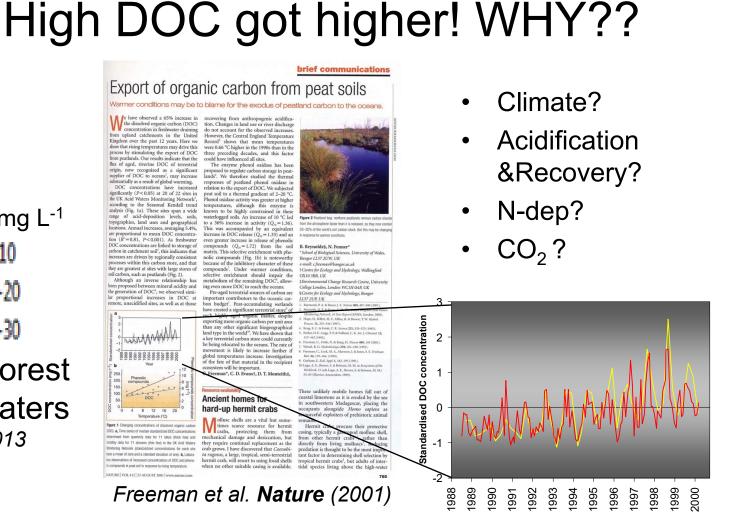


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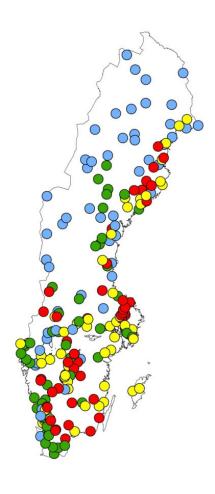
# TOC mg L-1 0-101990 Forest Headwaters Soares, 2013





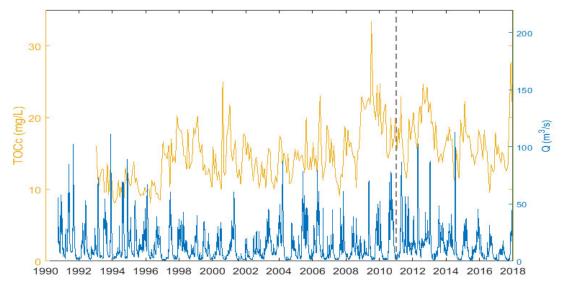
#### Miljöövervakning har koll sedan 1970s





#### TOC, median (mg/l)

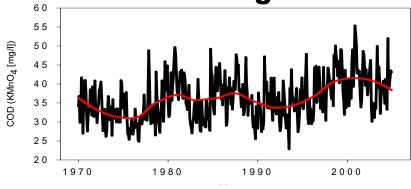
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- 7.2 10.2
- **10.3 13.4**
- 13.5 23.6

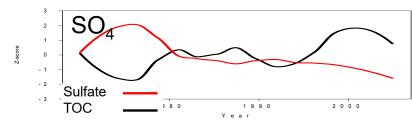


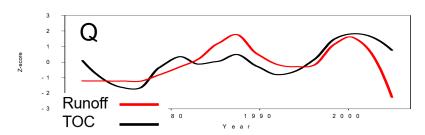
## SLU

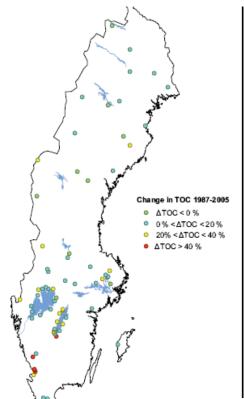
#### COD 1970-2005

#### 28 vattendrag

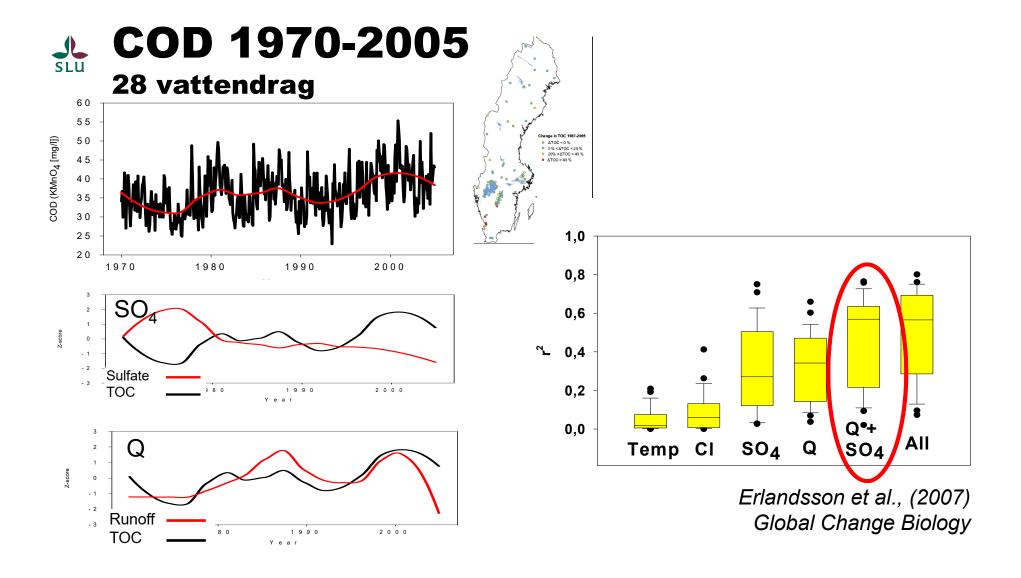


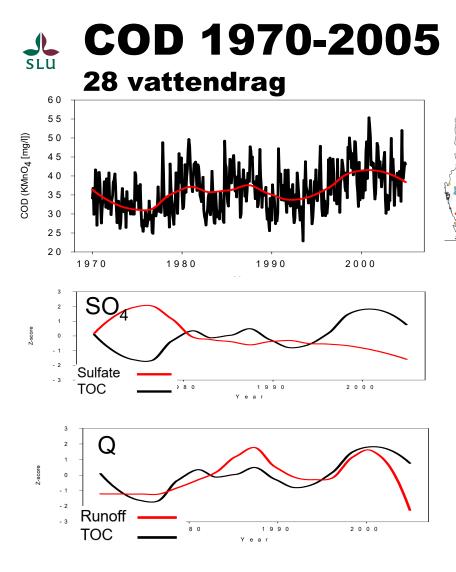






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Future Climate:

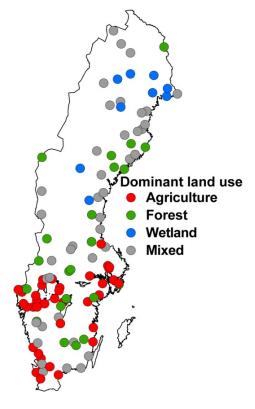
0 % < ΔTOC < 20 % 20% < ΔTOC < 40 %

25% increase in runoff will give 6% higher DOC concentrations

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## 215 Water courses now monitored What do they say about trends and drivers?



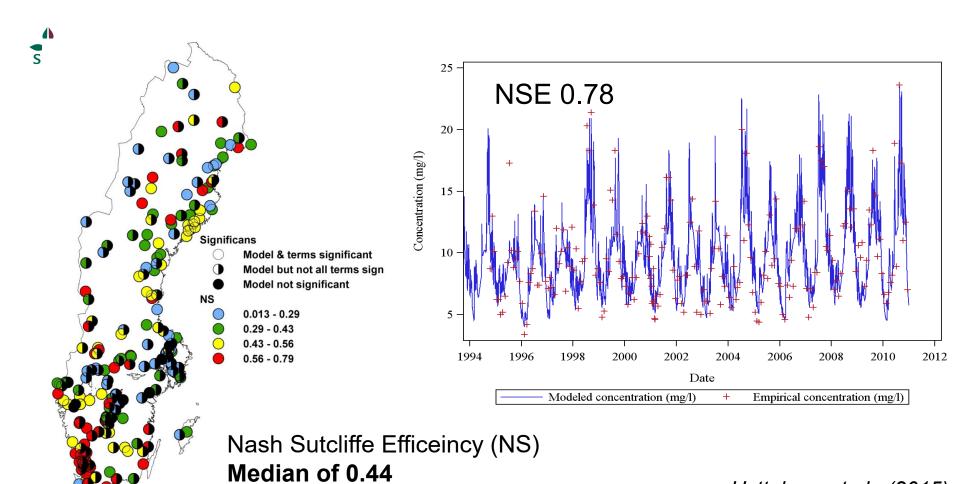
area 0.18 - 47,000 km<sup>2</sup>

Same model fitted to each watercourse

Discharge Trend  $TOC = e^{a_0} \cdot Q^{a_1} \cdot e^{A \cdot \sin(2\pi \cdot dtime + c)} \cdot e^{a_4 dtime}$ 

Constant (mean TOC )

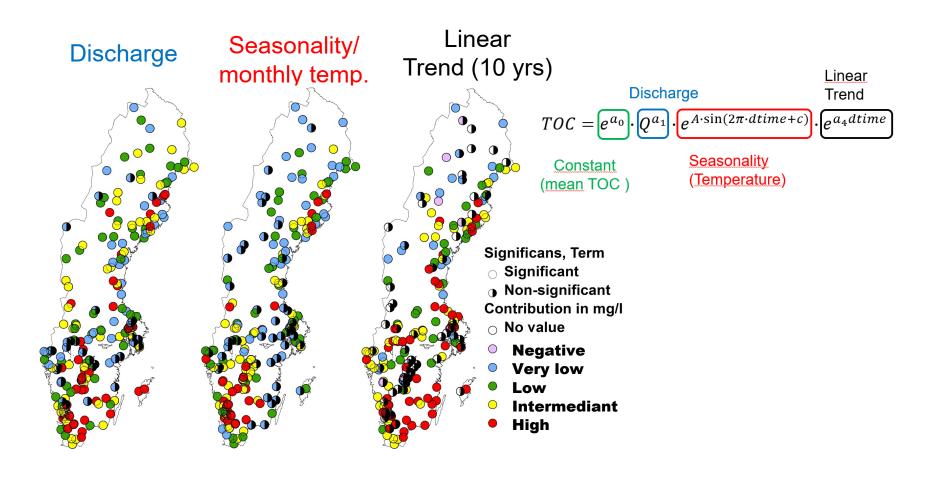
Seasonality (Temperature)



Hytteborn et al., (2015) Sci. Tot. Env.



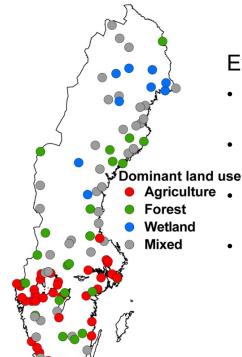
#### Influence on the TOC concentration





# What controls the control of Flow, Season and Trend?

- Model correlations with map info didn't explain much (~0.2r²)
- No correlation with the trend coefficient
- Flow and Seasonality understandable

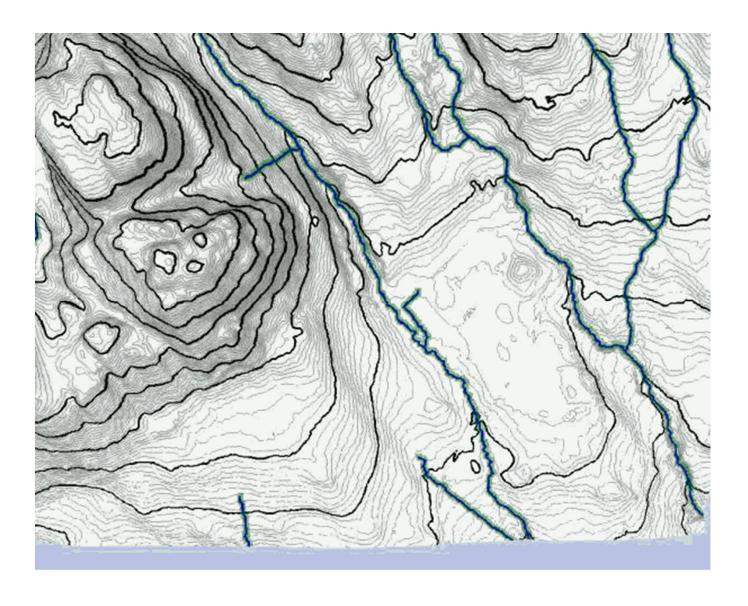


#### Evaluation data:

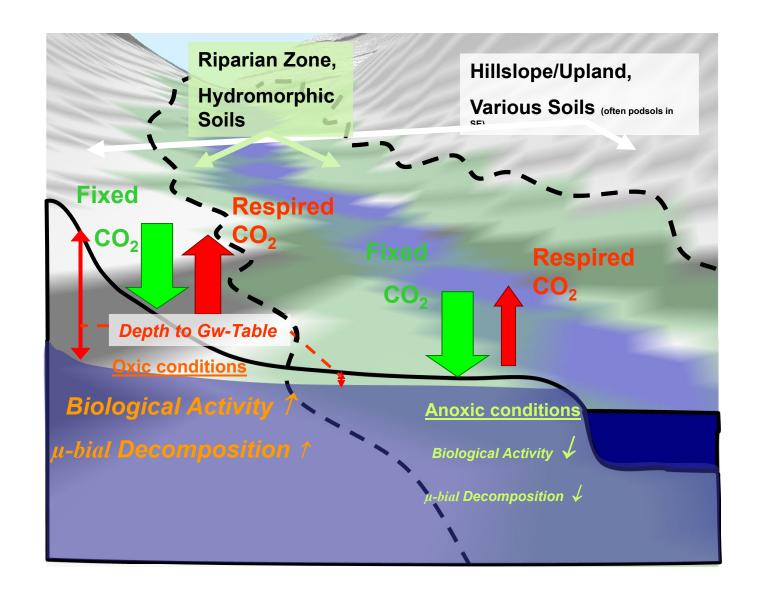
- Spatial data (area, elevation etc)
- Precipitation and Temperature
- Land use, Soil type and kNN data
- Water residence time in upstream lakes

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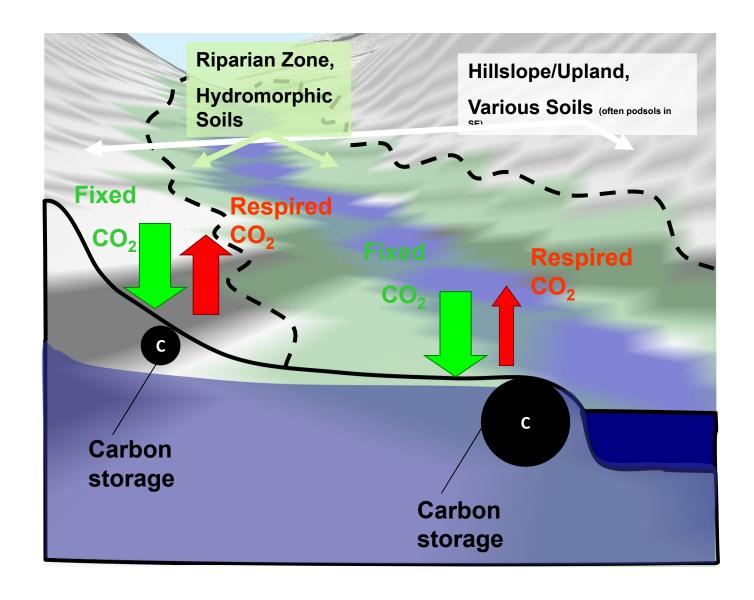




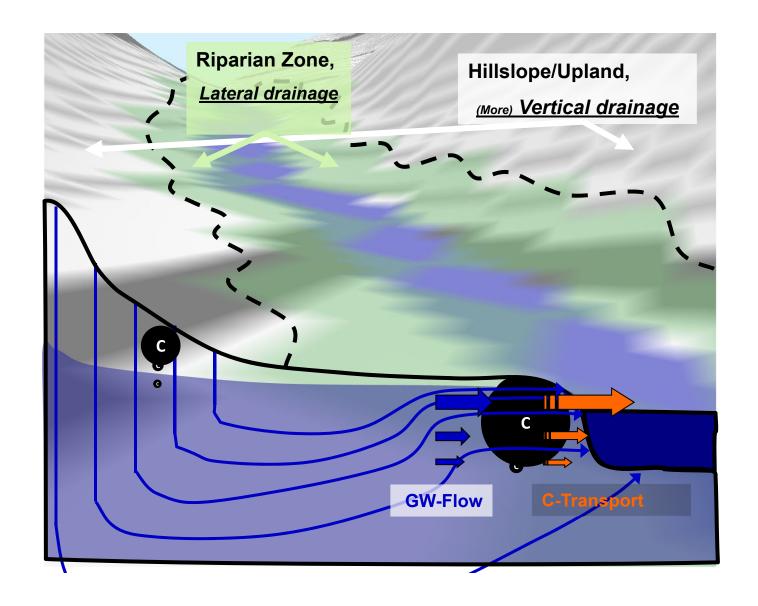




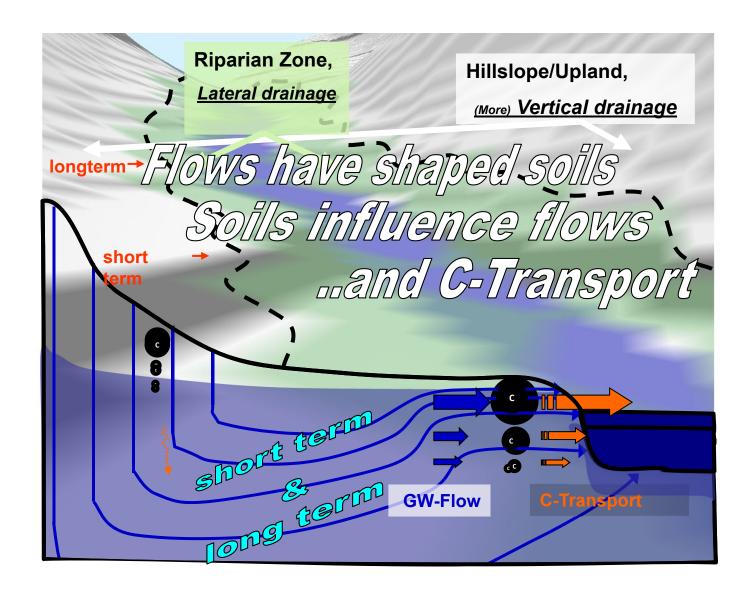




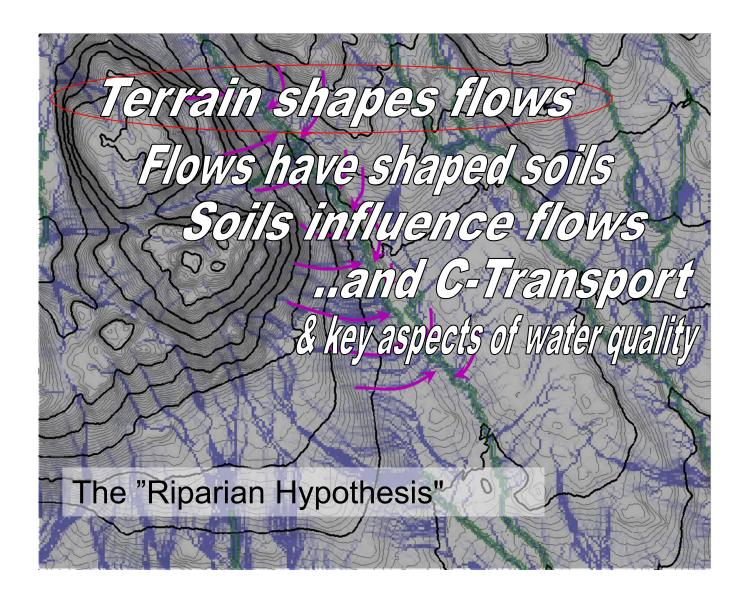














### Seasonality?:

Swedish stream carbon is modern (much C-fixed during growing season)

atmospheric <sup>14</sup>C-CO<sub>2</sub>

Campeau et al., (in review)



#### What does the future hold??

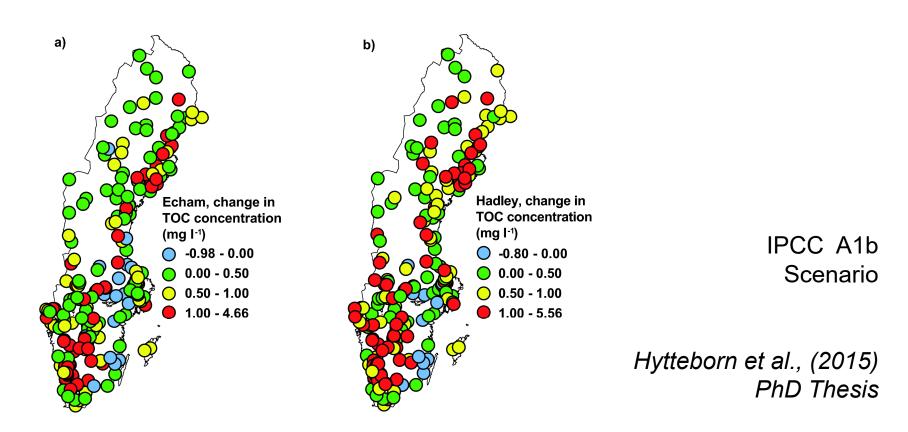
- Temperature and Discharge predictable
- Use two climate predictions (Hadley and Eacham) with IPCC Scenario of emissions
- Trend? Assume that DOC increase stopped in 2010

#### **Evaluation data:**

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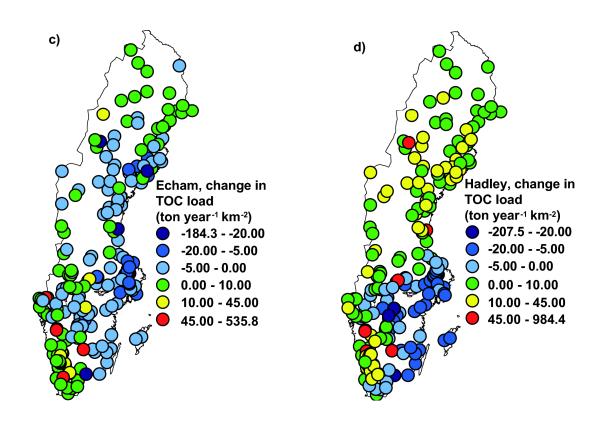
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## TOC concentration 2071-2100 (change relative to 2000)





## TOC load 2071-2100 (change relative to 2000)

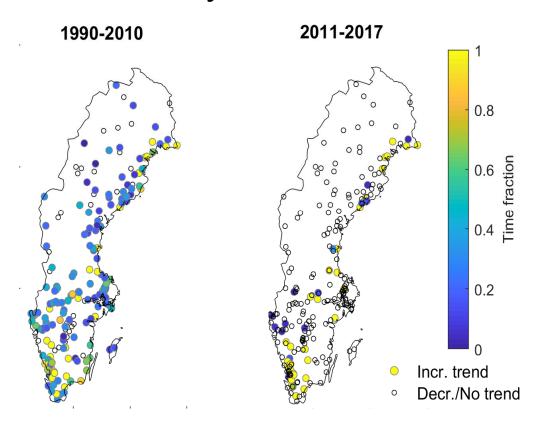


IPCC A1b Scenario

Hytteborn et al., (2015) PhD Thesis



# What did the future hold? ...since 2010 Recovery from acidification slowing...



Increasing TOC % of watercourses

1990-2010: 74%

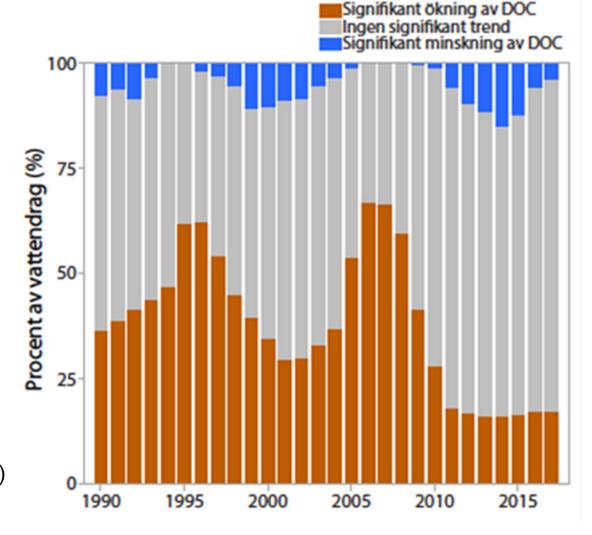
2010-2017: 17%

Eklöf et al., (2018) SLU Report to Swedish EPA



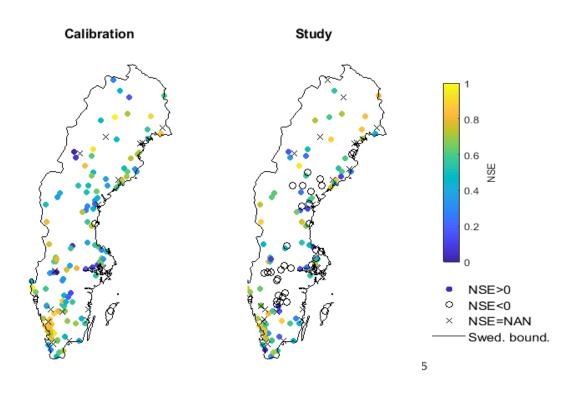
# ökande respektive minskande trend av TOC

Eklöf et al., (2018) SLU Report to Swedish EPA Generalized Additive Modeling (GAM) by C. von Brömssen





# What did the future hold? (since 2010) predictions 2011-2017 with no linear trend



Statistical model performance (median NSE)

1990-2010: 0.44

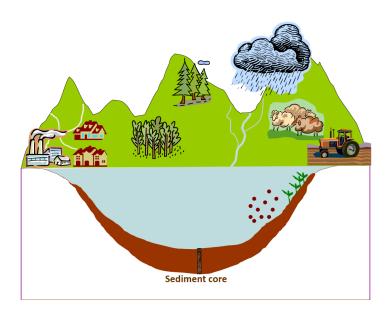
2010-2017: 0.34

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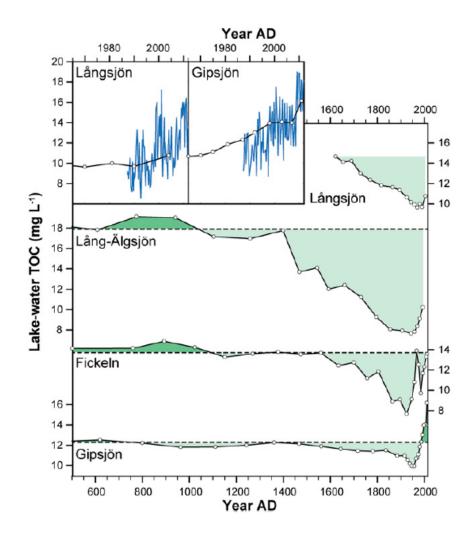
#### What can the past tell us?

Pre-Industrial TOC often higher (drainage, acidification...)



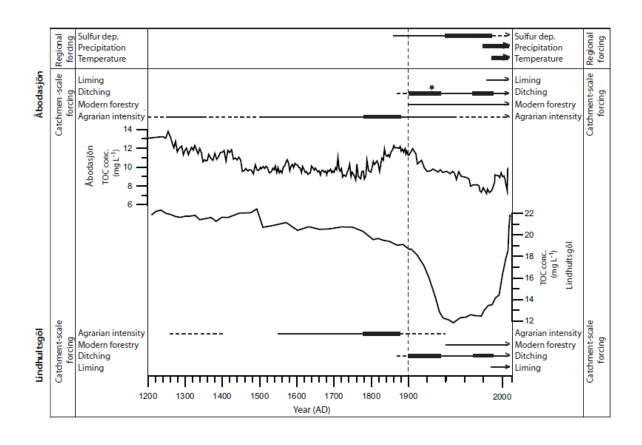
The lake sediment record

Meyer-Jacob et al. 2015 "PNAS6





# "Historical TOC concentration minima during peak sulfur deposition" *Bragée et al. 2015*





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- Climate itself not likely to push median DOC much higher
- DOC increases have leveled off across much of Sweden.
- Increases continue in south and northeast
- Acidification recovery part of the story but not the whole story
- Decades of observations answer many questions
- Observations of land use change effects will answer more questions! (continued monitoring and more sediment records)
- Use interventions (forest management shifts, wetland restoration) as learning opportunites!

