



# BALTEX Survey on

## Biogeochemical Modelling Activities in the Baltic Sea Basin

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| Model Name  | SANBALTS ( <b>S</b> imple <b>A</b> s <b>N</b> ecessary <b>B</b> ALtic <b>L</b> ong <b>T</b> erm large <b>S</b> cale eutrophication model)   |
| Model Description                                       | SANBaLTS simulates the interplay between nutrient sources and sinks within the major seven basins of the Baltic Sea. Each basin is treated as a homogeneous box except of the Baltic Proper basin, which is split along the halocline into surface (BPs, 0-60 m) and deep (BPd, below 60 m) boxes. The model describes interactions between annual integrals of external inputs (from land, atmosphere and Skagerrak), inter-boxes transports (due to advection and mixing), and internal biogeochemical fluxes (primary production and nitrogen fixation, pelagic recycling, sedimentation, outputs from the sediments, denitrification, and sediment burial).   |
| State Variables   | Each box contains eight state variables representing annual averages of: dissolved inorganic nitrogen <b>DIN</b> and phosphorus <b>DIP</b> , labile organic nitrogen <b>ONL</b> and phosphorus <b>OPL</b> , refractory organic nitrogen <b>ONS</b> and phosphorus <b>OPS</b> , benthic nitrogen <b>BEN</b> and phosphorus <b>BEP</b> . Additionally, BPd contains an average oxygen concentration <b>OX</b> .   |
| On a scale between 1 and 10, please classify your model | 1 Biogeochemical cycling, matter fluxes<br><b>2</b><br>3<br>4<br>5<br>6<br>7<br>8<br>9<br>10 Ecosystem functioning  |
| Dimension (0D, 1D, 2D, 3D)                              | 8x0D, i.e. eight homogeneous boxes covering the entire Baltic Sea   |
| Modeled Area (Marine, terrestrial, combined)            | The Baltic Sea marine area comprising the Kattegat  |
| Coupled to hydrological component                       | No, atmospheric and hydrologic components are considered just as given boundary conditions  |
| Suited for climate change sensitivity studies           | In a way... through scenario boundary conditions and prescribed water flows between the Baltic Sea basins   |
| Publications  | 1. Pitkänen, H., Kiirikki, M., Savchuk, O.P., Räike, A and Wulff, F. 2007. Searching efficient protection strategies for the eutrophied Gulf of Finland: The combined use of 1 D and 3 D modelling in assessing long-term state scenarios with high spatial resolution. <i>Ambio</i> 36. (in print).<br><br>2. Savchuk, O.P. 2006. SANBaLTS - Simple As Necessary Long-Term large-Scale simulation model of the nitrogen and phosphorus biogeochemical cycles in the Baltic Sea. (Techn. Rep., 23 pp).<br><a href="http://www.mare.su.se/nest/docs/SANBaLTS_QAv3.pdf">http://www.mare.su.se/nest/docs/SANBaLTS_QAv3.pdf</a><br><br>3. Savchuk, O.P. and Wulff, F. 2007a. Long-term modelling of large-scale nutrient cycles in the entire Baltic Sea. <i>Hydrobiologia</i> . (submitted). |

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|                      | <p>4. Savchuk, O. and Wulff, F. 2007b. Modeling of the nutrient biogeochemical cycles in the Baltic Sea as "working horse" of the MARE's NEST. <i>Ambio</i> 36, (in print).</p> <p>5. Savchuk O.P., Wulff, F., Hille, S., Humborg, C. and Pollehne, F. 2007. The Baltic Sea a century ago – a reconstruction from model simulations, verified by observations. (in prep.)</p> <p>6. Wulff, F., Savchuk, O.P., Sokolov, A.V., Humborg, C. and Mörtz, M. 2007. Assessing the past and the possible future of the Baltic. <i>Ambio</i> 36. (in print).</p> |
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