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Lake Durowskie

Phytoplankton and periphyton
communities



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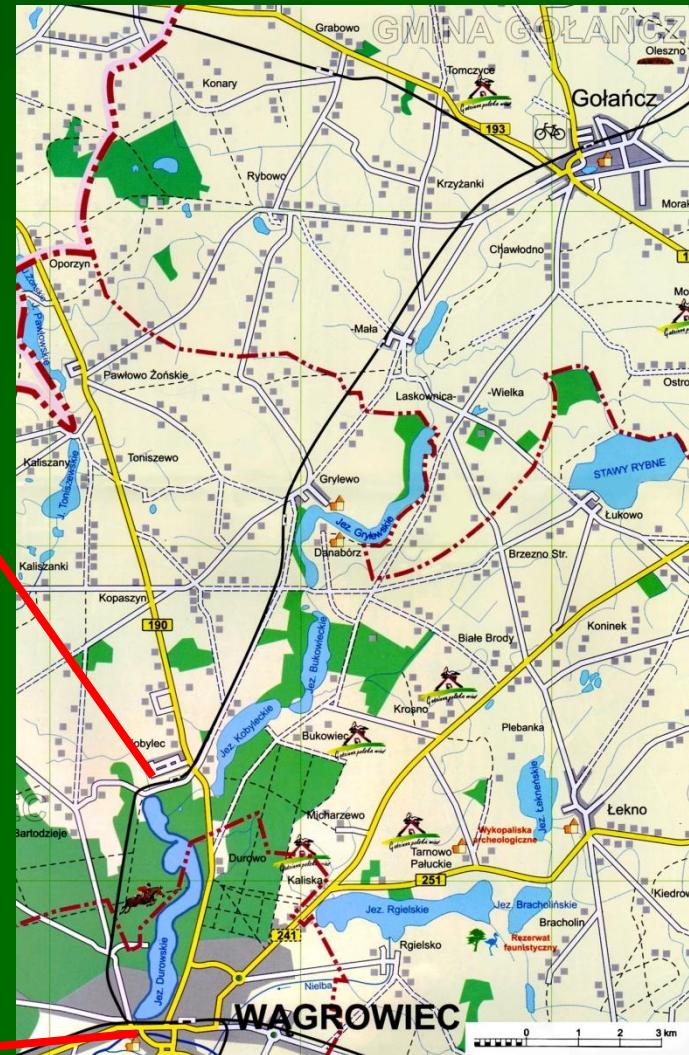
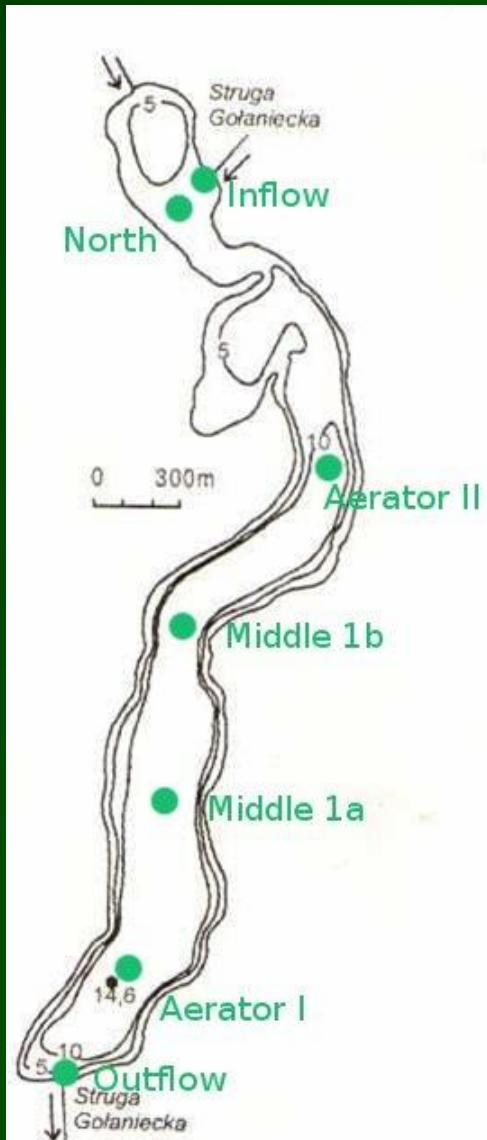
Introduction

1. Fresh water ecosystem has been threatened by eutrophication
 - mainly nitrogen and phosphorous from agriculture industry and urban wastes
2. Phytoplankton - water quality assessment by:
 - phytoplankton abundance (chlorophyll a)
 - taxonomic composition (dominants and indicators)
3. Phytoplankton is one of the four biological quality elements (but five biological groups: phytoplankton, macrophytes and phytobenthos, macroinvertebrates and fish) required for the ecological status assessment of surface waters

Aim

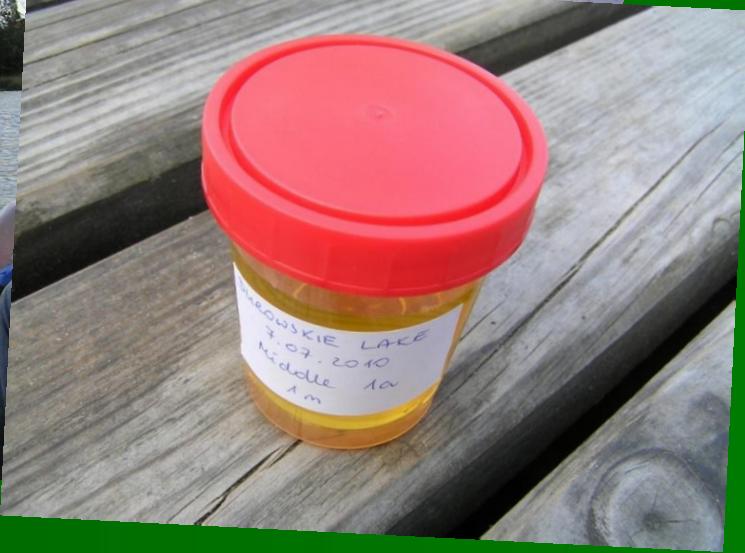
1. to assess the trophic level of the lake on the basis of phytoplankton biomass and periphytic diatom species
2. to compare phytoplankton and periphytic composition and distribution in seven representative sites of the lake.
3. to see if there is spatial or temporal difference in phytoplankton distribution across the lake
4. to estimate water quality according WFD based on periphytic diatom's index
5. to answer if restoration project which started in 2008 is effective or not

Phytoplankton stations



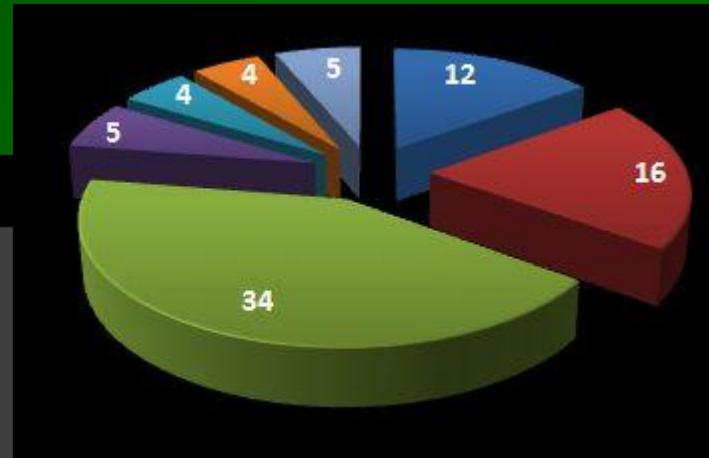
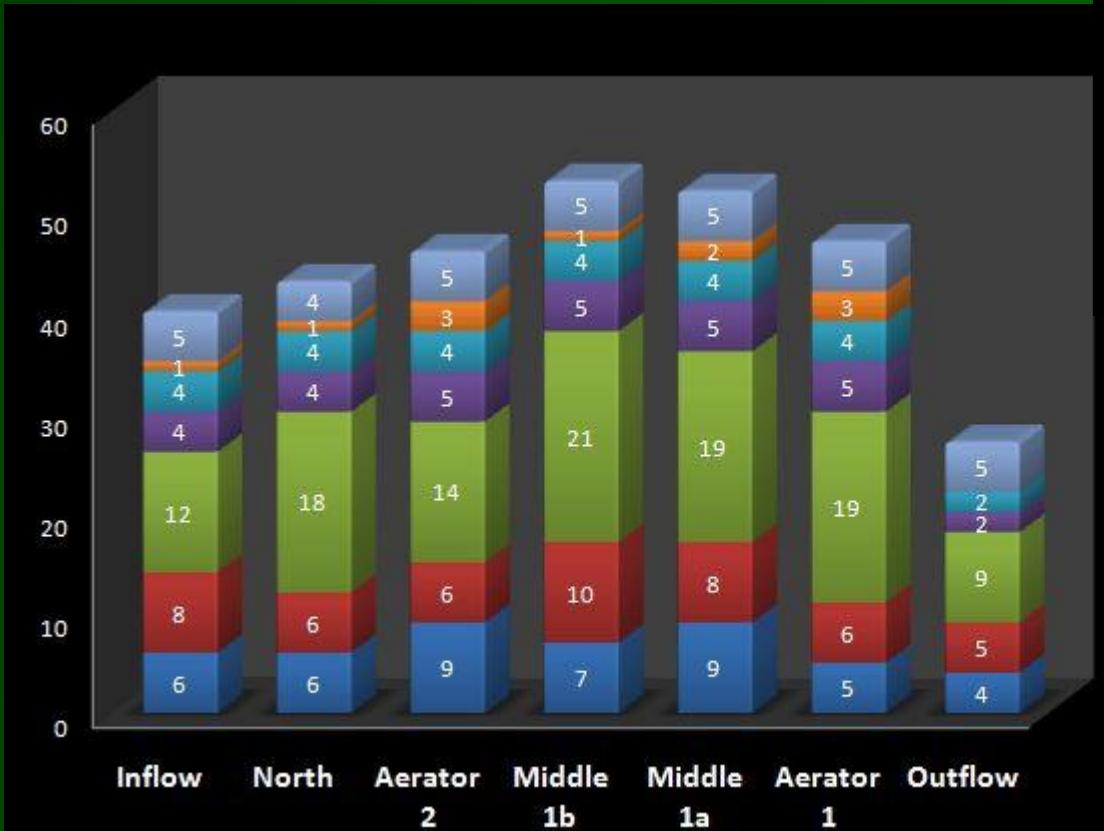
Mapa: Stanowiska poboru fitoplanktonu

Methods



Results – number of species

Wykres: Całkowita liczba gatunków w jeziorze Durowskim



Wykres: Liczba gatunków na poszczególnych stanowiskach (średnia ogólna)

Results – Mixed Phytoplankton Index

Station	2008	2009	2010	Trophy
Aerator 1	9,67	16	8,3	Eutrophy
Aerator 2	~	26	11,5	Eutrophy
Middle 1a	~	9	12,5	Eutrophy
Middle 1b	~	~	8,3	Eutrophy
Inflow	~	~	18	Eutrophy
Outflow	~	~	6,5	Eutrophy
North	~	~	11,5	Eutrophy

Tabela: Mixed Phytoplankton Index

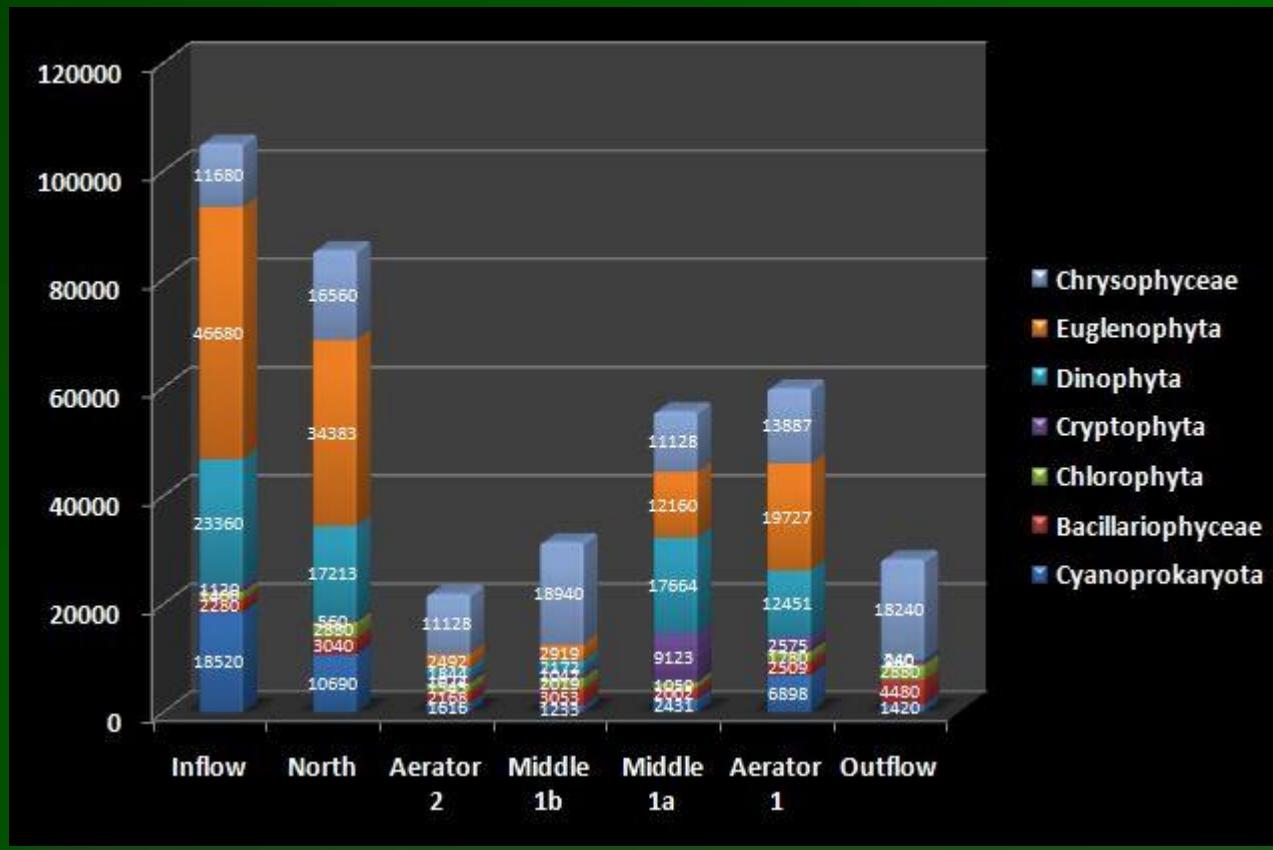
$1,0 < \text{mesotrophy} < 3,0 < \text{eutrophy}$

Results – Jaccard Index

Year	2009	2010
2008	0,84	0,513
2009	~	0,48

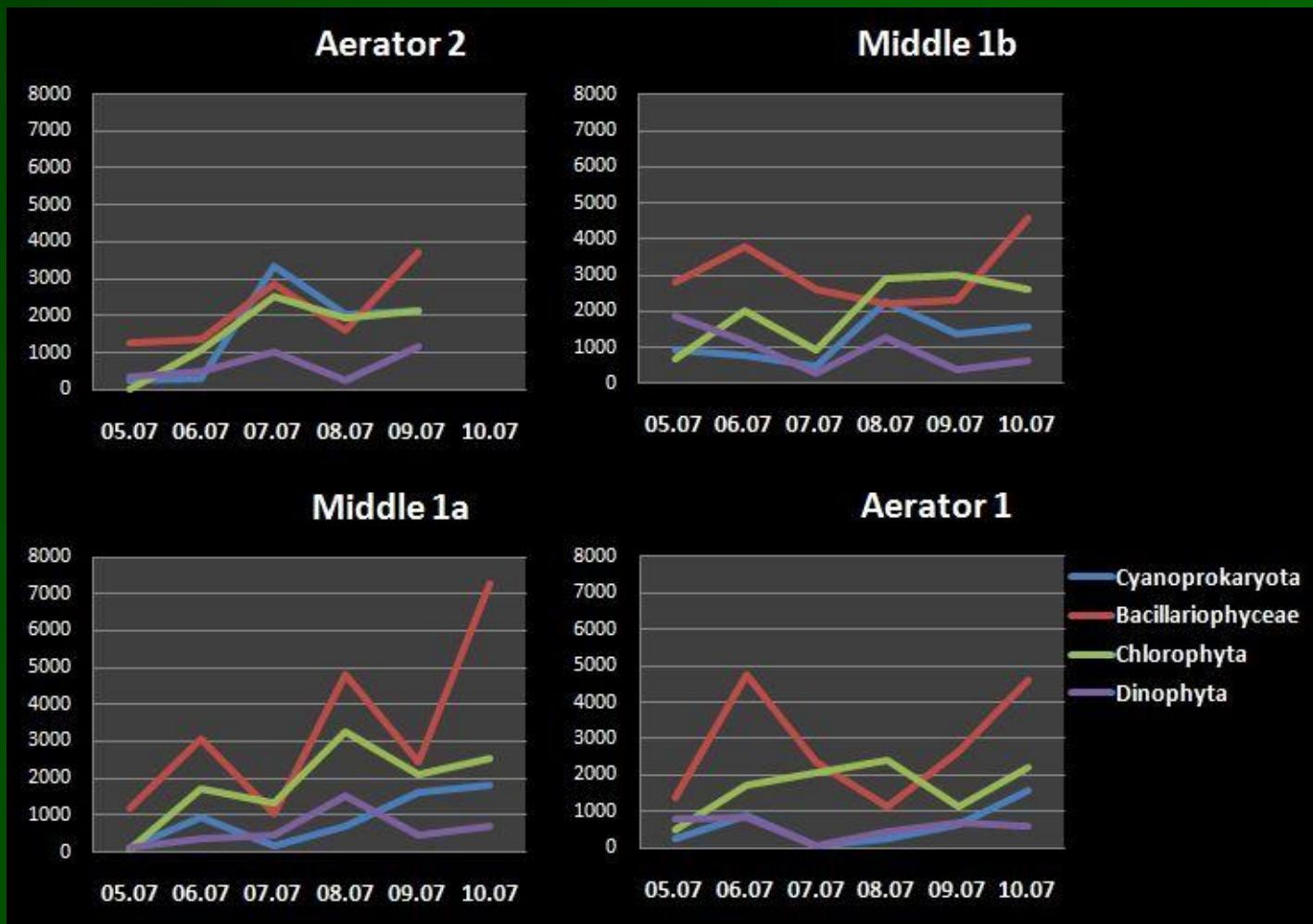
Tabela: Współczynnik Jaccard'a

Results – number of cells



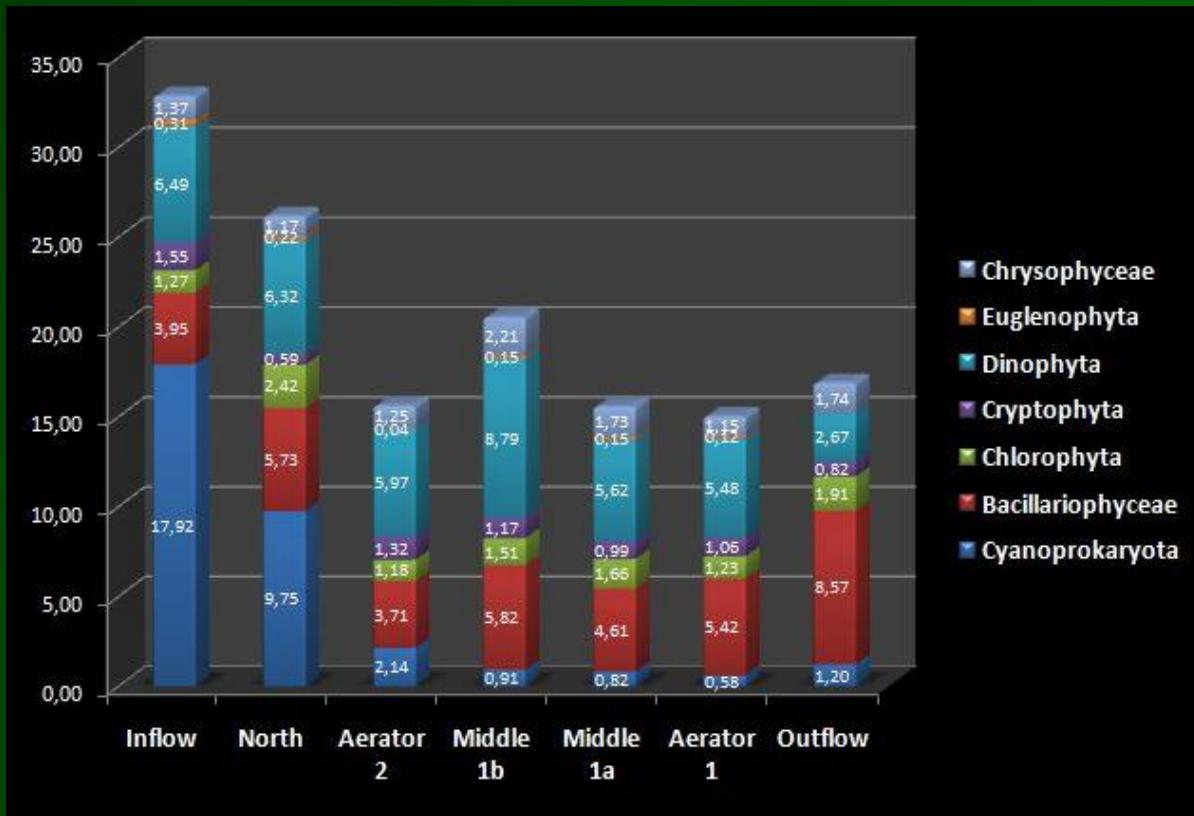
Wykres: Średnia liczba komórek na poszczególnych stanowiskach

Results – number of cells



Wykres: Zmiany liczebności na wybranych stanowiskach

Results – biomass

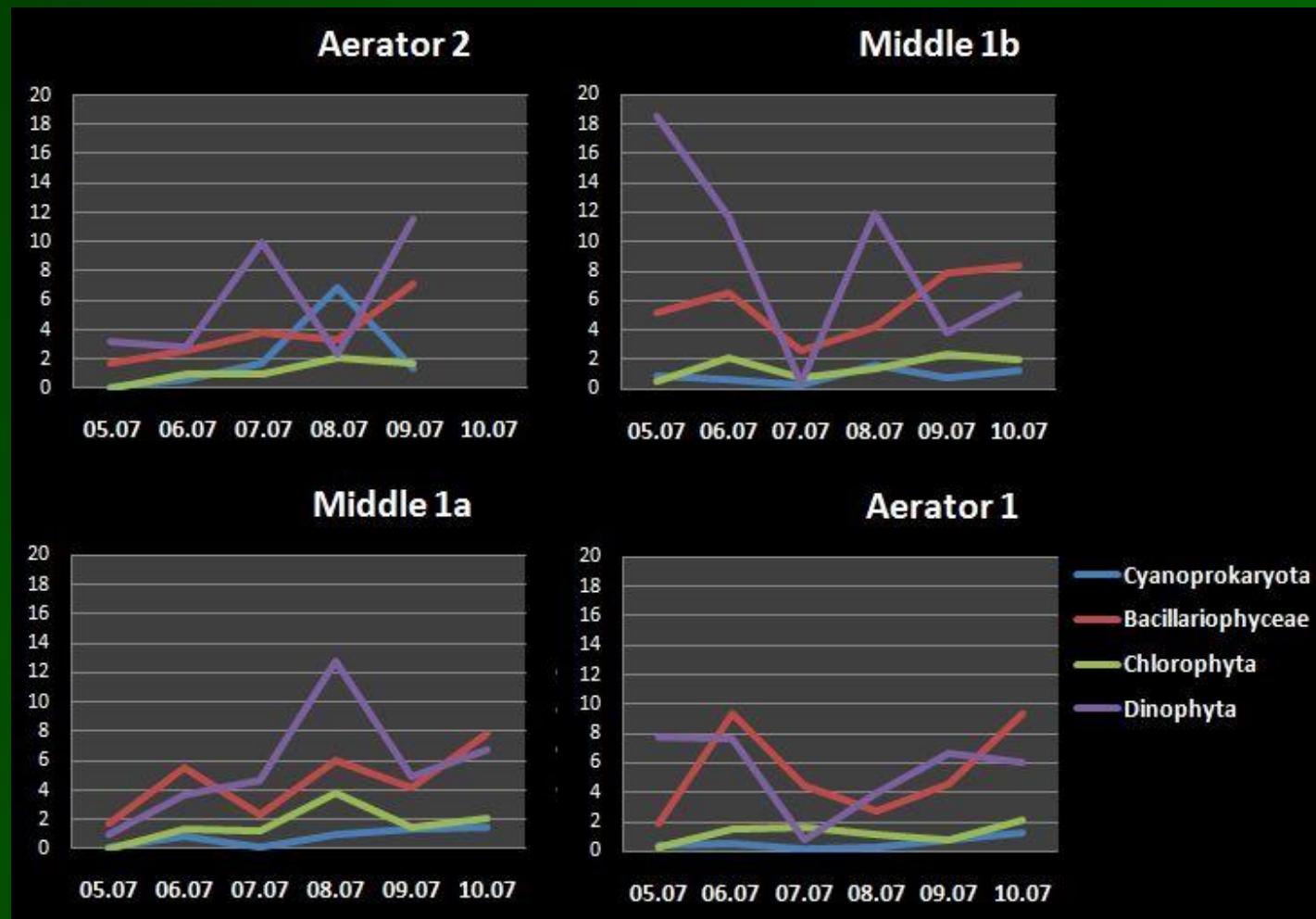


Trophy	Biomass [mg/l]
oligotrophy	0,2 - 0,5
mesotrophy	1,0 - 3,0
eutrophy	2,5 - 10
hypertrophy	> 10

Tabela: Skala trofii wg Zdanowskiego (1991)

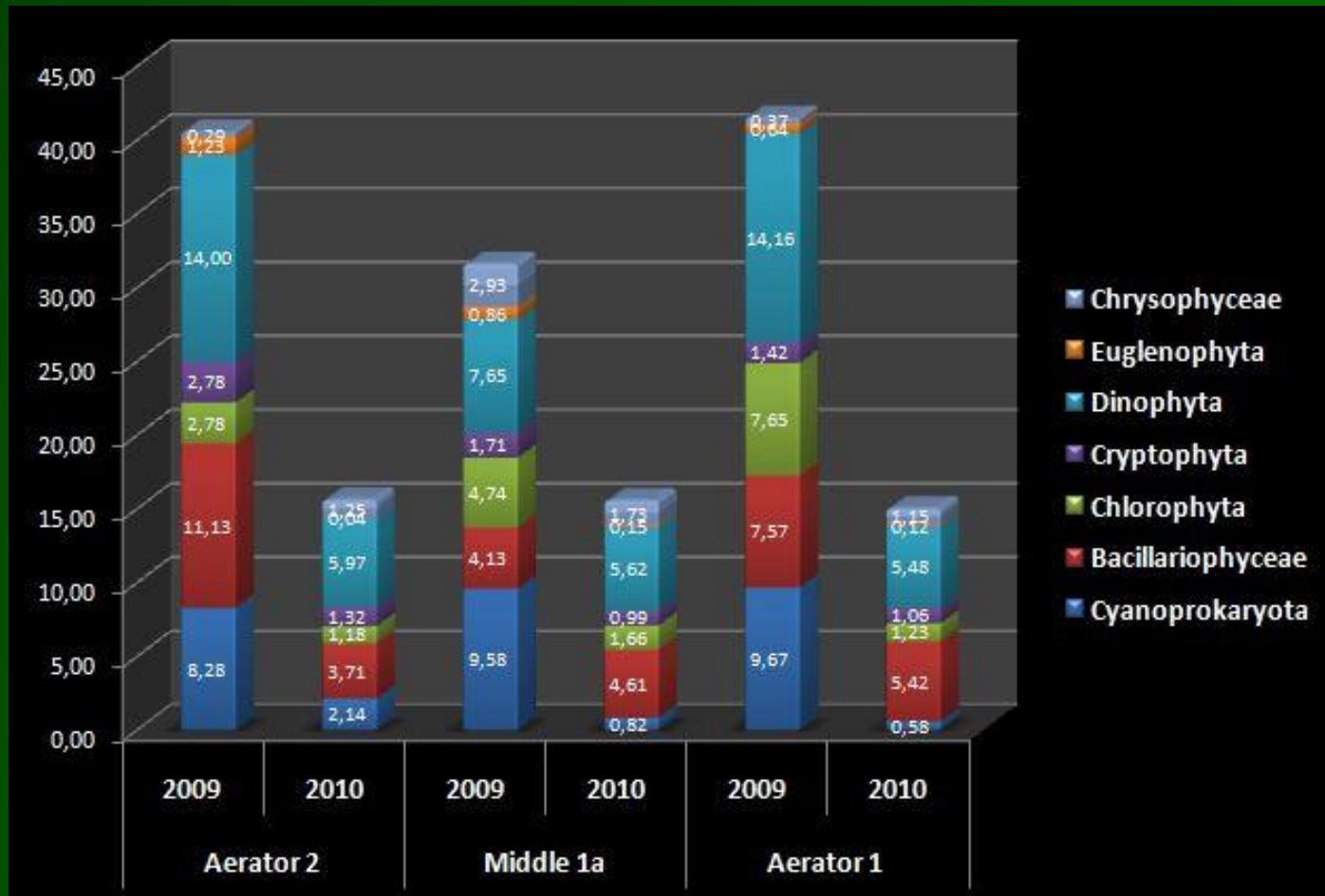
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Results – biomass



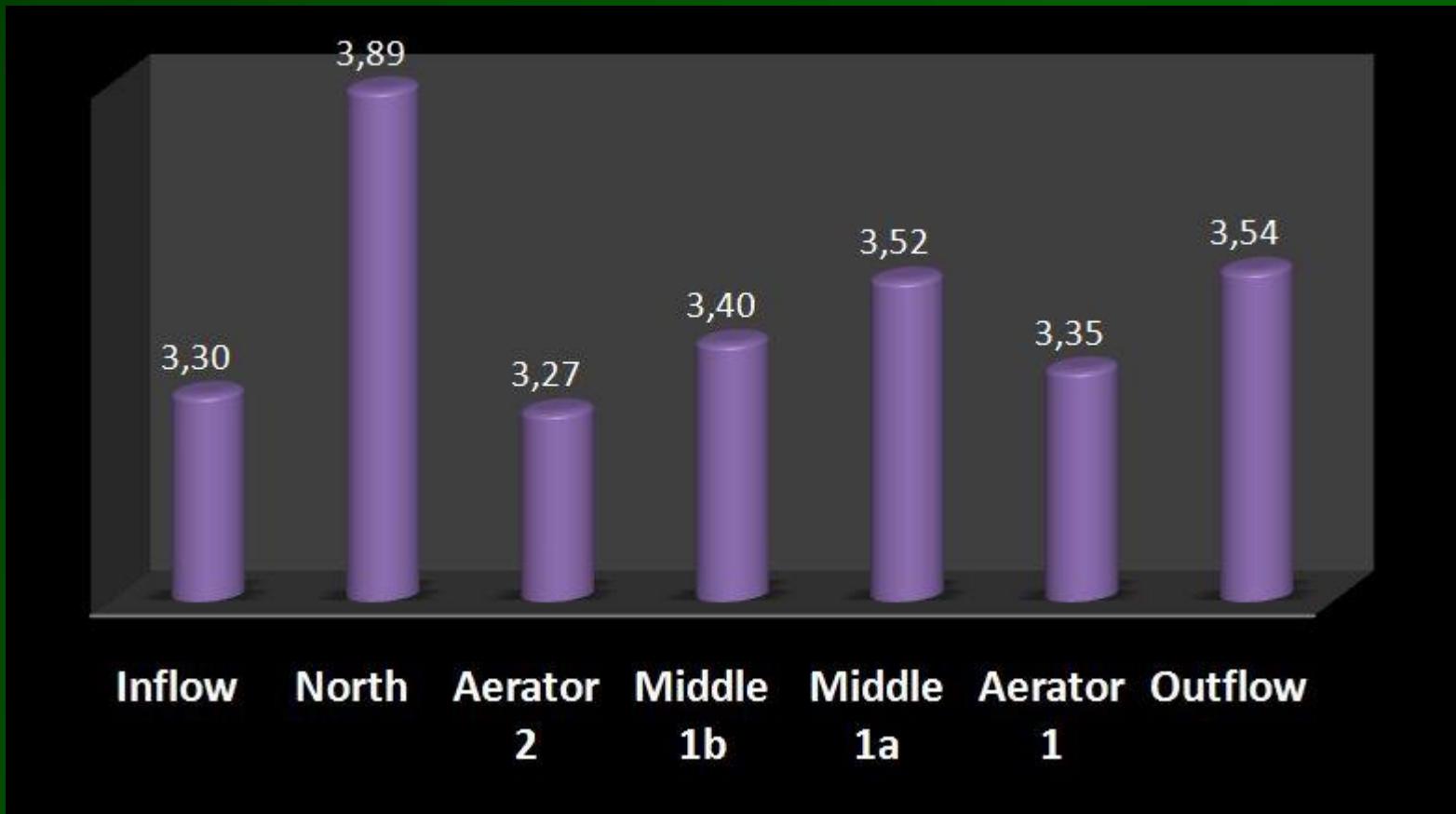
Wykres: Zmiany biomasy na wybranych stanowiskach

Comparing – biomass



Wykres: Porównanie biomasy w latach 2009 i 2010

Results – Shannon-Weaver Index



Wykres: Współczynnik Shannon'a-Weaver'a

Results - Evenness



Wykres: Współczynnik evenness

Zooplankton pressure on algae

Small green algae are appearing in very small numbers



Ryc: *Monoraphidium contortum* (Th.) K.-Legn



Ryc: *Tetraedron minimum* (A. Br.) Hansgirg



Ryc: *Oocystis lacurtris* Chodat



Ryc: *Pteromonas angulosa* (Carter) Lemm.



Ryc: *Desmodesmus communis* (Hegew.) Hegew.



Ryc: *Elkatothrix gelatinosa* Wille

Photo: M. K. S. 2010

Ryc: *Tetrastrum staurogeniaeforme* (Schroed.) Lemn



Zooplankton pressure on algae

Big in the size colonies
(e.g. *Dinobryon sp.*)



Largeness of cells (e.g.
diatoms, dinoflagellates)



Ryc: *Fragillaria ulna*



Ryc: Copepoda



Ryc: *Ceratium hirundinella*

Zooplankton pressure on algae

Cells with long spikes (e.g. greens)



Ryc: *Golenkinia radiata*



Ryc: *Trubelaria planctonica*

Cells with a very thick cell wall
(e.g. *Phacotus lenticularis* – Ryc)



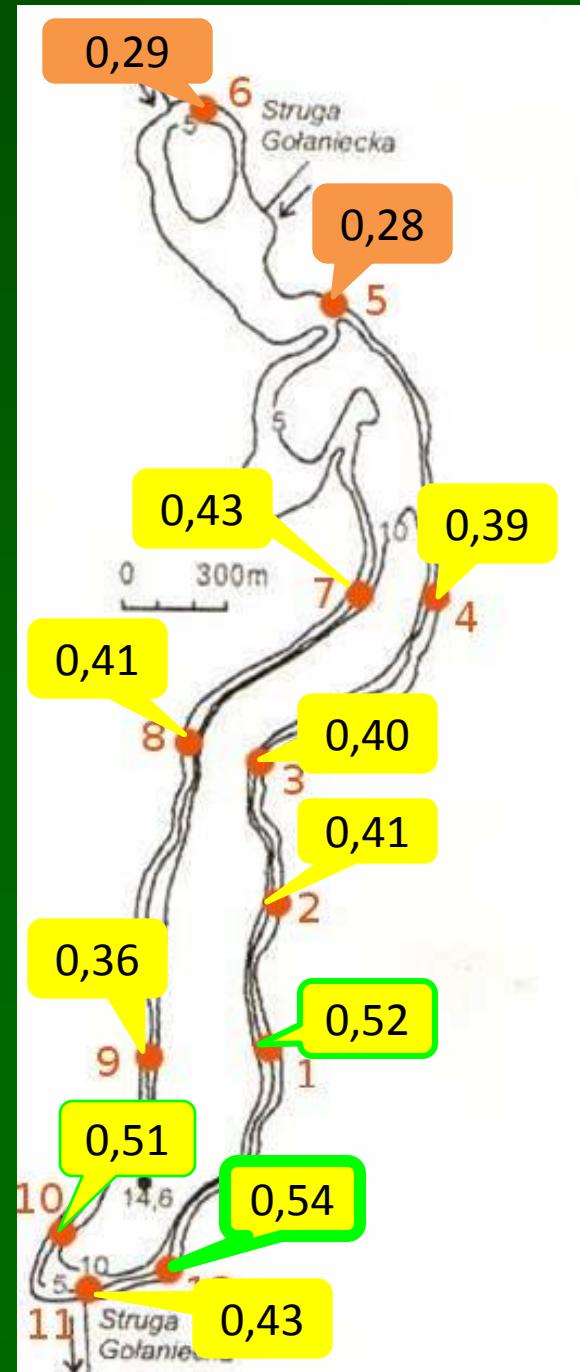
Diatom Index

Classification of the ecological state for Lakes:

- >0,83 - very good
- 0,55 - good
- 0,30 - moderate
- 0,15 - poor
- <0,15 - bad



Mapa 2: Stanowiska poboru peryfitonu.



Peryphiton species preferences for oxygen

Very good	100%	Achnanthes minutissima (10)
Good	75%	Cyclotella radiosa (28)
Moderate	50%	Gyrosigma attenuatum (25)
Poor	30%	Surirella ovalis (6)
Bad	10%	Cyclotella meneghiniana (1)

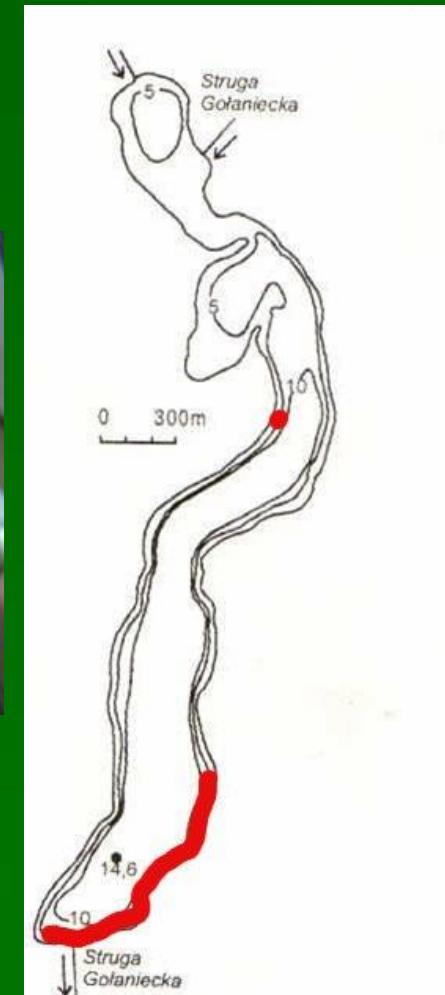
Tabela: Preferencje tlenowe wybranych gatunków peryfitonu. W nawiasie podano liczbę gatunków o określonych wymaganiach.

Hildenbrandia rivularis- red alga

- Thallus crustaceus making red patches on stones
- stream and lakes, often at rather deep water
- preferences:
 - High conductivity
 - Ca- rich waters
 - From oligotrophy to eutrophy
 - Running water
 - Needs shadow



Ryc: *Hildenbrandia rivularis*



Mapa 3: *Hildenbrandia rivularis* - występowanie

Conclusions

- The quality of water improve because of:
 1. Increase the number of taxa compare to 2009
 2. Decrease of cyanobacteria biomass
 3. Decrease of Mixed Trophic Index
 4. Increase the diatoms, dinoflagellates and green algae biomass
 5. The Jaccard index shows only 50 % of similarities in the phytoplankton structure in accordance to 2009
- The pressure of big zooplankton Copepoda influence for the algae structure – the large numbers of big cells or big colonies

Conclusions

- Struga Gotaniecka river still has influence for lake - high number of cyanobacteria
- Diatom Index for periphyton shows moderate water quality in the south and poor quality of water in north
- Red alga Hildebrandia rivularis is an indicator of meso-eutrophic waters and its presence prove the improvement of water quality
- The positive effect in the phytoplankton community has been observed due to restoration in Lake Durowskie



Thank you
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