used to impregnate textiles and in food packaging. Some of the PFAS compounds have properties that prevent fire and evaporation of volatile compounds, and have therefore been used in firefighting, such as PFOS. Firefighting foam was previously the largest source of PFOS emissions in Norway, before PFOS containing foams were banned in 2007.

The brominated flame retardants have been applied in products to prevent fire. In Norway, brominated flame retardants can mainly be found in electrical/electronic products. Brominated flame retardants can also be found in cars, plastic insulation materials (polystyrene), and in textiles, such as furniture and workwear.

There are many different bisphenols available, and bisphenol A is the most known substance. It is used e.g. as raw material for plastics and paints and may be found in imported plastic products. There is less knowledge regarding other bisphenols, such as bisphenol AF, bisphenol B, bisphenol BP, bisphenol F, bisphenol M and bisphenol S. These substances can be used as a replacement for bisphenol A. Bisphenol S is a substitute for bisphenol A in heat-sensitive paper. Furthermore, bisphenol F and bisphenol B may possibly replace bisphenol A in products made of epoxy resin and polycarbonate, such as epoxy paint and plastic cutlery.

Alkylphenols have been/are used in f.i. textiles, plastic products, paints and lubricants. Nonyl- and octylphenol ethoxylates have been widely used in products such as detergents and cosmetics. Emissions of nonyl- and octylphenols have been substantially reduced the last couple of decades. The decrease is mainly due to reduced application in detergents following regulations.

Short-chained chlorinated paraffins (SCCPs) are banned in Norway, but the compounds may still be found in several imported plastic products. Medium-chained chlorinated paraffins (MCCPs) may also be found in imported products. These substances are primarily applied as softeners and flame retardants and can be found in rubber and PVC used for the production of e.g. cables and floor coverings.

Octocrylene, benzophenone-3 and ethylhexylmethoxycinnamate are used in sunscreens and other cosmetics to absorb UV rays from the sun, protecting the skin from damage. UV-327, UV-238 and UV-329 are benzotriazol based compounds used as stabilizers in paints, rubber and clear plastics to protect materials from sun light.

Siloxanes have properties that affect the consistency of products such as shampoo and creams to facilitate their use. Siloxanes can otherwise be found in e.g. car wax, paint, insulation materials and cement. Cosmetic products such as soap, skin care products, deodorants and makeup are likely the largest source of siloxane emissions in Norway.

The phosphorus flame retardants have been applied in products to prevent fire. They are widely used in plastics as flame retardants and plasticizers. They are also used as antifoams and as additives in lubricants, hydraulic oils, floor polishers and adhesives.

4,4'-methylenebis[2,6-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-phenol (MB1) is used as an industrial anti-oxidant and additive to plastics.

Dechlorane plus is used as a flame retardant in polymers, such as nylon, polyurethane, polypropylene, neoprene and silicone rubber. As such, it can be found in electronic wires and cables, cars, plastic roofing materials and hard plastic couplings. It may also function as a softener. Dechlorane plus is marketed as an alternative to deca-BDE (BDE-209).

Behentrimonium (ATAC-C20 and ATAC-C22) are quaternary ammonium compounds (QACs). QACs are widely used as ingredients in industrial applications and household products, such as fabric softeners, detergents, disinfectants, preservatives, and different personal care products. Behentrimonium chloride or methosulphate, containing ATAC-C20 and ATAC-C22 are used in personal care products, especially in hair care products.

2.2.2 Analysis of metals

Metal analyses were performed by NILU.

Sample Preparation

Sediment-/sludge- and biota-samples were added supra pure acid and digested at high pressure and temperature in a microwave- based digestion unit (UltraClave). A minimum of two blanks were included with each digestion. Furthermore, reference material (traceable to NIST) was digested with the samples.

Water samples were preserved in original bottles with 1% (v/v) nitric acid.

Instrumental Analysis

Concentrations of nickel (Ni), cadmium (Cd), mercury (Hg), lead (Pb), silver (Ag) and copper (Cu) were determined using inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometer (ICP-MS). All samples, standards and blanks were added internal standard prior to analysis. In addition, Chromium (Cr), zinc (Zn), iron (Fe), arsenic (As) and antimony (Sb) were determined.

Limits of Detection

Detection limits (LoD) and Quantification limits (LoQ) were calculated from 3 times and 10 times the standard deviation of blanks, respectively.

Quality assurance and accreditation

NILU's laboratories are accredited by Norwegian Accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025. Silver (Ag) is not included in NILU's accredited method for determination of metals. However, analysis of Ag follows all principles in the accredited method.

2.2.3 Analysis of PCBs, brominated flame retardants and S/MCCP

Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), brominated flame retardants (TBBPA analysed with phenolic compounds; see Chapter 2.2.5), and short- and medium chained chlorinated paraffins (S/MCCP) were analysed by NILU.

Extraction

Prior to extraction, the samples were added a mixture of isotope labelled PCBs for quantification purposes.

The water-, sludge-/sediment- and biota-samples were extracted with organic solvents and concentrated under nitrogen flow, followed by a clean-up procedure using concentrated sulphuric acid and a silica column to remove lipids and other interferences prior to analysis.

Analysis

The compounds were quantified on GC-HRMS (Waters Autospec) and/or BG-QToF (Agilent 7200B).

Limits of Detection

The limits of detection (LoD) and quantification (LoQ) were calculated for each sample, using the accepted standard method, i.e. the average of blanks plus 3 and 10 times the standard deviation for blanks, for LoD and LoQ, respectively.

Quality assurance and accreditation

NILU's laboratories are accredited by Norwegian Accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025. NILU is accredited for the analysis of PCBs. For the other compounds, the same quality assurance procedures (as for the accredited compounds) were applied.

2.2.4 Analysis of PFAS

Per- and polyfluorinated substances (PFAS) were analysed by NIVA

Extraction

Prior to extraction, the samples were added a mixture of isotope labelled PFAS, for quantification purposes. Sediment-/sludge-, water- and biota-samples were extracted with organic solvents and use of buffers for pH control. The extracts were cleaned using solid phase extraction (SPE) and active coal if needed (the latter for lipid rich biota samples). Water samples were concentrated and cleaned up using an SPE column. All samples were concentrated under nitrogen flow.

Analysis

PFAS compounds were analysed using LC-qTOF-MS.

Limits of Detection

The limits of detection (LoD) and quantification (LoQ) were calculated for each sample, using the accepted standard method; 3 times the signal/noise ratio (z/n) and 9 times z/n, respectively.

Quality assurance and accreditation

NIVA's laboratory is accredited by Norwegian Accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025. NIVA is not accredited for these particular compounds, but to the extent possible, documentation, preparation, analysis and calculations are performed in accordance with accredited methods.

Samples were analysed in groups with at least one additive standard sample and a blank control.

2.2.5 Analysis of alkylphenols and bisphenols

Alkylphenols and bisphenols (octylphenol, nonylphenol, bisphenol A, S, F, AF, AP, B, E, FL, M og Z, as well as TBBPA) were analysed by NILU.

Extraction

Prior to extraction, the samples were added a mixture of isotope labelled phenols for quantification purposes.

The particulate- and biota-samples were extracted with organic solvents and concentrated under nitrogen flow. Then they were further cleaned with an SPE column to remove interferences prior to analysis. In addition, prior to the extraction and clean-up procedure for biota, liver and bile samples were subjected to an enzyme digestion procedure in order to convert possible Phase II metabolites of phenolic compounds into their respective free forms. Water samples were concentrated and purified on a SPE column. After elution from the SPE column, the water sample extracts were further concentrated under nitrogen and subjected to instrumental analysis.

Analysis

All samples were analysed by LC-QToF (Agilent 65/50), or LC-ToF (Waters Premier).

Limits of Detection

The limits of detection (LoD) and quantification (LoQ) were calculated for each sample, using the accepted standard method, i.e. the average of blanks plus 3 and 10 times the standard deviation for blanks, for LoD and LoQ, respectively.

Quality assurance and accreditation

NILU's laboratories are accredited by Norwegian Accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025. NILU is not accredited for the analysis of alkylphenols and bisphenols, but as far as possible, the documentation, sample preparation, analysis and calculation procedures were conducted according to the accredited methods.

2.2.6 Analysis of UV-chemicals

UV-chemicals were analysed by NIVA. The methods are modified from earlier validated and published methods developed at NIVA (Langford et al. 2008; 2009; 2011; 2015; Thomas et al. 2014).

Extraction of UV-chemicals

Homogenized biota samples were added isotope labelled internal standards for quantification purposes. Then they were extracted twice with a combination of solvents. Extracts were concentrated under nitrogen flow and cleaned up using gel permeation chromatography (GPC) and/or SPE, dependent on complexity of matrix.

Analysis of UV-chemicals

UV-chemicals were analysed using GC-MS/MS (Agilent).

Limits of Detection

The limits of detection (LoD) and quantification (LoQ) were calculated for each sample, using the accepted standard method; three times the signal/noise ratio (z/n) and 9 times z/n , respectively.

Quality assurance and accreditation

NIVA's laboratory is accredited by Norwegian Accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025. NIVA is not accredited for these particular compounds, but to the extent possible, documentation, preparation, analysis and calculations are performed in accordance with accredited methods. Samples were analysed in groups with at least one additive standard sample and a blank control.

2.2.7 Analysis of siloxanes

Siloxanes, i.e. octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane (D4), decamethylcyclopentasiloxane (D5), dodecamethylcyclohexasiloxane (D6) and M3T(Ph) were analysed by NILU. Already established methods based on liquid/liquid extraction (Warner et al. 2010, Warner et al. 2012) were used to extract and quantify siloxanes, in addition to headspace extraction techniques to analyse siloxanes in water and sediments.

Extraction

Sediment and biota tissues were extracted using solid-liquid extraction with a biphasic solvent system of acetonitrile and hexane. Extraction of water samples was performed using headspace extraction.

Analysis

Collected extracts from sediment-/sludge- and biota tissues were analysed using Concurrent solvent recondensation large volume injection gas chromatography mass spectrometry (CSR-LVI-GCMS; Companioni-Damas et al. 2012). For water analysis, 2 ml of extracted headspace was directly injected onto a GCMS (Sparham et al. 2008).

Limits of Detection

The limits of detection (LoD) and quantification (LoQ) were calculated for each sample using the accepted standard method, i.e. the average of blanks plus 3 and 10 times the standard deviation for blanks, for LoD and LoQ, respectively.

Quality assurance and accreditation

NILU has extensive experience with analysis of siloxanes. The greatest risk in the analysis is background contamination, as these chemicals (D4, D5 and D6) are applied in e.g. skin care products. Using a state-of-the-art cleanroom and clean bench technologies, NILU is capable of performing trace analysis of these compounds in matrices even from pristine environments, including the Arctic (Krogseth et al. 2013; Warner et al. 2013).

NILU's laboratories are accredited by Norwegian Accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025. NILU is not accredited for the analysis of siloxanes. However, to the extent possible, documentation, preparation, analysis and calculations were performed in accordance with accredited methods. NILU has previously participated in a laboratory intercalibration of siloxanes (McGoldrick et al. 2011) and has also worked closely with the industry in Arctic monitoring programmes to develop methods to enhance result accuracy and limit reporting of false positives (Warner et al. 2013).

Samples were extracted and analysed in batches with a minimum of 3 procedural blanks to assess background contamination and calculate LOD and LOQ per extraction batch. As the sample matrix can contribute to the overall background response, procedural blanks were run both before and after samples to ensure results were above detection limits and not an artefact of background variation.

Field blanks were used to assess any potential contamination that occurred during sample collection and preparation. Each field blank consisted of approximately 3 grams of XAD-2 sorbent in filter bags of polypropylene/cellulose. XAD-2 sorbent was cleaned using a 1:1 mixture of hexane:dichloromethane and dried overnight in a clean cabinet equipped with a HEPA- and charcoal filter to prevent contamination from indoor air. Filter bags were cleaned by ultrasonic treatment in hexane for 30 min. Subsequently, hexane was removed and substituted with clean dichloromethane and the field blanks were sonicated once more for 30 min. After ultrasonic treatment, filter bags were placed in a clean cabinet to dry under similar conditions as the XAD-2 sorbent. Once dry, XAD-2 sorbent was transferred to filter bags and sealed in polypropylene containers to be sent for sampling purposes. Several field-blanks were stored at NILU's laboratories (hereafter called reference blanks) and analysed to determine reference concentrations before sampling. The field blanks for sampling purposes were exposed and handled in the field during sampling and during preparation of samples. The results from the analysis of the field blanks are presented in **Table 8**.

Table 8. Results of the analysis of siloxanes in (field and reference) blanks, consisting of XAD resin in filter bags of polypropylene/cellulose

Description of sampling/purpose	D4 (ng/g)	D5 (ng/g)	D6 (ng/g)	M3T(Ph) (ng/g)
Field blank sediment	4.50	4.06	5.37	<0.21
Field blank reference sediment	2.95	4.35	5.75	<0.21
Field blank STP sludge	3.96	4.88	6.71	<0.21
Field blank reference STP sludge	2.95	4.35	5.75	<0.21
Field blank herring gull blood	0.91	1.83	2.43	<0.24
Field blank reference herring gull blood	1.19	1.90	2.37	<0.24
Field blank krill	2.70	3.08	2.70	<0.24
Field blank reference krill	1.20	2.14	2.80	<0.24
Field blank prawn	1.58	1.98	1.98	<0.24
Field blank reference prawn	1.20	2.14	2.80	<0.24
Field blank polychaetes	5.00	9.52	9.52	<0.24
Field blank reference polychaetes	<1.42 (1.24)	2.06	3.85	<0.24
Field blank cod liver	3.22	4.18	4.41	<0.24
Field blank reference cod liver	1.17	2.05	<4.36	<0.24
Field blank herring gull egg	<1.09	<0.51	<2.16	<0.24
Field blank reference herring gull egg	<1.09	<0.51	<2.16	<0.24

2.2.8 Analysis of PFR

Phosphorus flame retardants (PFRs; in STP samples only) were analysed by NILU.

Extraction

Prior to extraction, the samples were added a mixture of isotope labelled PFR standards, for quantification purposes.

The water-, sediment-/sludge-samples were extracted with organic solvents and concentrated under nitrogen flow, followed by a clean-up procedure using a silica column to remove lipids and other interferences prior to analysis.

Analysis

PFR compounds were quantified on a Thermo TSQ Vantage UPLC/MS-MS.

Limits of detection

The limits of detection (LoD) and quantification (LoQ) were calculated for each sample, using the accepted standard method, i.e. the average of blanks plus 3 and 10 times the standard deviation for blanks, for LoD and LoQ, respectively.

Quality assurance and accreditation

NILU's laboratories are accredited by Norwegian Accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025. NILU is not accredited for the analysis of PFRs, but the same quality assurance procedures (as for the accredited compounds) were applied for the analyses of these compounds.

2.2.9 Analysis of antioxidant MB1

Antioxidant MB1 was analysed by NILU, with the same extraction methods as described for PCBs, brominated flame retardants and S/MCCP.

Extraction

The water-, sludge- and biota-samples were extracted with organic solvents and concentrated under nitrogen flow, followed by a clean-up procedure using concentrated sulphuric acid and a silica column to remove lipids and other interferences prior to analysis.

Analysis

Antioxidant MB1 was analysed using GC-MS.

Limits of Detection

The limits of detection (LoD) and quantification (LoQ) were calculated for each sample, using the accepted standard method, i.e. the average of blanks plus 3 and 10 times the standard deviation for blanks, for LoD and LoQ, respectively.

Quality assurance and accreditation

NILU's laboratories are accredited by Norwegian Accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025. NILU is not accredited for the analysis of antioxidant MB1, but as far as possible, the documentation, sample preparation, analysis and calculation procedures were conducted according to the accredited methods.

2.2.10 Analysis of M3T(Ph)

M3T(Ph) was analysed by NILU. This compound was extracted and analysed with the siloxanes (D4, D5 and D6), as described above (Chapter 2.2.7).

Extraction

Already established methods based on liquid/liquid extraction (Warner et al. 2010, Warner et al. 2012) was used to extract M3T(Ph) with the siloxanes (see above; Chapter 2.2.7).

Analysis

Samples were analysed using Concurrent solvent recondensation large volume injection gas chromatography mass spectrometry (CSR-LVI-GCMS; Companioni-Damas et al. 2012).

Limits of Detection

The limit of detection (LoD) and quantification (LoQ) were calculated for each sample using the accepted standard method, i.e. the average of blanks plus 3 and 10 times the standard deviation for blanks, for LoD and LoQ, respectively.

Quality assurance and accreditation

NILU's laboratories are accredited by Norwegian Accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025. NILU is not accredited for the analysis of M3T(Ph). However, to the extent possible, documentation, preparation, analysis and calculations were performed in accordance with accredited methods.

2.2.11 Analysis of Dechlorane plus and related compounds

Dechlorane plus was analysed by NILU, with the same extraction methods as described for PCBs, brominated flame retardants and S/MCCP.

Extraction

The water-, sludge-/sediment- and biota-samples were extracted with organic solvents and concentrated under nitrogen flow, followed by a clean-up procedure using concentrated sulphuric acid and a silica column to remove lipids and other interferences prior to analysis.

Analysis

Dechlorane plus was quantified on GC-HRMS (Waters Autospec) and/or BG-QToF (Agilent 7200B).

Limits of Detection

The limits of detection (LoD) and quantification (LoQ) were calculated for each sample, using the accepted standard method, i.e. the average of blanks plus 3 and 10 times the standard deviation for blanks, for LoD and LoQ, respectively.

Quality assurance and accreditation

NILU's laboratories are accredited by Norwegian Accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025. NILU is not accredited for the analysis of dechlorane plus, but as far as possible, the documentation, sample preparation, analysis and calculation procedures were conducted according to the accredited methods.

Dechloranes (Dec-602 to Dec-604, syn- and anti-DP) were analysed in the samples together with dibromoaldrin and the compounds 1,3-Dechlorane Plus monoadduct (1,3-DPMA) and 1,5-Dechlorane Plus monoadduct (1,5-DPMA). 1,3-DPMA and 1,5-DPMA compounds were not detected in any samples (see results, chapter 3). In order to check for the stability of the DPMA compounds, a few test runs were also performed with GPC cleanup instead of acidic cleanup. None of the DPMA compounds were detected. It is recommended to perform more dedicated clean-up and analyses for these DPMA compounds, especially if these contaminants will have increased focus in coming years.

2.2.12 Analysis of Behentrimonium

Behentrimonium was analysed by NIVA.

Extraction

Samples were freeze dried and added internal standard (EADAC-C12) prior to extraction with methanol and hydrochloric acid (HCl) in an ultrasonic bath. The extraction was repeated twice. The

extract was evaporated to dryness and dissolved in 50:50 vol/vol methanol and water. Water samples were extracted by use of SPE Strata X cartridge, followed by the following steps: (1.) Conditioning, (2.) washing (water) and (3.) elution (ACN, acetic acid and water).

Analysis

The extracts were injected and analysed using UPLC-HRMS with RP-column (Luna C18; 150 mm, 2mm, 5 µm).

Limits of Detection

The limits of detection (LoD) and quantification (LoQ) were calculated for each sample, using the accepted standard method; three times the signal/noise ratio (z/n) and 9 times z/n, respectively.

Quality assurance and accreditation

NIVA's laboratory is accredited by Norwegian Accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025. NIVA is not accredited for behentrimonium, but to the extent possible, documentation, preparation, analysis and calculations are performed in accordance with accredited methods.

2.2.13 Support parameters

Stable isotopes of nitrogen and carbon were analysed by IFE. Analysis of nitrogen and carbon isotopes was done by combustion in an element analyser, reduction of NO_x in Cu-oven, separation of N₂ and CO₂ on a GC-column and determination of δ¹³C and δ¹⁵N at IRMS (Isotope Ratio Mass Spectrometer).

Trophic level was calculated as follows (assuming a 3.8 increase per full trophic level; Hobson and Welch, 1992; and that blue mussel inhabit trophic level 2, filtrating algal particles on trophic level 1):

$$TL_{\text{consumer}} = 2 + (\delta^{15}\text{N}_{\text{consumer}} - \delta^{15}\text{N}_{\text{blue mussel}})/3.8$$

Captive-rearing studies on piscivorous birds indicate that the δ¹⁵N isotopic fractionation factor between bird diet and tissue is less than that derived for other trophic steps, most likely linked to the fact that birds produce uric acid (Mizutani et al. 1991). According to Mizutani et al (1991) an isotopic fractionation factor of +2.4 ‰ is appropriate. Thus, the following equation was used to calculate the trophic level of herring gulls and eider ducks:

$$TL_{\text{herring gull}} = 3 + (\delta^{15}\text{N}_{\text{herring gull}} - (\delta^{15}\text{N}_{\text{blue mussel}} + 2.4))/3.8$$

Lipid content in biological samples was determined gravimetrically during extraction for chemical analyses.

Weight and length of fish were determined before dissection.

The age of the cod was read from otoliths. The age was read by counting the number of opaque zones (summer zones) and hyaline zones (winter zones).

Grain size distribution (fraction of particles <63 µm) in sediment was determined according to procedures described by Krumbein and Pettijohn (1938).

Total organic carbon content (TOC) in sediment was determined by catalytic combustion in an element analyser.

2.2.14 Biological effect parameters (cod)

Acetylcholinesterase (AChE)

Inhibition of Acetylcholinesterase (AChE) was measured in the microsomal fraction of muscle samples of cod, using methods described by Bocquené and Galgani (1998).

In addition to AChE, the following physiological parameters were measured/calculated: liversomatic index (LSI) and gonadosomatic index (GSI). These are measured of liver weight and gonad weight, respectively, relative to body mass:

Liversomatic and gonadosomatic indices

$$\text{Liversomatic index (LSI)} = \frac{[\text{liver weight (g)} \times 100]}{\text{body mass (g)}}$$

$$\text{Gonadosomatic index (GSI)} = \frac{[\text{gonad weight (g)} \times 100]}{\text{body mass (g)}}$$

2.3 Data treatment

Statistical analyses (linear regressions; general linear models) were performed with the use of Statistica software (Ver 13.1; Statsoft/Dell). A significance level of $\alpha = 0.05$ was chosen. When appropriate, data were \log_{10} -transformed.

When results are below LoD (especially when this occurs in many samples), the value of the information is reduced, and there are challenges regarding presentations and statistical evaluation. For the purpose of calculating mean concentrations, we have assigned these samples/parameters a value of zero. In regression models, we have omitted samples with non-detects from processing (“case-wise deletion”).

It has earlier been pointed out (Ruus et al. 2015a; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-375) that there was a need for a more balanced design, in terms of the number of individual samples from each species in the food web (when possible biomagnification of compounds in the Inner Oslofjord food web was evaluated). Therefore, pooled samples of cod (3 samples constituted of 4 individuals each) are constructed mathematically (mean of the 4 individuals) to obtain 3 samples of each species in the food web (in the same manner as in the 2015- to 2018-programmes; Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-601, M-812, M-1131 and M-1441). The individuals were assigned to the different “pooled” samples according to their length (the five smallest fish in one “pooled” sample, the five largest fish in one “pooled” sample, and the remaining five fish in one “pooled” sample). As mentioned (Chapter 2.1.2), for 3 individual cod specimens, the livers were not sufficiently large for all chemical analyses, thus each liver was pooled with livers from 3 spare specimens. These samples were not included in the mathematical “pooled” samples (thus each consists of 4 and not 5 individuals).

When exploring correlations between contaminant concentrations and trophic position, concentrations of the following contaminants were expressed on a wet weight basis: Metals and

PFASs (phenolic compounds were not analysed in sufficient species for such evaluation in 2019). The concentrations of the following contaminants were expressed on a lipid weight basis: PCBs and other organochlorine compounds, chlorinated paraffins, brominated flame retardants, siloxanes (including M3T(Ph)), UV-filters and dechlorane plus (antioxidant MB1 was not analysed in sufficient species for such evaluation in 2019). Behentrimonium was expressed at both wet weight and lipid weight basis when exploring correlations between contaminant concentrations and trophic position.

When exploring correlations between contaminant concentrations and biochemical response parameters (such AChE activity), concentrations were expressed on a wet weight basis.

Trophic Magnification Factors (TMFs) were calculated from statistically significant relationships:

$$\text{Log}_{10}[\text{Contaminant}] = a + b(\text{Trophic position})$$

$$\text{as TMF} = 10^b.$$

3 Results and Discussion

The results of the chemical analyses (and lipid content of biological samples) are given in the electronic Appendix, where also analyses falling below LoD are indicated together with the values of the LoDs.

3.1 Stable isotopes

The results of the individual stable isotope-analysis of C and N are given in Appendix (Tables A3-A6).

Stable isotopes of carbon and nitrogen are useful indicators of food origin and trophic levels. $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ gives an indication of carbon source in the diet or a food web. For instance, it is in principle possible to detect differences in the importance of autochthonous (native marine) and allochthonous (watershed/origin on land) carbon sources in the food web, since the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ signature of the land-based energy sources is lower (greater negative number). Also $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ (although to a lesser extent than $\delta^{13}\text{C}$) may be lower in allochthonous as compared to autochthonous organic matter (Helland et al. 2002), but more important, it increases in organisms with higher trophic level because of a greater retention of the heavier isotope (^{15}N). The relative increase of ^{15}N over ^{14}N is 3-5‰ per trophic level (Layman et al. 2012; Post 2002), and provides a continuous descriptor of trophic position. It is also the basis for Trophic Magnification Factors (TMFs) that give the factor of increase in concentrations of contaminants, and have been amended to Annex XIII of the European Community Regulation on chemicals and their safe use (REACH) for possible use in weight of evidence assessments of the bioaccumulative potential of chemicals as contaminants of concern.

In the present report, the stable isotope data have been reviewed partly to indicate possible different energy sources for the organisms/individuals in question. Secondly, trophic level is calculated from $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ for the organisms to assess possible biomagnification of the compounds/contaminants in question in the Inner Oslofjord food web.

It has previously been noted (Ruus et al. 2014; Ruus et al. 2015a; Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-205, M-375, M-601, M-812, M-1131 and M-1441) that herring gull sampled in the Inner Oslofjord display low $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ and low $\delta^{13}\text{C}$, relative to the marine species sampled in the programme. This indicates that important food items for the gull are not related to the marine food web sampled. Herring gull is therefore treated separately (not as part of the food web) in the present study (as in the “Urban fjord” programme in 2015 to 2018; Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-601, M-812, M-1131 and M-1441).

The aquatic food web sampled in 2019 was identical to that in 2015-2017, and the results of the stable isotope analysis (**Figure 2**) continue to suggest that the species sampled in 2015-2019 well represent members of the marine food web of the Inner Oslofjord, as the differences in $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ seem to reflect expected trophic relationships; blue mussel (filters particulate organic matter from the water) < zooplankton (herbivore) < polychaetes (different modes of living, largely detritivorous) < prawns (some scavenging behaviour) < herring (pelagic fish feeding on zooplankton) < cod (mesopelagic fish, predator on fish and benthic organisms). The food web spans over approximately 2 (~1.72) trophic levels with blue mussel defined at trophic level 2 (see Chapter 2.2.13), zooplankton (krill) at trophic level 2.7, polychaetes at trophic level 2.9, prawns and herring at trophic level 3.1 and 3.4,

respectively, and cod at trophic level 3.7 in average (assuming an increase in $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ of 3.8‰ per integer trophic level).

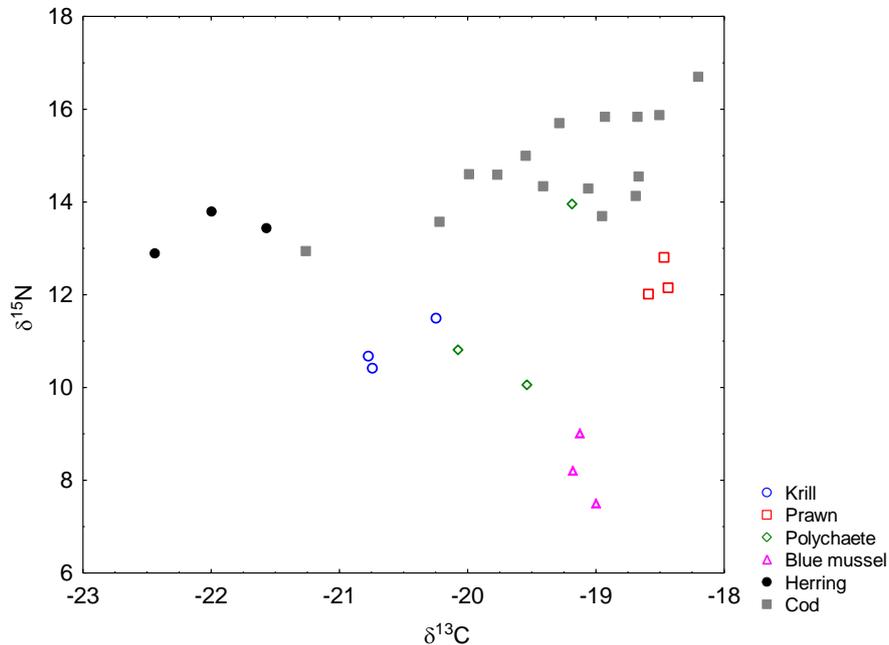


Figure 2. $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ plotted against $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ in organisms from the inner Oslofjord marine food web.

The isotopic signatures of the herring gulls showed the same patterns as previously (Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-601, M-812, M-1131 and M-1441). When herring gull matrices (blood and eggs) are evaluated (**Figure 3**), it can be seen that the matrices show fairly similar $\delta^{15}\text{N}$. Herring gull would therefore be placed on approximately the same average trophic level regardless of matrix. The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ ratio is, however, higher in blood than in eggs likely related to different lipid content. It should be noted that samples were not treated to remove carbonates or lipid before stable isotope analysis. The C:N ratio was measured (Appendix, Tables A3 and A4) and a C:N ratio of >3.5 implies the presence of lipids, which may somewhat confound $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ interpretation, since lipids are ^{13}C -depleted relative to proteins (Sweeting et al. 2006). Eggs showed a higher C:N ratio than blood (Appendix, Tables A3 and A4).

Regarding the herring gulls, adult female and egg were sampled from the same nest (i.e. mother and future offspring). Previously, this was reflected in isotopic signatures, as significant relationships were found between egg and blood for $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ (Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441). No such relationship could be shown in 2019 (**Figure 4**).

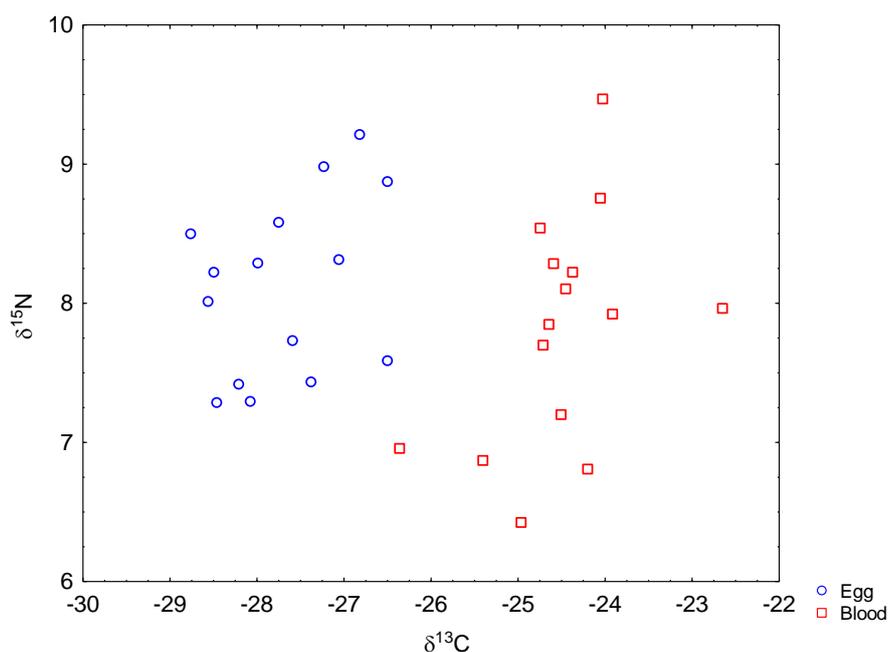


Figure 3. $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ plotted against $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ in blood and eggs of herring gull from the Inner Oslofjord.

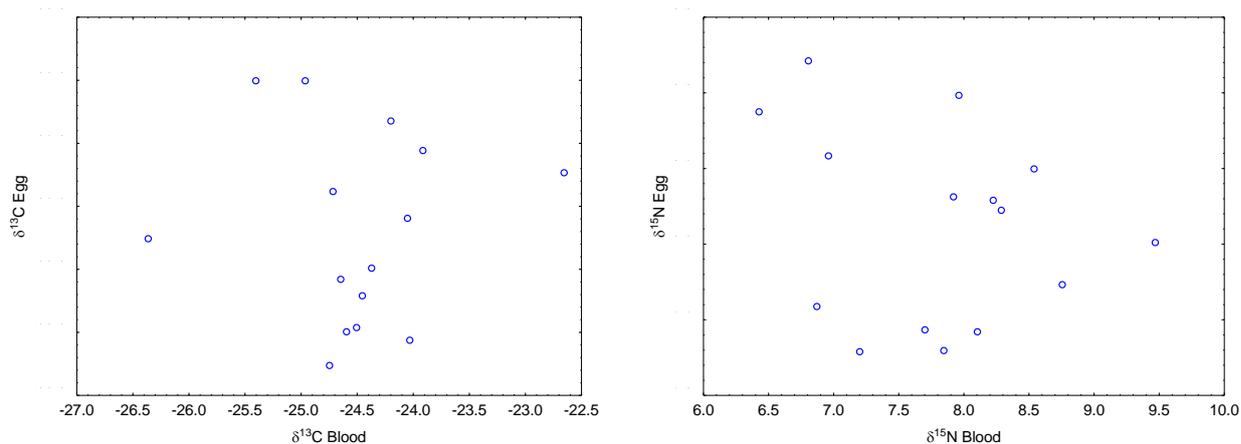


Figure 4. Isotopic ratios of carbon ($\delta^{13}\text{C}$; left) and nitrogen ($\delta^{15}\text{N}$; right) in herring gull eggs plotted against isotopic ratios in blood sampled from females at the same nest.

3.2 Environmental contaminants

A total of 174 single compounds/isomers were analysed in this study (not all compounds were analysed in all samples; see electronic Appendix). **Figure 5** gives the detection frequency (in %) of the various compounds in the different samples. 1,3-dichlorane plus monoadduct (1,3-DPMA) and 1,5-DPMA were analysed for the first time in the programme of 2019. These compounds were not detected in any samples.



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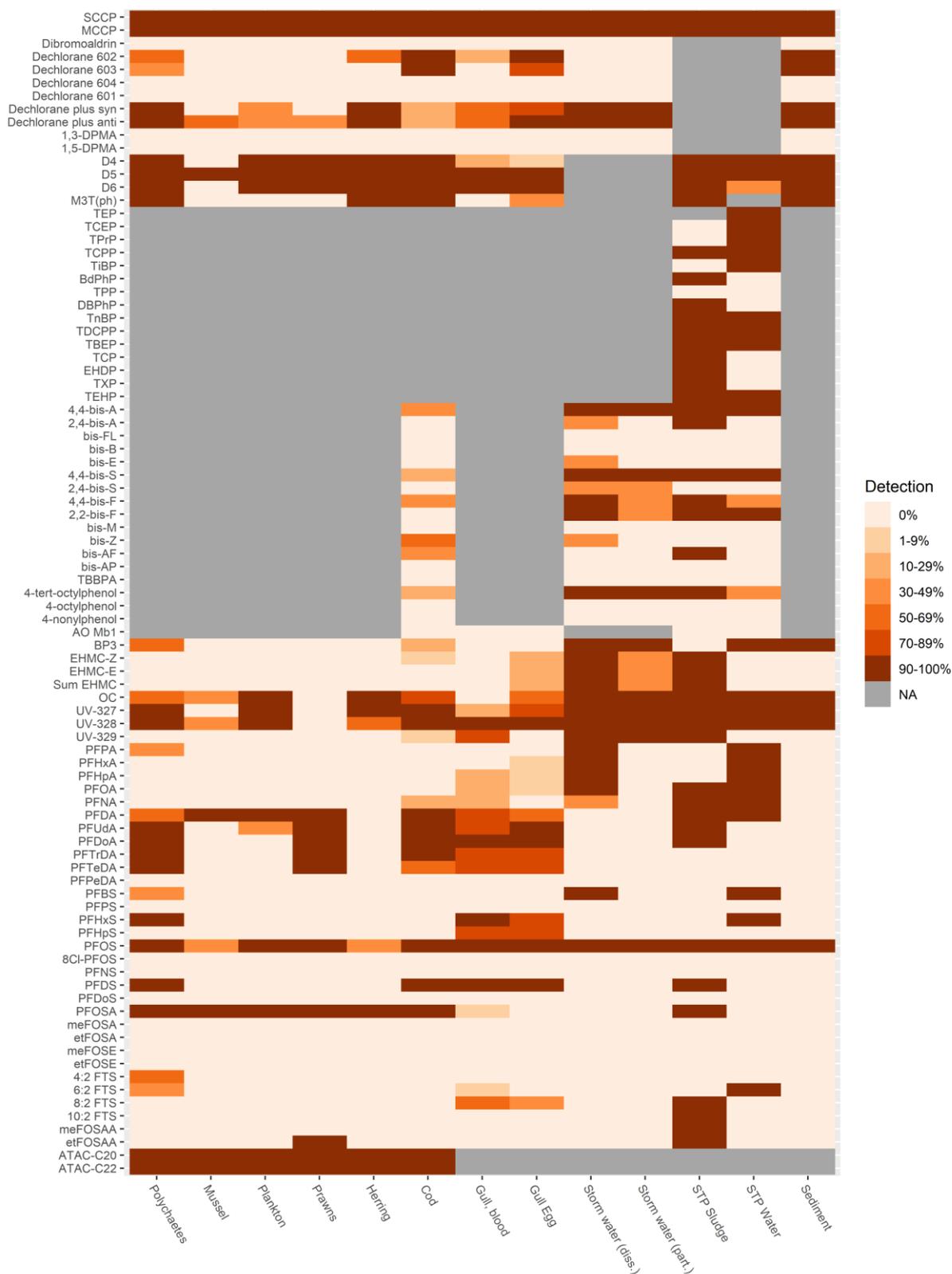


Figure 5. Detection frequency (%) of all the analysed compounds in the different environmental samples in this study.

3.2.1 Sediment

The sediments of the inner Oslofjord is a potential source of environmental contaminants to sediment dwelling organisms and the contaminants may thus enter the food chain. Several of the target compounds of this study were detected in the sediment sample (**Figure 5**). Inputs to the fjord via storm water and effluent water from a sewage treatment plant (see Chapters 3.2.5 and 3.2.6) for several of the compounds are also shown.

Dechlorane plus was found in the sediment sample (sum of *syn*- and *anti*-isomers 1.450 ng/g dry wt.; **Figure 6**). In addition, dechlorane 602 and 603 were detected in concentrations of 0.051 ng/g dry wt and 0.085 ng/g dry wt, respectively (see electronic Appendix). Neither 1,3-DPMA nor 1,5-DPMA could be detected (<0.208 and <0.429 ng/g dry wt, respectively). As previously pointed out (Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441), the sediment concentration is in the same range as concentrations found in sediments of the North American Great Lakes, and 1-2 orders of magnitude lower than in sediments of Lake Ontario, close to a dechlorane plus manufacturing plant in the city of Niagara Falls (Sverko et al. 2011). The dechlorane plus facility at Niagara Falls is the only production facility in North America (Gauthier and Letcher, 2009). There is no production of dechlorane plus in Norway, and the registered use in the EU is in the order of 100 - 1000 tons per year (<https://miljostatus.miljodirektoratet.no/tema/miljogifter/prioriterte-miljogifter/dekloraner/>). Imported plastic products could be important contributors to the concentrations of dechlorane plus in the Norwegian environment, which appear noteworthy as concentrations are not very different from those observed in North America.

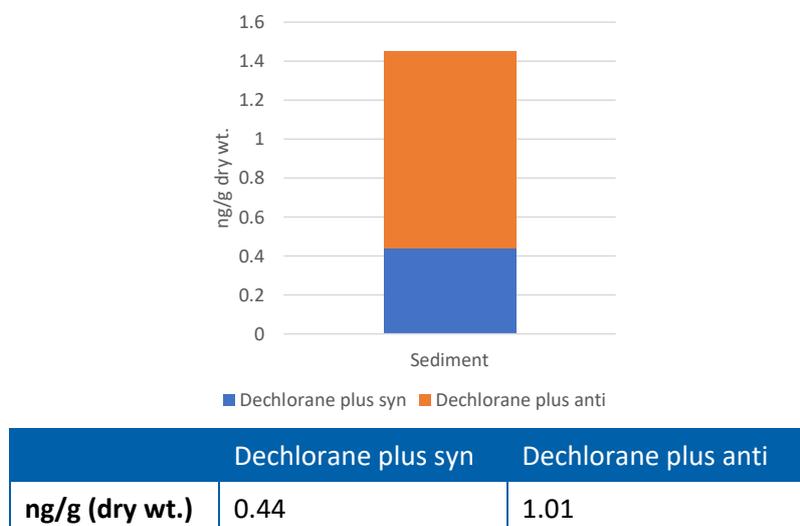
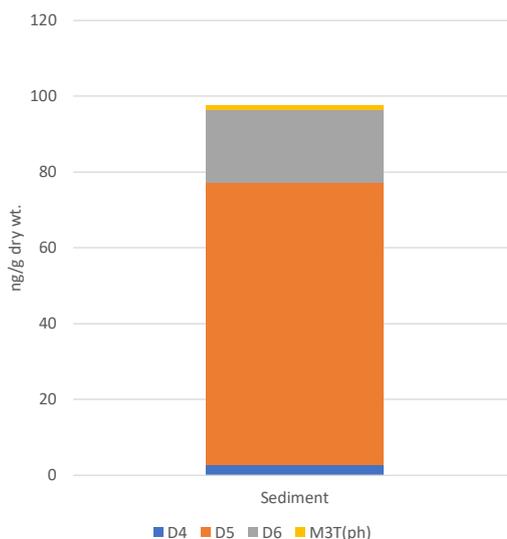


Figure 6. Concentrations (ng/g dry wt.) of dechlorane plus syn- and anti-isomers in sediment from the Inner Oslofjord (station Cm21).

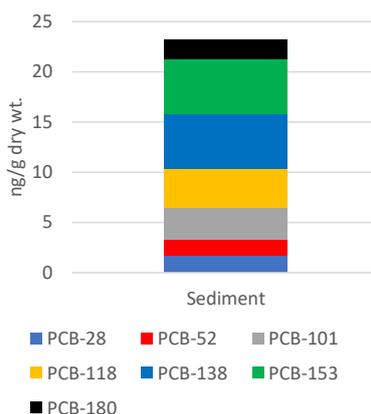
Of the siloxanes, D5 constituted the highest proportion of the sum in sediment, followed by D6 (**Figure 7**). Both D4 and M3T(ph) were also detected (**Figure 7**).



	D4	D5	D6	M3T(ph)
ng/g (dry wt.)	2.66	74.60	19.10	1.15

Figure 7. Concentrations (ng/g dry wt.) of siloxanes in sediment from the Inner Oslofjord (station Cm21).

The concentration of PCB7 in the sediment appeared similar (~20% higher) than in 2018 (Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441). The relative contribution of PCB-congeners to the sum of PCB7 was identical to that previously observed (Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441), and is presented in **Figure 8**. PCB-118 -138 and -153 constituted the highest proportions.



	PCB-28	PCB-52	PCB-101	PCB-118	PCB-138	PCB-153	PCB-180
ng/g (dry wt.)	1.69	1.64	3.09	3.92	5.42	5.45	1.98

Figure 8. Concentrations (ng/g dry wt.) of PCB-congeners in sediment from the Inner Oslofjord (station Cm21).

Of the polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs), only BDE-209 was detected in sediment, in a concentration of 5.34 ng/g dry wt. Of the other brominated compounds, a-TBECH, HBB, and TBPH (BEH/TBP) were found in concentrations of 0.098 ng/g dry wt, 0.354 ng/g dry wt and 0.301 ng/g dry wt, respectively.

Of the PFAS compounds, only PFOS was detected in sediment in a concentration of 0.30 ng/g dry wt.

For several compounds, environmental quality standards (EQS) for sediment are given through Norwegian law (The Water Regulation/"Vannforskriften"), according to the requirements of the Water Framework Directive. Furthermore, quality standards are given for even more compounds (Direktoratsgruppen vanndirektivet 2018). For the target compounds of this study of which quality standards exist, the sediment concentrations and EQSs are compared in **Table 9**. D5, Cu, PCB7, Zn, As, Pb, Ni, Hg and PFOS exceeded the quality standards. Lead (Pb) only barely exceeded the quality standard. Regarding inputs to the fjord (apart from the storm water and STP effluent; Chapter 3.2.5 and 3.2.6), according to Gundersen et al. (2019; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1508), River Alna also brings some contaminants to the fjord (see Chapter 3.2.5), such as As, Pb, Cu, Zn, Ni, Cr and Hg.

Table 9. Concentrations of contaminants (mg/kg dry wt) of which Norwegian quality standards (Direktoratsgruppen vanddirektivet 2018) exist in sediment from the inner Oslofjord. Red numbers indicate concentrations exceeding the quality standard (annual average, AA-EQS).

River basin specific compounds	EQS (mg/kg dry wt.)	Sediment conc. (mg/kg dry wt.)
Bisphenol A	0.0011	-
Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane (D5)	0.044	0.075
Medium chained chloroparafins (MCCPs)	4.6	0.95
Copper (Cu)	84	98
PCB7	0.0041	0.0232
PFOA	0.071	<0.0005
Zinc (Zn)	139	356
TBBPA	0.108	-
Arsenic (As)	18	45
Chromium (Cr)	660	163
TCEP	0.0716	-
EU priority substances		
Cadmium (Cd)	2.5	0.3
Lead (Pb)	150	151
Nickel (Ni)	42	69
Mercury (Hg)	0.52	1.23
Brominated diphenyl ethers *	0.062	<0.002
Hexachlorobenzene	0.017	0.0004
C10-13 chloroalkanes **	0.8	0.51
Pentachlorobenzene	0.4	0.0004
Nonylphenol (4-)	0.016	-
Octylphenol (4-tert-)	0.0003	-
PFOS	0.00023	0.00030
* Sum of BDE-28, -47, -99, -100, -153 and -154.		
** Short chained chloroparafins (SCCPs)		

3.2.2 Inner Oslofjord Food Web

Several legacy contaminants with well-known biomagnifying properties displayed a positive significant relationship between (\log_{10} -)concentrations and trophic position (deduced from the $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ isotopic ratio) in the studied Inner Oslofjord marine food web. Among the analysed PCB congeners, the following congeners showed significant biomagnification ($p \leq 0.0403$): PCB-114 (TMF=2.69), -141

(TMF=4.46), -170 (TMF=8.60), -180 (TMF=5.28) and -194 (TMF=6.09). PCB-180 is shown in **Figure 9**. These findings correspond with the findings from previous years of the “Urban fjord” programme (Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-601, M-812, M-1131 and M-1441), as well as with previous observations from marine systems (Hallanger et al. 2011; Fisk et al. 2001). Thus, PCBs display expected behavior in the Inner Oslofjord food web, supporting again that the studied food web is appropriate for assessing biomagnifying behavior of contaminants (where PCBs may serve as “benchmark”).

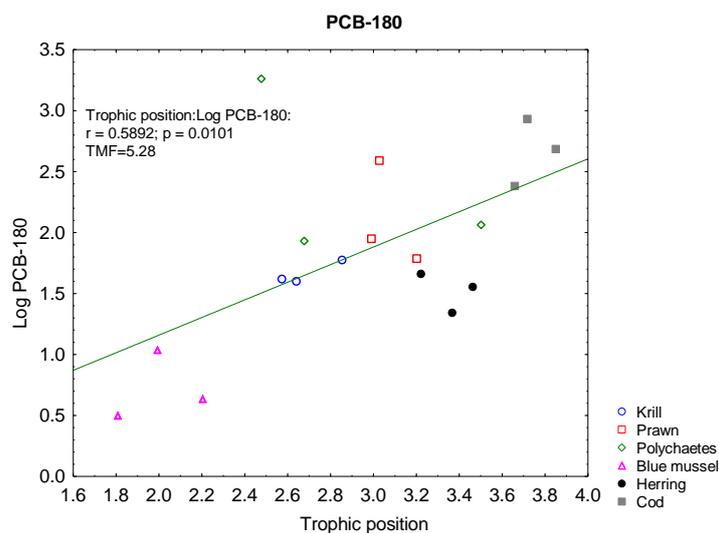
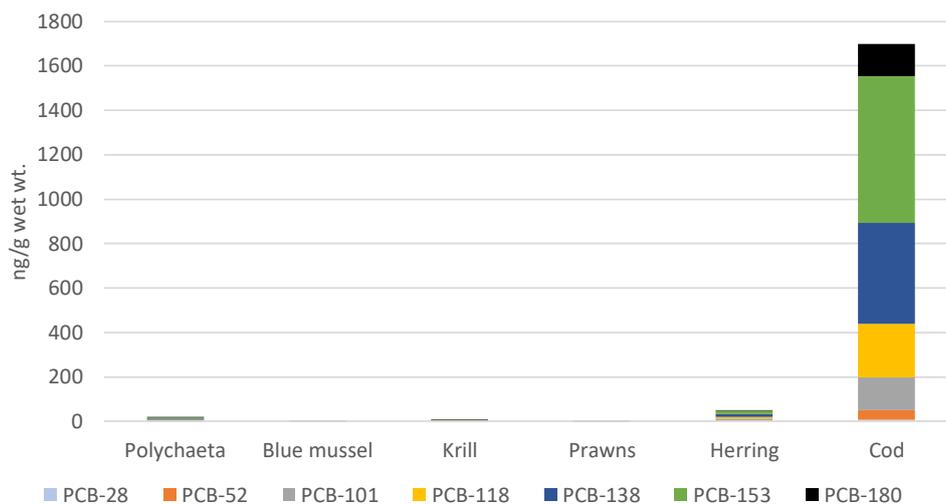


Figure 9. Trophic position against concentrations (ng/g lipid wt.; log-transformed) of PCB-180 in the studied Inner Oslofjord food web.

The relative contribution of PCB-congeners to the sum of PCB7 was similar among the species of the Inner Oslofjord food web, with PCB-153 constituting the highest percentage (**Figure 10**). The pattern was nearly identical to that observed the previous year (Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441).



	PCB-28	PCB-52	PCB-101	PCB-118	PCB-138	PCB-153	PCB-180
Polychaete	0.398	1.34	2.75	2.09	4.59	5.69	1.09
Blue mussel	0.043	0.206	0.482	0.459	0.427	0.576	0.025
Krill	0.121	0.567	1.16	0.864	1.17	1.72	0.395
Prawn	0.040	0.147	0.404	0.518	0.616	1.040	0.145
Herring	0.686	3.62	8.60	7.63	11.6	14.5	2.52
Cod	6.48	43.0	148	243	453	660	145

Figure 10. Concentrations (ng/g wet wt.; mean) of PCB-congeners in the species of the Inner Oslofjord food web.

Of the polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs), only BDE-100 showed statistically significant biomagnification (TMF= 2.87; **Figure 11**). Multiple compounds were not detected in several of the samples (see electronic Appendix). Biomagnification of PBDEs has previously been shown in marine systems (e.g. Hallanger et al. 2011).

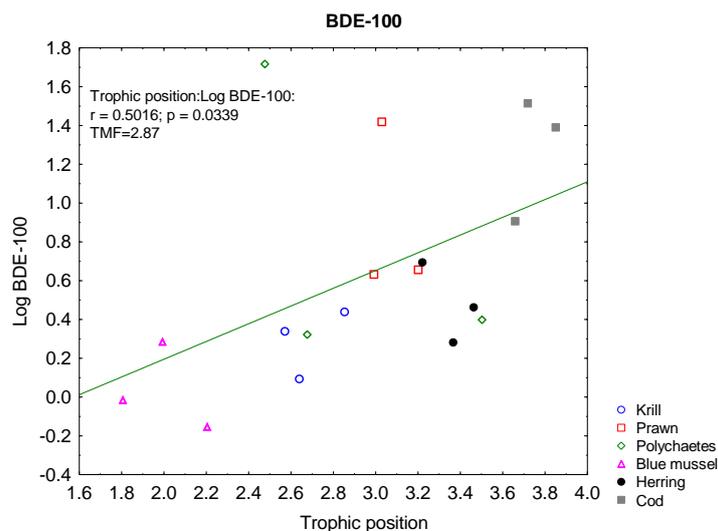
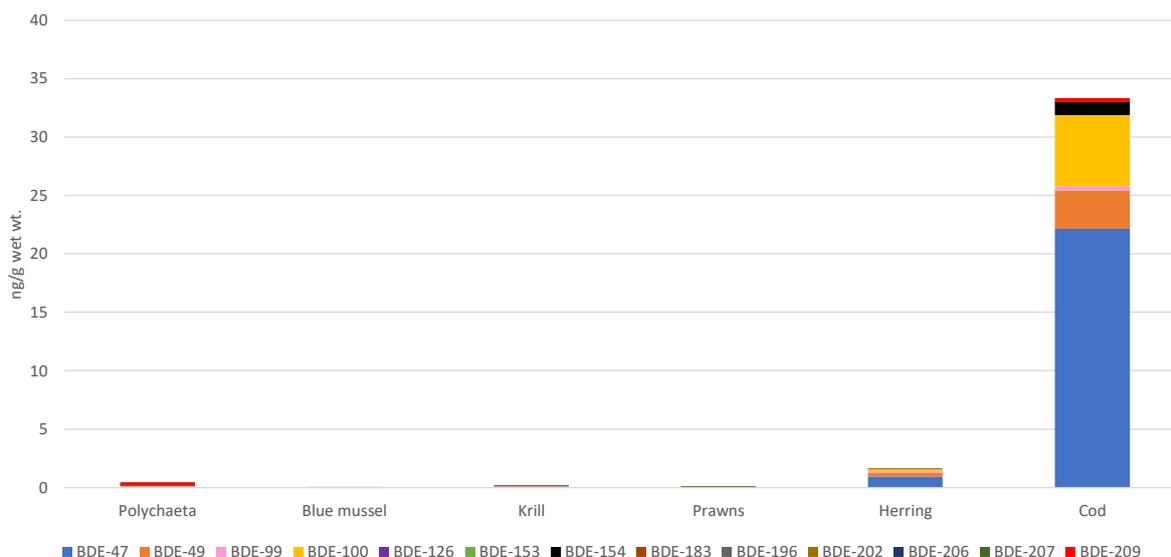


Figure 11. Trophic position against concentrations (ng/g lipid wt.; log-transformed) of BDE-100 in the studied Inner Oslofjord food web.

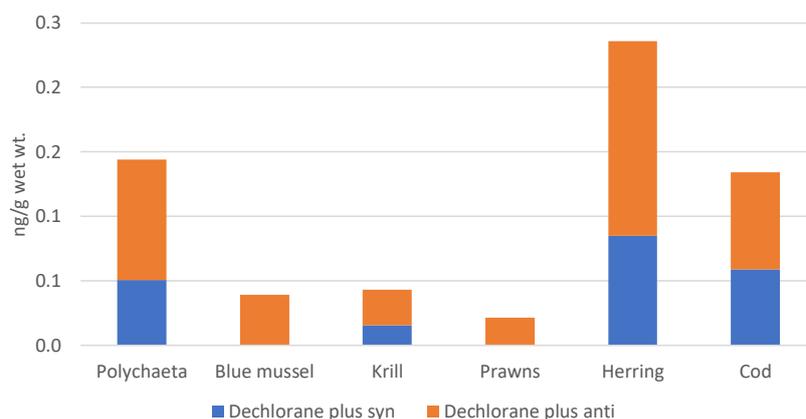
The relative contribution of BDE-congeners to the sum of (selected; see **Table 5**) PBDEs appeared somewhat different among the species of the Inner Oslofjord food web (**Figure 12**). BDE-47 constituted the highest proportion in prawns, herring and cod (**Figure 12**). BDE-99 was a major constituent in krill (together with BDE-47) and in blue mussel (**Figure 12**). Dominating proportions of BDE-47 and -99 in some species correspond with previous observations (Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441). BDE-47 is bioaccumulative and recalcitrant against degradation and is a major constituent of the penta-BDE mixture (De Wit, 2002). Furthermore, BDE-47 is a degradation product from the debromination of higher brominated PBDEs (including BDE-209), and Roberts et al. (2011) describe species-specific differences in debromination of PBDEs.



	Polychaete	Blue mussel	Krill	Prawn	Herring	Cod
BDE-47	0.076	n.d.	0.073	0.033	0.937	22.2
BDE-49	0.022	0.001	0.006	0.004	0.311	3.28
BDE-99	0.027	0.008	0.070	n.d.	0.127	0.335
BDE-100	0.027	0.005	0.017	0.009	0.238	6.05
BDE-126	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
BDE-153	0.005	n.d.	0.007	n.d.	n.d.	0.037
BDE-154	0.028	n.d.	0.011	0.001	0.043	1.14
BDE-183	0.006	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
BDE-196	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
BDE-202	0.052	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.007
BDE-206	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
BDE-207	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
BDE-209	0.214	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.332

Figure 12. Concentrations (ng/g wet wt.; mean; non-detected components were assigned a value of zero) of selected BDE-congeners (see **Table 5**) in the species of the Inner Oslofjord food web. Components that were not detected in any replicate samples of a species are noted n.d.

Dechlorane plus was detected in representatives of all species analysed, however not in all individual samples (e.g. in only 3 of 15 cod; see electronic Appendix). The anti-isomer was generally found in higher concentrations than the syn-isomer (**Figure 13**). Furthermore, dechlorane 602 and 603 were detected in polychaetes and cod. Dechlorane 602 was also detected in herring (see electronic Appendix). 1,3-dechlorane plus monoadduct (1,3-DPMA) and 1,5-DPMA were not detected in any samples (see electronic Appendix).

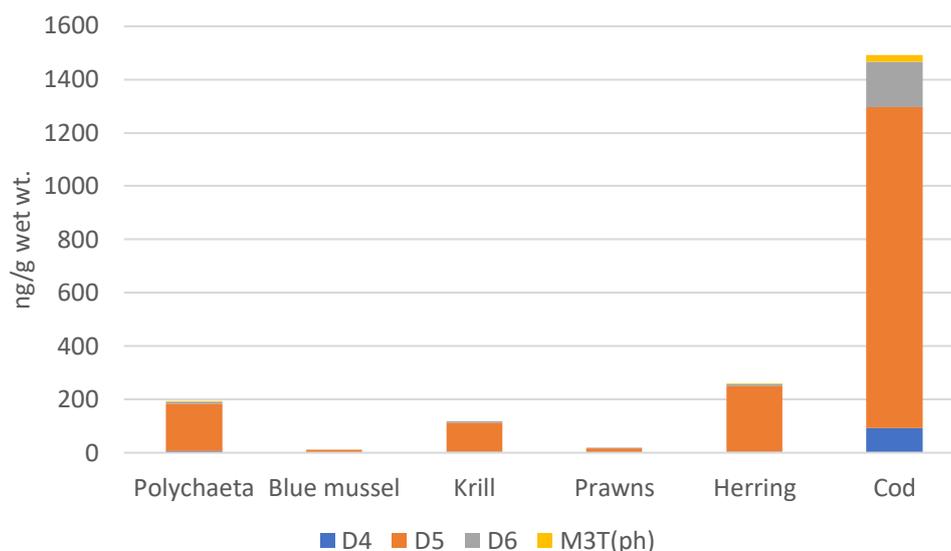


	Dechlorane plus syn	Dechlorane plus anti
Polychaete	0.050	0.094
Blue mussel	n.d.	0.094
Krill	0.015	0.028
Prawn	n.d.	0.021
Herring	0.085	0.151
Cod	0.059	0.075

Figure 13. Concentrations (ng/g wet wt.; mean) of dechlorane plus syn and dechlorane plus anti in the species of the Inner Oslofjord food web. Components that were not detected in any replicate samples of a species are noted n.d.

The concentrations of siloxanes (D4, D5, D6 and M3T(Ph)) displayed no significant positive relationship with trophic position (M3T(Ph) was only detected in polychaetes, herring and cod). There have previously been some divergences in reports of the biomagnifying properties of siloxanes in different systems (e.g. Borgå et al. 2012 and references therein). By compiling data from different surveys from the period 2010-2017, Jartun et al. (2019) demonstrated biomagnification of D5 in lake Mjøsa with a TMF of 2.13, and biomagnification of D6 with a common TMF of 1.29 (data from 2010 to 2018). D5 appeared in the highest concentrations (Jartun et al. 2019). On the other hand, Powel et al. (2018) found no biomagnification of D4, D5 and D6 across demersal and pelagic food webs in the Oslofjord.

Of the siloxanes analysed in the present study, D5 also appeared in the highest concentrations in all species of the food web (**Figure 14**).



	D4	D5	D6	M3T(Ph)
Polychaete	6.06	177.92	8.75	0.97
Blue mussel	n.d.	10.83	n.d.	n.d.
Krill	4.67	109.83	4.13	n.d.
Prawn	1.09	15.23	2.32	n.d.
Herring	3.75	245.33	8.68	0.97
Cod	92.24	1204.44	169.51	24.78

Figure 14. Concentrations (ng/g wet wt.; mean) of D4, D5, D6 and M3T(Ph) in the species of the Inner Oslofjord food web. Components that were not detected in any replicate samples of a species are noted n.d.

Total Hg displayed statistically significant biomagnification (TMF=4.62; **Figure 15**) in the Inner Oslofjord food web, as previously observed in the “Urban fjord” programme (Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-601, M-812, M-1131 and M-1441). The biomagnifying properties of Hg (particularly methylmercury, MeHg) are well known (e.g. Jaeger et al. 2009; Ruus et al. 2015b). It should be noted that the proportion of total Hg that is MeHg in the different organism is not known and likely differs.

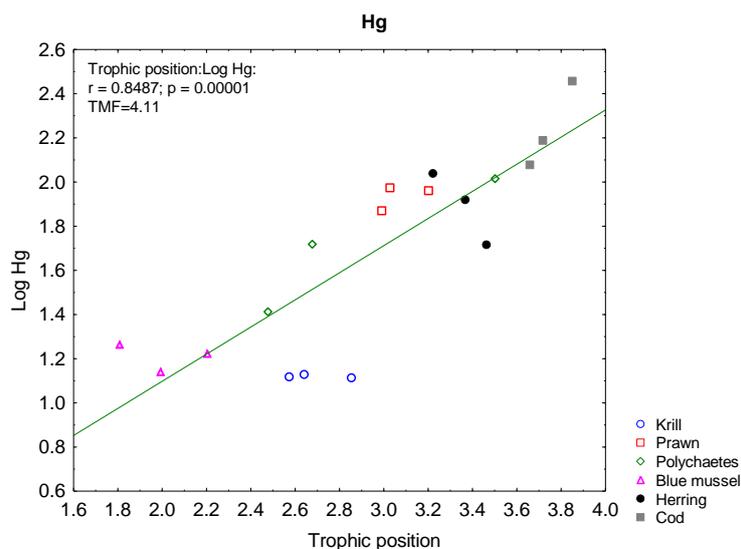


Figure 15. Trophic position against concentrations (ng/g wet wt.; log-transformed) of mercury (Hg) in the studied Inner Oslofjord food web.

Furthermore, also the element Ag (TMF=19.62; **Figure 16**) again displayed statistically significant positive relationships between (log) concentrations and trophic position (as in 2015-2018). However, it should be mentioned again that there is little evidence of biomagnification of Ag in marine systems, and according to a review by Fisher and Wang (1998), trophic transfer of Ag has been shown to be insignificant in several aquatic animals but more important in others. Maneekarn et al. (2014) studied bioaccumulation and biomagnification of nano Ag⁰ particles (AgNPs) in a model food chain containing green algae (*Chlorella sp.*), water flea (*Moina macroscopa*), blood worm (*Chironomus spp.*) and silver barb (*Barbonys gonionotus*). They found that food chain transfer of AgNPs occurred only from *Chlorella sp.* to *M. macroscopa*. Hg and Ag were detected in sediment from the Inner Oslofjord, as well as in storm water (only in the particulate phase) entering the fjord (see electronic Appendix). Ag (the only element analysed) was not detected in effluent water from Bekkelaget STP (<0.006 ng/ml). Silver nanoparticles (AgNP) are used in several consumer products (*inter alia* textiles) for their antimicrobial properties, however, their possible influence on the observed results is unknown. Wang et al (2014) showed that the marine polychaete *Nereis virens* accumulated Ag in the forms of AgNP-citrate, AgNP-polyvinylpyrrolidone and as a salt (AgNO₃).

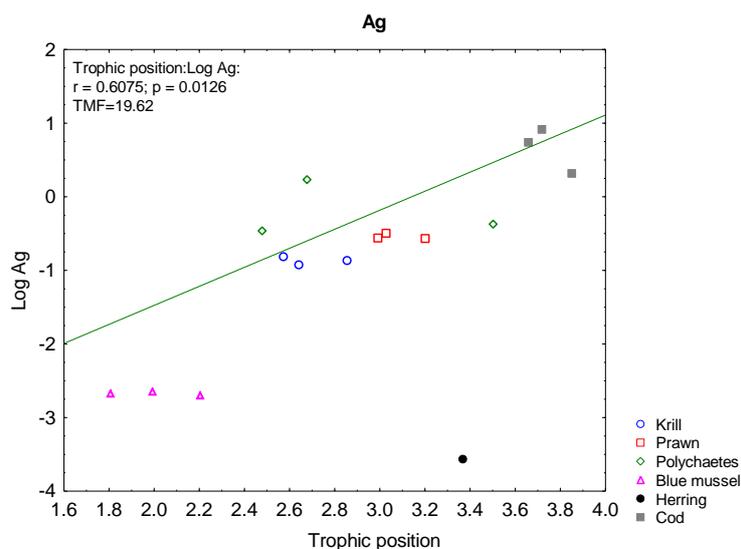


Figure 16. Trophic position against concentrations ($\mu\text{g/g}$ wet wt.; log-transformed) of silver (Ag) in the studied Inner Oslofjord food web.

Regarding PFAS compounds, there were many non-detects for most compounds. PFOSA, however, was detected in all samples. PFOS was detected in all species, although not in all samples (see electronic Appendix). PFOS displayed significant positive relationships between (log) concentration and trophic position ($TMF=6.27$; **Figure 17**). Previously, PFOS also showed significant biomagnification in the Inner Oslofjord marine food web (Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-812 and M-1441). Biomagnification of PFOS has previously been shown in marine food webs (e.g. Kelly et al. 2009; Houde et al. 2011), However, Franklin (2015), points to the great variability in field derived biomagnification estimates of PFAS compounds.

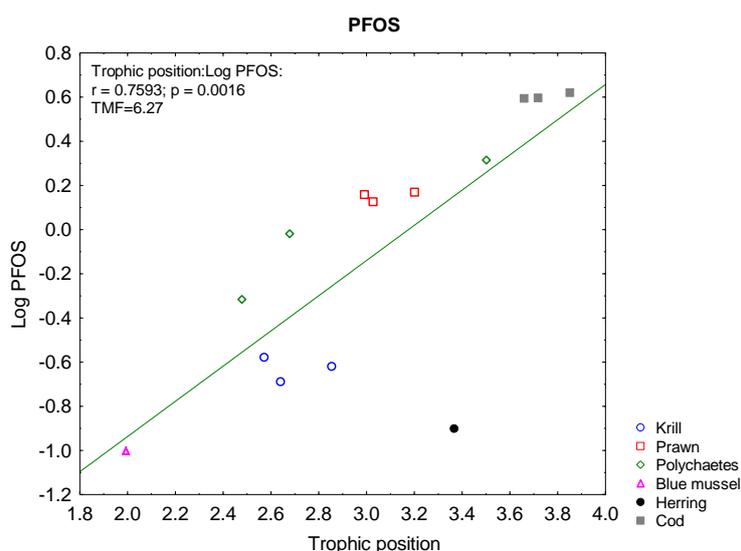
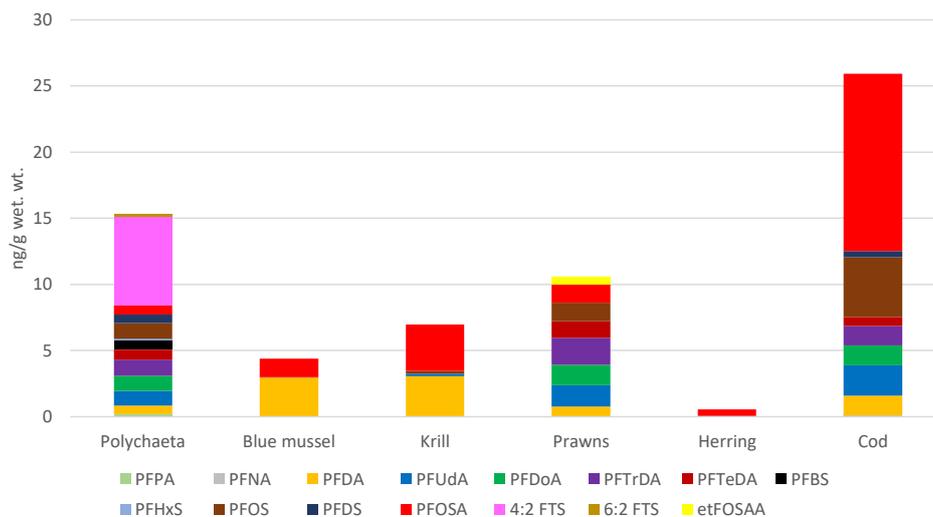


Figure 17. Trophic position against concentration (ng/g wet wt.; log-transformed) of PFOS in the studied Inner Oslofjord food web.

PFOSA constituted a high proportion (of sum PFAS) in blue mussel, krill, herring and cod (**Figure 18**), as previously observed Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-812, M-1131 and M-1441). PFOS was also an important constituent in cod and prawn (constituting >20% and >13% of sum PFAS, respectively; **Figure 18**). Furthermore, PFDA was a major constituent of sum PFAS in blue mussel and krill (**Figure 18**).



	Polychaete	Blue mussel	Krill	Prawn	Herring	Cod
PFPA	0.20	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
PFNA	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.09
PFDA	0.63	2.97	3.07	0.77	n.d.	1.51
PFUdA	1.10	n.d.	0.16	1.60	n.d.	2.29
PFDoA	1.14	n.d.	n.d.	1.54	n.d.	1.52
PFTrDA	1.22	n.d.	n.d.	2.05	n.d.	1.45
PFTeDA	0.77	n.d.	n.d.	1.25	n.d.	0.67
PFBS	0.70	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
PFHxS	0.13	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
PFOS	1.17	0.03	0.24	1.42	0.04	4.55
PFDS	0.63	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.43
PFOSA	0.71	1.40	3.51	1.35	0.49	13.43
4:2 FTS	6.70	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
6:2 FTS	0.20	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
etFOSAA	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.59	n.d.	n.d.

Figure 18. Concentrations (ng/g wet wt.; mean; non-detected components were assigned a value of zero) of (detected) PFAS compounds in the species of the Inner Oslofjord food web. Components that were not detected in any replicate samples of a species are noted n.d.

UV chemicals were detected in several samples from the Inner Oslofjord marine food web (see electronic Appendix), however no compounds showed biomagnification. OC, UV-327 and UV-328 were most frequently detected (see **Figure 5**).

Behentrimonium (ATAC-C20 and -C22) was detected in all biota samples of the Inner Oslofjord food web (see electronic Appendix). Furthermore, it showed significant bioaccumulation on a wet weight basis (**Figure 19A**), with high concentrations in cod liver. This corresponds with earlier observations in the Urban fjord programme (Ruus et al. 2019a; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1131). In an earlier Nordic survey (Nordic cooperation on screening; Kaj et al. 2014), these compounds were also found in fish liver and muscle, as well as in effluents and sludges from STPs and in sediments. According to Kaj et al. (2014), data on K_{OW} and BCF is limited and lacking for ATAC-C20 and -C22. High concentrations in lipid rich cod liver and affinity for particles might suggest that it is most appropriate to express the concentrations on a lipid weight basis. If this is the case, it would render the TMF not significant (**Figure 19B**). This also corresponds with earlier findings in the Urban fjord programme (Ruus et al. 2019a; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1131).

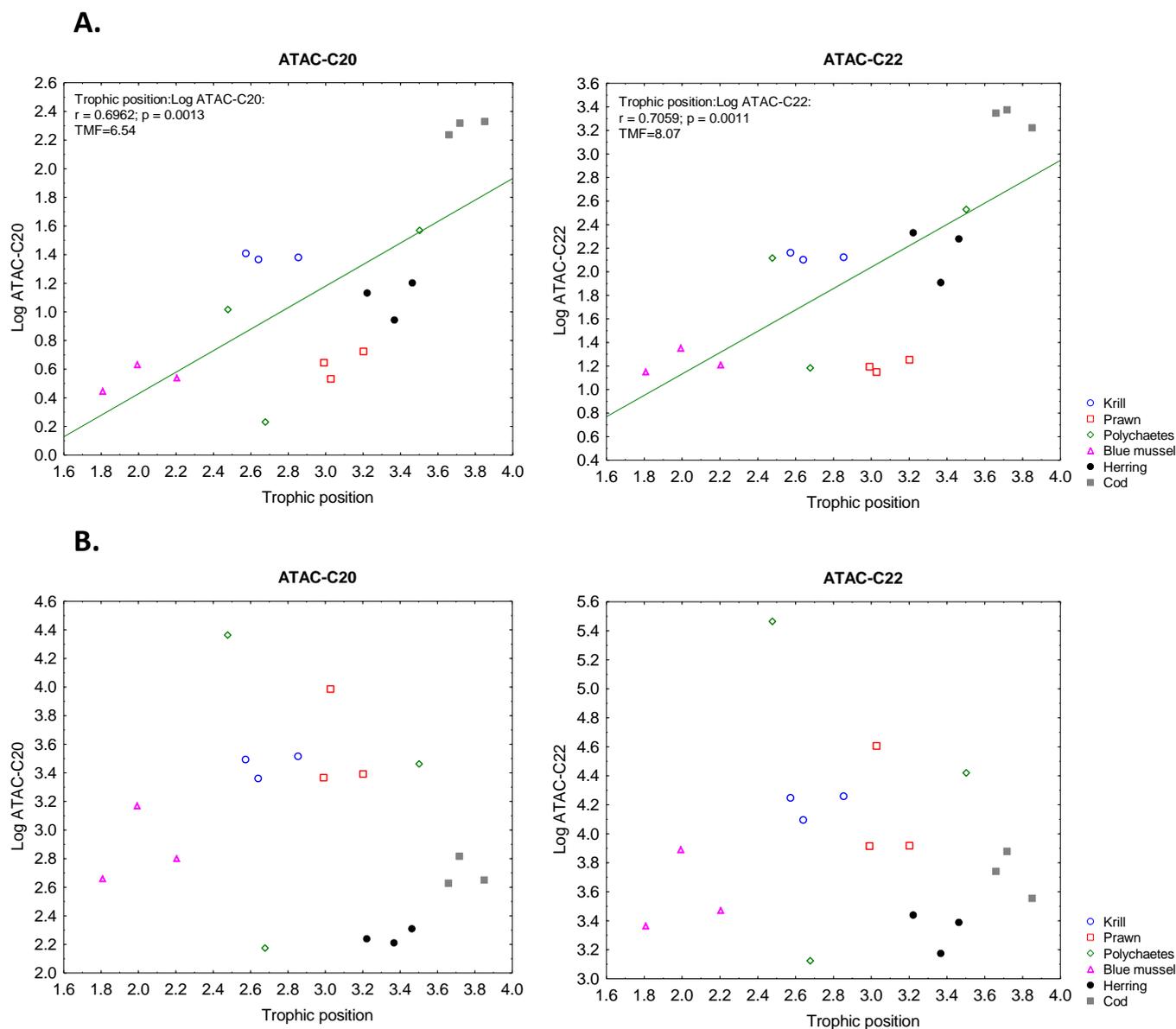


Figure 19. Trophic position against concentrations (A: ng/g wet wt. and B: ng/g lipid wt.; log-transformed) of ATAC-C20 (left) and ATAC-C22 (right) in the studied Inner Oslofjord food web. Note different scales on axes.

3.2.3 Cod

Environmental contaminants were analysed in 15 cod individuals (of which 3 livers were pooled with livers from 3 spare specimens; see Chapter 2.1.2 and Appendix). “Pooled” samples of cod; 3 samples constituted of 4 individuals each sorted by their length, were constructed mathematically to obtain 3 samples of each species, for evaluation of biomagnifying behavior in the Inner Oslofjord food web.

Biological effect parameters were also measured in cod, and these are dealt with in Chapter 3.5.

Concentrations (mean and range) for all compounds and elements analysed in cod liver are presented **Table 10**, as well as in Appendix. Phenolic compounds were analysed in bile (except for

two samples where the compounds were detected in liver, as no bile could be obtained; **Table 11** and **Table 12**), and very few compounds were detected in only a few samples (see electronic Appendix).

Table 10. Lipid content (%) and concentrations of the different analytes (see **Table 5**) in cod liver (Hg in muscle) from the Inner Oslofjord. Concentrations are ng/g wet wt., except for concentrations of Ni, Cu, Ag, Cd, Pb, Cr, Fe, Zn, As and Sb, which are expressed as µg/g wet wt. Arithmetic mean and range are presented (n=15). In calculations of mean, non-detected components were assigned a value of zero (0). Phenolic compounds were analysed in bile (see **Table 11** and electronic Appendix), and two liver samples (see **Table 12** and electronic Appendix).

Analyte	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples
Lipid content (%), liver	38.5	10.3 - 78.7	15
PeCB	0.7	0.2 - 1.3	15
HCB	5.2	1.8 - 10.7	15
MB1	n.d.	<8.5 - <8.5	0
Dechlorane	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples
Dechlorane 602	0.412	0.175 - 1.59	15
Dechlorane 603	0.140	0.039 - 0.414	15
Dechlorane 604	n.d.	<0.939 - <1.19	0
Dechlorane 601	n.d.	<0.151 - <0.172	0
Dechlorane plus syn	0.059	<0.41 - 0.471	2
Dechlorane plus anti	0.075	<0.541 - 0.565	2
1,3-DPMA	n.d.	<0.312 - <0.356	0
1,5-DPMA	n.d.	<0.643 - <0.735	0
PCBs (PCB7)	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples
PCB-28	6.5	2.4 - 17.4	15
PCB-52	43.0	12.6 - 114	15
PCB-101	147.6	45.1 - 428	15
PCB-118	242.8	87.6 - 723	15
PCB-138	453.1	176 - 1340	15
PCB-153	660.0	284 - 1750	15
PCB-180	145.2	57.8 - 426	15
Sum-PCB ₇	1698.1	669.1 - 4798.4	15
Brominated comp.	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples

BDE-47	22.159	7.09 - 78.1	15
BDE-49	3.279	0.428 - 16	15
BDE-99	0.335	<0.071 - 1.06	13
BDE-100	6.049	1.71 - 22.1	15
BDE-126	n.d.	<0.009 - <0.196	0
BDE-153	0.037	<0.028 - 0.153	6
BDE-154	1.136	<0.331 - 2.39	14
BDE-183	n.d.	<0.022 - <0.319	0
BDE-196	n.d.	<0.046 - <0.765	0
BDE-202	0.007	<0.052 - 0.111	1
BDE-206	n.d.	<0.088 - <1.71	0
BDE-207	n.d.	<0.066 - <1.45	0
BDE-209	0.332	<0.78 - 2.4	3
ATE (TBP-AE)	0.052	<0.088 - 0.409	4
a-TBECH	0.038	<0.1 - 0.314	2
b-TBECH	0.032	<0.082 - 0.285	2
g/d-TBECH	0.045	<0.046 - 0.344	3
BATE	0.067	<0.056 - 0.51	4
PBT	0.083	<0.105 - 0.457	6
PBEB	0.062	<0.066 - 0.459	5
PBBZ	n.d.	<0.859 - <0.859	0
HBB	0.203	<0.352 - 0.663	6
DPTE	0.055	<0.031 - 0.316	6
EHTBB	0.031	<0.049 - 0.468	1
BTBPE	0.043	<0.219 - 0.397	2
TBPH (BEH /TBP)	n.d.	<0.271 - <0.986	0
DBDPE	n.d.	<44.7 - <44.7	0
Chloroparaffins	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples
SCCP	522.6	268.7 - 1100.4	15
MCCP	836.7	422.2 - 1697.6	15
Siloxanes	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples

D4	92.2	33.9 - 257	15
D5	1204.4	291.1 - 2709.2	15
D6	169.5	42 - 449.3	15
M3T(Ph)	24.8	6.5 - 61.9	15
Metals	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples
Cr	0.040	<0.016 - 0.257	11
Fe	34.911	9.02 - 63.4	15
Ni	0.082	0.041 - 0.17	15
Cu	6.091	0.998 - 13.249	15
Zn	27.330	5.63 - 45.258	15
As	22.603	3.163 - 40.071	15
Ag	5.262	0.212 - 14.468	15
Cd	0.074	0.017 - 0.239	15
Sb	0.006	<0.00232 - 0.012	14
Pb	0.071	<0.007 - 0.205	11
Hg	175.335	84.071 - 599.609	15
PFAS compounds	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples
PFPA	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	0
PFHxA	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	0
PFHpA	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	0
PFOA	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	0
PFNA	0.087	<0.5 - 0.7	2
PFDA	1.512	<0.5 - 3.899	14
PFUdA	2.286	<0.4 - 5.4	14
PFDoA	1.518	<0.4 - 3.073	14
PFTTrDA	1.446	<0.4 - 2.966	14
PFTeDA	0.674	<0.4 - 1.439	10
PFPeDA	n.d.	<0.4 - <0.4	0
PFBS	n.d.	<0.1 - <0.1	0
PFPS	n.d.	<0.1 - <0.1	0
PFHxS	n.d.	<0.1 - <0.1	0

PFHpS	n.d.	<0.1 - <0.1	0
PFOS	4.548	1.34 - 6.895	15
8Cl-PFOS	n.d.	<0.2 - <0.2	0
PFNS	n.d.	<0.2 - <0.2	0
PFDS	0.431	<0.2 - 0.852	14
PFDoS	n.d.	<0.2 - <0.2	0
PFOSA	13.432	2.708 - 31.261	15
me-FOSA	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0
et-FOSA	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0
me-FOSE	n.d.	<2.0 - <2.0	0
et-FOSE	n.d.	<2.0 - <2.0	0
4:2 FTS	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0
6:2 FTS	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0
8:2 FTS	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0
10:2 FTS	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0
me-FOSAA	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0
Et-FOSAA	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0
UV-chemicals	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples
BP3	0.059	<0.2 - 0.422	3
EHMC-Z	0.008	<0.05 - 0.124	1
EHMC-E	n.d.	<0.6 - <1	0
Sum EHMC	n.d.	<0.65 - <1.12	0
OC	2.297	<1.6 - 5.535	11
UV-327	4.199	0.951 - 10.044	15
UV-328	20.824	3.638 - 69.643	15
UV-329	0.135	<1.5 - 2.032	1
Behentrimonium	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples
ATAC-C20	193.0	17.9 - 670.3	15
ATAC-C22	2123.4	397.9 - 5556.4	15

Table 11. Concentrations of the different phenolic compounds in bile of cod from the Inner Oslofjord. Concentrations are ng/g wet wt. Arithmetic mean and range are presented (n=13). In calculations of mean, non-detected components were assigned a value of zero (0).

Phenolic compound in bile	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples
4,4-bis-A	48.5	<55 - 266	5
2,4-bis-A	n.d.	<1.5 - <1.5	0
bis-FL	n.d.	<3 - <3	0
bis-B	n.d.	<2.5 - <2.5	0
bis-E	n.d.	<2 - <2	0
4,4-bis-S	0.3	<1 - 1.58	3
2,4-bis-S	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	0
4,4-bis-F	38.8	<7 - 286	5
2,2-bis-F	n.d.	<1.5 - <1.5	0
bis-M	n.d.	<1 - <1	0
bis-Z	2.3	<3 - 6.65	7
bis-AF	0.6	<0.5 - 2.72	6
bis-AP	n.d.	<2 - <2	0
TBBPA	n.d.	<4 - <4	0
4-tert-octylphenol	1.8	<10 - 12.5	2
4-octylphenol	n.d.	<6 - <6	0
4-nonylphenol	n.d.	<8.5 - <8.5	0

Table 12. Concentrations of the different phenolic compounds in liver of cod from the Inner Oslofjord. Concentrations are ng/g wet wt. Arithmetic mean and range are presented (n=2). In calculations of mean, non-detected components were assigned a value of zero (0).

Phenolic compound in liver	Mean	Range	Detected in no. of samples
4,4-bis-A	61.5	<55 - 123	1
2,4-bis-A	n.d.	<1.5 - <5.9	0
bis-FL	n.d.	<3 - <3	0
bis-B	n.d.	<2.5 - <2.5	0
bis-E	n.d.	<2 - <2	0
4,4-bis-S	0.8	<1 - 1.52	1
2,4-bis-S	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	0
4,4-bis-F	12.5	11.3 - 13.7	2
2,2-bis-F	n.d.	<1.5 - <1.5	0
bis-M	n.d.	<1 - <1	0
bis-Z	n.d.	<3 - <3	0
bis-AF	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	0
bis-AP	n.d.	<2 - <2	0
TBBPA	n.d.	<4 - <4	0
4-tert-octylphenol	19.6	18.5 - 20.6	2
4-octylphenol	n.d.	<6 - <6	0
4-nonylphenol	n.d.	<8.5 - <8.5	0

Of the substances analysed for which (biota) quality standards exist (for EU priority substances or Norwegian river basin specific substances; Direktoratgruppen vanddirektivet 2018), mean concentrations of Hg, PBDEs, PCB7, MCCPs and 4-tert-octylphenol exceeded the EQS. Note that the biota quality standards relate to (whole) fish, but that an alternative biota taxon, or another matrix, may be monitored instead, as long as the quality standard applied provides an equivalent level of protection.

No individual D5 concentration exceeded the quality standard of 15217 ng/g (The Norwegian Environment Agency; M-608). In the present study, the mean D5 concentration in the cod liver on a lipid weight basis (3271 ng/g \pm 1251 standard deviation) was higher than that in trout from Lake Mjøsa in 2018 (1626; Jartun et al. 2019). In previous studies of cod from the Inner Oslofjord (e.g. Powell et al. 2018; Schlabach et al. 2007), D5 was, as in the present study, detected as the dominating siloxane compound. M3T(Ph) was found in cod liver, however, not in equally high concentrations as D4, D5 and D6 (**Table 10**). No change in the concentration of D5 could be detected in all the years siloxanes have been quantified in cod liver in the Urban fjord programme (Kruskal-Wallis test), and the variation has been high (**Figure 20**).

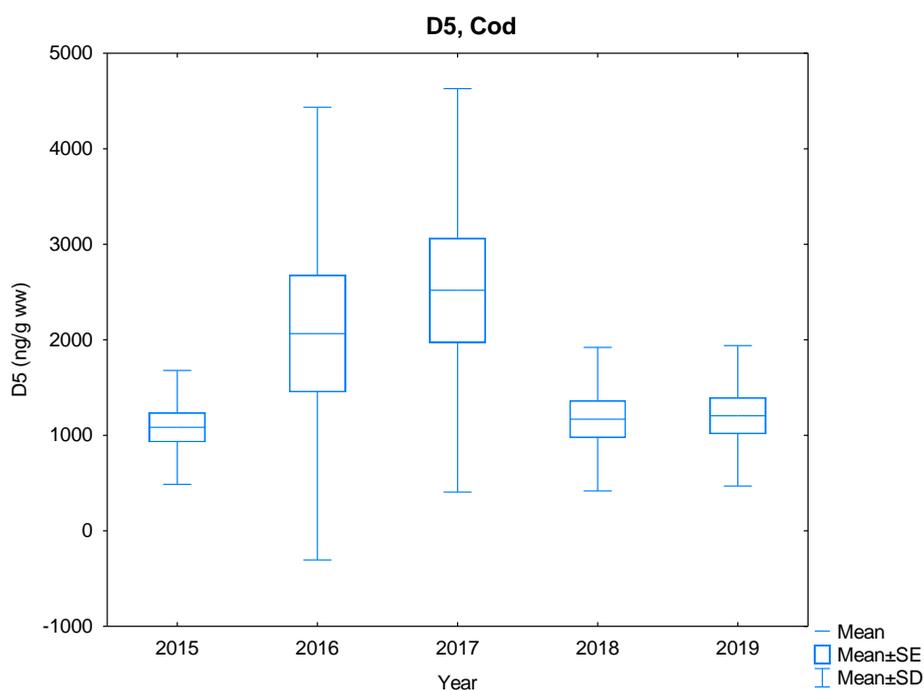


Figure 20. Mean Concentrations of D5 (ng/g w.w.) in cod liver from the Inner Oslofjord in the years 2015-2019. Standard error (box) and standard deviation (whiskers) are given.

As mentioned, Ag displayed statistically significant positive relationships between (log) concentrations and trophic position (as in 2015-2018; TMF=19.62; **Figure 16**), with the highest concentrations in cod. No change in the concentration of Ag could be detected in all the years Ag has been quantified in cod liver in the Urban fjord programme (Kruskal-Wallis test), and the variation was high some years (**Figure 21**).

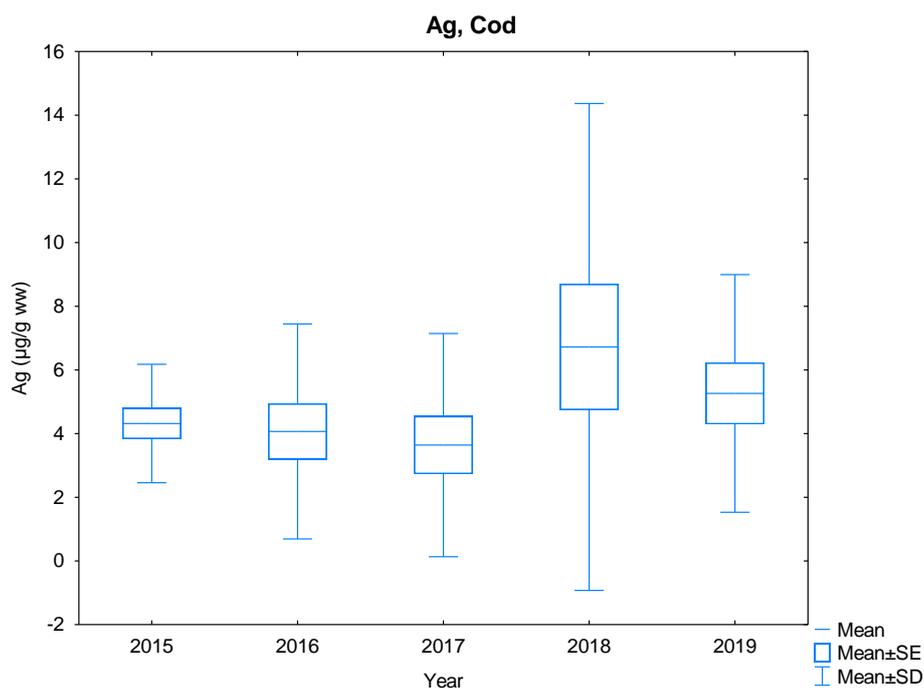


Figure 21. Mean Concentrations of silver (Ag; $\mu\text{g/g w.w.}$) in cod liver from the Inner Oslofjord in the years 2015-2019. Standard error (box) and standard deviation (whiskers) are given.

There was a statistically significant relationship ($p=0.0008$) between Hg in cod and the length of cod (**Figure 22**). Earlier, such a positive relationship was also found in the Urban fjord programme (Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2017; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-601 and M-812). Co-variation between fish length and Hg-concentrations is well known (e.g. Eikenberry et al. 2015; Green and Knutzen, 2003; Jones et al. 2013; Julshamn et al. 2013; Sackett et al. 2013), and Jones et al. (2013) have also argued that detecting the influence of changes in Hg exposure will depend on how well fish biometrics (length, age and growth rates) are considered.

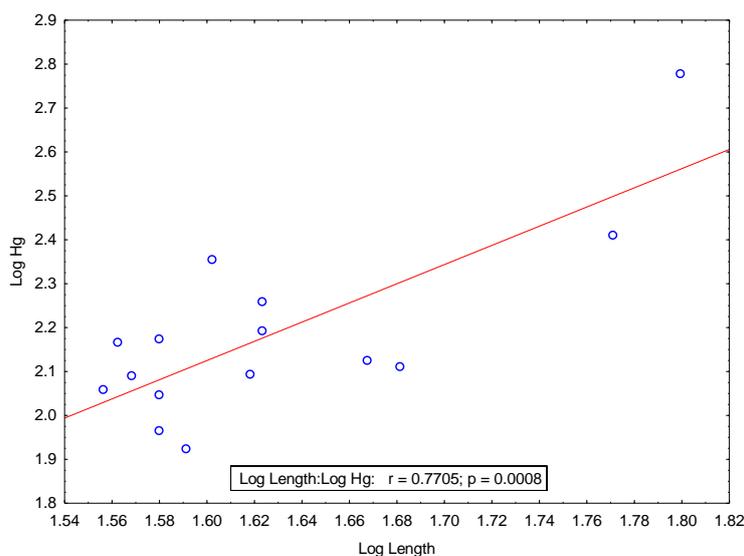


Figure 22. Concentration of mercury (ng/g wet wt.; log-transformed) in muscle of cod against length (cm: log-transformed) of cod.

Previously (Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-812, M-1131 and M-1441), the flame retardant decabromodiphenyl ethane (DBDPE) was found in elevated concentrations in cod. DBDPE is a flame retardant for various applications, such as plastic and rubber materials, electrical and electronic equipment, adhesives and sealants (an alternative to deca-BDE). In 2019, DBDPE was not detected in cod, but the LoD was high (**Table 10** and electronic Appendix).

Most UV chemicals were not detected, or detected in only a few of the liver samples (**Table 10**). OC was, however, detected in most samples, and UV-328 and UV-329 were detected in all cod liver samples. UV-328 expressed the highest concentrations.

Some dechlorane compounds were detected in cod liver (**Table 10**). Dechlorane 602 and 603 were detected in all 15 samples, while dechlorane plus syn and anti were detected in only 2 samples. Neither 1,3-DPMA, nor 1,5-DPMA were detected in any cod liver samples. On a lipid weight basis, the concentrations of dechlorane plus (sum of *syn*- and *anti*-isomers; 0.76 ± 2.43 ng/g lipid wt) was not very different from that found in brown trout (*Salmo trutta*) from Lake Mjøsa in 2017 (1.06 ng/g lipid; Jartun et al. 2018; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1106). Furthermore, the lake Mjøsa concentrations were higher than found in trout from Lake Ontario, Canada (Feo et al. 2012). In the same review (Feo et al. 2012) it is shown that dechlorane plus was not detected (<0.003 ng/g lipid wt) in Atlantic cod from Faroe Islands. Dechlorane plus was not analysed in Mjøsa in 2018 (Jartun et al. 2019).

Behentrimonium was found in all analysed samples of cod liver (**Table 10**). ATAC-C22 was found in concentrations a factor of ~5-25 higher than ATAC-20. As mentioned, in a recent Nordic survey (Nordic cooperation on screening; Kaj et al. 2014), these compounds were also found in fish liver and muscle. In that study, 3 liver samples of cod collected in vicinity of the VEAS STP discharge point was analysed. The concentrations of ATAC-C20 were 11, 23 and 160 ng/g, while the concentrations of ATAC-C22 were 250, 460 and 5400 ng/g, in these samples respectively. Mean concentrations of

ATAC-C20 and ATAC-C22 in the present study were 193 and 2123 ng/g, respectively (Table 11). As described in Chapter 2.2.1, behentrimonium chloride or methosulphate, containing ATAC-C20 and ATAC-C22 are used in personal care products, especially in hair care products.

Anti oxidant MB1 was not detected in any cod liver samples.

As mentioned, phenolic compounds were analysed in bile of cod (13 samples; **Table 11**), as well as two liver samples (**Table 12**). Most compounds were not detected, but 4-tert-octylphenol was detected in both liver samples, in concentrations exceeding the biota EQS.

3.2.4 Herring gull

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Both blood and egg were sampled from herring gull. Adult female blood and egg was sampled from the same nest (i.e. mother and future offspring).

Concentrations (mean and range; wet wt. basis) for all compounds and elements analysed in herring gull (blood and egg) are presented in **Table 13**. The number of samples in which the substance was detected is also shown in **Table 13**.

Table 13. Lipid content (%) and concentrations of the different analytes in herring gull blood and egg from the Inner Oslofjord. Concentrations are ng/g wet wt., except for concentrations of Ni, Cu, Ag, Cd, Pb, Cr, Fe, Zn, As and Sb, which are expressed as µg/g wet wt. Arithmetic mean and range (minimum and maximum) are presented (n=15). In calculations of mean, non-detected components were assigned a value of zero (0). Det. no. is the number of samples in which the substance was detected (blood/egg).

Analyte	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
Lipid content (%)	1.11	0.2 - 2.8	9.05	6.5 - 11.6	15/15
PeCB	0.022	<0.019 - 0.144	0.200	0.068 - 0.566	7/15
HCB	0.283	0.126 - 0.63	3.304	0.876 - 13.3	15/15
MB1	n.d.	<2 - <2	n.d.	<1 - <1	0/0
Dechlorane	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
Dechlorane 602	0.002	<0.006 - 0.009	0.085	0.034 - 0.372	4/15
Dechlorane 603	n.d.	<0.007 - <0.021	0.046	<0.007 - 0.213	0/13
Dechlorane 604	n.d.	<0.188 - <0.464	n.d.	<0.188 - <0.193	0/0
Dechlorane 601	n.d.	<0.03 - <0.119	n.d.	<0.03 - <0.037	0/0
Dechlorane plus syn	0.065	<0.082 - 0.291	0.299	<0.082 - 1.24	8/13
Dechlorane plus anti	0.140	<0.108 - 0.497	0.795	0.152 - 3.59	10/15
1,3-DPMA	n.d.	<0.04 - <0.125	n.d.	<0.062 - <0.067	0/0
1,5-DPMA	n.d.	<0.083 - <0.257	n.d.	<0.129 - <0.142	0/0
PCBs (PCB7)	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
PCB-28	0.052	0.021 - 0.108	0.648	0.233 - 1.87	15/15
PCB-52	0.056	0.009 - 0.231	0.966	0.206 - 2.61	15/15
PCB-101	0.115	0.019 - 0.43	2.338	0.485 - 7.15	15/15
PCB-118	1.497	0.254 - 6.88	22.815	4.04 - 82.3	15/15
PCB-138	3.022	0.472 - 12.9	53.039	7.9 - 156	15/15
PCB-153	4.651	0.66 - 20.4	84.193	12.9 - 244	15/15
PCB-180	1.304	0.227 - 5.49	27.113	4.51 - 116	15/15
Sum-PCB ₇	10.697	1.677 - 46.246	191.113	32.634 - 560.396	15/15
Brominated comp.	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
BDE-47	0.206	<0.088 - 0.987	5.406	0.674 - 27	14/15

BDE-49	0.002	<0.005 - 0.013	0.168	0.006 - 1.54	2/15
BDE-99	0.215	0.034 - 1.46	5.386	0.567 - 37.5	15/15
BDE-100	0.055	0.013 - 0.238	1.471	0.217 - 6.79	15/15
BDE-126	n.d.	<0.001 - <0.009	0.021	<0.001 - 0.162	0/6
BDE-153	0.050	<0.009 - 0.311	1.749	0.16 - 9.33	10/15
BDE-154	0.014	<0.006 - 0.064	0.540	0.079 - 2	9/15
BDE-183	0.009	<0.004 - 0.061	0.391	0.052 - 1.61	5/15
BDE-196	0.001	<0.008 - 0.008	0.275	<0.013 - 1.26	1/13
BDE-202	n.d.	<0.008 - <0.044	0.203	0.026 - 0.795	0/15
BDE-206	0.019	<0.018 - 0.131	0.324	<0.038 - 0.706	3/12
BDE-207	0.086	<0.013 - 0.386	1.596	0.182 - 8.14	9/15
BDE-209	1.010	<0.156 - 4.01	9.816	<0.221 - 69.7	11/14
ATE (TBP-AE)	0.001	<0.018 - 0.022	n.d.	<0.018 - <0.018	1/0
a-TBECH	0.049	<0.02 - 0.425	0.054	<0.021 - 0.803	3/1
b-TBECH	0.005	<0.016 - 0.045	n.d.	<0.016 - <0.074	2/0
g/d-TBECH	0.002	<0.009 - 0.029	n.d.	<0.009 - <0.047	1/0
BATE	0.002	<0.011 - 0.037	n.d.	<0.011 - <0.019	1/0
PBT	0.005	<0.021 - 0.047	n.d.	<0.021 - <0.021	2/0
PBEB	0.004	<0.013 - 0.034	n.d.	<0.013 - <0.013	2/0
PBBZ	n.d.	<0.172 - <0.215	n.d.	<0.172 - <0.237	0/0
HBB	0.007	<0.071 - 0.108	n.d.	<0.071 - <0.114	1/0
DPTE	0.006	<0.006 - 0.024	n.d.	<0.006 - <0.015	8/0
EHTBB	0.004	<0.005 - 0.049	n.d.	<0.014 - <0.656	2/0
BTBPE	0.027	<0.044 - 0.157	0.020	<0.044 - 0.202	4/3
TBPH (BEH /TBP)	0.019	<0.054 - 0.148	n.d.	<0.054 - <0.398	3/0
DBDPE	5.860	<8.95 - 66.2	3.140	<8.95 - 24.1	2/3
Chlorinated paraffins	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
SCCP	95.60	46.93 - 290.1	91.48	66.06 - 134.38	15/15
MCCP	777.92	103.17 - 6895.97	188.96	69.21 - 457.41	15/15
Siloxanes	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.

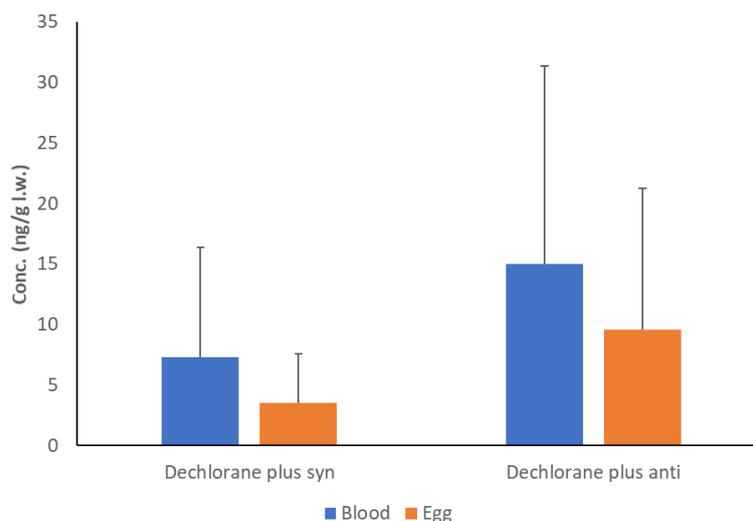
D4	0.10	<0.31 - 0.8	0.21	<1.09 - 3.19	2/1
D5	2.29	<0.91 - 9.29	66.82	13.5 - 181	14/15
D6	2.97	1.81 - 8.33	14.48	5.24 - 58.6	15/15
M3T(Ph)	n.d.	<0.64 - <0.64	0.55	<0.64 - 3.96	0/5
Metals	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
Cr	0.007	<0.001 - 0.106	0.062	0.015 - 0.366	2/15
Fe	507	364 - 620	36.7	29.9 - 48.1	15/15
Ni	0.002	<0.001 - 0.015	0.041	0.013 - 0.219	7/15
Cu	0.398	0.278 - 0.482	0.722	0.583 - 0.824	15/15
Zn	4.058	2.989 - 5.175	12.266	9.52 - 18.409	15/15
As	0.058	0.007 - 0.216	0.024	0.004 - 0.066	15/15
Ag	n.d.	<0.0011-<0.0011	0.0005	<0.0006 - 0.0014	0/8
Cd	0.001	0.0004 - 0.001	0.0002	0.0001 - 0.0005	15/15
Sb	0.0001	<0.00004-0.0002	0.0001	0.00002 - 0.0003	13/15
Pb	0.126	0.022 - 0.401	0.027	0.007 - 0.096	15/15
Hg	73.070	36.764 - 155.747	39.919	14.762 - 111.399	15/15
PFAS compounds	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
PFPA	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	0/0
PFHxA	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	0.08	<0.5 - 1.2	0/1
PFHpA	0.47	<0.5 - 4.1	0.11	<0.5 - 1.7	2/1
PFOA	0.89	<0.5 - 6.8	0.07	<0.5 - 1.1	3/1
PFNA	0.13	<0.5 - 1.3	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	2/0
PFDA	0.76	<0.5 - 1.57	0.43	<0.5 - 1	13/10
PFUdA	0.74	<0.4 - 1.83	0.75	0.39 - 1.17	13/15
PFDoA	1.03	0.27 - 2.43	0.98	0.51 - 2.21	15/15
PFTTrDA	0.57	<0.4 - 1.51	0.62	<0.4 - 1.28	11/12
PFTeDA	0.80	<0.4 - 2.06	0.92	<0.4 - 3.57	12/12
PFPeDA	n.d.	<0.4 - <0.4	n.d.	<0.4 - <0.4	0/0
PFBS	n.d.	<0.1 - <0.1	n.d.	<0.1 - <0.1	0/0
PFPS	n.d.	<0.1 - <0.1	n.d.	<0.1 - <0.1	0/0

PFHxS	0.35	0.09 - 0.52	0.15	<0.1 - 0.27	12/12
PFHpS	0.16	<0.1 - 0.29	0.14	<0.1 - 0.31	13/12
PFOS	13.35	4.15 - 44.44	14.76	3.57 - 58.64	15/15
8Cl-PFOS	n.d.	<0.2 - <0.2	n.d.	<0.2 - <0.2	0/0
PFNS	n.d.	<0.2 - <0.2	n.d.	<0.2 - <0.2	0/0
PFDS	0.36	0.05 - 0.81	0.48	0.2 - 1.04	15/15
PFDoS	n.d.	<0.2 - <0.2	n.d.	<0.2 - <0.2	0/0
PFOSA	0.04	<0.1 - 0.6	n.d.	<0.1 - <0.1	1/0
me-FOSA	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0/0
et-FOSA	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0/0
me-FOSE	n.d.	<0.2 - <0.2	n.d.	<2.0 - <2.0	0/0
et-FOSE	n.d.	<0.2 - <0.2	n.d.	<2.0 - <2.0	0/0
4:2 FTS	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0/0
6:2 FTS	0.03	<0.3 - 0.5	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	1/0
8:2 FTS	0.43	<0.3 - 2.16	0.19	<0.3 - 0.8	9/6
10:2 FTS	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0/0
me-FOSAA	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0/0
Et-FOSAA	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	0/0
UV-chemicals	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
BP3	n.d.	<0.4 - <0.4	n.d.	<1 - <1	0/0
EHMC-Z	n.d.	<0.1 - <0.1	0.01	<0.05 - 0.07	0/3
EHMC-E	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	0.13	<0.4 - 0.92	0/3
Sum EHMC	n.d.	<0.6 - <0.6	0.11	<0.45 - 0.98	0/2
OC	n.d.	<5 - <5	1.19	<1.7 - 2.59	0/9
UV-327	0.02	<0.03 - 0.16	0.28	<0.08 - 0.87	3/12
UV-328	0.76	0.35 - 1.16	2.58	0.23 - 11.47	15/15
UV-329	1.61	<1 - 2.73	n.d.	<0.9 - <0.9	12/0

Concentrations of selected contaminants, specifically dechlorane plus (lipid wt. basis), PBDEs (lipid wt. basis), siloxanes (lipid wt. basis) and PFAS compounds (wet wt. basis) in herring gull (blood and egg) are also presented in **Figure 23** to **Figure 27**. Some figures include tables with concentrations (on relevant basis: wet wt. or lipid wt.).

Dechlorane plus was found in eggs of herring gull and the variability was high (**Table 13**). Dechlorane plus is marketed as a flame retardant alternative to deca-BDE. On a wet weight basis, the concentrations were higher in eggs, than in blood (**Table 13**). On a lipid weight basis, the concentrations were higher in blood (**Figure 23**). In blood, the anti-isomer was found in higher concentrations than the syn-isomer, while the opposite appeared for eggs (**Figure 23**). The mean concentration of dechlorane plus (sum of the syn- and anti-isomers) in the eggs appeared approximately twice as high as the previous year (Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441), and thus ranged from similar to a factor of approximately 3 lower than those in eggs of herring gull from the Laurentian Great Lakes (North America; Gauthier and Letcher, 2009; Feo et al. 2012), and a factor of ~5 lower than eggs of herring gull from Niagara River, closer to a dechlorane plus manufacturing plant (Gauthier and Letcher, 2009).

A.



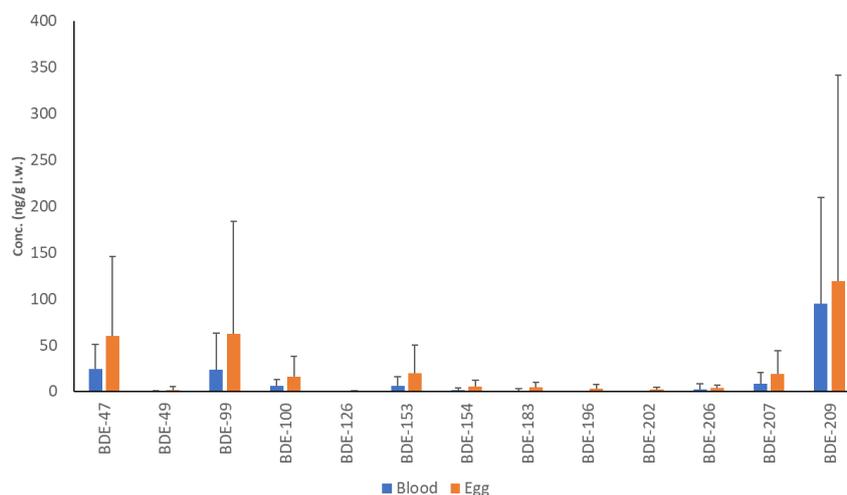
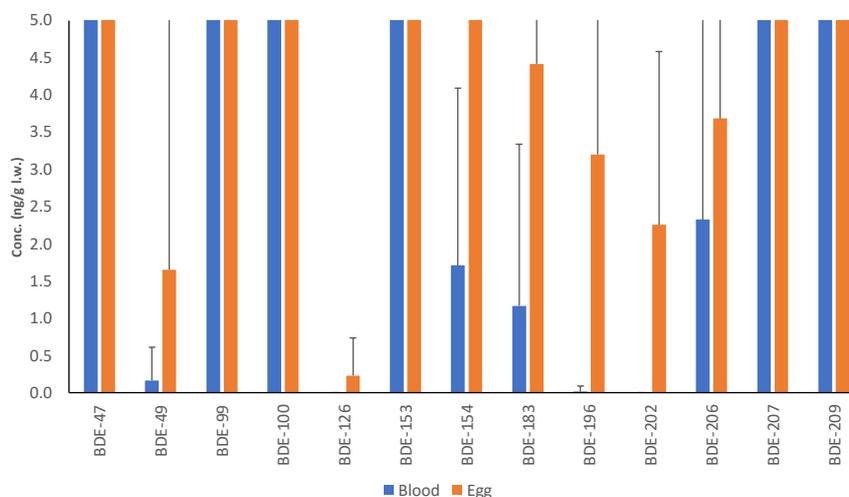
B.

Analyte	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
Lipid content (%)	1.11	0.2 – 2.8	9.05	6.5 – 11.6	15/15
Dechlorane plus					
Dechlorane plus syn	7.33	n.d. – 25.10	3.56	n.d. – 15.90	8/13
Dechlorane plus anti	15.02	n.d. – 45.00	9.60	1.58 – 46.03	10/15

Figure 23. Concentrations of dechlorane plus (syn- and anti- isomers; ng/g lipid wt.) in herring gull (blood and eggs) from the Inner Oslofjord (mean and standard deviation; n=15; non-detects are assigned values of zero). B. Lipid content (%) and concentrations of dechlorane plus (syn- and anti- isomers) in herring gull blood and egg from the Inner Oslofjord (ng/g lipid wt.) presented in a table. Arithmetic mean and range are presented (n=15). In calculations of mean, non-detected components were assigned a value of zero (0). Det. no. is the number of samples in which the substance was detected (blood/egg).

The PBDE congeners displaying the highest concentrations in herring gull from the Inner Oslofjord (both blood and eggs) were BDE-209, -47 and -99, although variability was high (**Figure 24**). This corresponds with previous observations from the Urban fjord programme (Ruus et al. 2019b; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2015a; Ruus et al. 2014; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441, M-1131, M-812, M-601, M-375 and M-205). In blood, concentrations of DBDPE were even higher than the above mentioned PBDE congeners (**Table 13**). DBDPE is a substitute for BDE-209 in the market. The same was observed in 2016, 2017 and 2018 (Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-812, M-1131 and M-1441) and future monitoring will indicate potential temporal trends. As also observed/mentioned earlier (Ruus et al. 2015a; Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The

Norwegian Environment Agency M-375, M-601, M-812, M-1131 and M-1441), the concentrations of PBDEs (e.g. BDE-47 and -209) in herring gull eggs from the present study displayed concentrations that were higher than those observed in herring gull eggs from remote colonies in Norway (Sklinna and Røst; Huber et al. 2015) some years ago, indicating urban influence. It can also be mentioned that according to Gentes et al. (2015), intraspecific forage strategies have strong influence on the PBDE accumulation in gulls, and that foraging on waste management facilities particularly results in higher BDE-209 exposure. The mean concentration (wet weight) of BDE-209 in the herring gull eggs appeared markedly higher than what was observed in eggs of sparrow hawk (a small bird of prey feeding on small to medium sized birds) from the Oslo area, while other congeners, such as BDE-47 appeared similar, or slightly lower (Heimstad et al. 2019; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1402). As mentioned, BDE-47 is bioaccumulative and recalcitrant against degradation, and is a major constituent of the penta-BDE mixture (De Wit, 2002). Furthermore, BDE-47 is a degradation product from the debromination of higher brominated PBDEs (including BDE-209), and Roberts et al. (2011) describe species-specific differences in debromination of PBDEs.

A.**B.**

C.

Analyte	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
Lipid content (%)	1.11	0.2 – 2.8	9.05	6.5 – 11.6	15/15
PBDEs					
BDE-47	24.566	n.d. - 109.667	60.224	8.457 - 346.154	14/15
BDE-49	0.166	n.d. - 1.476	1.655	0.058 - 15.113	2/15
BDE-99	23.677	1.85 - 162.222	62.583	5.879 - 480.769	15/15
BDE-100	6.496	0.457 - 26.444	16.260	2.723 - 87.051	15/15
BDE-126	n.d.	n.d. - n.d.	0.232	n.d. - 1.974	0/6
BDE-153	6.200	n.d. - 34.556	19.561	1.659 - 119.615	10/15
BDE-154	1.709	n.d. - 7.111	5.702	0.784 - 22.436	9/15
BDE-183	1.167	n.d. - 6.733	4.416	0.651 - 20.641	5/15
BDE-196	0.019	n.d. - 0.286	3.202	n.d. - 16.154	1/13
BDE-202	n.d.	n.d. - n.d.	2.257	0.257 - 9.689	0/15
BDE-206	2.327	n.d. - 20.96	3.683	n.d. - 8	3/12
BDE-207	8.708	n.d. - 42.889	18.842	1.786 - 104.359	9/15
BDE-209	94.732	n.d. - 345.556	119.051	n.d. - 893.59	11/14

Figure 24. A. Concentrations of PBDEs (ng/g lipid wt.) in herring gull (blood and eggs) from the Inner Oslofjord (mean and standard deviation; n=15; non-detects are assigned values of zero). B. Magnification of the lower part (0-5) of the concentration axis in A. C. Lipid content (%) and concentrations of PBDEs in herring gull blood and egg from the Inner Oslofjord (ng/g lipid wt.) presented in a table. Arithmetic mean and range (minimum and maximum) are presented (n=15). In calculations of mean, non-detected components were assigned a value of zero (0). Det. no. is the number of samples in which the substance was detected (blood/egg).

Siloxanes were detected in eggs and blood of herring gull from the Inner Oslofjord (**Figure 25**) and the variability was high in both matrices. D5 displayed the highest concentrations in eggs. This corresponds with previous observations from the Urban fjord programme (Ruus et al. 2019b; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2015a; Ruus et al. 2014; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441, M-1131, M-812, M-601, M-375 and M-205). M3T(Ph) was detected in 5 eggs and not detected in blood (**Figure 25**).

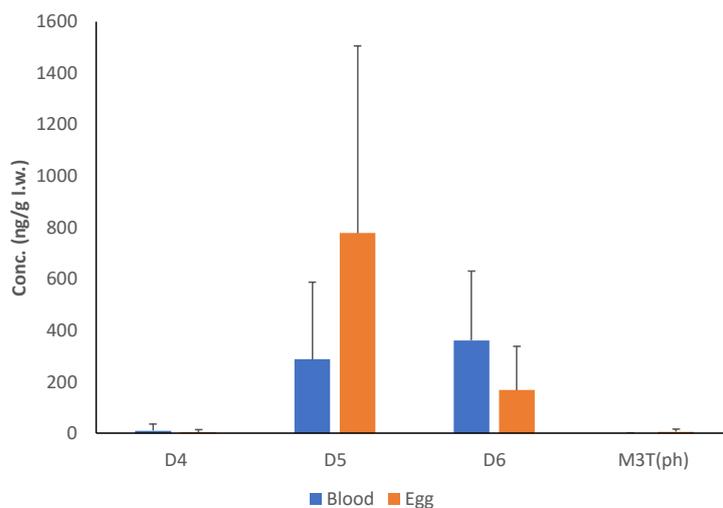
As observed/mentioned earlier (Ruus et al. 2015a; Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-375, M-601, M-812, M-1131 and M-1441), mean D5 concentration in eggs from the Oslofjord area (present study) was notably higher (a factor of ~45) than those observed in herring gull eggs from remote colonies in Norway (Sklinna and Røst; Huber et al. 2015) some years ago, indicating urban influence. As earlier observed (Ruus et

al. 2019b; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2017; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441, M-1131 and M-812), the mean concentration of siloxanes in the herring gull eggs from the Oslofjord area appeared higher, and were detected in more samples, compared to of sparrow hawk (*Accipiter nisus*) from the Oslo area (Heimstad et al. 2019; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1402). This may also reflect that while the sparrow hawk feeds mostly on birds, the herring gull might feed on human waste and leftovers.

As previously observed (Ruus et al. 2019b ; Ruus et al. 2019a ; Ruus et al. 2017; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441, M-1131 and M-812), concentrations of “legacy” contaminants, such as PCB-153 and SumPCB7 appeared lower in the eggs from Oslofjorden, than those observed in herring gull eggs from remote colonies in Norway (Sklinna and Røst; Huber et al. 2015). This suggests that these contaminants (associated with diffuse pollution) accumulate to somewhat higher concentrations in gulls foraging to a larger degree on marine prey organisms. However, the concentrations of PCBs in the sparrow hawk eggs from the Oslo area (Heimstad et al. 2019; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1402) appeared higher than in the herring gull eggs from the Oslofjord area (**Table 13**). This was also observed in 2016, 2017 and 2018 (Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-812, M-1131 and M-1441). No change in the concentration of D5 could be detected in all the years siloxanes have been quantified in herring gull eggs in the Urban fjord programme (Kruskal-Wallis test), and the variation has been high some years (**Figure 26**).

The consistent herring gull results between years in the “Urban fjord” programme, suggest the suitability of this species to study urban influence. In this regard, it is important to acknowledge that with the opportunistic feeding habits of herring gull, urbanization implies a shift towards less marine diet items and more diet items of terrestrial/anthropogenic origin. This is discussed in more detail by Thorstensen et al. (*in press*).

A.



B.

Analyte	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
Lipid content (%)	1.11	0.2 – 2.8	9.05	6.5 – 11.6	15/15
Siloxanes					
D4	9.70	n.d. – 78.89	2.83	n.d. – 42.39	2/1
D5	287.82	n.d. – 1032.22	778.10	116.78 – 2405.32	14/15
D6	360.65	75.55 – 930.77	167.38	50.00 – 751.28	15/15
M3T(Ph)	n.d.	-	5.75	n.d. – 34.71	0/5

Figure 25. A. Concentrations of siloxanes (ng/g lipid wt.) in herring gull (blood and eggs) from the Inner Oslofjord (mean and standard deviation; n=15; non-detects are assigned values of zero). B. Lipid content (%) and concentrations of siloxanes in herring gull blood and egg from the Inner Oslofjord (ng/g lipid wt.) presented in a table. Arithmetic mean and range (minimum and maximum) are presented (n=15). In calculations of mean, non-detected components were assigned a value of zero (0). Det. no. is the number of samples in which the substance was detected (blood/egg).

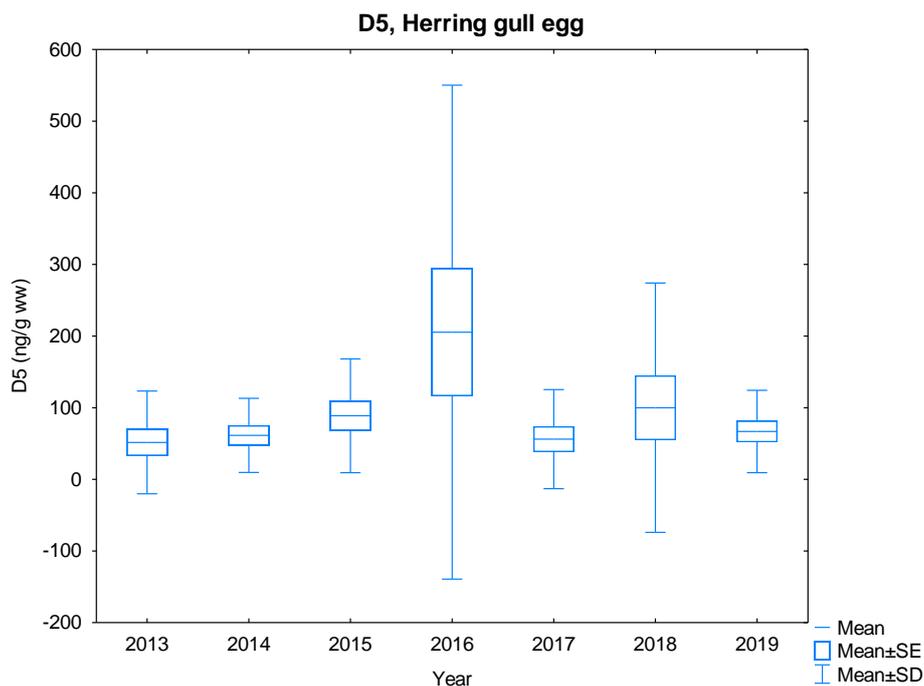
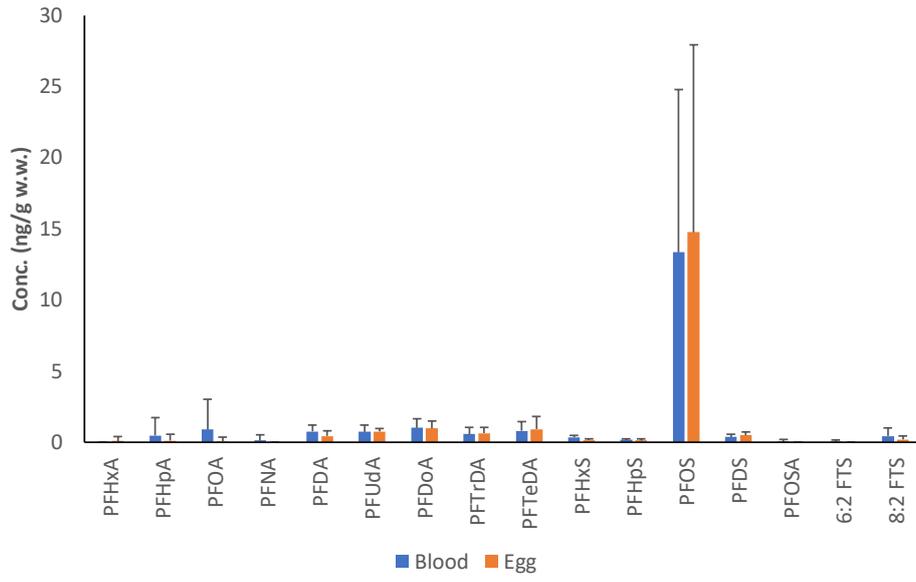


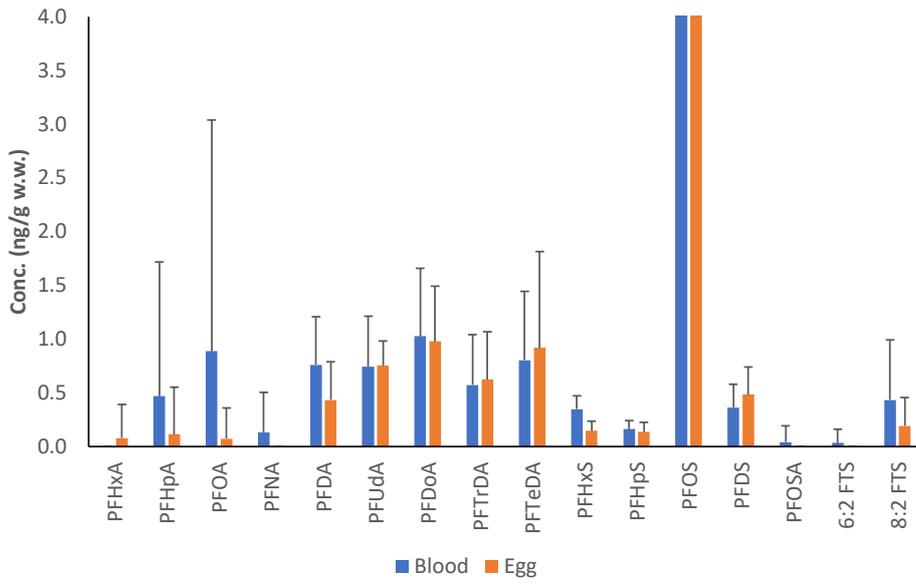
Figure 26. Mean Concentrations of D5 (ng/g w.w.) in herring gull eggs from the Inner Oslofjord area in the years 2013-2019. Standard error (box) and standard deviation (whiskers) are given.

PFAS compounds were also detected in eggs and blood of herring gull from the Inner Oslofjord (**Figure 27**). PFOS constituted the highest concentrations in both matrices. The variability was high. This corresponds with previous observations from the Urban fjord programme (Ruus et al. 2019b; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2016; Ruus et al. 2015a; Ruus et al. 2014; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441, M-1131, M-812, M-601, M-375 and M-205). PFOS was also the dominating PFAS compound in sparrow hawk eggs from the Oslo area (Heimstad et al. 2019; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1402). Furthermore, the PFOS concentrations were higher in sparrow hawk eggs, than in herring gull eggs (**Table 13**). This corresponds with earlier observations (Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al 2019a; Ruus et al 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-812, M-1131 and M-1441).

A.



B.



C.

Analyte	Blood Mean	Blood Range	Egg Mean	Egg Range	Det. no.
Lipid content (%)	1.11	0.2 – 2.8	9.05	6.5 – 11.6	15/15
PFAS Compounds					
PFHxA	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	0.08	<0.5 - 1.2	0/1
PFHpA	0.47	<0.5 - 4.1	0.11	<0.5 - 1.7	2/1
PFOA	0.89	<0.5 - 6.8	0.07	<0.5 - 1.1	3/1
PFNA	0.13	<0.5 - 1.3	n.d.	<0.5 - <0.5	2/0
PFDA	0.76	<0.5 - 1.57	0.43	<0.5 - 1	13/10
PFUdA	0.74	<0.4 - 1.83	0.75	0.39 - 1.17	13/15
PFDoA	1.03	0.27 - 2.43	0.98	0.51 - 2.21	15/15
PFTrDA	0.57	<0.4 - 1.51	0.62	<0.4 - 1.28	11/12
PFTeDA	0.80	<0.4 - 2.06	0.92	<0.4 - 3.57	12/12
PFHxS	0.35	0.09 - 0.52	0.15	<0.1 - 0.27	12/12
PFHpS	0.16	<0.1 - 0.29	0.14	<0.1 - 0.31	13/12
PFOS	13.35	4.15 - 44.44	14.76	3.57 - 58.64	15/15
PFDS	0.36	0.05 - 0.81	0.48	0.2 - 1.04	15/15
PFOSA	0.04	<0.1 - 0.6	n.d.	<0.1 - <0.1	1/0
6:2 FTS	0.03	<0.3 - 0.5	n.d.	<0.3 - <0.3	1/0
8:2 FTS	0.43	<0.3 - 2.16	0.19	<0.3 - 0.8	9/6

Figure 27. A. Concentrations (ng/g wet wt.) of PFAS in herring gull (blood and eggs) from the Inner Oslofjord (mean and standard deviation; n=15; non-detects are assigned values of zero). B. Magnification of the lower part (0-3) of the concentration axis in A. C. Lipid content (%) and concentrations of PFAS in herring gull blood and egg from the Inner Oslofjord (ng/g wet wt.) presented in a table. Arithmetic mean and range (minimum and maximum) are presented (n=15). In calculations of mean, non-detected components were assigned a value of zero (0). Det. no. is the number of samples in which the substance was detected (blood/egg). The following compounds were detected in neither blood, nor egg: PFPA, PFPeDA, PFBS, PFPS, 8Cl-PFOS, PFNS, PFDoS, meFOSA, etFOSA, meFOSE, etFOSE, 4:2 FTS, 10:2 FTS, meFOSAA, etFOSAA.

Contrary to Ag in cod (see chapter 3.2.3, above), Significant differences in the concentrations of Ag in herring gull eggs could be detected between years (Kruskal-Wallis test). More specifically, the concentrations in 2018 were higher than in 2013, 2014, 2017 and 2019 (Kruskal-Wallis multiple comparisons; **Figure 28**).

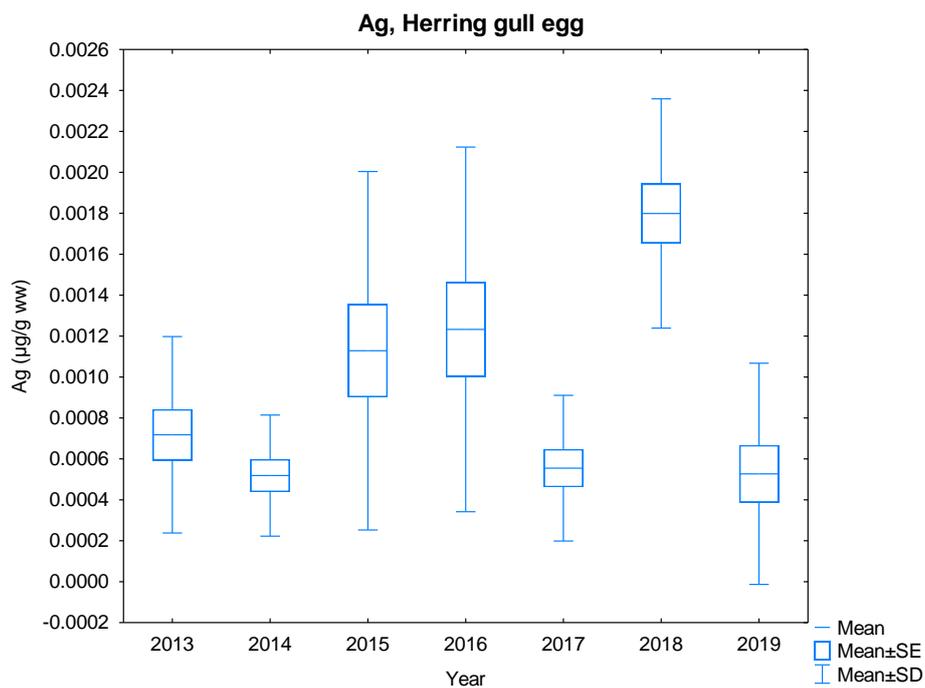
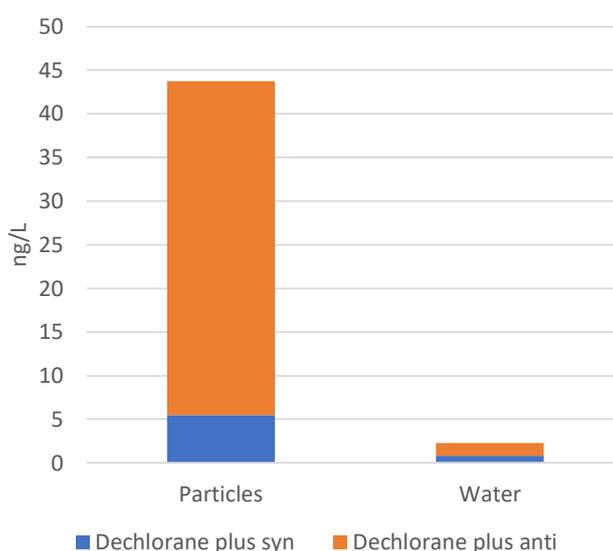


Figure 28. Mean Concentrations of silver (Ag; $\mu\text{g/g w.w.}$) in herring gull eggs from the Inner Oslofjord area in the years 2013-2019. Standard error (box) and standard deviation (whiskers) are given.

3.2.5 Storm water

The results of the chemical analysis of storm water can be found in the electronic Appendix. Dechlorane plus was found in concentrations of several ng/L, however mostly in the particulate fraction (**Figure 29**). The anti-isomer was found in higher concentrations than the syn-isomer in both fractions. 1,3-dechlorane plus monoadduct (1,3-DPMA) and 1,5-DPMA were not detected in any samples. The dechlorane plus syn- and anti-isomers are present in the technical product in a ratio of approximately 1:3 (i.e. the anti-isomer constitutes ~75% of the sum). Furthermore, in a study of dechlorane plus in the sediments of the Lower Great lakes (North America), Sverko et al. (2008) suggested a stereoselective enrichment of the anti-isomer in the environment. On the other hand, Tomy et al. (2007) suggested an enrichment of the syn-isomer in some species of the Lake Ontario food web and attributed this to the structural conformation of the anti-isomer being more susceptible to biological degradation. In a study of dechlorane plus in eggs of herring gulls from the Great Lakes, Gauthier and Letcher (2009) reported essentially no stereoselective enrichment of either isomer.

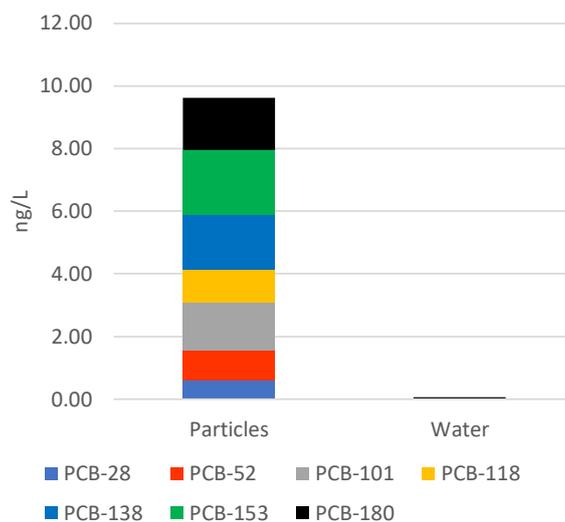


	Particles	Water
Dechlorane plus syn	5.45	0.79
Dechlorane plus anti	38.31	1.53

Figure 29. Concentrations (ng/L; mean) of dechlorane plus syn- and anti-isomers in the particulate and dissolved fraction of storm water (mean of 2 samples.). Dechlorane plus syn and anti were the only dechlorane compounds detected in storm water.

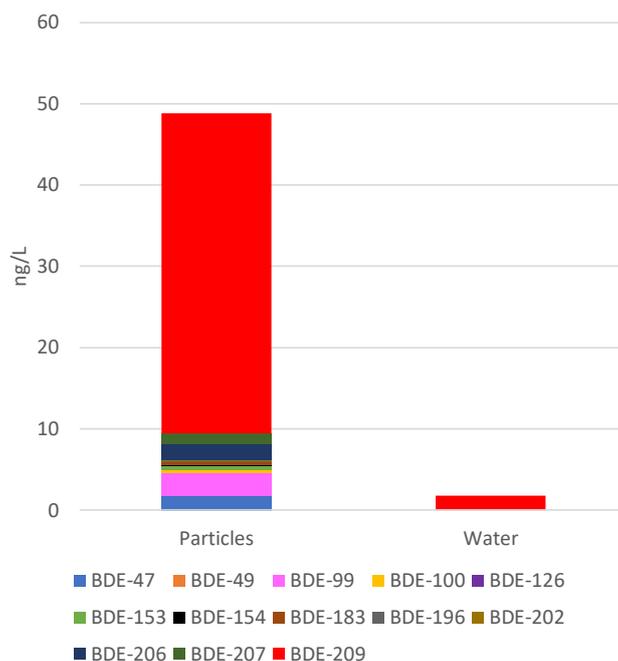
PCB-concentrations were highest also in the particulate fraction. PCBs were not detected in the dissolved fraction, apart from PCB-180 detected in one sample (**Figure 30**). Given the hydrophobic nature of PCBs, they have a high affinity for the particulate phase and are usually associated with particles. BDE-concentrations were also higher in the particulate fraction, than in the dissolved fraction, as only BDE-209 was detected in the dissolved fraction (**Figure 31**). BDE-209 constituted the

highest proportions in the particulate fraction, as in 2016, 2017 and 2018 (**Figure 31**; Ruus et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-812, M-1131 and M-1441). Interestingly, DBDPE was found in more than twice as high concentration as BDE-209 in the one sample of the particle fraction of storm water (concentration of DBDPE was 189 ng/L in this sample; There was a high limit of detection, <35.8 ng/L, for DBDPE). Higher DBDPE than BDE-209 concentrations were also noted in 2017 and 2019 (Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1131 and M-1441).



	Particles	Water
PCB-28	0.61	n.d.
PCB-52	0.96	n.d.
PCB-101	1.54	n.d.
PCB-118	1.03	n.d.
PCB-138	1.76	n.d.
PCB-153	2.06	n.d.
PCB-180	1.67	0.06

Figure 30. Concentrations (ng/L; mean of 2 samples. Non-detected components were assigned values of zero) of PCB-congeners in the particulate and dissolved fraction of storm water. Components that were not detected in any replicate samples of a fraction (particles or water) are noted n.d.



	Particles	Water
BDE-47	1.680	n.d
BDE-49	0.051	n.d
BDE-99	2.775	n.d
BDE-100	0.442	n.d
BDE-126	n.d	n.d
BDE-153	0.391	n.d
BDE-154	0.212	n.d
BDE-183	0.375	n.d
BDE-196	0.196	n.d
BDE-202	0.068	n.d
BDE-206	1.911	n.d
BDE-207	1.353	n.d
BDE-209	39.365	1.790

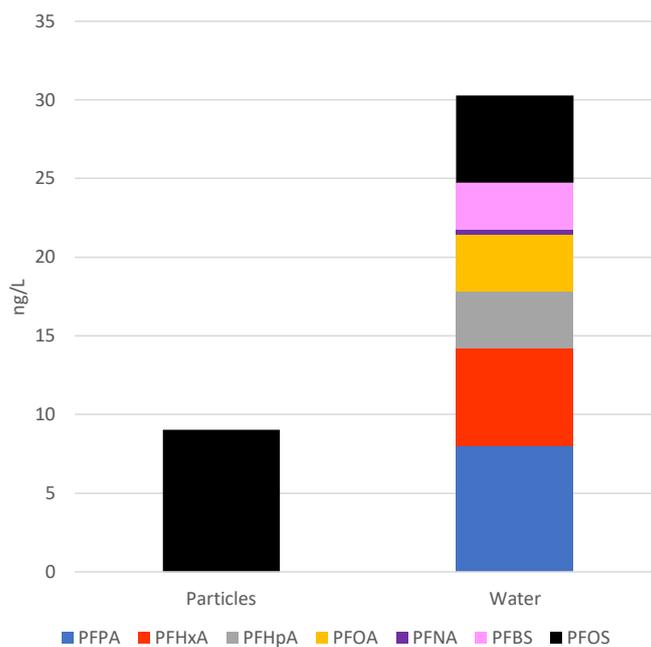
Figure 31. Concentrations (ng/L; mean of 2 samples. Non-detected components were assigned values of zero) of selected BDE-congeners (see **Table 5**) in the particulate and dissolved fraction of storm water. Components that were not detected in any replicate samples of a fraction (particles or water) are noted n.d.

PFAS compounds were mostly detected in the dissolved fraction of storm water (only PFOS detected in the particulate fraction; **Figure 32**), as previously observed (Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441). Inputs of several of the target compounds to the fjord via storm water are thus found. PFPA and PFHxA displayed the highest concentrations (**Figure 32**), as previously observed (Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441).

For several compounds, environmental quality standards for water are given through Norwegian law (The Water Regulation/"Vannforskriften"), according to the requirements of the Water Framework Directive. Furthermore, quality standards are given for even more compounds (Direktoratsgruppen vanndirektivet 2018). For the target compounds of this study of which quality standards exist, the water concentrations (dissolved fraction) and EQSs are compared in **Table 14** (EQSs for coastal water used, to elucidate the potential of surface water as source of contaminants to parts of the fjord).

Concentrations of bisphenol A, MCCPs, copper, PCB7, zinc, 4-*tert*-octylphenol and PFOS exceeded the quality standards, reflecting runoff from the surrounding (urban) area. Copper, PCB7, zinc and PFOS also exceeded the quality standards for sediment from station Cm21 (see chapter 3.2.1). It should be mentioned that for copper and zinc, the concentrations in the dissolved fraction of storm water did not only exceed the Annual Average (AA-)EQS, but also the Maximum Allowable Concentration (MAC-)EQS. Furthermore, for several compounds, the concentrations were higher in the particulate phase than in the dissolved fraction (see Appendix).

Gundersen et al. (2019; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1508) estimated the input of contaminants to the fjord from River Alna in 2018: 0.01 ton/yr As, 0.02 ton/yr Pb, 0.10 ton/yr Cu, 0.37 ton/yr Zn, 0.03 ton/yr Ni, 0.02 ton/yr Cr and 0.03 kg/yr Hg. Annual mean concentrations of As, Pb, Cd, Cu, Zn, Cr and Ni in the river water were 0.35 µg/L, 0.39 µg/L, 0.032 µg/L, 2.72 µg/L, 9.47 µg/L, 0.35 µg/L and 0.80 µg/L, respectively. In 2018, yearly discharges of organic contaminants were not estimated in the river monitoring programme (Allan et al. 2019; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1509). In 2017, however, the following discharges were estimated from river Alna: 9.6 g/yr HCB, 10.7 g/yr ΣPBDE, 1.8 kg/yr SCCPs and 1.7 kg/yr MCCPs (Allan et al. 2018; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1166). As such, there are several pathways of these studied contaminants to the Inner Oslofjord.



	Particles	Water
PFPA	n.d.	8.03
PFHxA	n.d.	6.18
PFHpA	n.d.	3.61
PFOA	n.d.	3.65
PFNA	n.d.	0.28
PFBS	n.d.	3.00
PFOS	9.05	5.55

Figure 32. Concentrations (ng/L; mean of 2 samples. Non-detected components were assigned a value of zero) of (detected) PFAS compounds in the particulate and dissolved fraction of storm water. Components that were not detected in any replicate samples of a fraction (particles or water) are noted n.d.

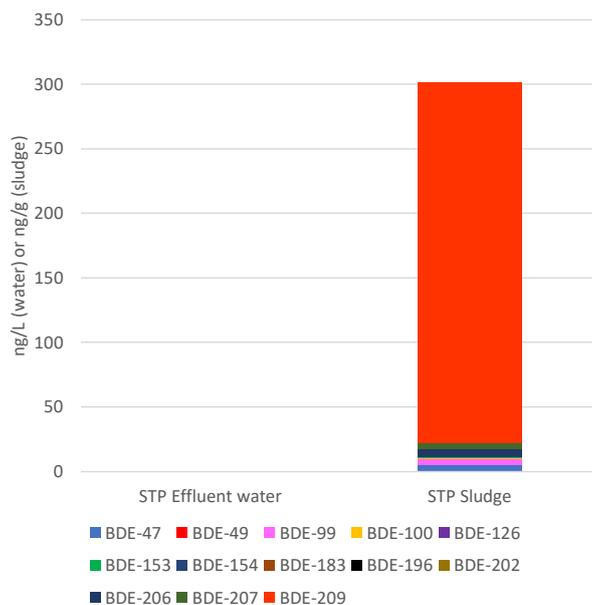
Table 14. Concentrations of contaminants ($\mu\text{g/L}$) in storm water (dissolved fraction) and STP effluent water of which Norwegian quality standards (Direktoratsgruppen vanddirektivet 2018) exist in coastal water. Red numbers indicate concentrations exceeding the quality standard.

River basin specific compounds	AA-EQS ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	Storm water conc. (dissolved; $\mu\text{g/L}$)	Effluent water (STP) conc. ($\mu\text{g/L}$),
Bisphenol A	0.15	1.03	0.06
Decamethylcyclpentasiloxane (D5)	0.17	n.a.	0.12
Medium chained chlorinated paraffins (MCCPs)	0.05	0.29	0.57
Copper (Cu)	2.6	7.7	n.a.
PCB7	0.0000024	<0.00129****	n.a.
PFOA	9.1	0.0036	0.0061
Zinc (Zn)	3.38	24.4	n.a.
TBBPA	0.254	<0.0035	<0.013
Arsenic (As)	0.6	0.4	n.a.
Chromium (Cr)	3.4	2.2	n.a.
TCEP	6.5	n.a.	0.078
EU priority substances			
Cadmium (Cd)	0.2	0.04	n.a.
Lead (Pb)	1.3	0.4	n.a.
Nickel (Ni)	8.6	1.4	n.a.
Mercury (Hg)	0.07 ***	<0.002	n.a.
Brominated diphenyl ethers *	0.014 ***	<0.0024	<0.0012
Hexachlorobenzene	0.05 ***	<0.00033	n.a.
C10-13 chloroalkanes **	0.4	0.2	0.05
Pentachlorobenzene	0.0007	<0.00022	n.a.
Nonylphenol (4-)	0.3	<0.002	<0.0085
Octylphenol (4-tert-)	0.01	0.049	0.015
PFOS	0.00013	0.0056	0.0019
* Sum of BDE-28, -47, -99, -100, -153 and -154. ** Short chained chlorinated paraffins (SCCPs) *** No AA-EQS for these substances, thus this is the MAC-EQS **** Too high limit of detection to evaluate. However, a concentration of PCB-180 was measured to 0.000113 $\mu\text{g/L}$ in one of the samples, which is exceeding the EQS, thus the red colour.			

3.2.6 Sewage treatment plant (STP)

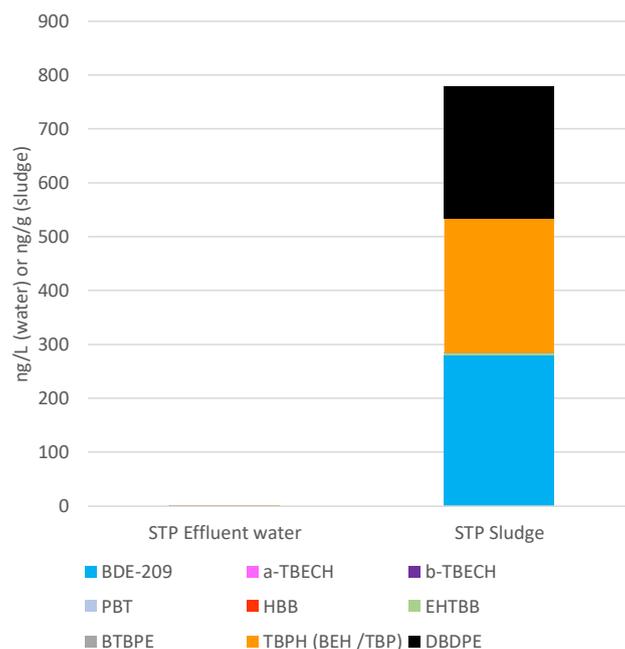
The results of the chemical analyses of effluent water and sludge from Bekkelaget STP can be found in the electronic Appendix. Dechlorane plus was not analysed in STP samples in 2019. Of the PBDEs, BDE-209 showed, by far, the highest concentration in the sludge (**Figure 33**). Given the hydrophobic nature of these compounds, they have a high affinity for the particulate phase, thus they were detected here. Finding BDE-209 in the highest concentrations in sludge corresponds with other recent findings (Aigars et al. 2017; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1131 and M-1441) and with the historic market demand for deca-BDE mixtures (McGrath et al. 2017). As the main component of these mixtures, BDE-209 has been the most prevalent congener in a large majority of soil samples (McGrath et al. 2017).

Another notable result of the analysis of the STP sludge was that the alternative/"new" brominated flame retardants TBPH (BEH/TBP) and DBDPE were found in equally conspicuous concentrations as BDE-209 (**Figure 34**). High concentrations of these compounds correspond with earlier findings (Ruus et al. 2019a; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1131).



	Effluent water (ng/L)	Sludge (ng/g)
BDE-47	n.d.	4.765
BDE-49	n.d.	0.835
BDE-99	n.d.	3.930
BDE-100	n.d.	0.840
BDE-126	n.d.	n.d.
BDE-153	n.d.	0.514
BDE-154	n.d.	0.345
BDE-183	n.d.	0.371
BDE-196	n.d.	n.d.
BDE-202	n.d.	n.d.
BDE-206	n.d.	5.760
BDE-207	n.d.	4.875
BDE-209	n.d.	279.000

Figure 33. Concentrations (ng/L or ng/g; mean of 2 samples. Non-detected components were assigned a value of zero) of selected BDE-congeners (see **Table 5**) in effluent water and sludge from a sewage treatment plant in the Inner Oslofjord. Components that were not detected in any replicate samples of a fraction (effluent water or sludge) are noted n.d.

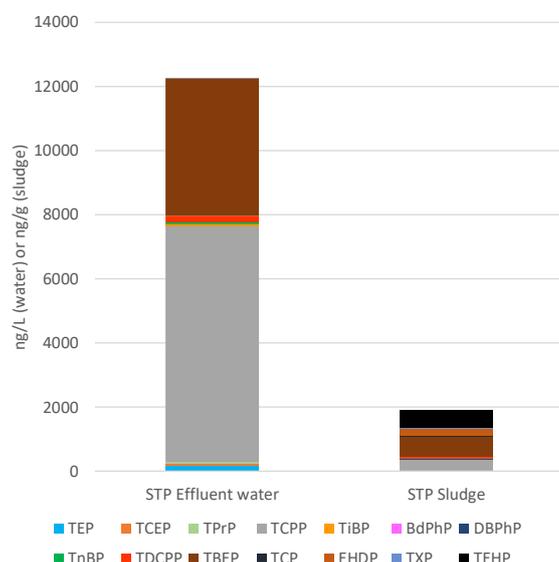


	Effluent water (ng/L)	Sludge (ng/g)
BDE-209	n.d.	279.000
a-TBECH	0.059	n.d.
b-TBECH	0.045	n.d.
PBT	n.d.	0.074
HBB	0.179	0.483
EHTBB	0.024	3.780
BTBPE	n.d.	0.659
TBPH (BEH/TBP)	0.178	250.500
DBDPE	n.d.	245.500

Figure 34. Concentrations (ng/L or ng/g; mean of 2 samples. Non-detected components were assigned a value of zero) of (detected) brominated flame retardants (BFRs) in effluent water and sludge from a sewage treatment plant in the Inner Oslofjord. Components that were not detected in any replicate samples of a fraction (effluent water or sludge) are noted n.d. PBDEs are represented by BDE-209, the congener displaying the highest concentrations (see **Figure 33**).

PFR compounds were present in both effluent water and sludge from Bekkelaget sewage treatment plant (**Figure 35**). TCPP and TBEP were found in the highest concentration in both fractions, in addition to TEHP in sludge (**Figure 35**). The pattern was thus similar to what was observed the previous years of the Urban fjord programme (Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1131 and M-1441). Apparently, the concentrations of TCPP and TBEP in

effluent water were substantially higher than the previous years (**Figure 35**; Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1131 and M-1441; see also chapter 3.3).



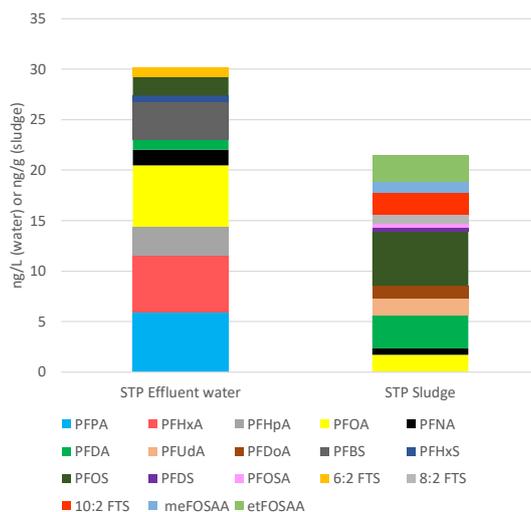
	Effluent water (ng/L)	Sludge (ng/g)
TEP	169.32	-
TCEP	78.03	n.d.
TPrP	18.90	n.d.
TCPP	7363.99	362.90
TiBP	79.43	n.d.
BdPhP	n.d.	24.30
DBPhP	n.d.	7.75
TnBP	52.91	4.90
TDCPP	207.09	48.50
TBEP	4268.64	647.80
TCP	n.d.	8.85
EHDP	n.d.	224.70
TXP	n.d.	19.70
TEHP	1.89	572.50

Figure 35. Concentrations (ng/L or ng/g; mean of 2 samples. Non-detected components were assigned values of zero) of (detected) PFR compounds in effluent water and sludge from a sewage treatment plant in the Inner Oslofjord. Components that were not detected in a fraction (effluent water or sludge) are noted n.d.

A number of PFAS compounds were detected in both effluent water and sludge from Bekkelaget sewage treatment plant (**Figure 36**). PFPA, PFHxA and PFOA constituted large proportions of the sum of PFAS compounds in the effluent water, while PFDA and PFOS constituted large proportions of the sum of PFAS compounds in the sludge (**Figure 36**). As such, this corresponds with the observations of the Urban fjord programme the previous years (Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1131 and M-1441).

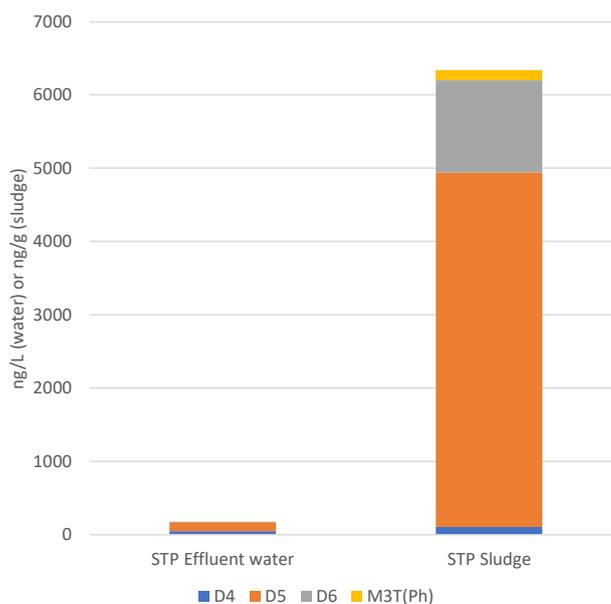
Siloxanes were detected in both effluent water and sludge from Bekkelaget sewage treatment plant (**Figure 37**), with D5 present in the highest concentrations in both effluent water and sludge, as in the other matrices analysed in this programme. The concentrations of siloxanes in sludge were comparable to those found the previous year (Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441), while the concentrations in effluent water apparently were higher.

D5-concentrations observed earlier in samples from other STPs are as follows: In effluent water from HIAS STP (Ottestad, on Lake Mjøsa) a mean concentration of 99 ng/L was observed, and at Rambekk STP (Gjøvik, on lake Mjøsa) a mean concentration of 31 ng/L was observed (van Bavel et al. 2016; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-596). Mean concentrations of D5 in sludge from HIAS STP and Rambekk STP were 7900 ng/g and 6059 ng/g, respectively (van Bavel et al. 2016; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-596). M3T(Ph) was not detected in effluent water from HIAS and Rambekk STPs, while mean concentrations in sludge were 93 ng/g and 62 ng/g, respectively (van Bavel et al. 2016; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-596).



	Effluent water (ng/L)	Sludge (ng/g)
PFPA	5.95	n.d.
PFHxA	5.6	n.d.
PFHpA	2.85	n.d.
PFOA	6.05	1.7
PFNA	1.55	0.65
PFDA	1	3.25
PFUdA	n.d.	1.7
PFDoA	n.d.	1.25
PFBS	3.7	n.d.
PFHxS	0.7	n.d.
PFOS	1.85	5.4
PFDS	n.d.	0.35
PFOSA	n.d.	0.35
6:2 FTS	0.95	n.d.
8:2 FTS	n.d.	1
10:2 FTS	n.d.	2.1
meFOSAA	n.d.	1.15
etFOSAA	n.d.	2.65

Figure 36. Concentrations (ng/L or ng/g; mean of 2 samples. Non-detected components were assigned a value of zero) of (detected) PFAS compounds in effluent water and sludge from a sewage treatment plant in the Inner Oslofjord. Components that were not detected in any replicate samples of a fraction (effluent water or sludge) are noted n.d.



	Effluent water (ng/L)	Sludge (ng/g)
D4	47	105
D5	122	4835
D6	6.2	1260
M3T(Ph)	-	129

Figure 37. Concentrations (ng/L or ng/g; mean of 2 samples for effluent water) of siloxanes in effluent water and sludge from a sewage treatment plant in the Inner Oslofjord.

UV-chemicals (benzophenone, ethylhexylmethoxycinnamate and especially octocrylene, as well as UV-327, UV-328 and UV-329) were detected in notable concentrations in samples from Bekkelaget sewage treatment plant, and especially sludge (see electronic Appendix; the concentrations of octocrylene in the two sludge samples were 19000 ng/g and 17000 ng/g, respectively). This corresponds with findings from previous years (Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1131 and M-1441). These findings reflect the use of UV-chemicals in sunscreens and other cosmetics, as well as in other products.

The antioxidant MB1 was not detected in neither STP effluent water (<13 ng/L), nor sludge (<6.5 ng/g). Previously, concentrations of 25 to ~130 ng/L were observed in effluent water from HIAS STP (Ottestad, on Lake Mjøsa) and Rambekk STP (Gjøvik, on lake Mjøsa; van Bavel et al. 2016; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-596).

The last annual report from VEAS sewage treatment plant (STP) is from 2019 and they reported a discharge of 51 kg As, 68 kg Pb, 6.0 kg Cd, 605 kg Cu, 65 kg Cr, 0.48 kg Hg, 231 kg Ni and 2140 kg Zn that year (more than 90% of the measurements were below the limit of detection for Cd, Cr and Hg, and half of the LoD was reported for these; VEAS 2020). In 2018, the discharges were 46 kg As, 39 kg Pb, 4.5 kg Cd, 434 kg Cu, 48 kg Cr, 0.33 kg Hg, 247 kg Ni and 1857 kg Zn that year (more than 90% of

the measurements were below the limit of detection for Cd, Cr and Hg, and half of the LoD was reported for these; VEAS 2019).

As such, effluent water from the sewer of the population in the urban environment of Oslo is also a pathway of several compounds to the Inner Oslofjord marine environment. The concentrations measured in STP effluent water in this study represent 1 day averages and are merely “snap shots” of what can be observed in this matrix. The above mentioned yearly discharges of metals from VEAS STP show slightly higher (a factor 2-5) amounts for several elements (such as As, Pb, Cu and Cr) as those transported by river Alna (see chapter 3.2.5 and Gundersen et al. 2019; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1508).

As mentioned, for several compounds, environmental quality standards (EQS) for water are given through Norwegian law (The Water Regulation/“Vannforskriften”), according to the requirements of the Water Framework Directive. Furthermore, quality standards are given for even more compounds (Direktoratsgruppen vanddirektivet 2018). For the target compounds of this study of which quality standards exist, the concentrations in effluent water from Bekkelaget STP and the EQSs are also compared in **Table 14** (EQSs for coastal water used, to elucidate the potential of effluent water as source of contaminants to parts of the fjord). MCCPs, 4-*tert*-octylphenol and PFOS exceeded AA-EQS.

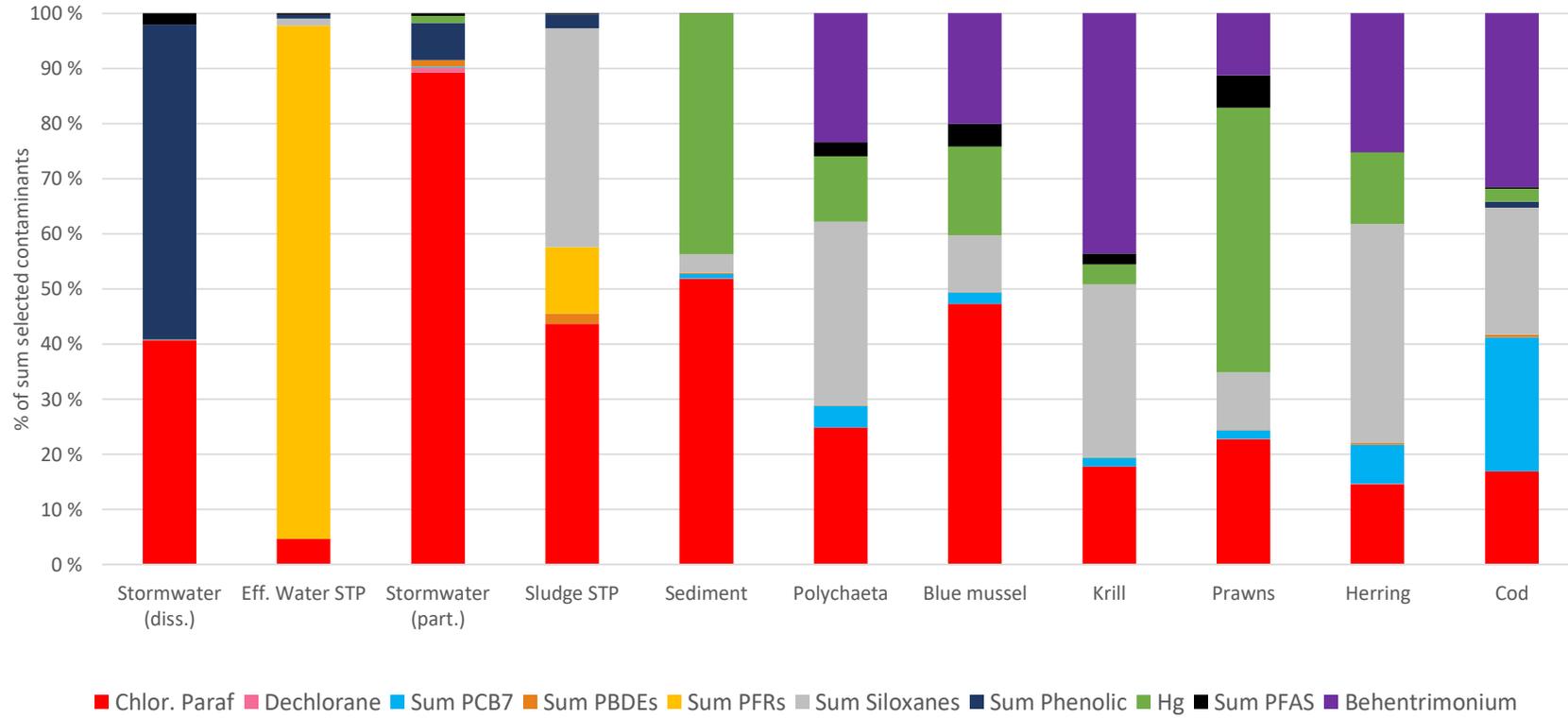
3.3 Interspecies and matrix comparisons

In terms of sources and sinks of contaminants in the marine ecosystem of the Inner Oslofjord, it is of interest to give general impression of the dominating contaminants/groups of contaminants in the different species and matrices analysed. **Figure 38** shows relative contribution of selected contaminants/groups of contaminants to the sum of these contaminants/groups of contaminants in storm water (dissolved and particulate fractions) entering the Oslofjord, sediments of the Inner Oslofjord, and polychaetes, blue mussel, krill, prawns, herring and cod (liver) from the Inner Oslofjord, as well as in effluent water (entering the Oslofjord) and sludge from Bekkelaget STP. The selected contaminants were chlorinated paraffins (sum of SCCPs and MCCPs), dechlorane compounds, sum PCB7, sum PBDEs, sum PFRs, sum siloxanes, sum phenolic compounds, Hg, sum PFAS compounds and behentrimonium.

Chlorinated paraffins apparently constitute major proportions of the sum of contaminants in all species/matrices, especially in the particulate fraction of storm water and sediments, as well as in sewage sludge and mussels (**Figure 38**). PCBs and PBDEs do not constitute very high (< 4%) proportions of the sum of contaminants, except for PCBs in the lipid rich tissues herring muscle and cod liver (PCBs were not analysed in samples from the STP; **Figure 38**). PFRs were only analysed in samples from the STP where they constituted a major proportion, especially in the effluent water (93%; **Figure 38**). Siloxanes (not analysed in storm water) constituted major proportions of the sum of contaminants in sludge from the STP, as well as in organisms in the Inner Oslofjord marine food web. Siloxanes constituted >30% of the sum of contaminants in polychaetes, krill and herring, as well as in STP sludge (**Figure 38**). Phenolic compounds constituted major proportions of the sum of contaminants in storm water (especially the dissolved fraction, 57%; **Figure 38**). Hg (not analysed in samples from the STP) constituted major proportions of the sum of contaminants in sediments and organisms from the Inner Oslofjord, especially in prawns (**Figure 38**). PFAS compounds constituted >5% of the sum of contaminants only in prawns (**Figure 38**). Behentrimonium (not analysed in storm water, sediment, or samples from the STP) apparently constitute major proportions in organisms of the Inner Oslofjord marine food web. As such, the pattern was very similar to those previously observed (Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1131 and M-

1441), however, the proportion/concentration of phenolic compounds in STP effluent water appeared notably higher in 2019 (**Figure 38**).

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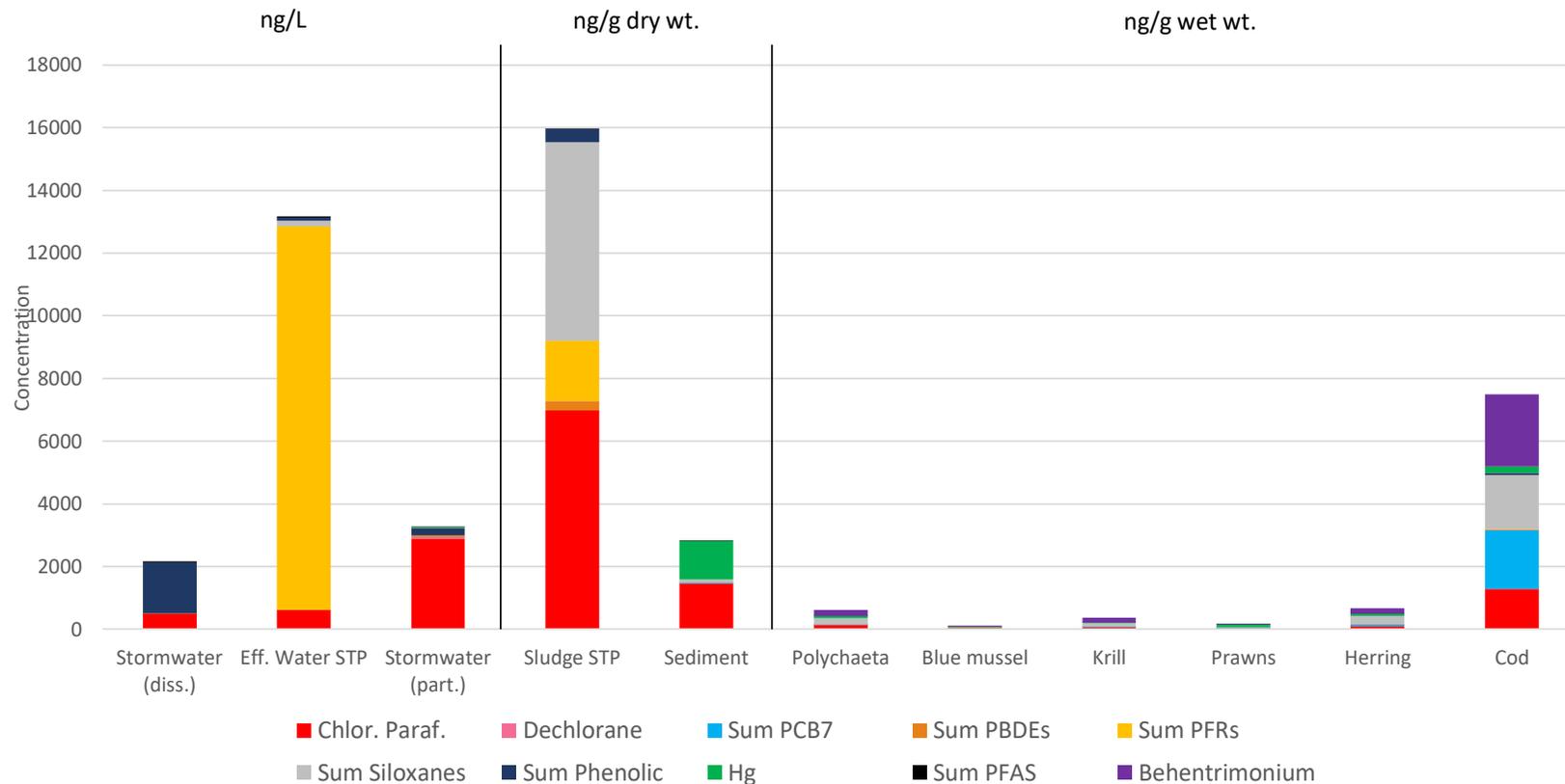


Figure 38. Relative contribution of selected contaminants/groups of contaminants to the sum of these contaminants/groups of contaminants (A.), as well as concentrations (B.), in storm water (dissolved and particulate fractions) entering the Oslofjord, sediments of the Inner Oslofjord, and polychaetes, blue mussel, krill, prawns, herring and cod from the Inner Oslofjord, as well as in effluent water (entering the Oslofjord) and sludge from Bekkelaget STP. Note that PFRs were only analysed in samples from the STP, phenolic compounds were only analysed in cod, storm water and STP samples, siloxanes were not analysed in storm water, PCBs and Hg were not analysed in samples from the STP, and behentrimonium was not analysed in samples of storm water and from the STP. Note also: Dechlorane is dechlorane plus (syn- and anti-isomers), in addition to dechlorane 602 and 603 which were detected in some samples). In herring muscle tissue is analysed, while in cod Hg is analysed in muscle, phenolic compounds are analysed in bile, and other compounds are analysed in liver.

3.4 Support parameters

Miscellaneous support parameters were measured for the different matrices/samples/organisms: Particle fraction <63 μm (% dry wt.) and TOC ($\mu\text{g}/\text{mg}$ dry wt.) in sediment, suspended solids (mg/L) in storm water, $\delta^{13}\text{C}$, $\delta^{15}\text{N}$, C:N (W%), trophic position (deduced from $\delta^{15}\text{N}$,) and weight of egg (g) for herring gull eggs from the Inner Oslofjord, $\delta^{13}\text{C}$, $\delta^{15}\text{N}$, C:N (W%), trophic position (deduced from $\delta^{15}\text{N}$), wing length (mm), head length (mm) and body mass (g) for herring gulls (blood) from the Inner Oslofjord, $\delta^{13}\text{C}$, $\delta^{15}\text{N}$, C:N (W%), trophic position (deduced from $\delta^{15}\text{N}$), age (yr), body length (cm), body mass (g), liver weight (g), gonad weight (g) and sex of cod from the Inner Oslofjord, and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$, $\delta^{15}\text{N}$, C:N (W%) and trophic position (deduced from $\delta^{15}\text{N}$) of the organisms of the Inner Oslofjord food web. The measurements of these support parameters are presented in Tables A1-A6 in the Appendix. The lipid content of all biological samples is given in the electronic Appendix.

3.5 Biological effect parameters

Acetylcholinesterase (AChE) activity in muscle (microsomal fraction) was measured in cod, as well as the physiological parameters liversomatic index (LSI) and gonadosomatic index (GSI). These parameters are presented in **Table 15**.

In vertebrates, acetylcholine (ACh) acts as an excitatory transmitter in the somatic nervous system. ACh also serves as both a pre ganglionic and a post ganglionic transmitter in the parasympathetic nervous system. Cholinesterase enzymes (ChE) are responsible for the removal of ACh from the synaptic cleft by hydroxylation. AChE may be inhibited by various substances/contaminants in the aquatic environment, such as organophosphates (Burgeot et al., 2012; Assis et al. 2010; Di Tuoro et al., 2011).

There is no data to support a causal relationship between AChE activity and Hg concentration in cod. A statistically significant negative relationship (log-log) was observed between the concentration of Hg (analysed in muscle) and AChE in cod (**Figure 39**; note two individuals influential on the regression). However, AChE activity in the muscle of cod also showed a statistically significant negative relationship with the length of the cod (**Figure 40**). Hg was also shown to correlate with the length of cod (**Figure 22**, chapter 3.2.3). Age accumulation of Hg in fish (and thus a correlation with length) is well known (e.g. Ruus et al. 2015b).

Table 15. Biological effect parameters measured for cod from the Inner Oslofjord.

Sample no.	Sex	AChE *	GSI	LSI
1	F	8.93	3.25	3.94
2	F	15.75	0.41	2.16
3	F	14.90	0.86	1.61
4	M	19.04	0.24	1.74
5	F	18.73	0.33	4.29
17	M	15.47	0.22	2.96
7	F	8.90	0.76	9.20
8	M	17.17	2.50	2.07
9	M	20.40	0.02	1.13
10	M	14.50	0.14	2.56
11	F	18.96	0.42	2.88
12	F	20.58	0.31	2.65
19	F	15.64	0.52	3.28
14	F	18.48	0.19	1.07
15	F	14.61	0.20	1.86
*Acetylcholinesterase activity (nmol ATC/min/mg protein)				

Also, in the 2015 “Urban fjord” programme, a statistically significant negative relationship (log-log) was observed between the concentration of Hg (analysed in muscle) and AChE in cod (Ruus et al. 2016; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-601). This finding was interesting, since inhibition of AChE is a known marker of exposure to organophosphate pesticides, but the role of Hg as an anticholinesterase agent is not as well established. Shaw and Panigrahi (1990) did however show a significant negative correlation between brain residual Hg levels and AChE activity in fish. They suggested that Hg might be exerting its influence by combining with the SH-group of the enzyme leading to conformational changes and thus inactivation. Vieira et al. (2009) also found that Hg inhibited AChE activity in the head of the common goby (*Pomatoschistus microps*), also leading to decreased swimming performance. However, in 2015, AChE activity in the muscle of cod also showed statistically significant negative relationships with length, weight and age of cod (Ruus et al. 2016; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-601), and since Hg was shown to correlate with length and weight of cod, the results were inconclusive regarding likely causality (Ruus et al. 2016; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-601). Both in 2017 and 2018, there was a significant negative relationship between AChE-activity and the length of cod, while there was no significant relationship between AChE-activity and muscle Hg-concentration (Ruus et al. 2019a; Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1131 and M-1441), and it was discussed that it is possible that the negative relationship between AChE-activity and the length of cod may be a result of lower AChE:muscle protein-ratio in larger cod, and sometimes there is covariation with Hg concentration without any causal relationship (Ruus et al. 2019b; The Norwegian Environment Agency M-1441).

Interestingly, in the present study, there were significant negative relationships between AChE activity in cod muscle and (liver) concentrations of Cr and PCB-28, -37, -52, -101, -141, -149 and -187 (not shown). However, again these compounds also showed a significant positive relationship with cod length (not shown), thus no causal relationship between the compounds and AChE activity can be suggested.

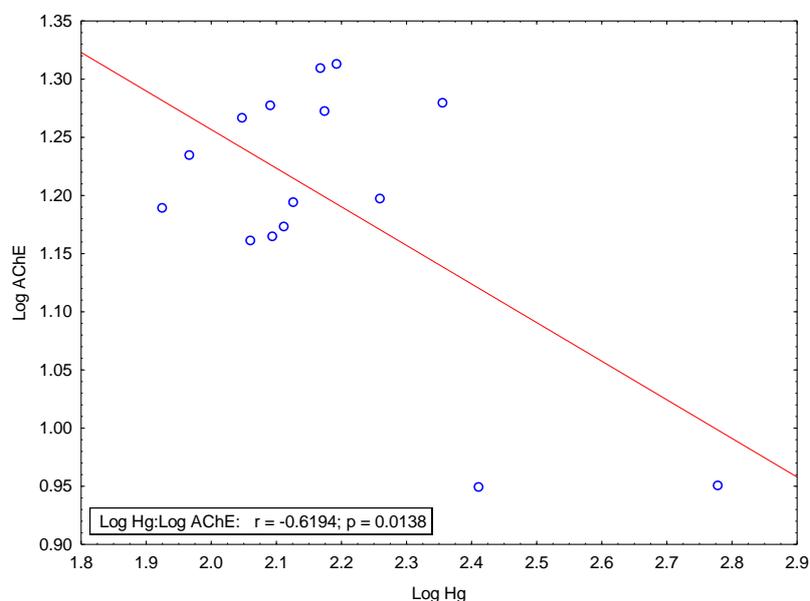


Figure 39. Acetylcholinesterase (AChE) activity (nmol ATC/min/mg protein; log-transformed) in muscle of cod from the Inner Oslofjord against Hg-concentration (ng/g wet wt.; log-transformed) in muscle of cod.

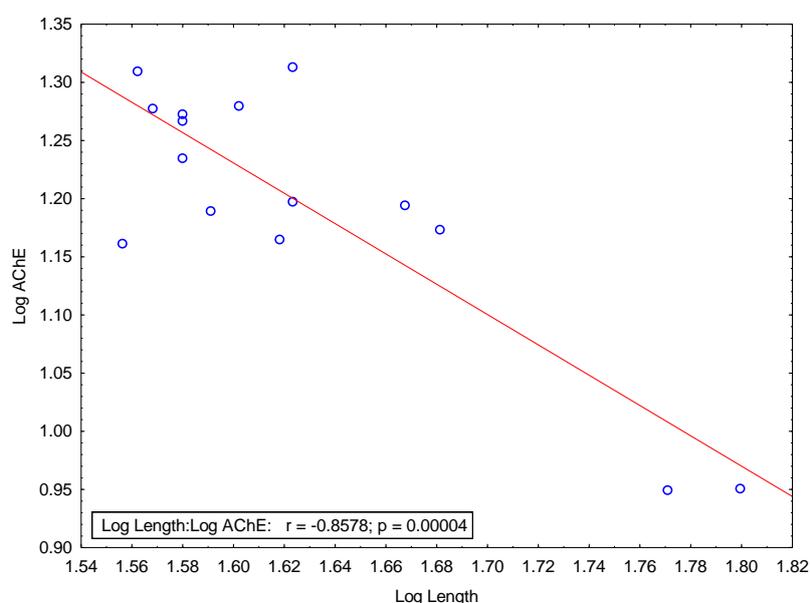


Figure 40. Acetylcholinesterase (AChE) activity (nmol ATC/min/mg protein; log-transformed) in muscle of cod from the Inner Oslofjord against length (cm: log-transformed) of cod.

4 Concluding remarks

In this programme, a large number of chemical parameters have been quantified, in addition to a few biological effect parameters and support parameters. Concentrations of various chemicals in different compartments of the Inner Oslofjord marine ecosystem are documented.

The sediments of the inner Oslofjord is a potential source of contaminants to organisms living in and on the sediments. As such, the contaminants may enter the food chain. Several of the target compounds were found in the sediment, such as PCBs, BDE-209 and other brominated flame retardants (e.g. TBPH (BEH/TBP)), S/MCCPs, siloxanes, metals, PFOS, UV chemicals and dechlorane plus. Inputs to the fjord via storm water and STP effluent water for several of the compounds is also shown, including also phenolic compounds, and PFRs (only STP effluent). Some compounds exceeded environmental quality standards. These were in sediments: D5, Cu, PCB7, Zn, As, Pb, Ni, Hg and PFOS, in storm water: Bisphenol A, MCCPs, Cu, PCB7, Zn, 4-*tert*-octylphenol and PFOS, and in STP effluent water: MCCPs, 4-*tert*-octylphenol and PFOS.

The brominated flame retardants DBDPE and TBPH (BEH/TBP) were found in equally conspicuous concentrations as BDE-209 in STP sludge, likely reflecting substitution of BDE-209 in the market.

The aquatic food web sampled in 2019 was identical to that in 2015-2018. The results of the stable isotope analysis suggest that the marine species (fish and invertebrates) represent members of the marine food web of the Inner Oslofjord. The differences in $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ seem to reflect expected trophic relationships; blue mussel (filters particulate organic matter from the water) < zooplankton (herbivore) < polychaetes (different modes of living, largely detritivorous) < prawns (some scavenging behaviour) < herring (pelagic fish feeding on zooplankton) < cod (mesopelagic fish, predator on fish and benthic organisms). The food web spans over approximately 2 (~1.72) trophic levels with blue mussel defined at trophic level 2.

The biomagnification potential of contaminants was evaluated by calculation of Trophic Magnification Factors (TMFs). Especially legacy contaminants with well-known biomagnifying behaviour displayed a positive significant relationship between (\log_{10} -)concentrations and trophic position (deduced from the $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ isotopic ratio) in the studied Inner Oslofjord marine food web. This suggests that the selected food web is suitable for studying biomagnification in the Oslo fjord. PFOS and Ag were also compounds/elements that displayed a significant $\text{TMF} > 1$. In the literature, there is little evidence of biomagnification of Ag in marine systems, however, this element continues to show biomagnification in the Urban fjord programme.

Behentrimonium (ATAC-C20 and ATAC-C22) are quaternary ammonium compounds (QACs). QACs are widely used as ingredients in industrial applications and household products, and were analysed in the organisms of the Inner Oslofjord marine food web in 2019. Interestingly, behentrimonium showed significant biomagnification (significant $\text{TMF} > 1$) on a wet weight basis, with high concentrations in cod liver, but not on a lipid weight basis.

Dechlorane plus is used as a flame retardant in polymers, such as nylon, polyurethane, polypropylene, neoprene and silicone rubber. Dechlorane plus was found in storm water, in sediment, in fish and invertebrates of the Inner Oslofjord food web, and in herring gull (both blood and eggs; dechlorane plus was not analysed in STP samples). The concentration in the sediment appeared in the same range as concentrations found in sediments of the North American Great

Lakes, and 1-2 orders of magnitude lower than in sediments of Lake Ontario, close to a dechlorane plus manufacturing plant in the city of Niagara Falls. Moreover, the concentrations found in cod from the Inner Oslofjord were not very different from those found in brown trout (*salmo trutta*) from Lake Mjøsa in 2017, which were higher than found in trout from Lake Ontario, Canada. The concentrations in eggs of herring gull ranged from similar to a factor of approximately 3 lower than those in eggs of herring gull from the Laurentian Great Lakes, and a factor of ~5 lower than eggs of herring gull from Niagara River, closer to a dechlorane plus manufacturing plant. 1,3-dechlorane plus monoadduct (1,3-DPMA) and 1,5-DPMA were analysed in the samples of the Urban fjord programme in 2019 (all matrices except samples from STP), however, these compounds were not detected in any samples.

4,4'-methylenebis[2,6-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-phenol (MB1) is used as an industrial anti-oxidant and additive to plastics. It was analysed in the Urban fjord programme in 2019 (in cod liver, herring gull blood and egg, and STP effluent water and sludge). It was, however, not detected in any samples.

UV chemicals were detected in several samples from the Inner Oslofjord marine food web, however no compounds showed biomagnification. OC, UV-327 and UV-328 were most frequently detected. The UV-chemicals were also found in samples from Bekkelaget STP, and notable concentrations of especially OC were found in sludge. These findings reflect the use of UV-chemicals in sunscreens and other cosmetics, as well as in other products.

The PBDE congeners displaying the highest concentrations in herring gull from the Inner Oslofjord (both blood and eggs) were BDE-209, -47 and -99. The concentrations of PBDEs (e.g. BDE-47 and -209) and D5 in herring gull eggs from the present study (Inner Oslofjord) displayed concentrations that were higher than those previously observed in herring gull eggs sampled from remote colonies in Norway, indicating urban influence. On the other hand, concentrations of "legacy" contaminants, such as PCB-153 and sumPCB7 appeared lower in the eggs from Oslofjorden, probably reflecting a less marine diet. Interestingly, in blood of gulls, concentrations of DBDPE were higher than concentrations of any of the PBDE congeners, as also observed in 2016, 2017 and 2018.

While the concentrations of PCBs and PFOS in sparrow hawk eggs from the Oslo area appeared higher than in the herring gull eggs from the Inner Oslofjord area, BDE-209 and siloxanes appeared higher in the gull eggs than in the sparrow hawk eggs. This is possibly reflecting that while the sparrow hawk feeds mostly on birds, the herring gull might feed on human waste and leftovers.

In summary, it is shown that sediments and organisms in the inner Oslofjord contain various contaminants in different concentrations, both legacy contaminants and contaminants of more emerging concern. Some pathways for these contaminants into the fjord are also shown, such as storm water, and effluent water from sewage treatment plants. For instance, chlorinated paraffins apparently constitute major proportions in all species/matrices examined. PCBs constituted a large proportion of the sum of contaminants in the lipid rich herring and cod livers. Furthermore, siloxanes and behentrimonium were important constituents of the sum of contaminants in the species of the Inner Oslofjord marine food web. Mercury also constituted a large proportion of the sum of contaminants in the species of the Inner Oslofjord marine food web, as well as in sediment.

As the programme is in its 9th year in 2020, and is about to enter a third term in 2021, the following reflections are made:

- The aim of assessing bioaccumulation of contaminants at different trophic levels has been approached using trophic magnification factors, which have served the purpose. In this regard it has been important to include species that are constituents of the Inner Oslofjord marine food web. Herring gull has been shown not to represent the marine food web of the inner Oslofjord very well, but has been a good indicator species as an urban inhabitant. Common eider is tighter linked to the marine food web, but reproduction physiology demands careful interpretation of results.
- There have been different biological effect parameters involved in the programme, which have provided some information about the health condition of the Inner Oslofjord organisms. Causal relationships with contaminant exposure have, however, been difficult to prove. The approach of using cumulative risk (comparing measured concentrations to toxicity data) has provided information about the main risk drivers in the system. These do not change much from year to year.
- Cod is a relevant species in the coastal marine food chain and provides a good basis of comparison in terms of temporal trends and data from other monitoring programmes. It is known, however, that the cod population in the Oslofjord and Skagerrak is under pressure. This is also something that we have experienced as poor catches when collecting samples.
- As mentioned, the programme has provided useful information about a vast amount of substances, including some that are not produced in Europe (e.g. dechlorane plus). It has also shown that chlorinated paraffins constitute large proportions of the total contaminants in several matrices. In 2017, the Stockholm Convention amended its Annex A to list short chain chlorinated paraffins (SCCPs) as a Persistent Organic Pollutant (POP). Furthermore, the results from the Oslofjord have continuously indicated positive relationships between concentrations of silver and trophic position in the Inner Oslofjord food web, all though there is little evidence of biomagnification of Ag in marine systems from the literature.
- Through the years of the programme, new knowledge have been gained regarding the Inner Oslofjord food web, and of environmental contaminants that it is exposed to. This knowledge has been used to modify and optimize the programme. As such, continued monitoring in the Inner Oslofjord will benefit from this knowledge base.
- The programme has benefited from optional modules and participation of MSc student. This has given unique possibilities to explore additional topics/objectives and further scrutinize results and phenomena.

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Appendix A.

Concentrations in individual samples and composition of (calculated) pooled samples of cod are available as electronic Appendix.

Table A1.

Support parameters measured for sediment from the inner Oslofjord.

Area	<63 μm (% dry wt.)	TOC ($\mu\text{g}/\text{mg}$ dry wt.)
Inner Oslofjord (station Cm21)	65	3.51

Table A2.

Support parameters measured for storm water.

Sample	Suspended solids (mg/L)
Aln 125x	28.7
Aln 136X	198

Table A3.

Support parameters measured for herring gull eggs from the Inner Oslofjord area.

Sample no.	Specimen/ nest	$\delta^{34}\text{S}$	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	$\delta^{15}\text{N}$	C:N (W%)	Trophic position	Weight, egg (g)	Eggshell thickness (mm)
1	JHR78	n.a.	-26.50	8.87	7.82	2.53	82	n.a.
2	JHR84	n.a.	-27.76	8.58	9.44	2.46	60	n.a.
3	JHR77	n.a.	-26.82	9.21	7.50	2.62	71	n.a.
4	JHR85	n.a.	-28.08	7.30	9.59	2.12	65	n.a.
5	JCL79	n.a.	-27.38	7.43	7.04	2.16	81	n.a.
6	JCL81	n.a.	-28.76	8.50	10.04	2.43	68	n.a.
7	JHR79	n.a.	-28.21	7.42	8.96	2.15	84	n.a.
8	JHR82	n.a.	-28.56	8.01	9.68	2.31	54	n.a.
9	JJX36	n.a.	-28.46	7.29	9.60	2.12	70	n.a.
10	JCL85	n.a.	-28.50	8.22	7.63	2.36	84	n.a.
11	JCL86	n.a.	-27.60	7.73	7.96	2.23	73	n.a.
12	JCL87	n.a.	-26.50	7.59	5.34	2.20	81	n.a.
13	JCL88	n.a.	-27.23	8.98	8.85	2.56	72	n.a.
14	JCL89	n.a.	-27.99	8.29	9.11	2.38	71	n.a.
15	JJX45	n.a.	-27.06	8.31	7.12	2.39	69	n.a.

Table A4.

Support parameters measured for herring gull blood from the Inner Oslofjord.

Sample no.	Specimen/nest	$\delta^{34}\text{S}$	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	$\delta^{15}\text{N}$	C:N (W%)	Trophic position	Wing (mm)	Head (mm)	Weight (g)
1	JHR78	n.a.	-24.96	6.43	3.42	1.89	428	118.1	905
2	JHR84	n.a.	-26.36	6.96	3.54	2.03	420	115.2	900
3	JHR77	n.a.	-24.20	6.81	3.41	1.99	419	116.2	810
4	JHR85	n.a.	-24.65	7.85	3.42	2.26	419	118.8	910
5	JCL79	n.a.	-24.72	7.70	3.49	2.23	427	116.4	900
6	JCL81	n.a.	-24.75	8.54	3.71	2.45	420	120.7	970
7	JHR79	n.a.	-24.45	8.10	3.40	2.33	406	121	830
8	JHR82	n.a.	-24.03	9.47	3.48	2.69	418	113.6	870
9	JJX36	n.a.	-24.50	7.20	3.31	2.09	419	118.8	900
10	JCL85	n.a.	-24.59	8.29	3.76	2.38	430	120.4	970
11	JCL86	n.a.	-24.05	8.76	3.45	2.50	421	118.5	720
12	JCL87	n.a.	-25.41	6.87	3.73	2.01	420	116.1	920
13	JCL88	n.a.	-22.65	7.96	3.40	2.29	424	117.7	770
14	JCL89	n.a.	-24.37	8.22	3.41	2.36	417	117.7	1040
15	JJX45	n.a.	-23.92	7.92	3.39	2.28	435	117.2	940

Table A5.

Support parameters measured for Cod from the Inner Oslofjord.

Sample no.	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	$\delta^{15}\text{N}$	C:N (W%)	Trophic position	Age (yr)	Length (cm)	Weight (g)	Liver weight (g)	Gonad weight (g)	Sex
1	-18.20	16.71	3.28	4.23	4	63	2690	106	87.5	F
2	-19.06	14.29	3.16	3.59	2	42	565	12.2	2.3	F
3	-18.69	14.13	3.09	3.55	2	48	490	7.9	4.2	F
4	-18.51	15.87	3.15	4.01	2	40	580	10.1	1.4	M
5	-18.68	15.84	3.27	4.00	2	38	490	21	1.6	F
17	-19.41	14.34	3.38	3.60	2	39	550	16.3	1.2	M
7	-19.28	15.70	3.27	3.96	4	59	2000	184	15.1	F
8	-21.26	12.94	3.14	3.24	2	38	600	12.4	15	M
9	-19.99	14.60	3.17	3.67	3	36.5	460	5.2	0.1	M
10	-20.22	13.58	3.16	3.40	2	36	500	12.8	0.7	M
11	-18.93	15.83	3.16	4.00	2	37	520	15	2.2	F
12	-19.55	15.00	3.26	3.78	1	42	680	18	2.1	F
19	-18.95	13.69	3.25	3.43	2	46.5	750	24.6	3.9	F
14	-18.67	14.55	3.12	3.66	2	38	420	4.5	0.8	F
15	-19.77	14.59	3.17	3.67	2	41.5	700	13	1.4	F

Note that for 3 individual specimens, the livers were not sufficiently large for all chemical analyses, thus each liver was pooled with livers from three spare specimens: Fish no. 3 was pooled with no. 16, 19 and 20; Fish no. 9 was pooled no. 22, 23 and 25; Fish no. 14 was pooled with no. 17, 18 and 21. Information regarding the spare specimens is as follows (next page):

Sample no.	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	$\delta^{15}\text{N}$	C:N (W%)	Trophic position	Age (yr)	Length (cm)	Weight (g)	Liver weight (g)	Gonad weight (g)	Sex
16	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	37	500	6.9	n.a.	F
17	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	35	370	6.4	n.a.	M
18	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	35.5	370	6.8	n.a.	F
19	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	36	390	9	n.a.	M
20	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	36	330	7.6	n.a.	M
21	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	35.5	310	6.7	n.a.	F
22	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	33	290	8	n.a.	M
23	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	32	290	4.8	n.a.	M
25	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	32.5	220	3.8	n.a.	M

Table A6.

Support parameters measured for compartments of the Inner Oslofjord marine food web; polychaetes, blue mussel, krill, prawns, herring, cod (mathematically derived pooled samples).

Species	Sample sub no.	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	$\delta^{15}\text{N}$	C:N (W%)	Trophic position
Polychaeta	1	-19.54	10.06	4.02	2.48
Polychaeta	2	-20.08	10.82	4.00	2.68
Polychaeta	3	-19.19	13.95	4.67	3.50
Blue mussel	1	-19.13	9.01	5.31	2.20
Blue mussel	2	-19.18	8.21	4.85	1.99
Blue mussel	3	-19.00	7.51	5.02	1.81
Krill	1	-20.25	11.49	3.64	2.85
Krill	2	-20.74	10.42	3.87	2.57
Krill	3	-20.78	10.68	3.93	2.64
Prawns	1	-18.44	12.15	3.24	3.03
Prawns	2	-18.47	12.81	3.26	3.20
Prawns	3	-18.59	12.01	3.25	2.99
Herring	1	-21.57	13.44	4.13	3.37
Herring	2	-22.00	13.80	4.59	3.46
Herring	3	-22.44	12.89	4.86	3.22
Cod (pool 1)	1	-19.77	14.55	3.18	3.66
Cod (pool 2)	2	-19.19	14.77	3.21	3.72
Cod (pool 3)	3	-19.00	15.27	3.26	3.85

Table B1.

Compounds and elements that are/have been included in the Urban fjord programme.
Chemspider ID and/or CAS are given.

Compound	Name	Chemspider ID	CAS
SCCP	Short chain chlorinated paraffins		85535-84-8
MCCP	Medium chain chlorinated paraffins		85535-85-9
Dibromoaldrin			20389-65-5
Dechlorane 602		32870	31107-44-5
Dechlorane 603		22803316	13560-92-4
Dechlorane 604			34571-16-9
Dechlorane plus syn	bis(hexachlorocyclopentadieno)cyclooctane		135821-03-3
Dechlorane 601			13560-90-2
Dechlorane plus anti	bis(hexachlorocyclopentadieno)cyclooctane		135821-74-8
PeCB	Pentachlorobenzene	21106570	608-93-5
HCB	Hexachlorobenzene	8067	118-74-1
PCB-18	2,2',5-Trichlorobiphenyl	34664	37680-65-2
PCB-28	2,4,4'-Trichlorobiphenyl	21924	7012-37-5
PCB-31	2,4',5-Trichlorobiphenyl	26011	16606-02-3
PCB-33	2,3',4'-Trichlorobiphenyl	34870	
PCB-37	3,4,4'-Trichlorobiphenyl	34873	
PCB-47	2,2',4,4'-Tetrachlorobiphenyl	16182	2437-79-8
PCB-52	2,2',5,5'-Tetrachlorobiphenyl	34189	35693-99-3
PCB-66	2,3',4,4'-Tetrachlorobiphenyl	33279	32598-10-0
PCB-74	2,4,4',5-Tetrachlorobiphenyl	33304	
PCB-99	2,2',4,4',5-Pentachlorobiphenyl	34848	38380-01-7
PCB-101	2,2',4,5,5'-Pentachlorobiphenyl	34668	37680-73-2
PCB-105	2,3,3',4,4'-Pentachlorobiphenyl	33282	32598-14-4
PCB-114	2,3,4,4',5-Pentachlorobiphenyl	47913	74472-37-0
PCB-118	2,3',4,4',5-Pentachlorobiphenyl	32952	31508-00-6
PCB-122	2,3,3',4',5'-Pentachlorobiphenyl	82828	76842-07-4
PCB-123	2,3',4,4',5'-Pentachlorobiphenyl	43353	65510-44-3
PCB-128	2,2',3,3',4,4'-Hexachlorobiphenyl	34853	38380-07-3

PCB-138	2,2',3,4,4',5'-Hexachlorobiphenyl	33984	35065-28-2
PCB-141	2,2',3,4,5,5'-Hexachlorobiphenyl	36771	52712-04-6
PCB-149	2,2',3,4',5',6-Hexachlorobiphenyl	34851	38380-04-0
PCB-153	2,2',4,4',5,5'-Hexachlorobiphenyl	33983	35065-27-1
PCB-156	2,3,3',4,4',5-Hexachlorobiphenyl	34854	38380-08-4
PCB-157	2,3,3',4,4',5'-Hexachlorobiphenyl	46136	69782-90-7
PCB-167	2,3',4,4',5,5'-Hexachlorobiphenyl	36984	52663-72-6
PCB-170	2,2',3,3',4,4',5-Heptachlorobiphenyl	33986	35065-30-6
PCB-180	2,2',3,4,4',5,5'-Heptachlorobiphenyl	33985	35065-29-3
PCB-183	2,2',3,4,4',5',6-Heptachlorobiphenyl	36981	52663-69-1
PCB-187	2,2',3,4',5,5',6-Heptachlorobiphenyl	36980	52663-68-0
PCB-189	2,3,3',4,4',5,5'-Heptachlorobiphenyl	35108	39635-31-9
PCB-194	2,2',3,3',4,4',5,5'-Octachlorobiphenyl	34192	35694-08-7
PCB-206	2,2',3,3',4,4',5,5',6-Nonachlorobiphenyl	35206	40186-72-9
PCB-209	Decachlorobiphenyl	15484	2051-24-3
TBA	Tribromoanisole	21170966	
BDE-17	2,2',4-Tribromodiphenyl ether	10239061	
BDE-28	2,4,4'-Tribromodiphenyl ether	10239063	41318-75-6
BDE-47	2,2',4,4'-Tetrabromodiphenyl ether	85876	5436-43-1
BDE-49	2,2',4,5'-Tetrabromodiphenyl ether	21170704	123982-82-3
BDE-66	2,3',4,4'-Tetrabromodiphenyl ether	10239069	
BDE-71	2,3',4',6-Tetrabromodiphenyl ether	10239070	189084-62-6
BDE-77	3,3',4,4'-Tetrabromodiphenyl ether	10239072	
BDE-85	2,2',3,4,4'-Pentabromodiphenyl ether	154435	182346-21-0
BDE-99	2,2',4,4',5-Pentabromodiphenyl ether	33255	60348-60-9
BDE-100	2,2',4,4',6-Pentabromodiphenyl ether	135795	189084-64-8
BDE-119	2,3',4,4',6-Pentabromodiphenyl ether	10239073	189084-66-0
BDE-126	3,3',4,4',5-Pentabromodiphenyl ether	21170703	366791-32-4
BDE-138	2,2',3,4,4',5'-Hexabromodiphenyl ether	10397336	182677-30-1
BDE-153	2,2',4,4',5,5'-Hexabromodiphenyl ether	136695	68631-49-2
BDE-154	2,2',4,4',5,6'-Hexabromodiphenyl ether	21170702	207122-15-4

BDE-156	2,3,3',4,4',5-Hexabromodiphenyl ether	28550781	
BDE-183	2,2',3,4,4',5',6-Heptabromodiphenyl ether	21170701	207122-16-5
BDE-184	2,2',3,4,4',6,6'-Heptabromodiphenyl ether	9105831	
BDE-191	2,3,3',4,4',5',6-Heptabromodiphenyl ether	30805224	
BDE-196	2,2',3,3',4,4',5',6-Octabromodiphenyl ether	28592527	32536-52-0
BDE-197	2,2',3,3',4,4',6,6'-Octabromodiphenyl ether	10141197	117964-21-3
BDE-202	2,2',3,3',5,5',6,6'-Octabromodiphenyl ether	2539191	67797-09-5
BDE-206	2,2',3,3',4,4',5,5',6-Nonabromodiphenyl ether	41371	63387-28-0
BDE-207	2,2',3,3',4,4',5,6,6'-Nonabromodiphenyl ether	9193547	437701-79-6
BDE-209	Decabromodiphenyl ether	13764	1163-19-5
ATE (TBP-AE)	allyl-2,4,6-tribromophenyl ether	69223	3278-89-5
a-TBECH	Tetrabromoethylcyclohexane		3322-93-8
b-TBECH	Tetrabromoethylcyclohexane		3322-93-8
g/d-TBECH	Tetrabromoethylcyclohexane		3322-93-8
BATE	2-bromoallyl 2,3,6-tribromophenylether		99717-56-3
PBT	Pentabromotoluene		87-83-2
PBEb	Pentabromoethylbenzene		85-22-3
HBB	Hexabromobenzene	6639	87-82-1
DPTE	2,3-dibromopropyl-2,4,6-tribromophenyl ether		35109-60-5
EHTBB	2-ethyl-hexyl tetrabromobenzoate	28419925	183658-27-7
BTBPE	1,1'-[1,2-Ethanediy]bis(oxy)]bis(2,4,6-tribromobenzene)	34697	37853-59-1
TBPH (BEH /TBP)	bis(2-ethylhexyl) tetrabromophthalate	104816	26040-51-7
DBDPE	Decabromodiphenyl ethane	82781	84852-53-9
a-HCH	a-Hexachlorocyclohexane	10468511	319-84-6
b-HCH	b-Hexachlorocyclohexane	10468512	319-85-7
g-HCH	g-Hexachlorocyclohexane	10481896	58-89-9
d-HCH	d-Hexachlorocyclohexane	10430682	319-86-8
o,p'-DDE	1-Chloro-2-[2,2-dichloro-1-(4-chlorophenyl)vinyl]benzene	215802	3424-82-6
p,p'-DDE	1,1'-(2,2-Dichloro-1,1-ethenediy)]bis(4-chlorobenzene)	2927	72-55-9
o,p'-DDD	1-Chloro-2-[2,2-dichloro-1-(4-chlorophenyl)ethyl]benzene	4066	53-19-0
p,p'-DDD	1,1'-(2,2-Dichloro-1,1-ethanediy)]bis(4-chlorobenzene)	6057	72-54-8

o,p'-DDT	1-Chloro-2-[2,2,2-trichloro-1-(4-chlorophenyl)ethyl]benzene	12543	789-02-6
p,p'-DDT	1,1'-(2,2,2-Trichloro-1,1-ethanediyl)bis(4-chlorobenzene)	2928	50-29-3
TEP	Tetraethyl diphosphate	7585	107-49-3
TCEP	Tris(2-chloroethyl) phosphate	7994	115-96-8
TPrP	Tripropyl phosphate	10106	513-08-6
T CPP	Tris(1-chloropropyl) phosphate	10745879	13674-84-5
TiBP	Triisobutyl phosphate	29088	126-71-6
BdPhP	Butyl diphenyl phosphate	16714	2752-95-6
DBPhP	Dibutyl phenyl phosphate	16382	2528-36-1
TPP	Triphenyl phosphate	7988	115-86-6
TnBP	Tri-n-butyl phosphate	29090	126-73-8
TDCPP	Tris(1,3-dichloro-2-propyl)phosphate	24388	13674-87-8
TBEP	Tris(2-butoxyethyl) phosphate	6292	78-51-3
TCP	Tricresyl phosphate	21106216	1330-78-5
EHDP	2-Ethylhexyl diphenyl phosphate	14040	1241-94-7
TEHP	Tris(2-ethylhexyl) phosphate	6289	78-42-2
D4	2,2,4,4,6,6,8,8-Octamethyl-1,3,5,7,2,4,6,8-tetroxatetrasiloxane	10696	556-67-2
D5	2,2,4,4,6,6,8,8,10,10-Decamethyl-1,3,5,7,9,2,4,6,8,10-pentoxapentasiloxane	10451	541-02-6
D6	Dodecamethylcyclohexasiloxane	10449	540-97-6
M3T(Ph)	tris(trimethylsiloxy)phenylsilane	56211	2116-84-9
Cr	Chromium	22412	7440-47-3
Fe	Iron	22368	7439-89-6
Ni	Nickel	910	7440-02-0
Cu	Copper	22414	7440-50-8
Zn	Zinc	22430	7440-66-6
As	Arsenic	4514330	7440-38-2
Ag	Silver	22394	7440-22-4
Cd	Cadmium	22410	7440-43-9
Sb	Antimony	4510681	7440-36-0
Pb	Lead	4509317	7439-92-1

Hg	Mercury	22373	7439-9-76
Bisphenol FL	4,4'-(9H-Fluorene-9,9-diyl)diphenol	69174	3236-71-3
Bisphenol M	4,4'-(1,3-Phenylenedi-2,2-propanediyl)diphenol	2540817	13595-25-0
Bisphenol Z	4,4'-(1,1-Cyclohexanediyl)diphenol	202599	843-55-0
Bisphenol AF	4,4'-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2,2-propanediyl)diphenol	66498	1478-61-1
Bisphenol AP	4,4'-(1-Phenyl-1,1-ethanediyl)diphenol	541979	1571-75-1
Bisphenol S	4,4'-Sulfonyldiphenol	6374	80-09-1
4,4-bisphenol F	4,4'-Methylenediphenol	11614	620-92-8
2,2-bisphenol F	2,2'-Methylenediphenol	68100	2467-02-9
Bisphenol E	4,4'-(1,1-Ethanediyl)diphenol	528599	2081-08-5
Bisphenol A	4,4'-(2,2-Propanediyl)diphenol	6371	80-05-7
Bisphenol B	4,4'-(2,2-Butanediyl)diphenol	59553	77-40-7
4-tert-octylphenol	4-(2,4,4-Trimethyl-2-pentanyl)phenol	8483	140-66-9
4-nonylphenol	4-Nonylphenol	1688	104-40-5
Dodekylphenol			27193-86-8
TBBPA	Tetrabromobisphenol A	6366	79-94-7
AO-MB1	4,4'-methylenebis[2,6-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-phenol	8069	118-82-1
PFPA	Perfluoropentanoic acid	68426	2706-90-3
PFHxA	Perfluorohexanoic acid	60864	307-24-4
PFHpA	Perfluoroheptanoic acid	61135	375-85-9
PFOA	Perfluorooctanoic Acid	9180	335-67-1
PFNA	Perfluorononanoic acid	61138	375-95-1
PFDA	Perfluorodecanoic acid	9181	335-76-2
PFUdA	Perfluoroundecanoic acid	69649	2058-94-8
PFDoA	Perfluorododecanoic acid	60867	307-55-1
PFTTrDA	Perfluorotridecanoic acid	2285907	72629-94-8
PFTeDA	Perfluorotetradecanoic acid	61139	376-06-7
PFBS	Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid	61132	29420-49-3
PFPS	Perfluoropentane-1-sulfonic acid	68427	2706-91-4
PFHxS	Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid	61053	82382-12-5
PFHpS	Perfluoroheptanesulfonic acid	61137	375-92-8

PFOS	Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid	67068	4021-47-0
8Cl-PFOS	8-chloroperfluoro-1-octanesulfonate		
PFNS	Perfluorononanesulfonic acid	78474	17202-41-4
PFDS	Perfluorodecane sulfonic acid	60955	67906-42-7
PFDoS	perfluoro-1-dodecansulfonate		79730-39-5
PFOSA	Perfluorooctanesulfonamide	62984	754-91-6
meFOSA	N-methylperfluoro-1-octanesulfonamide	2298910	31506-32-8
etFOSA	N-Ethylperfluorooctansulfonamid	70194	4151-50-2
meFOSE	2-(N-methylperfluoro-1-octanesulfonamido)-ethanol	81716	24448-09-7
etFOSE	2-(N-ethylperfluoro-1-octanesulfonamido)-ethanol	13908688	1691-99-2
4:2 FTS	1H,2H-perfluorohexane sulfonate (4:2)	16166147	757124-72-4
6:2 FTS	1H,2H-perfluorooctane sulfonate (6:2)	106865	27619-97-2
8:2 FTS	1H,2H-perfluorodecane sulfonate (8:2)	2284056	481071-78-7
meFOSAA	2-(N-methylperfluoro-1-octanesulfonamido)acetic acid	11316301	2355-31-9
etFOSAA	2-(N-ethylperfluoro-1-octanesulfonamido)acetic acid	17128	2991-50-6
F53	potassium 1,1,2,2-tetrafluoro-2-(perfluorohexyloxy)ethane sulfonate		754925-54-7
F53B	potassium 2-(6-chloro-1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6-dodecafluorohexyloxy)-1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethane sulfonate		73606-19-6
BP3	(2-Hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)(phenyl)methanone	4471	131-57-7
EHMC	2-Ethylhexyl (2E)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)acrylate	4511170	5466-77-3
OC	Octocrylene	21165	6197-30-4
UV-327	2,4-di-tert-butyl-6-(5-chlorobenzotriazol-2-yl)phenol	69879	3864-99-1
UV-328	2-(2H-benzotriazol-2-yl)-4,6-ditertpentylphenol	30728	25973-55-1
UV-329 (Octrizole)	2-(2H-benzotriazol-2-yl)-4-(1,1,3,3-tetramethylbutyl)phenol	56265	3147-75-9
ATAC-C20			15809-05-9
ATAC-C22			17301-53-0
TCC	Triclocarban	7266	101-20-2
Triclosan	Triclosan	5363	3380-34-5

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