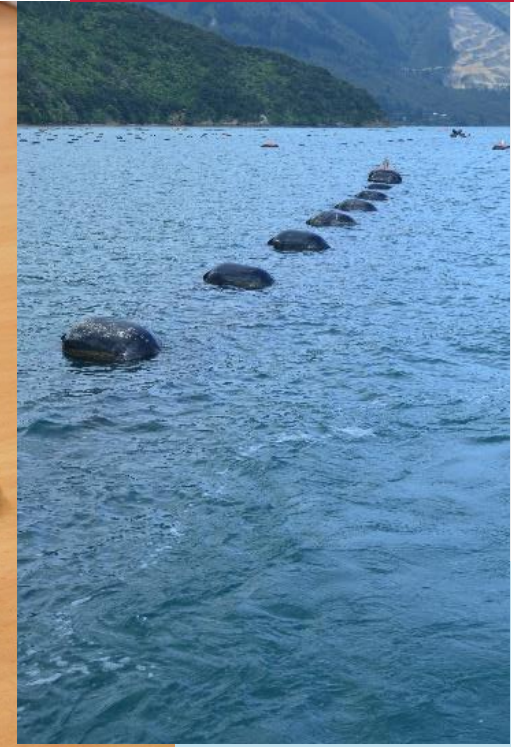




Investigation of aquaculture components for increased efficiency

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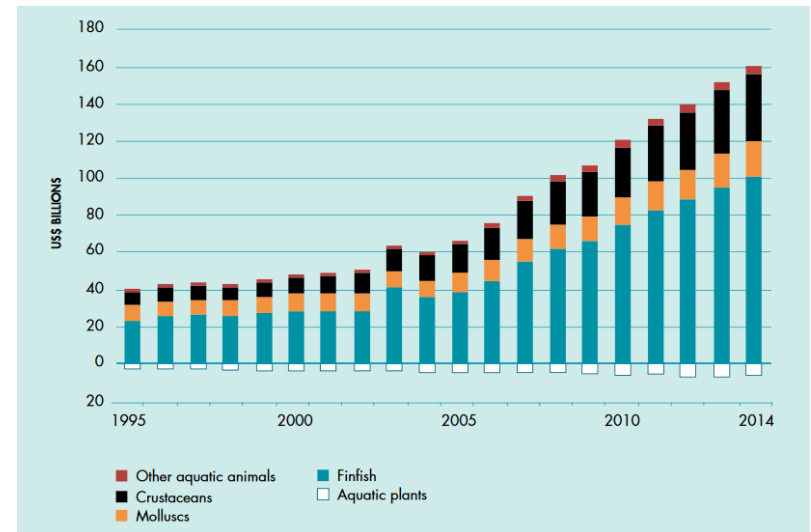
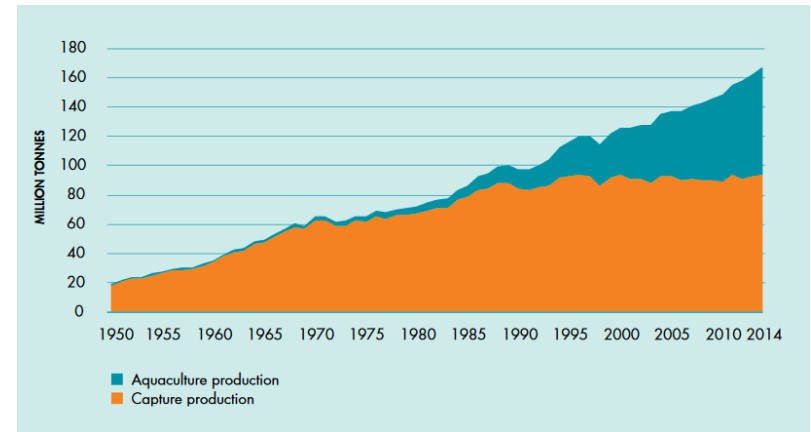
Surrogate 1:X tests

Farm concepts

Long-Line System

Introduction - Background

- Overall, **increasing demand** for aquatic products
- **Bivalves** an essential source of proteins
- **Aquaculture** is one of the **fastest-growing** sectors for protein-based food



FAO; 2016

Introduction - Background

- Aquaculture near-shore faces different **challenges**:
 - Stakeholder conflicts
 - Nutrient depletion
 - Changes in species assemblage
 - Marine litter
- Perspective move to **offshore** location to **offset deficits**
- **Challenging conditions** have to be accounted for



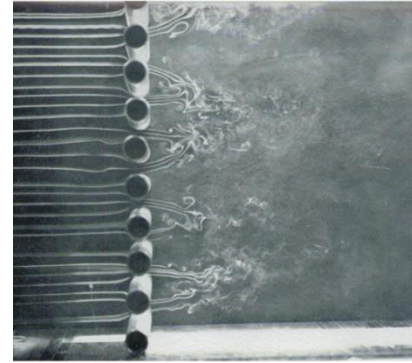
Marlborough District Council; 2018



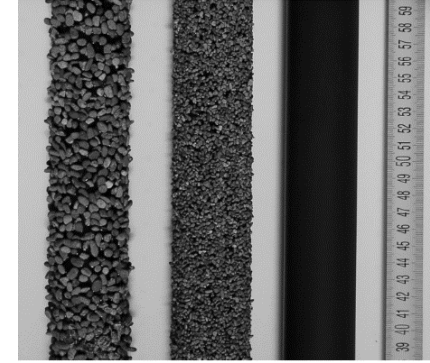
Goseberg, N; 2017

Introduction - Background

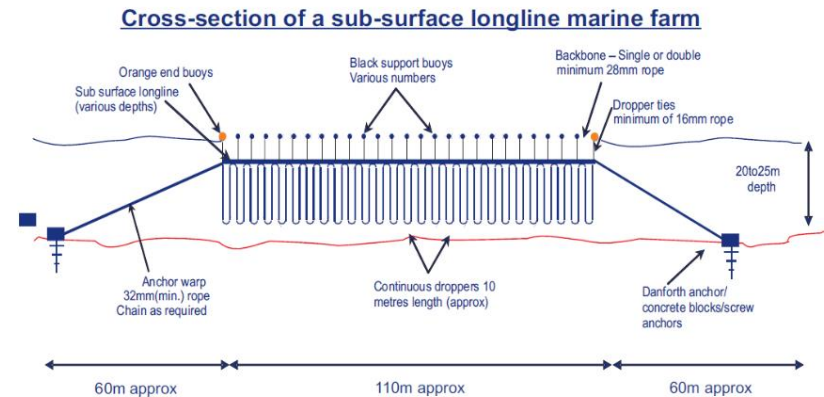
- Hydrodynamic forces acting on fixed and floating structures **commonly** investigated
- Existing research** related to shellfish aquaculture is **scarce**
 - e.g. Buck, B.H.; Stevens, C.; Plew, D. R.
- Little research available** regarding physical laboratory tests of shellfish aquaculture



Bradshaw, P; 1965



Plew, D.R.; 2005



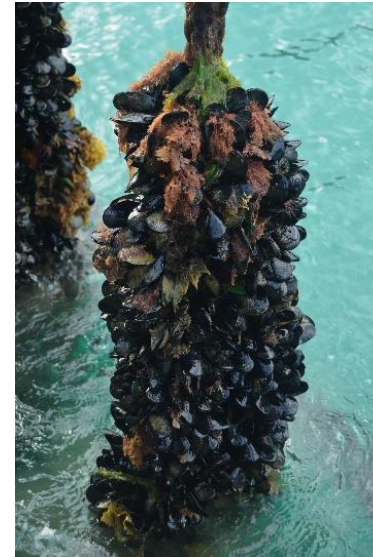
Marine Farming Association; 2017

Introduction - Objectives

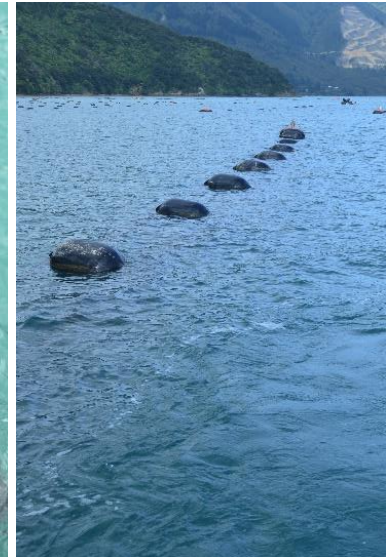
- Investigation of wave-current forcing on aquaculture structures
 - **Basic research** regarding motion and forces of **mussels** / mussel-encrusted lines
 - **Project research** of „revolutionary“ aquaculture designs
- **Determination of response** of structure to waves and currents
- **Assessment of survivability** of structures in extreme conditions



Vitasovich, P.; 2017



Goseberg, N.; 2017



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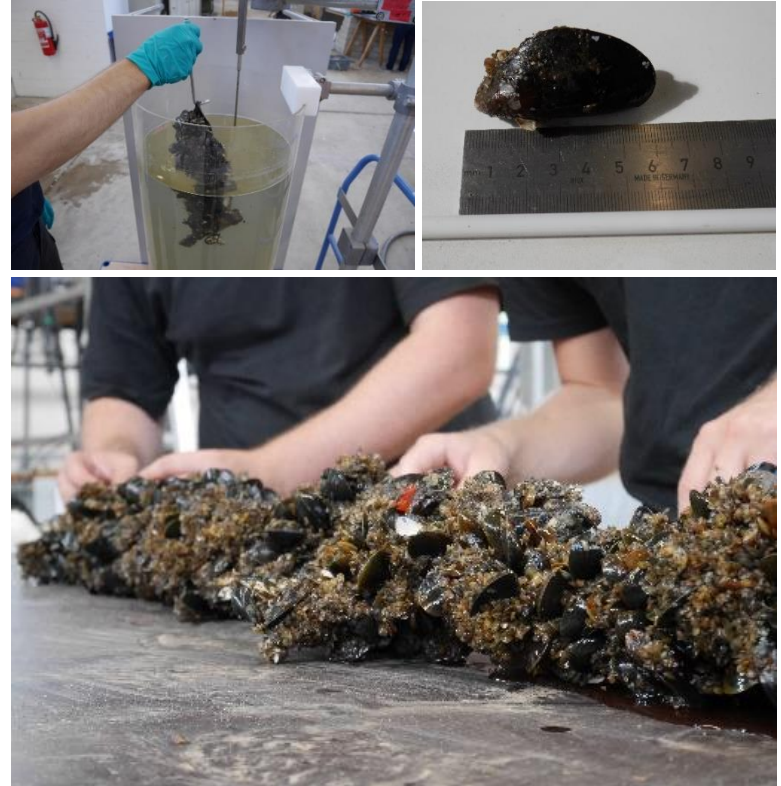
- **Collection** from aquaculture farm close to Kiel, Germany
- **3.62 m dropper line** of Baltic Blue Mussels
- **Transport & storage** in aerated tank with Baltic Sea water



Landmann, J.; 2017

Live Mussel tests

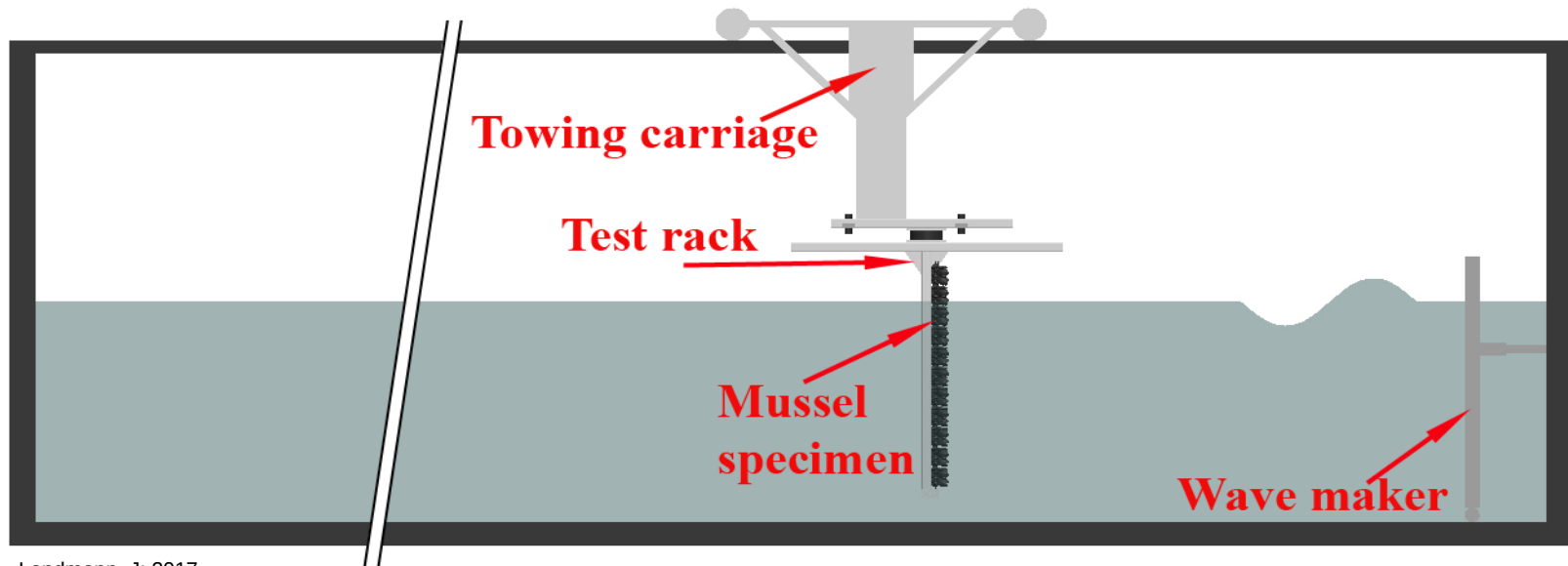
- Portioned in **three specimens** (~1 m)
- **Data acquisition**
 - Per specimen
 - For single mussels
- For **each specimen** determination of
 - Weight
 - Length
 - Width every 5.0 cm
 - Displacement
 - Bending stiffness



Landmann, J.; 2017

Live Mussel tests

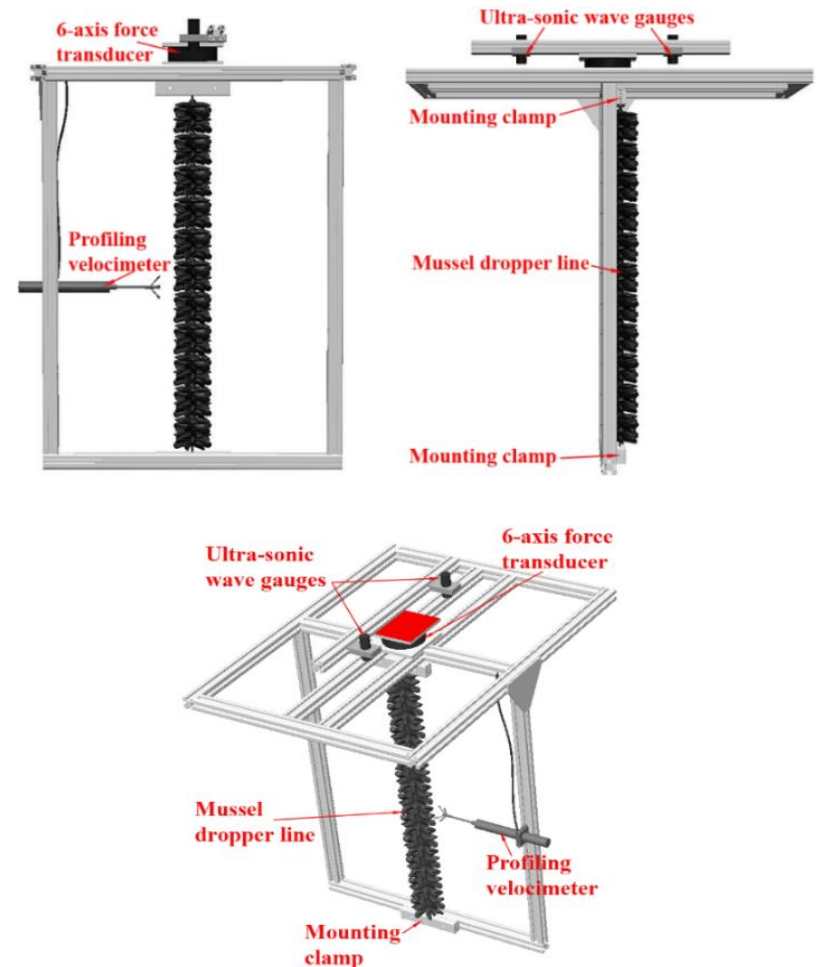
- **Methodology:**
 - Determination of **drag and inertia coefficients**
 - Current (Drag) & Wave tests
 - Morison equation: $F = \frac{1}{2}\rho C_D u^2 A + \rho C_M V \dot{u}$



Landmann, J; 2017

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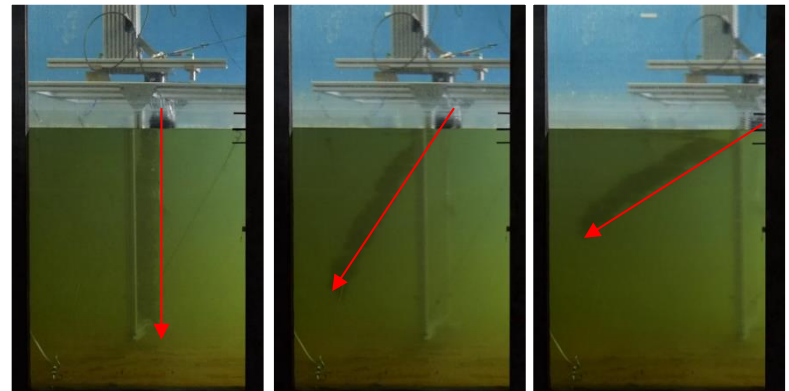
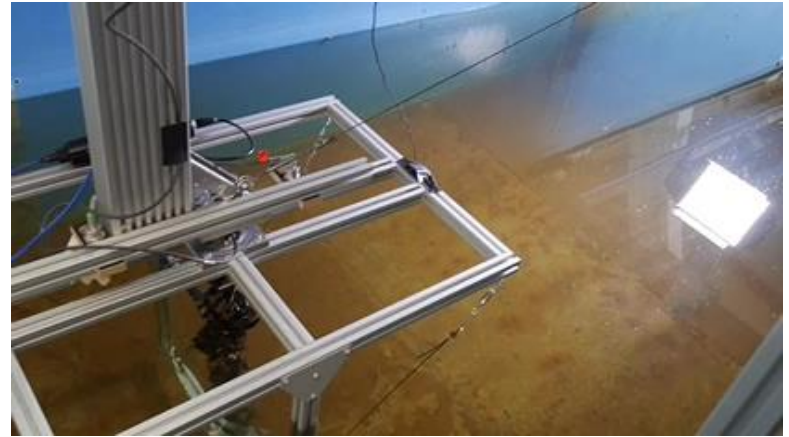
- **Mounting frame** fitted with:
 - 6-axis-force transducer
 - Ultra-sonic wave gauges
 - Acoustic Doppler Velocimeter
- **Carriage** fitted with:
 - Incremental rotary recorder
 - Webcam
 - Underwater camera



Landmann, J; 2017

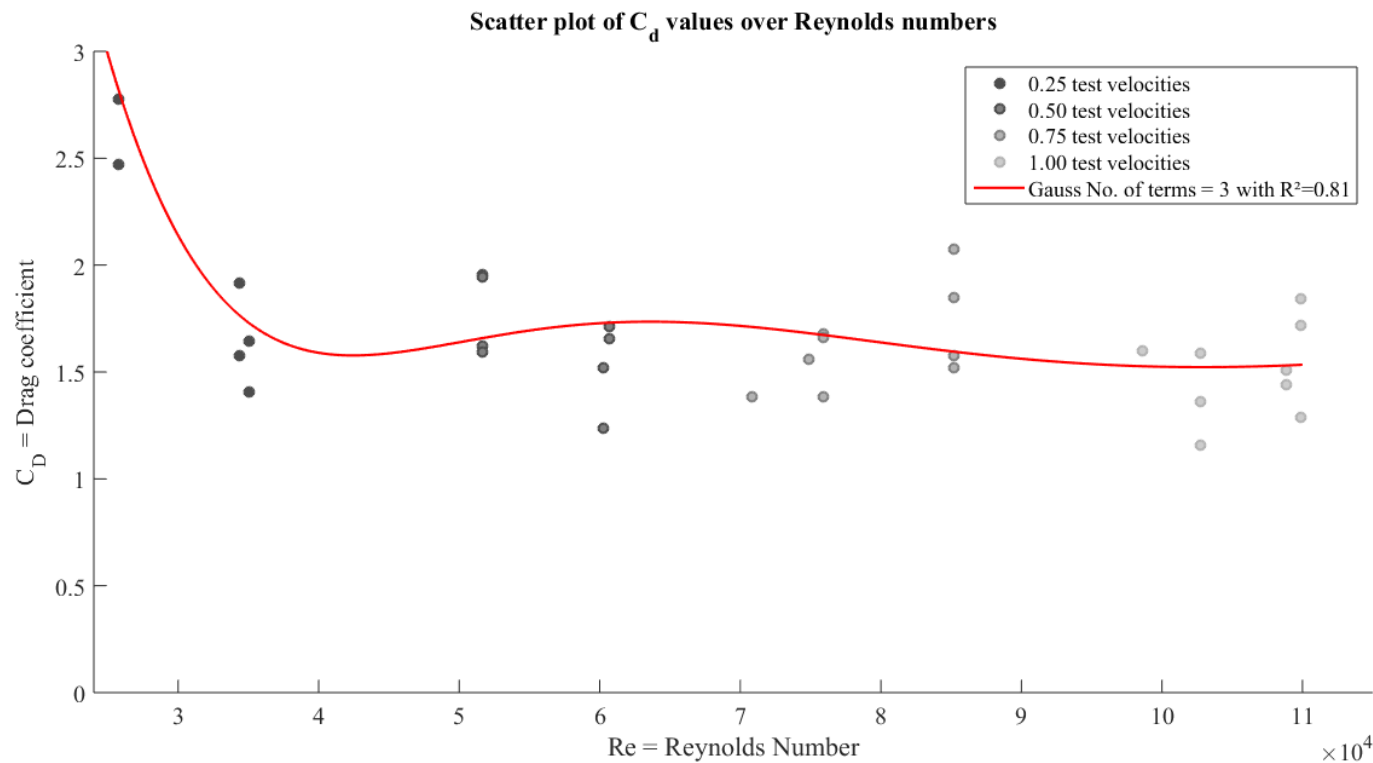
Live Mussel tests

- **Drag tests with four velocities**
 - $Re = \frac{u \cdot D_i}{\nu}$
 - $Re = 2.0 \times 10^4$ to 1.1×10^5
- **Top- and bottom-mounted**
 - Test for load-evasion potential of dropper lines
 - ~80% force reduction



Landmann, J; 2017

- **Calculation of C_D -values:**
 - Levels about $C_D = 1.6$ after initial drop
 - Little changes in C_D for higher Re-Numbers



Hildebrandt et al., 2018

Live Mussel tests

- **Inertia tests with three waves**
 - $H_s = 0.1\text{ m}, 0.12\text{ m}, 0.15\text{ m}$
 - $T_p = 1.2\text{ s}, 2.4\text{ s}, 1.65\text{ s}$
- **Top- and bottom-mounted**
 - Test for load-evasion potential of dropper lines
 - ~80% force reduction
- C_M -values: **In progress**



Landmann, J; 2017

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Surrogate creation

Surrogate 1:1 tests

Surrogate 1:X tests

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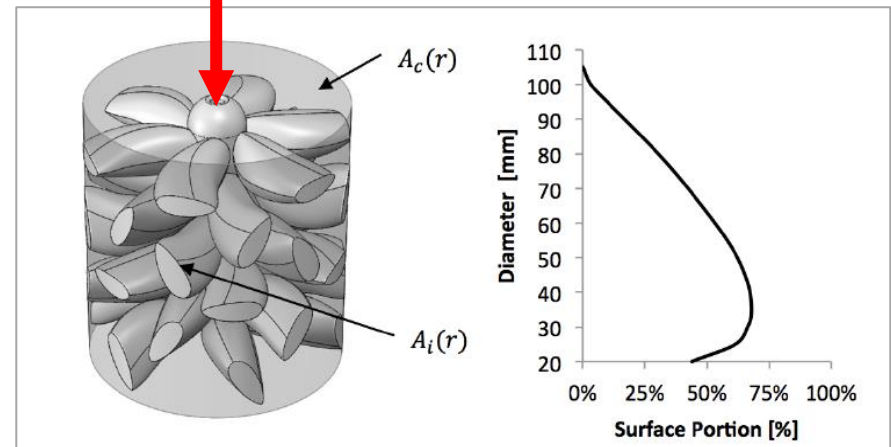
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Surrogate creation

- **Aim** is to create **object** with **similar characteristics** in currents and waves as live mussels
- Assuming that C_D and C_M are influenced by **surface geometry**
- Evaluation via **Abbot-Firestone-Curve**
 - Describes surface texture of an object
 - Material distribution as a function of depth



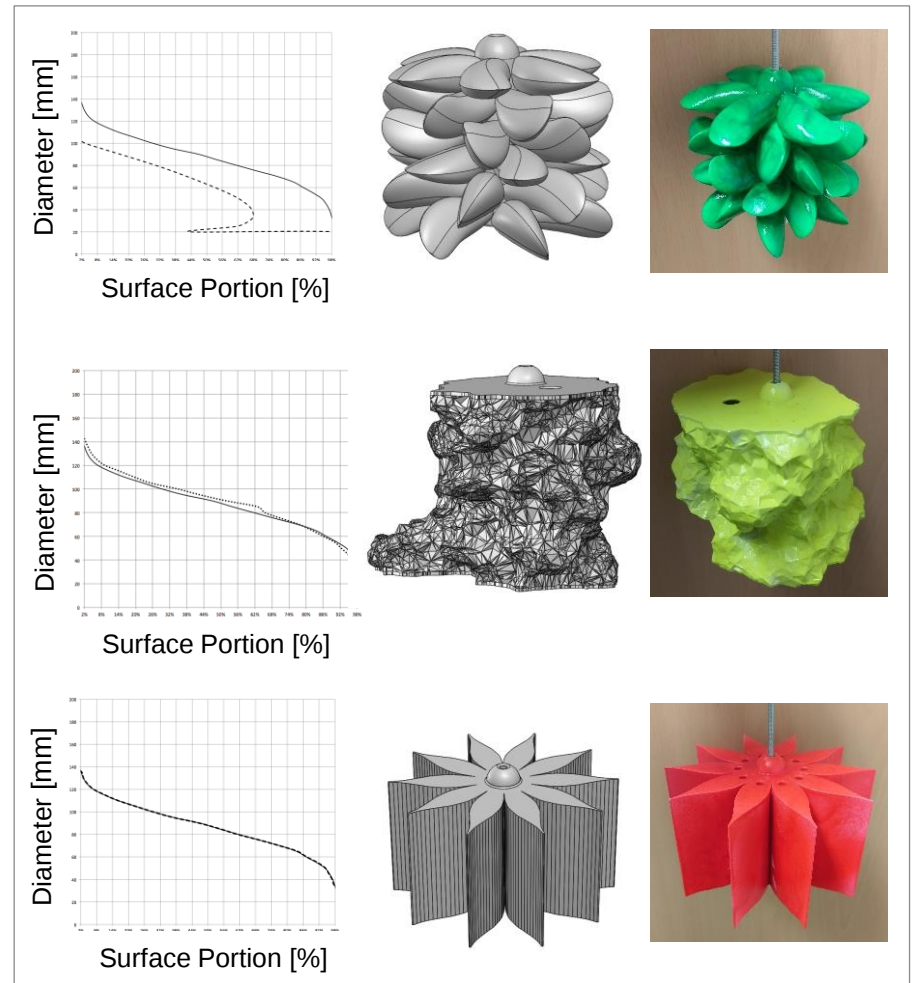
Vitasovich, P.; 2017



Ongsiek, T.; 2017

Surrogate creation

- **Concept 1:**
 - Based on single mussels
- **Concept 2:**
 - Closest fitting 3D-scanned section to mean AFS
- **Concept 3:**
 - Perfect fit to Abbot-Firestone Curve with simplified geometry



Ongsiek, T...; 2017

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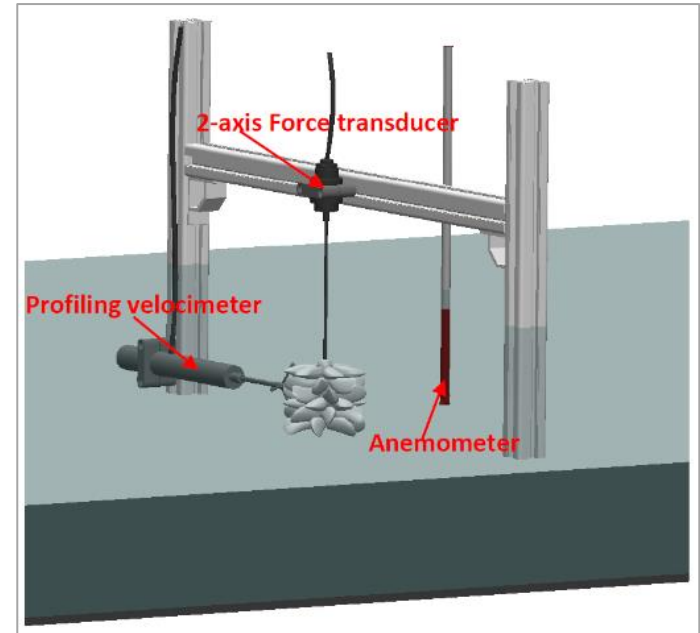
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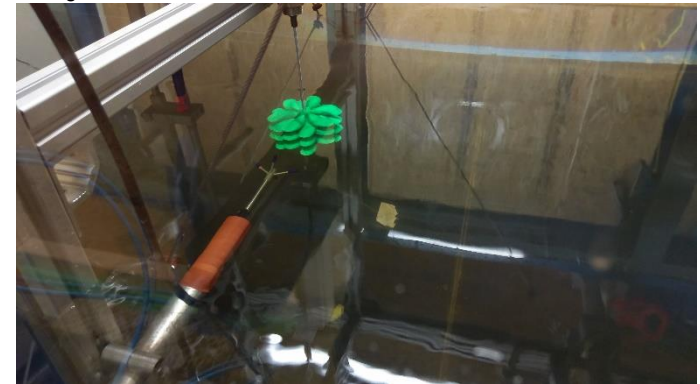
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1:1 Single surrogate tests

- **Methodology:**
 - Determination of **drag coefficients** via **current tests**
- **Tests with seven velocities:**
 - $0.1 \frac{m}{s}, 0.25 \frac{m}{s}, 0.35 \frac{m}{s}, 0.50 \frac{m}{s},$
 $0.75 \frac{m}{s}, 1.00 \frac{m}{s}, 1.20 \frac{m}{s}$
- C_D -values: **In progress**



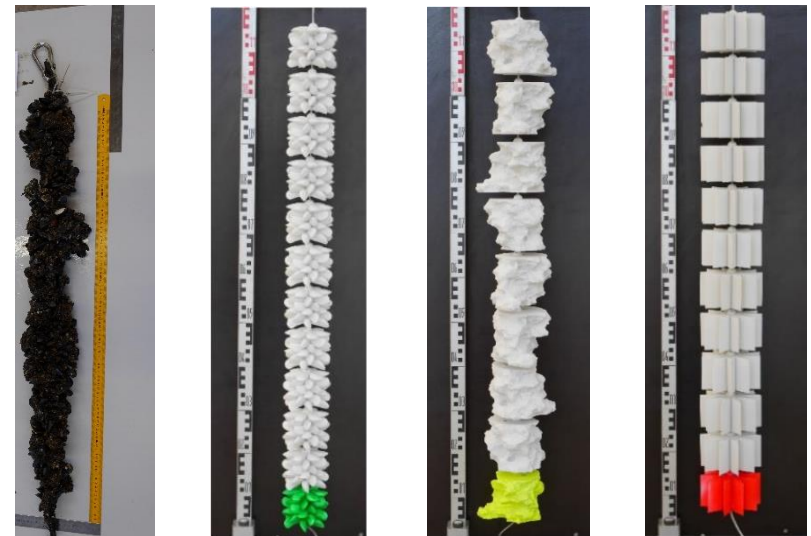
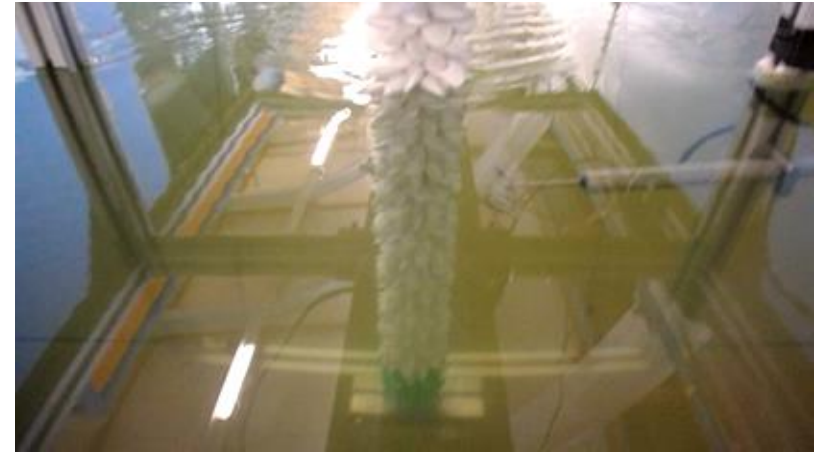
Ongsiek, T...; 2017



Landmann, J...; 2017

1:1 dropper line surrogate tests

- Same tests as live mussels
 - Drag tests with four velocities
 - Inertia tests with three waves
 - Top- and bottom-mounted
- Evaluation regarding inertia and drag coefficients
 - Comparison to live-mussel data
- C_D - and C_M -values: **In progress**



Landmann, J.; 2017

Landmann et al., 2019 [in prep.]

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Surrogate 1:1 tests

Surrogate 1:X tests

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Surrogate 1:X tests

- **Scaled surrogates**
 - 1:4, 1:10 and 1:16 with geometric similarity
 - Concept 2 dismissed



Landmann, J; 2017

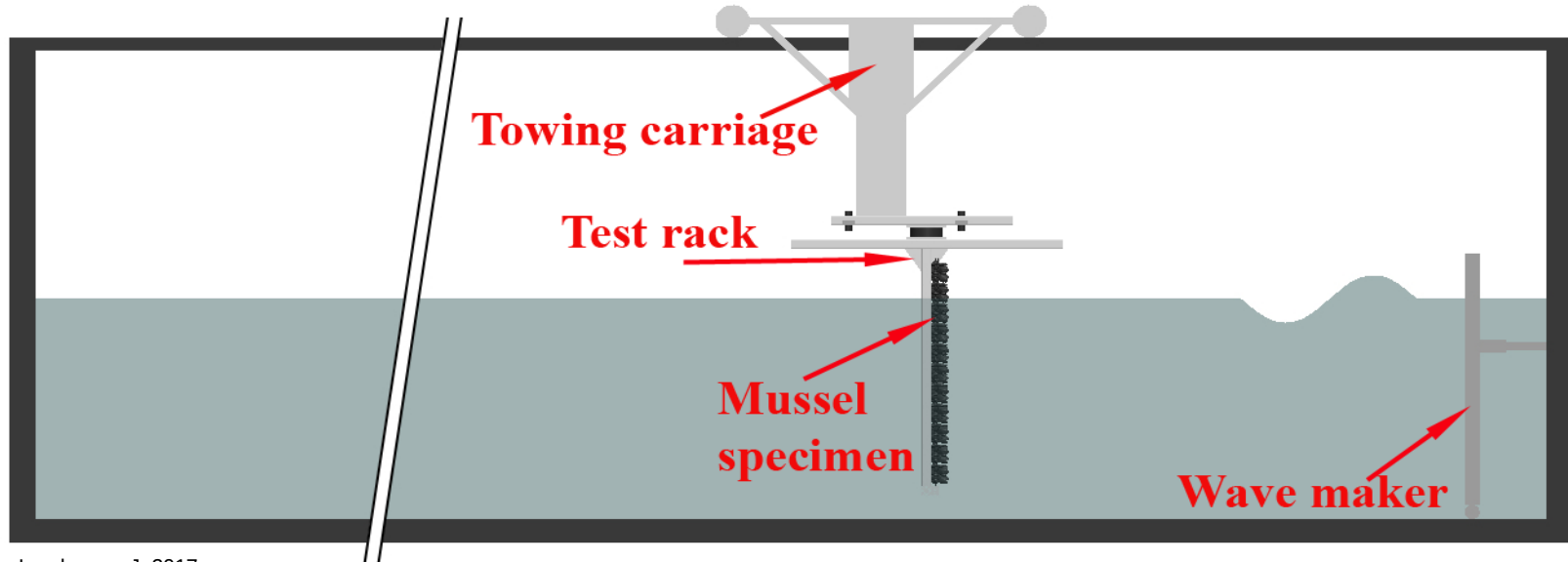


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Surrogate 1:X tests

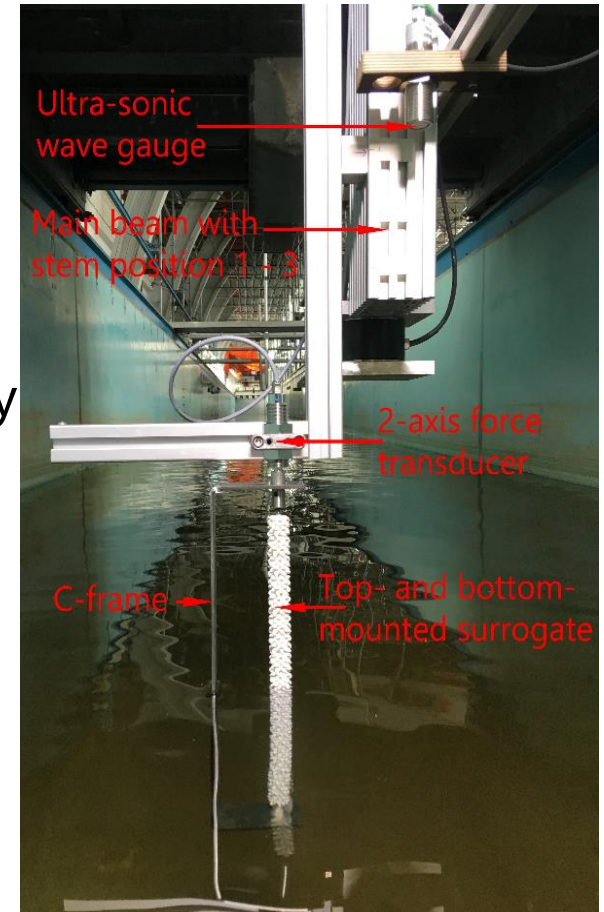
- **Methodology**
 - **Wave tests only**
 - Determination of **drag and inertia coefficients**
 - Investigate **scaling effects** on coefficients
 - Determination of **limits of down scaling**



Landmann, J; 2017

Surrogate 1:X tests

- **Mounting frame** fitted with:
 - 2-axis force transducer
 - Ultra-sonic wave gauge
- **Top- and bottom-mounted**
 - Sensor set-up change for top mounted only
 - Test for load-evasion potential ~90 %
- **Inertia tests with 5-7 waves** each
 - Froude-Scaling of waves from live mussel tests
- **C_D , C_M and scalability: In progress**



Landmann, J; 2017

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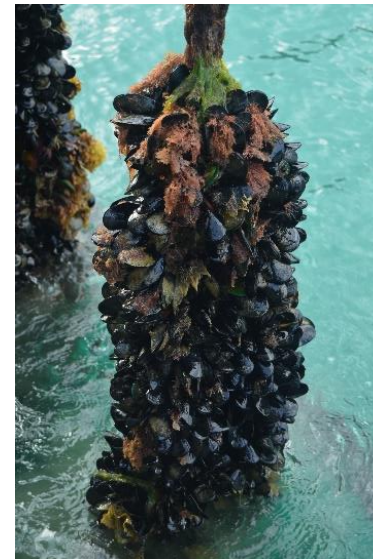
**Long-Line
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Long-Line System

- **Structure**
 - „Traditional“ system in NZ
- **Objective**
 - Novel measurement concept regarding the mooring forces and accelerations
 - Influence of mussel dropper lines on force evolution under waves and currents
 - Motion response of the system under waves and currents



Vitasovich, P.; 2017

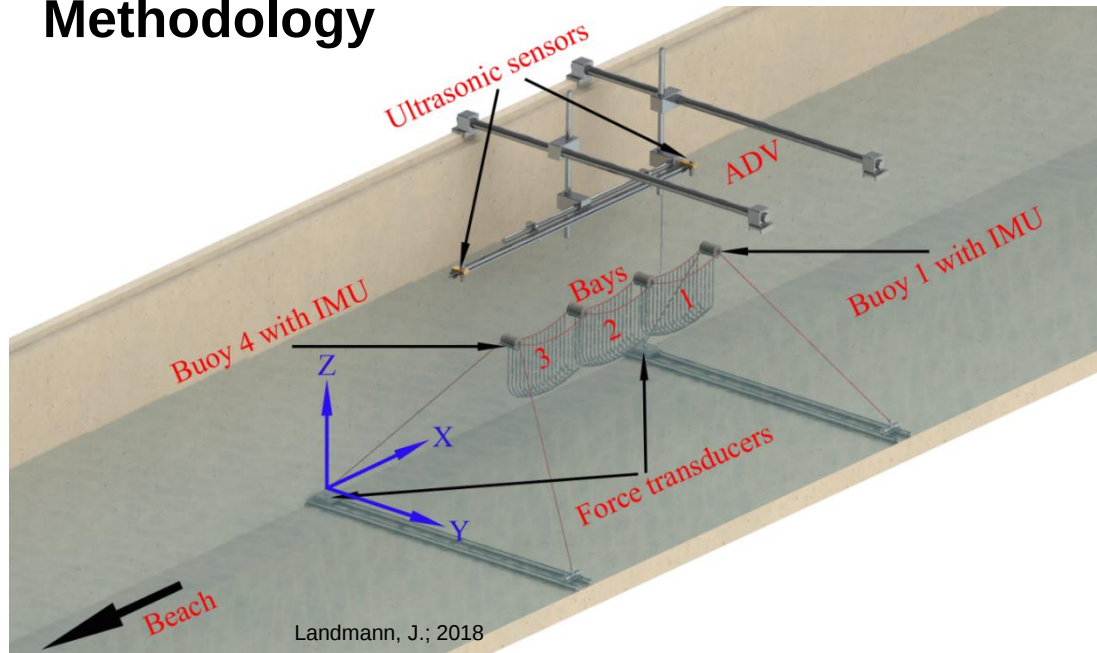


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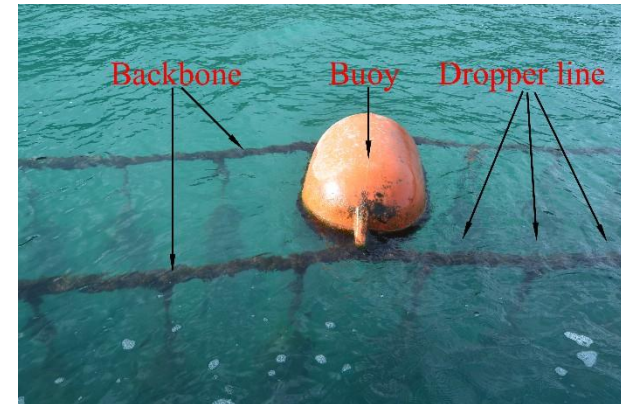


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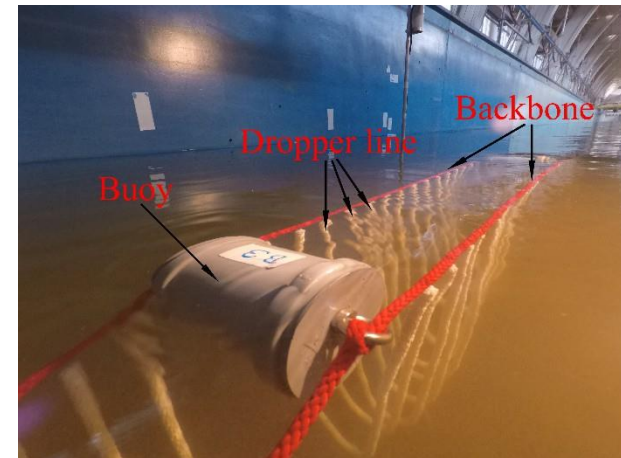
- Methodology



- Wave spectra and
- 5 Wave sets:
 - Height 1.2 – 25 cm
 - Period 0.76 – 2.9 s



Goseberg, N.; 2017

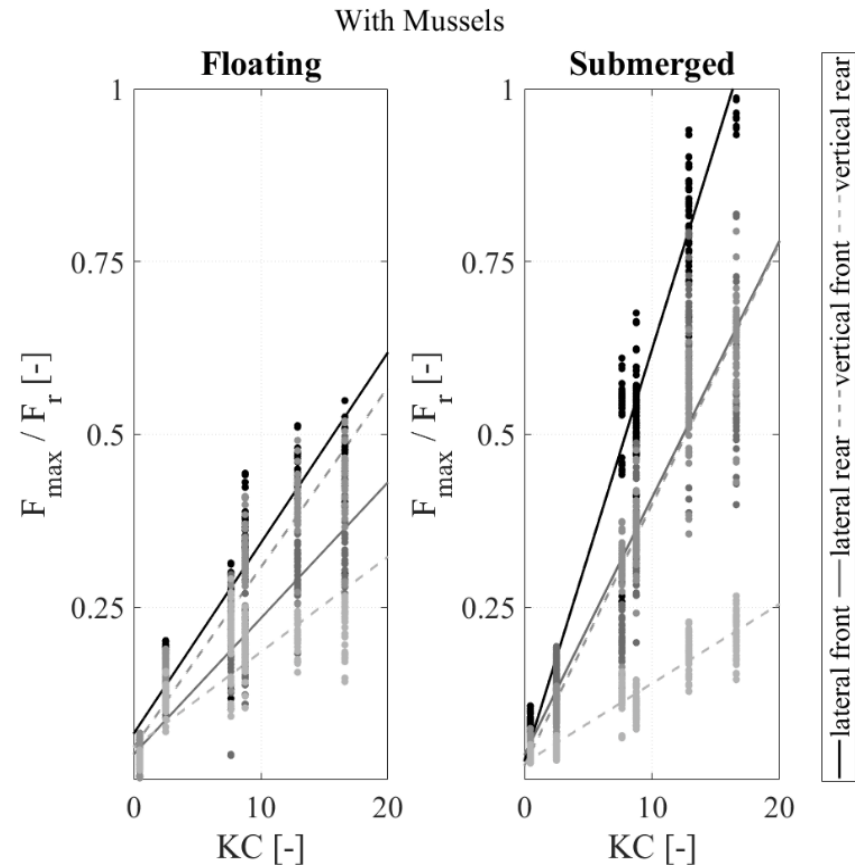


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Long-Line System

• Mooring Forces

- Added mass of mussels increases tension
- Submerged system experiences higher loads due to pretension
- Snapping loads present

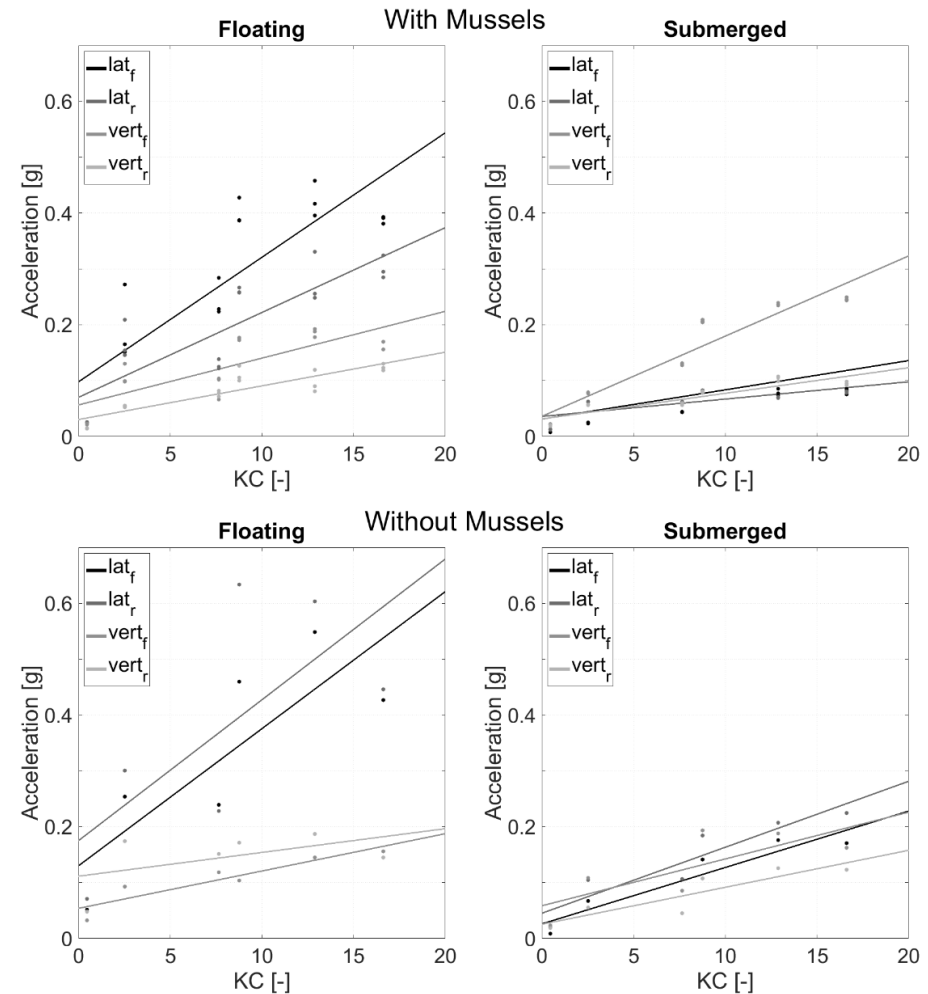


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Long-Line System

• Accelerations

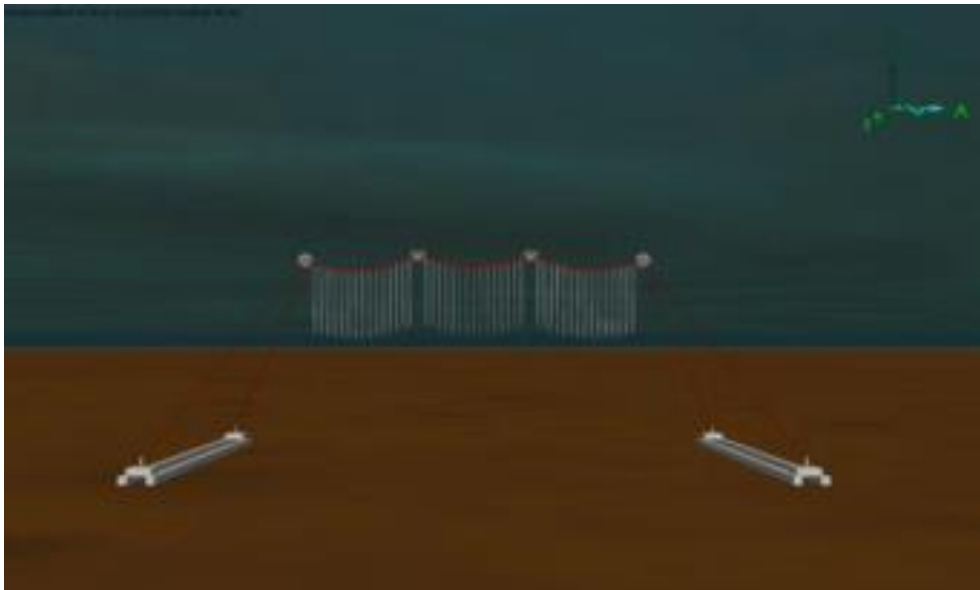
- Mussels dampen acceleration due to hydrodynamic mass
- Submerged system experiences lower accelerations
- Positive implications regarding drop-off



Landmann et al., 2019

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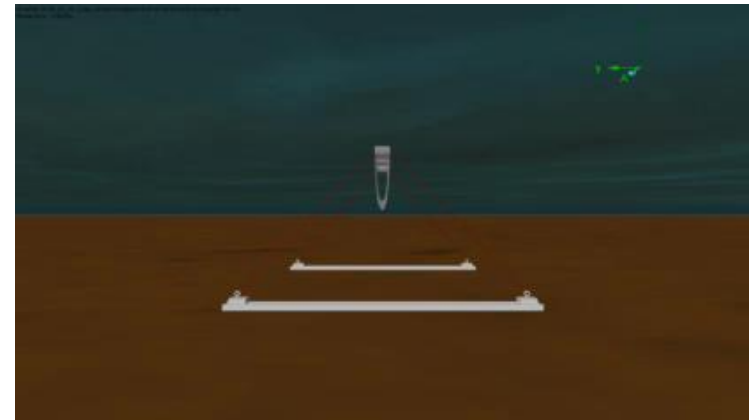
- **Numerical Simulation**
 - OrcaFlex-Model
 - Validation with experimental data
 - Parametric study planned



Fröhling, L.; 2019



Fröhling, L.; 2019



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Discussion

