

# AA.H1V BALTIC PHOTIC MUDDY SEDIMENT CHARACTERIZED BY MIXED EPIBENTHIC MACROCOMMUNITY

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## TEXTUAL DESCRIPTION

Baltic bottoms in the photic zone with at least 90 % coverage of muddy sediment. The sediment must contain at least 20 % of mud, silt or clay (grain size less than 63  $\mu\text{m}$ ). No perennial attached erect group, perennial unattached algae or annual algae have  $\geq 10$  % coverage.

## PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

Salinity range: all; Exposure range: sheltered; Depth range: photic zone

## GEOGRAPHIC RANGE

Whole Baltic Sea

## ANTHROPOGENIC THREATS

Eutrophication

## CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER CLASSIFICATION SYSTEMS

### **HELCOM 1998:**

2.7 Muddy bottoms

2.7.2 Sublittoral photic zone

### **EUNIS 2012:**

A5 Sublittoral sediment

A5.3 Sublittoral mud

A5.31 Sublittoral mud in low or reduced salinity

A5.311 Baltic brackish water sublittoral muddy biocenoses influenced by varying salinity

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