

Country report: Successful report from Norway

Regional Workshop for WOA National Focal
Points for Aquatic Animals V Cycle

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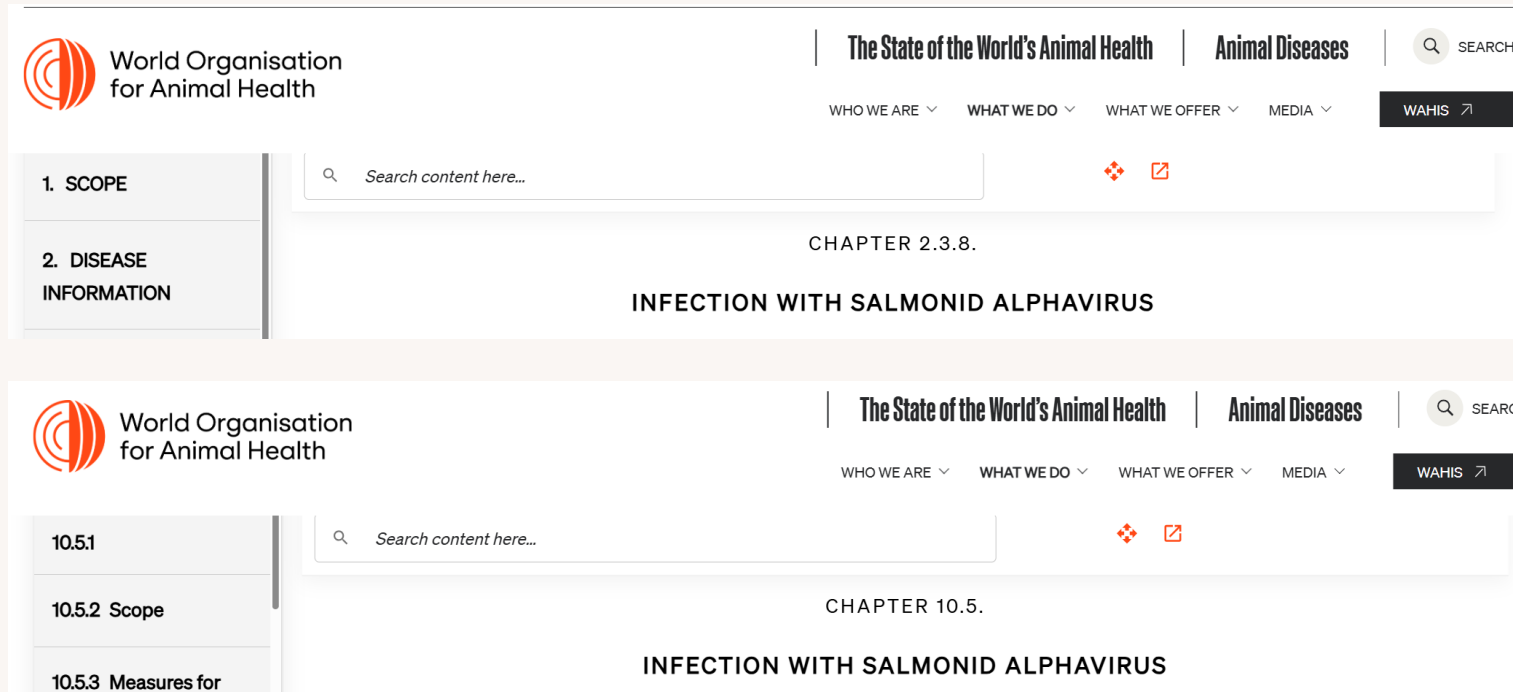
Pancreas disease (PD)

- Salmonid alphavirus (SAV)
 - genotype SAV 3 - western coast of Norway
 - genotype SAV 2 - mid-Norway
- Extensive pancreatic pathology, inflammation in heart & skeletal musculature
- Mortality: low to moderate (occ. high) SAV3 > SAV2
- Low feed conversion, runted fish SAV2 > SAV 3
- ↑ production times (↓ appetite), ↓ filet quality



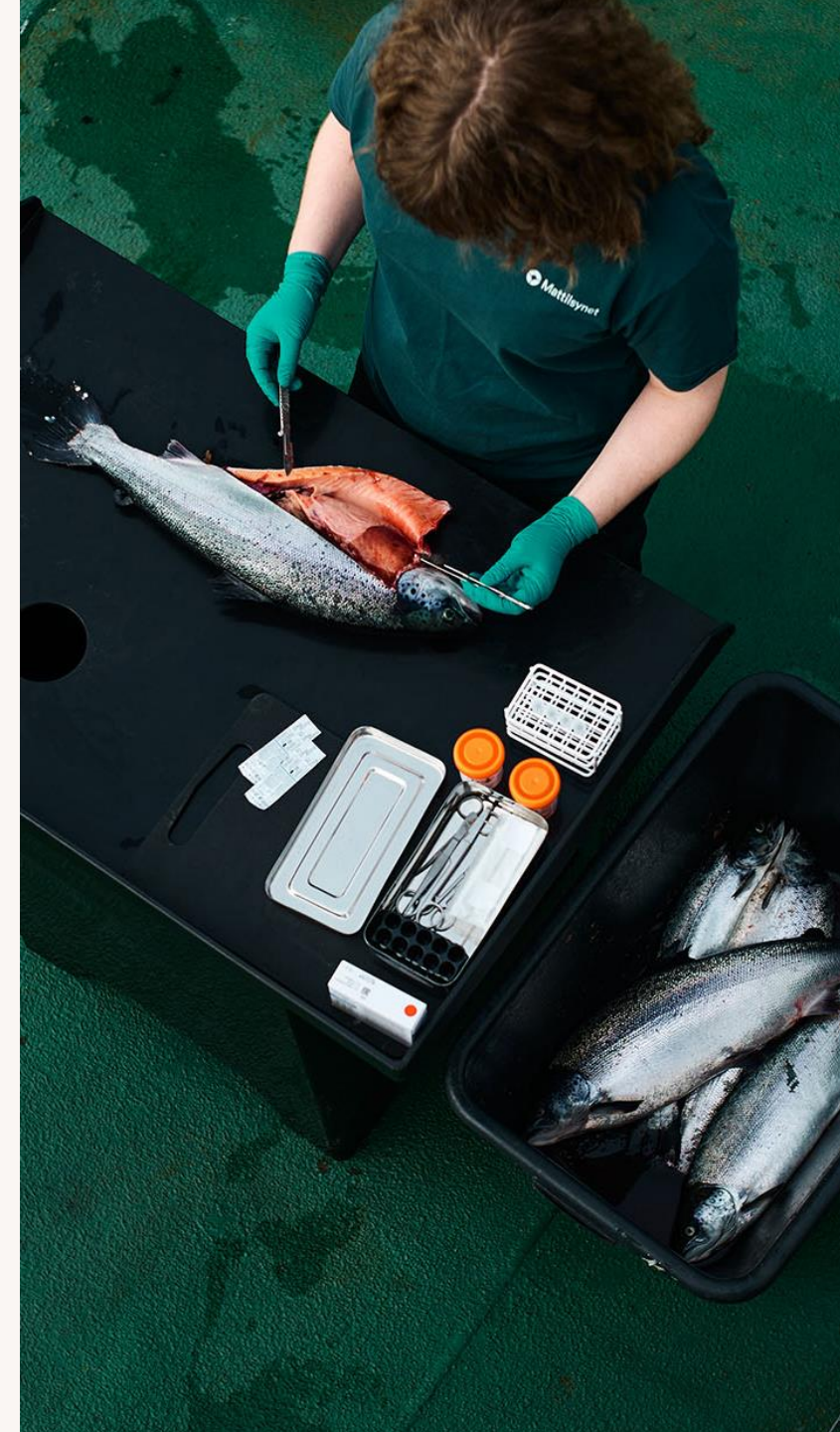
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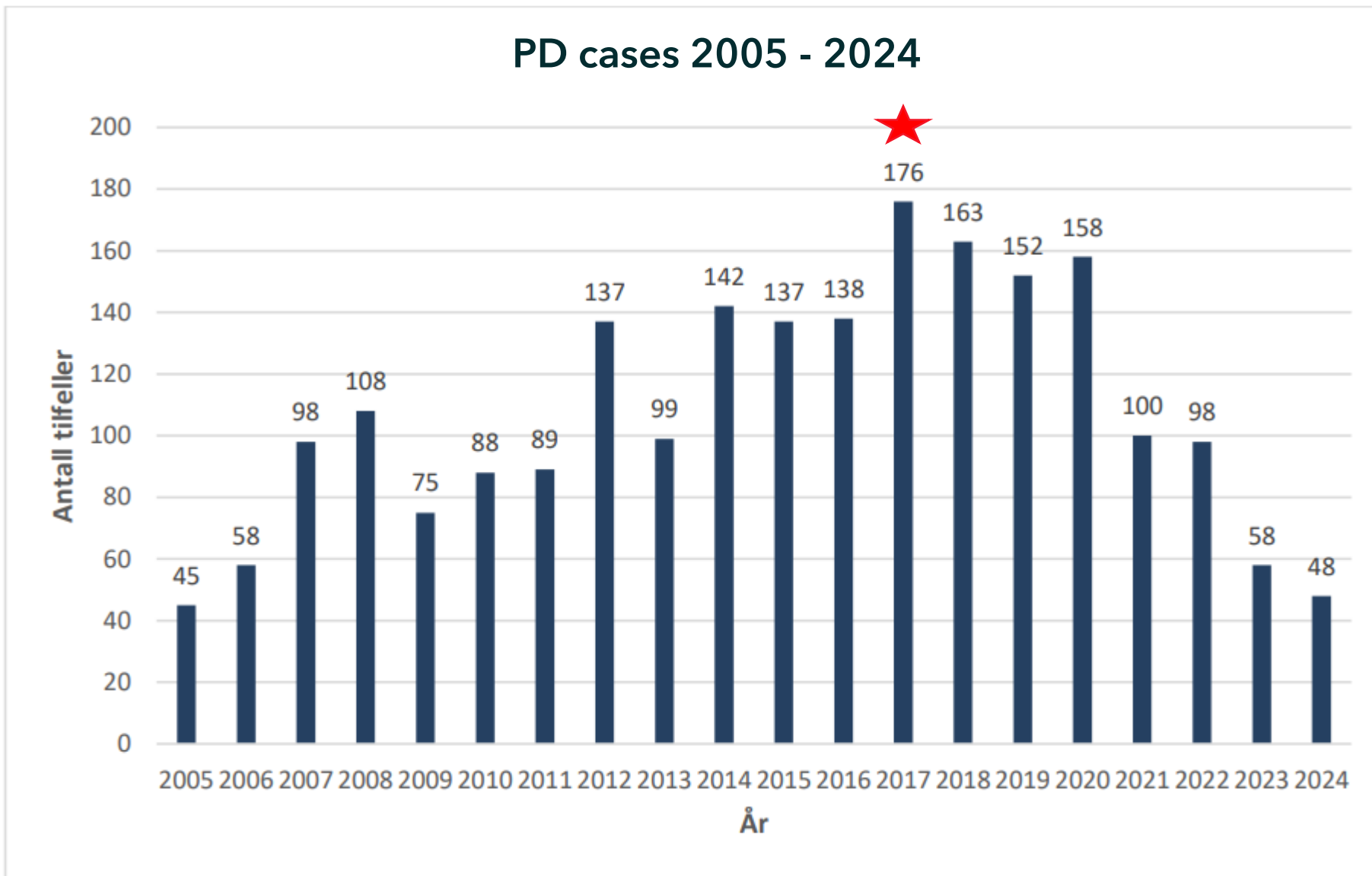
Aquatic Manual/Aquatic code



The screenshot displays the WOAH Aquatic Manual website. The header includes the WOAH logo and name, navigation links for 'The State of the World's Animal Health' and 'Animal Diseases', a search bar, and a 'WAHIS' button. A left sidebar contains a menu with '1. SCOPE' and '2. DISEASE INFORMATION'. The main content area shows 'CHAPTER 2.3.8. INFECTION WITH SALMONID ALPHAVIRUS'. A second screenshot below it shows a more detailed view of the same chapter, with the sidebar expanded to show '10.5.1', '10.5.2 Scope', and '10.5.3 Measures for'.

- ↓ market access – automatic blocking of export certificates to certain countries





Sørlandsvika 2
26355 | Værøy

Exemption from salmon lice reporting



Sites and slaughter houses

 Disease zones

Vessels (AIS)

Shrimp and spawning grounds

Protected areas and anadromous fish

Map details

Background maps

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67° 38.740 N 12° 40.103 E

200 km

« < WEEK 23 | June 2025 > »

Year Week 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23

June 02, 2025 - June 09, 2025

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 The deadline for sending lice reports for this week has not expired.

85

1.2 % of the aquaculture sites
which have reported lice

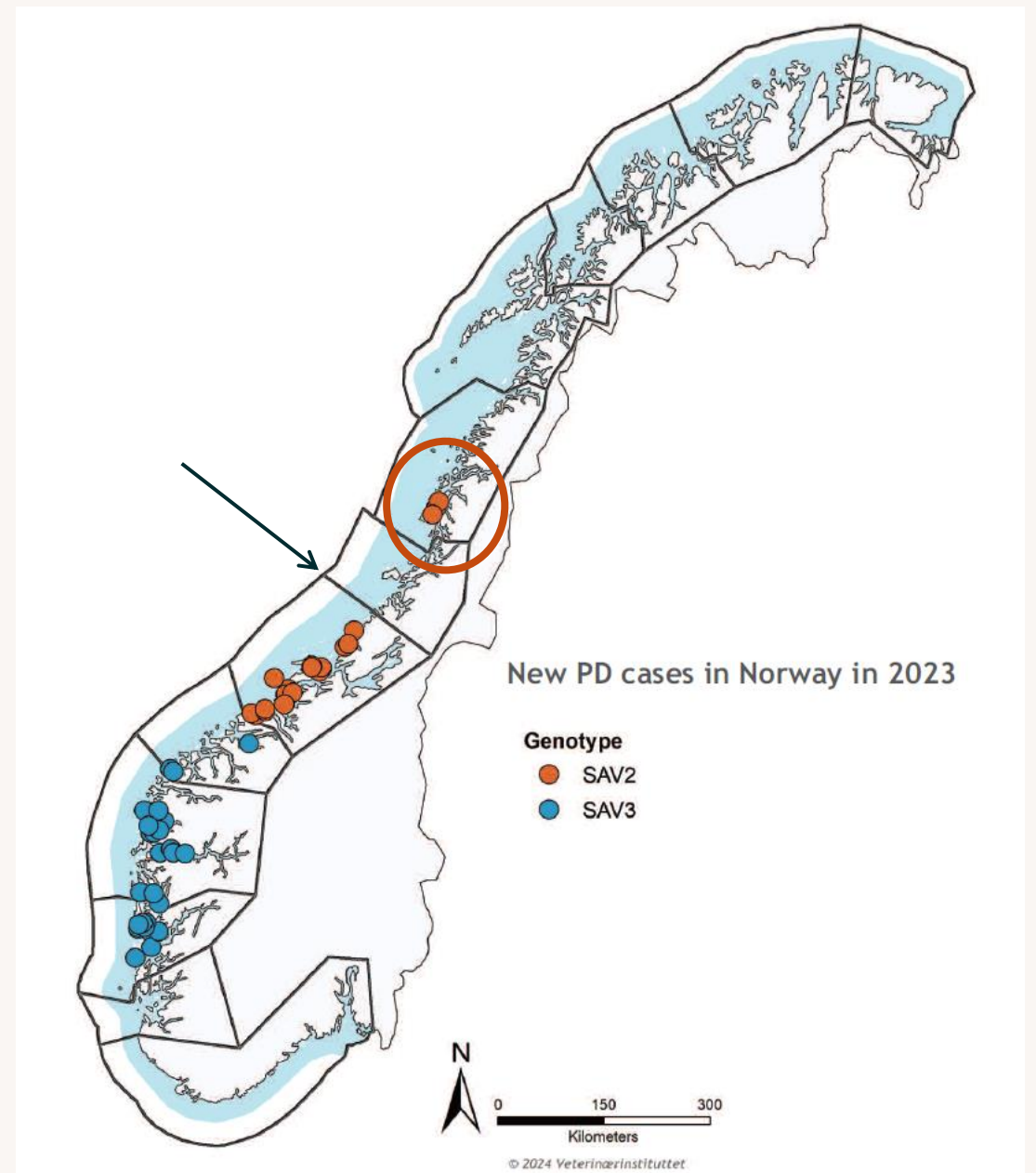
98.8 % of the aquaculture sites
which have reported lice

i More about the lice threshold

54 Pancreas disease (PD)
54 of the localities are suspected of having or is diagnosed with pancreas disease

14 Infectious salmon anemia (ISA)
14 of the localities are suspected of having or is diagnosed with infectious salmon anemia

3 Bacterial kidney disease (BKD)
3 of the localities are suspected of having or is diagnosed with bacterial kidney disease



45003 Ystøya

Smolt transferred to sea autumn 2022

Mid-Aug. 23: delousing

19. Sep. 23: suspected PD, samples positive for SAV

900 000 Atlantic salmon, 2.5-3 kg

Due to depopulate in approx. 2 weeks.

22. Sep. 23: PD confirmed, official samples



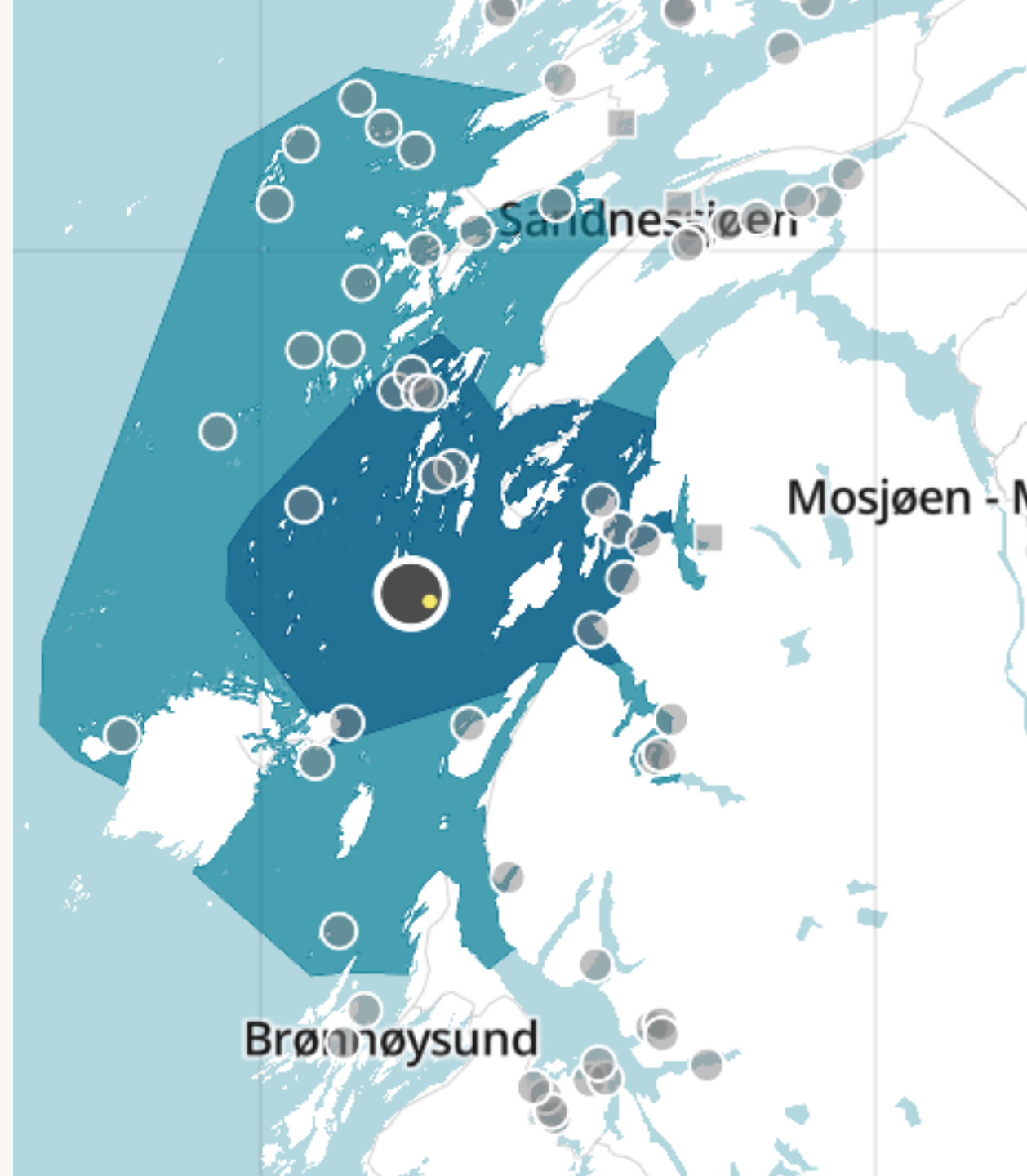
45003 Ystøya

4. Oct. 23: Containment area w/ protection zone and surveillance zone established

20.Oct. 23: depopulated, slaughtered

Unknown source of infection

- one well boat for smolt transfer from PD endemic area
- delousing vessel



Was that it?

Mattilsynet

10447 Mefaldskjæret & 31857 Blomsøyråsa

11. Oct. 23: splitting

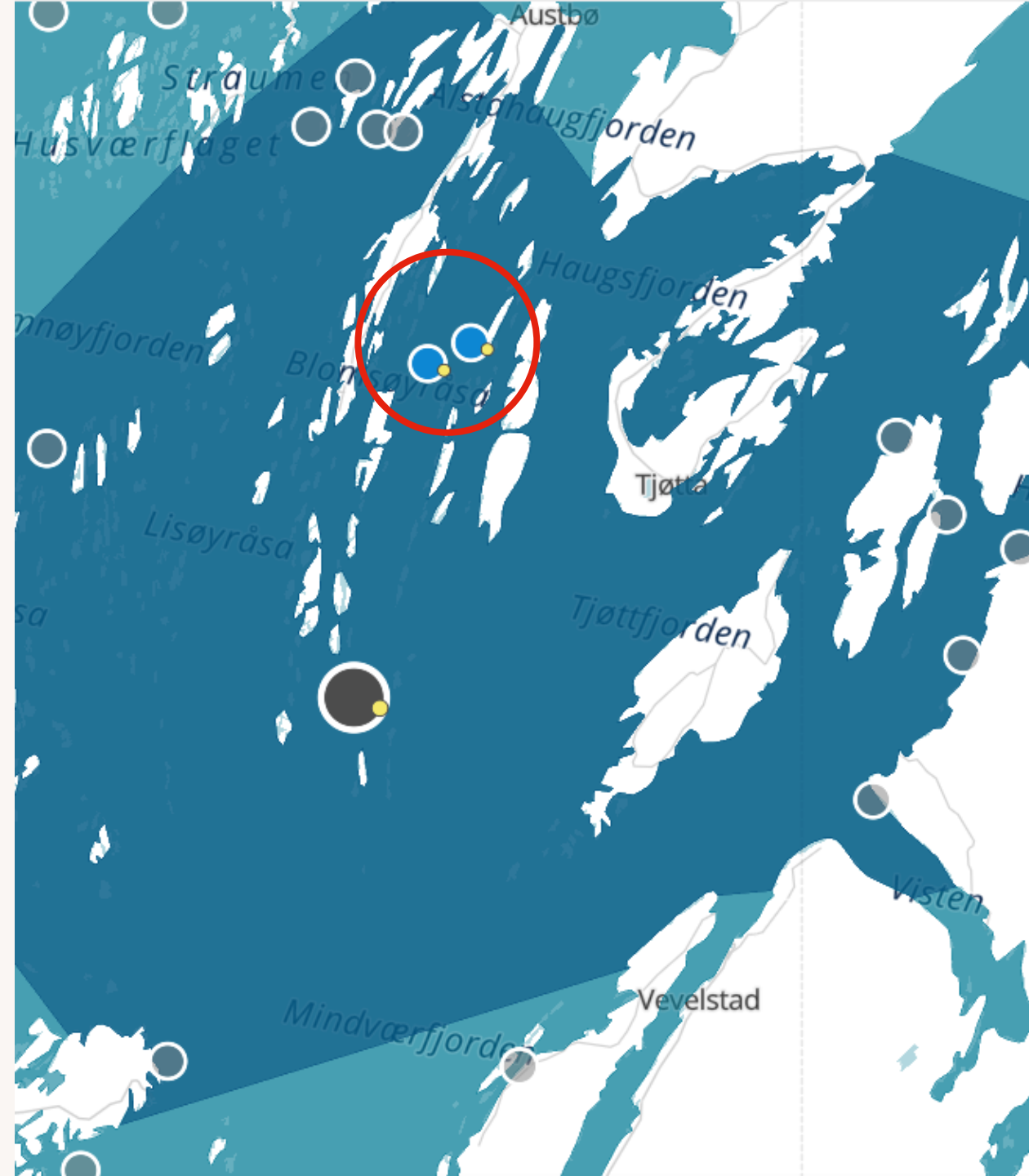
Suspicion of PD based on ↓ feed intake

16. Nov. 23: suspected PD, samples positive for SAV

1 350 000 Atlantic salmon, 1.2-1,4 kg &
750 000 Atlantic salmon, 1,4 – 1,6 kg

23. Nov. 23: PD confirmed, official samples

10. Dec. 23: depopulated, destroyed



18936 Igerøy Ø

Mid-Aug. 23: delousing vessel came from Ystøya

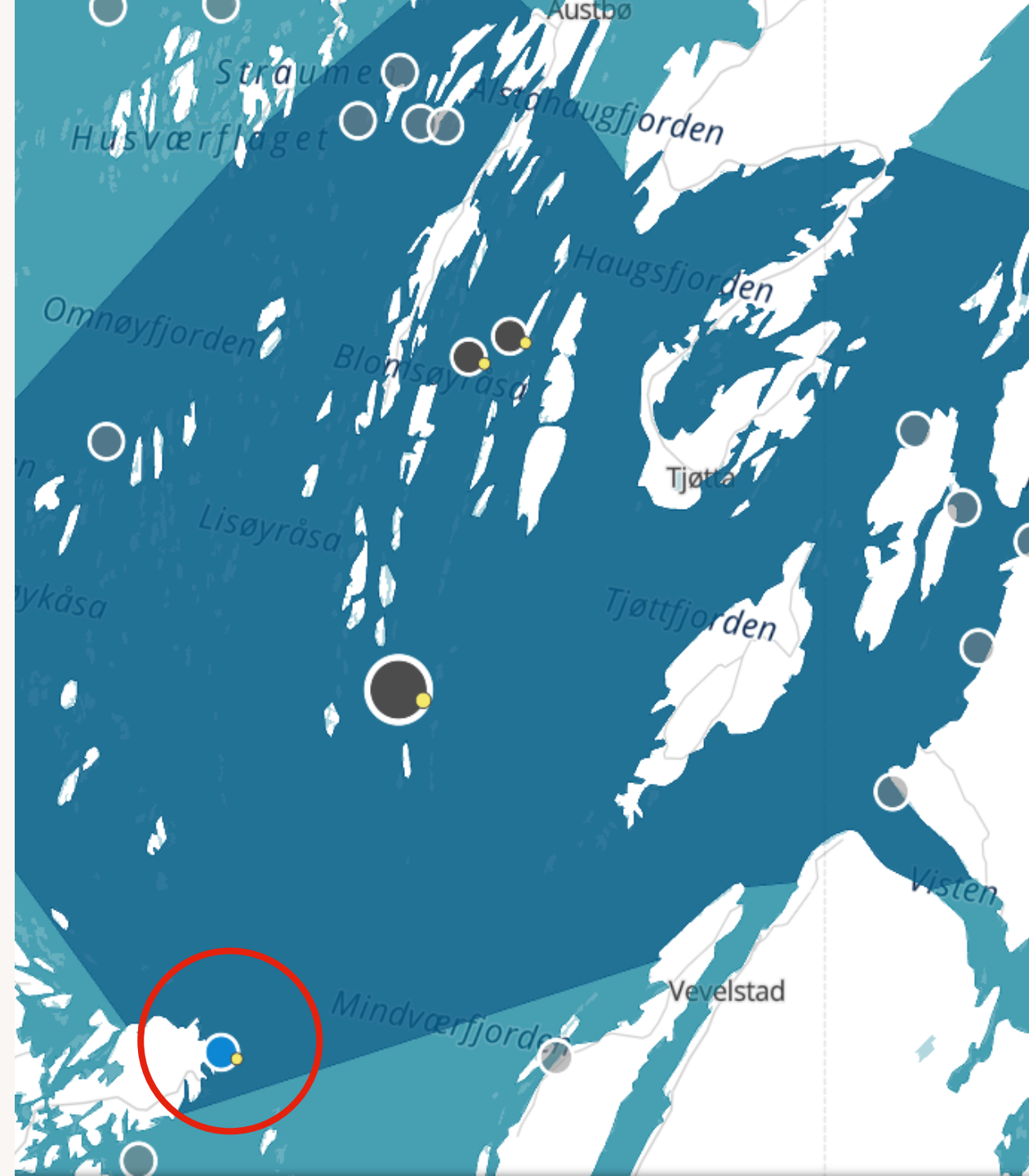
Increased mortality but not directly attributable to SAV

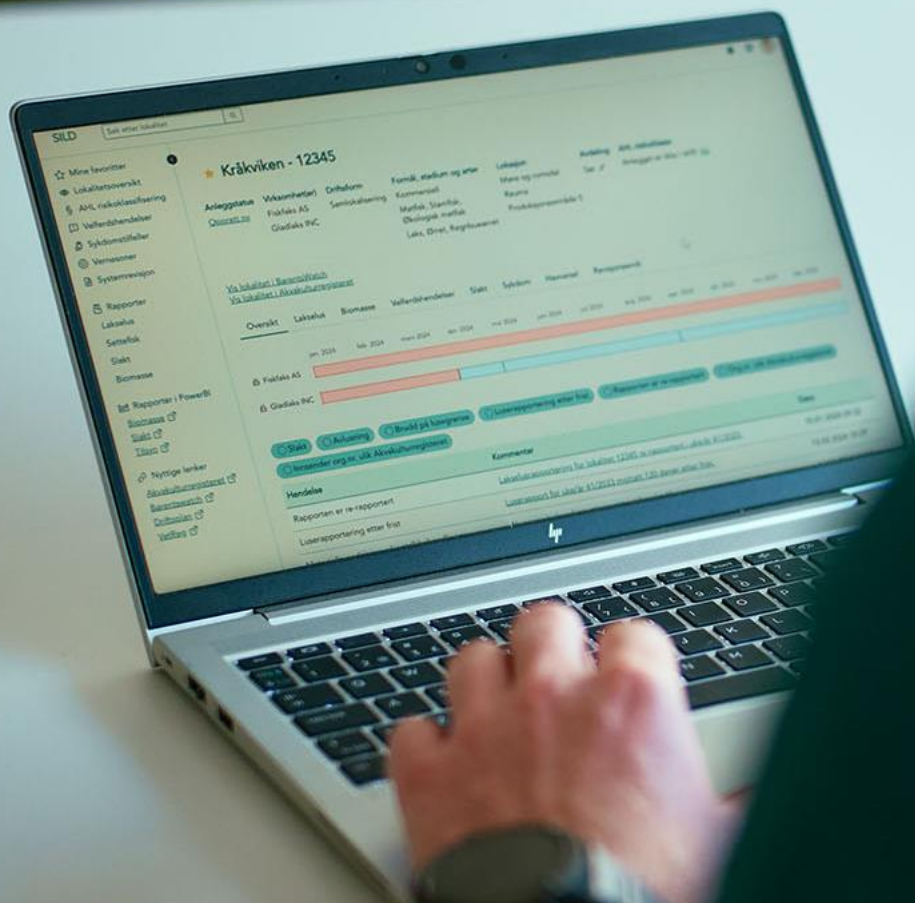
29. Nov. 23: suspected PD, samples positive for SAV

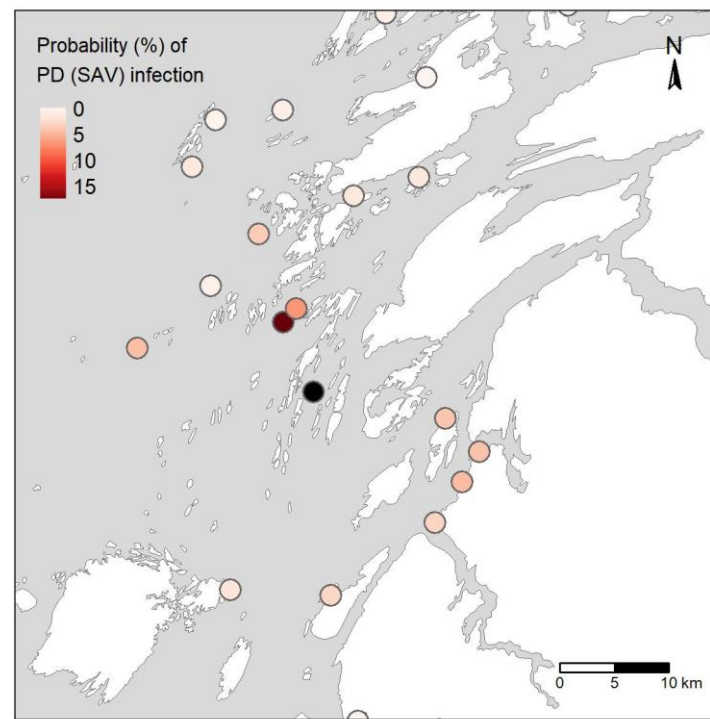
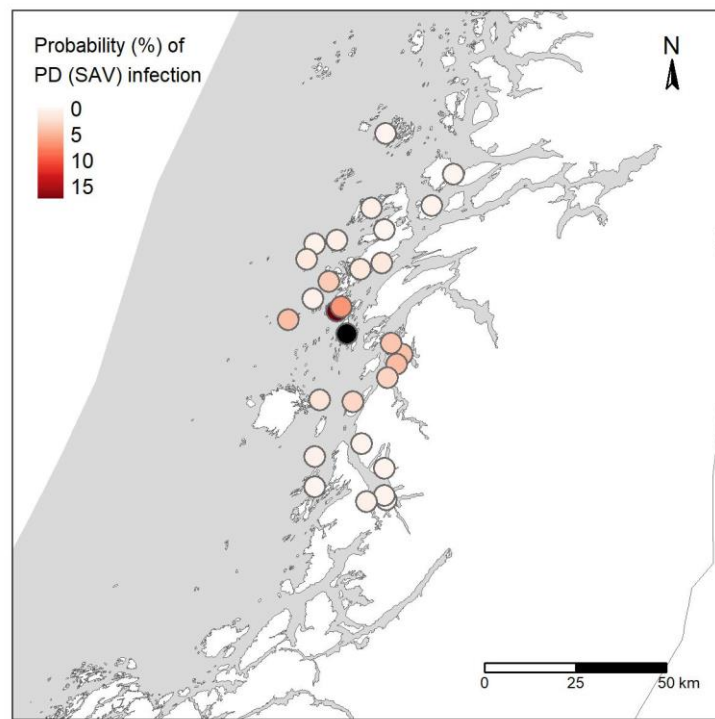
829 016 Atlantic salmon, 3,5-5,5 kg
Harvest planned late February

5. Dec. 23: PD confirmed, official samples

20. Dec. 23: Depopulated, slaughtered



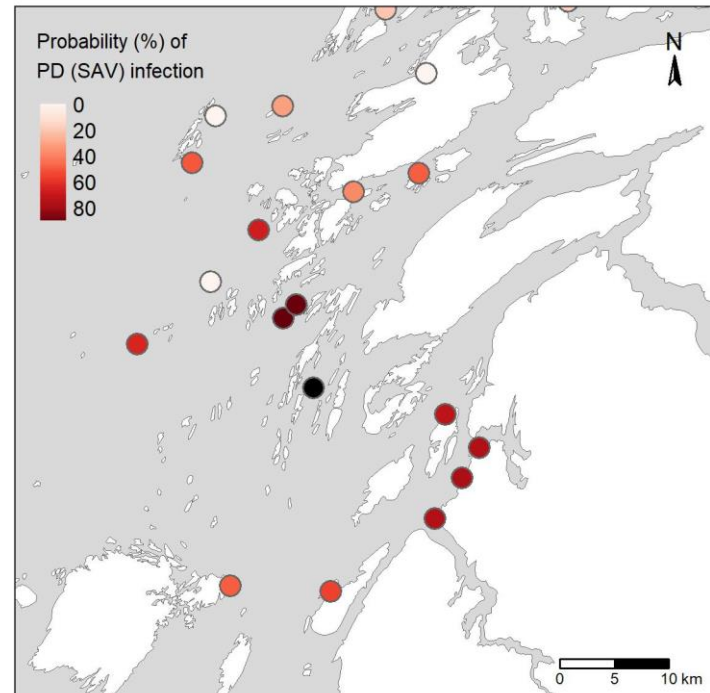
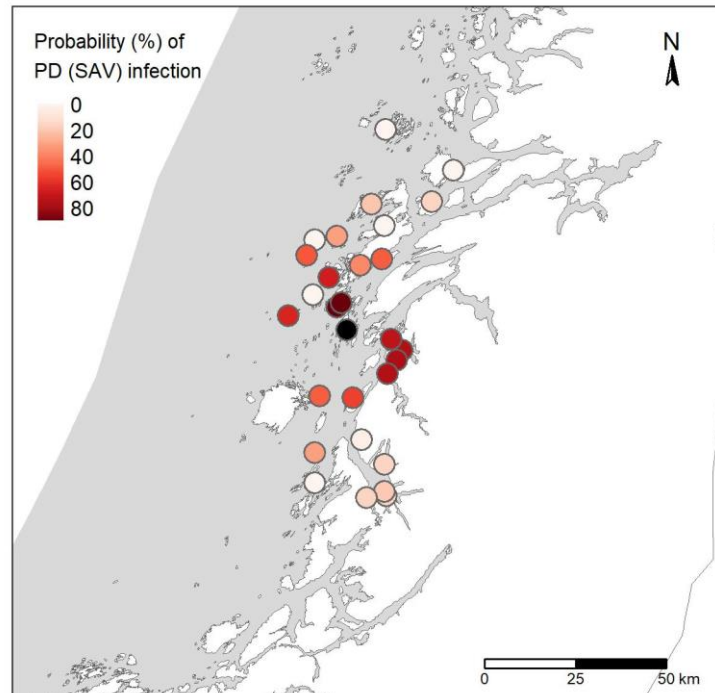




10447 Mefaldskjæret &
31857 Blomsøråsa

Immediate depopulation
(within 2 months)

Within 60 km (right panel),
within 30km (left panel)



Delayed depopulation
(at planned slaughter
weight)

Within 60 km (right panel),
within 30km (left panel)

Maps:
Norwegian Veterinary Institute
(K. R. Dean & L. Qviller)

Time of infection?

Viraemia

**Neutralising
antibodies**





Ystøya

**Mefaldskjæret
Blomsøråsa
Igerøy Ø**

Appeal against depopulation of
Mefaldskjæret & Blomsøråsa



Was the farming company right about the cost-benefit of depopulation?

-  Perspectives? competent authority, industry, fish welfare, reputation/market access
-  Timeframe? short term, long term
-  Geographical area? Production area, non-endemic area
-  Positive expected benefit of early depopulation for the production area



Take home messages

- Biosecurity at farm-level and area-level
- Expect the unexpected
- Collaboration essential

