

The Establishment of Pedological Soil Data Bases in Denmark

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The construction of a main gas pipeline from the North Sea across Denmark offered a unique possibility of taking a subsequent number of soil profiles. Roughly 835 profiles have been described in detail according to a system very similar to FAO's Guidelines for Soil Profile Description, and samples from each horizon have been analysed in the laboratory. Based on easily detectable stable characteristics of the soil, about 8000 soil classifications were made down in the trench. The applied classification system, the analyses, the data storing system, and the principal soil conditions found along the pipelines are described in the paper.

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In 1975-80 a nationwide Danish soil classification of the farmland was carried out comprising soil sampling at about 35,000 sites. At every site a sample was taken from 0-20 cm depth, and at selected sites also from 35-55 cm depth. Texture, organic matter, and content of calcium carbonate were determined for all samples. On the basis of these analyses, soil maps in scale 1:50,000 were constructed, showing principally the texture at 0-20 cm depth (Mathiesen 1980). All soil maps and sampling sites have been digitized and hereafter stored in a computer system at the Ministry of Agriculture, Bureau of Land Data (ADK).

The computerized data have been widely used in agricultural planning. For this purpose transfer models have been elaborated to calculate e.g. the actual and potential drainage requirements within larger regions and the amount of nitrate leached from the farmland to the water-

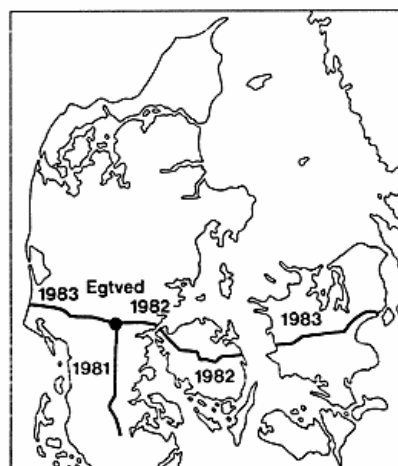


Fig. 1. Main gas pipeline system and the year of construction.
Fig. 1. Dansk Olie og Naturgas' hovedtransmissionsledninger gennem landet med angivelse af anlægsår.

courses. To run these transfer models a need has arisen for more detailed information about the different soil types, especially with regard to drainage classes, soil water retention, root development, variation in texture and the pedological development within the uppermost 2 m of the profile.

The establishment of the main gas pipeline system from the North Sea gasfields across Denmark in 1981-83, fig. 1, represented a unique possibility of studying soil profiles and to build up computerized pedological soil data bases comprising systematical soil classifications, profile descriptions and analytical data.

This paper describes the pedological investigations carried out along the main gas pipeline system in 1981-83 and examples of combining the results with existing computerized soil- and landscape maps.

FIELD INVESTIGATIONS

The field investigations were carried out during the construction period of the main gas pipeline system, that

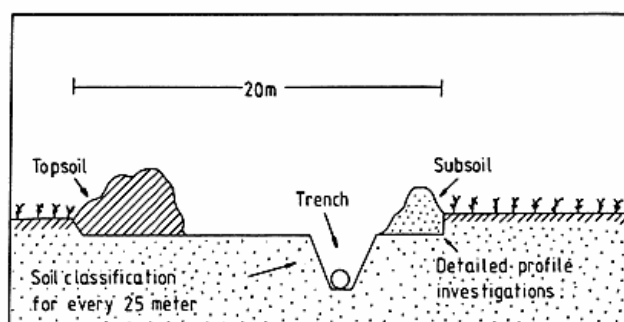


Fig. 2. A cross section of the working belt.
Fig. 2. Snit gennem arbejdsbæltet.

means May to November in 1981-83. Through the farmland a 20-m wide working belt was established. First the topsoil was removed and placed along the one side of the working belt. The pipe sections were connected and an approximately 2-m deep narrow trench was dug, asymmetrically placed in the working belt, fig. 2. The subsoil was placed opposite to the topsoil. In forest areas the working belt was 12 meter wide and there was no separation between top- and subsoil.

The field investigations comprised pedological soil classifications for every 25 meter along the trench and detailed profile descriptions and soil sampling at the borderline between working belt and undisturbed agricultural land. Furthermore, some detailed profile investigations and soil samplings were carried out in nearby forests for comparing the pedological development in uncultivated soils with cultivated ones which are ploughed, limed, and manured.

In total, 835 detailed profile descriptions and 8440 pedological soil classifications were carried out.

Soil classifications in the trench

After the pipe had been installed in the trench bottom and before replacement of the subsoil to close the trench, soil classifications were carried out for every 25 meter over long distances in the roughly 2-m deep trench. Only where this followed highways, the soil profiles were frequently too much disturbed to be classified, and in a few places the trench was closed immediately after the pipe had been laid down so no time was left for soil classifications.

Because the topsoil was removed before the trench was dug, the soil classification was frequently based on only a thin A1 layer and on B and C horizons, and in some cases only on B and C horizons. A description of the A1 horizon can therefore not be complete, and problems of soil depth or depth to horizons with different soil characteristics arise. By the assessment of soil depth it was assumed that 30 cm of topsoil had been removed. If a soil layer e.g. began 40 cm below the surface of the trench, it was assumed

to begin 70 cm below the surface of the undisturbed profile, and it was classified as beginning at 70 cm depth.

The field classifications must be based on parameters which are easily detectable on location, because no analytical data are or will be available for these classifications. Thus it has been necessary to build up a Danish pedological soil classification system based on soil characteristics which can be easily recognized and quantified in the field. These are

- The organic matter in the A1-horizon
- The genesis, thickness, and colour of the B and C horizons
- Soil depth to horizon with gley features
- Soil depth to horizon with different amounts of calcium carbonate
- Soil depth to bedrock
- The presence of fragipans or cemented soil layers within the uppermost 120 cm of the profile
- The presence of sodium-rich soil layer within the uppermost 120 cm of the profile
- The presence of degraded B horizons
- Texture

The system developed is an uncontrolled parametric system where no parameter excludes other parameters when present. In that way statistical treatment of the material will be favoured. The system is hierarchical with four levels: order, group, series, and phase. The soils are defined through the presence or absence of diagnostic horizons or characteristics. In table 1 the three highest levels are shown with a brief, but not complete definition. The system is discussed in detail in Madsen (1983).

The soil names are constructed according to the following principles:

- Only one name is given at order level, e.g. lessive.
- At group level up to three designations may be added to the order-name. The first group-name, e.g. typi, is always added, but the second and third group-name are only used if the defined parameters are present.
- Order- and group-names are written as one word beginning with capital letter, e.g. Pseudogleytypilessive.
- The designation at series level is only used if the defined parameters are present. The series-names are written in front of the group-order-name as individuals beginning with non-capital letter e.g. gleyey entic Pseudogleytypilessive.

In the trench the soil classification was carried out to maximum series level but at least to group-level and the data were stored in the ADK computer system in numerical form. The figures are given in table 1, and in table 2 different soil names and their translation into numerical form are given.

The location of the field classifications was determined from distance-marks on the pipe and then plotted on aerial photographs in scale 1:4000 or on working plans in

SERIES	3 GROUP LEVEL	2 GROUP LEVEL	1 GROUP LEVEL	ORDER	
		11 Gley 12 Stagnogley 13 Pseudogley	1 Typi 22 Bleg 6 Kalk 7 Rendzin 8 Ranker	01 rajord "Regosol"	Al < 2 cm no diagnostic B horizon exc. Bj
01 kolluvial Al: 40-80 cm thick		11 Gley 12 Stagnogley 13 Pseudogley	1 Typi 2 Blandings 6 Kalk 7 Rendzin 8 Ranker	02 blegsol "Arenosol"	2 cm < Al < 80 cm below Al pale colours
02 humusfattig Al < 1 % organic matter		11 Gley 12 Stagnogley 13 Pseudogley	1 Typi 2 Struktur 3 Blandings 6 Kalk 7 Rendzin 8 Ranker	03 brunsol "Arenosol"	2 cm < Al < 80 cm sandy brown soil without Bh or Bs horizon
03 humus Al: 7-20 % organic matter		11 Gley 12 Stagnogley 13 Pseudogley	1 Typi 2 Struktur 3 Blandings 6 Kalk 7 Rendzin 8 Ranker	04 brunjord "Cambisol"	2 cm < Al < 80 cm clayey brown soil without Bt horizon
04 histic peatlayer 10-40 cm thick		11 Gley 12 Stagnogley 13 Pseudogley	1 Typi 2 Struktur 3 Blandings 6 Kalk 7 Rendzin 8 Ranker		
05 entic Al < 10 cm thick					
06 mor morlayer > 10 cm thick	23 Brunsol 24 Brunjord 26 Podzol	11 Gley 12 Stagnogley 13 Pseudogley	1 Typi 2 Blandings 3 Band 4 Degra 6 Kalk 7 Rendzin 8 Ranker	05 Lessive "Luvisol" "Acrisol"	Al < 80 cm soil having Bt horizon
07 gleyey 08 stagnogleyey 09 pseudogleyey					
10 bleget pale subsoil	25 Lessive	11 Gley 12 Stagnogley 13 Pseudogley	1 Typi 2 Humus 3 Sesqui 4 Brun 5 Initial 7 Rendzin 8 Ranker	06 podzol "Podzol"	Al < 80 cm soil having Bs and or Bh horizon
11 degraderet degraded Bt or Bs					
12 fragi fragipan		11 Gley 12 Stagnogley 13 Pseudogley	1 Typi 26 Podzol 25 Lessive 6 Kalk 7 Rendzin 8 Ranker	07 kolluvial- jord	Al > 80 cm
13 placic placic horizon					
14 hardnet cemented layer	6 Kalk		1 Typi 26 Podzol 25 Lessive 7 Rendzin 8 Ranker	08 stagnogley "Gleysol"	stagnogley within the uppermost 40 cm
15 natric high content of sodium					
16 kalkholdig weakly calcareous layers	6 Kalk	22 Bleg 25 Lessive 26 Podzol	1 Typi 2 Vad 3 Brun 4 Kolluvial 7 Rendzin 8 Ranker	09 gley "Gleysol"	ground water gley within the uppermost 40 cm
17 rendzin 18 ranker		7 Rendzin 8 Ranker 25 Lessive 26 Podzol	1 Typi 2 Hemi 3 Sapri 4 Kopro 5 Blandings	10 histosol "Histosol"	peatlayer (> 20 % organic matter) more than 40 cm thick
31-39 name of order+like	6 Kalk				
41-52 top+name of order	23 Brun 22 Bleg 25 Lessive 26 Podzol	11 Gley	1 Typi 2 Sedi 3 Blandings	11 rendzina "Rendzina"	> 30 % CaCO ₃ normally within the uppermost 40 cm
61-72 sub+name of order		11 Gley	1 Typi 2 Kolluvial 3 Litho 21 Rajords 22 Bleg 23 Brun 26 Podzol 25 Lessive	12 ranker "Lithosol" "Rankers"	lime free rock normally within the uppermost 40 cm
<p>Group level</p> <p>1 - 5: special horizon sequences for the orders. 6 - 8: kalk = 5-30 % CaCO₃, rendzin = > 30 % CaCO₃, ranker = limefree rock. All three horizons begin within the uppermost 80 cm of the profile. 11 - 13: Groundwater gley or stagnogley beginning between 40-80 cm depth or pseudogley beginning between 0-80 cm depth. 21 - 25: Presence of other diagnostic horizons which might have qualified the soil at order level.</p> <p>Series level</p> <p>7 - 9: Groundwater gley, stagnogley and pseudogley beginning between 80-120 cm depth. 10 - 16: Horizon beginning within the uppermost 120 cm of the soil. 17 - 18: Rendzin = > 30 % CaCO₃, ranker = limefree rock. The two horizons begin between 80-120 cm depth. 31 - 39: Weakly expressed pedological developments without formation of diagnostic horizons. 41 - 72: Buried soils. The deepest soil profile beginning in the uppermost 60 cm qualifies the profile at order level. The other profile is described at series level with top or sub in front of the name of order.</p>					

Table 1. Schematic presentation of the Danish pedological soil classification system at order-, group- and series level.

Tabel 1. Skematisk gengivelse af det danske jordbundsklassifikationssystem på orden-, gruppe- og serieniveau med talangivelse til lagring af klassifikationer i en database.

scale 1:1000. These plots were later readjusted to »as built plans« showing the precise location of the pipeline, and they were digitized with reference to the UTM-coordinate system, so the soil classifications can be combined with already existing soil maps and other information available in the ADK-computer system (Mathiesen 1984, Madsen 1984).

	series	group	order
histisk Vådgley	4	0 0 2	9
fragi Pseudogleytypilessive	12	0 3 1	5
Lessivebrunpodzol	0	25 0 4	6
humos Kalktypigley	3	6 0 1	9

Table 2. Soil types described in numerical form.
Tabel 2. Jordtyper beskrevet på numerisk form.

Soil profile investigations

Based on the soil classifications in the trench, sites were selected for detailed profile investigations and sampling for soil chemical and physical analyses. The selection of the profiles were based on differences in parent material, drainage class or on the presence of distinct pedological features such as placic horizon, fragipan or bog iron. The profiles were frequently situated as toposequences.

The pits were dug on the borderline between the working belt and the agricultural land, so the profile description was carried out on an undisturbed profile wall outside the working belt. The pits were 1.5 to 2.0 meter deep even in areas with permanent ground water near the surface. This was possible because the ground water was pumped down during the construction period.

The profiles were described according to a system similar to FAO »Guideline for Soil Profile Descriptions«, but at some points readjusted to fit Danish conditions. The profile description comprises the following characteristics:

- Type and depth of horizons
- Soil colours (matrix and mottles)
- Borderlines between horizons (form and sharpness)
- The geology of the parent material
- Gley features
- Texture and organic matter
- Stoniness (shape, size, amount, sort, and state of weathering)
- Calcium carbonate (amount and sort e.g. nodules, powder or shells)
- Structure and consistency
- Soil pores (diameter above 1 mm)
- Roots (amount and thickness)
- Nodules and coatings
- Cementations and pans (type and continuity)

Furthermore general notations about date, name of surveyor, UTM-coordinates, slope, elevation, vegetation, and drainage class are made.

The profile descriptions were entered in standard schemes, and the quantification of the different parameters was given in numerical form to be stored in the ADK-computer system. It is thus easy to search on single features and combine different parameters in the profile description, e.g. finding soils having horizons with platy structure and gley features.

In order to make the profile descriptions easily available for different users, programs have been elaborated transforming the numerical soil profile descriptions into words (Munk 1984).

Soil samples have been taken from all major horizons. In average six samples have been taken from each profile. For chemical and textural analyses the samples were first air-dried and then sieved. Only the fraction finer than 2 mm was used for the chemical analyses. For determination of soil water retention and root densities undisturbed samples were used. These were collected in tubes of different size. For determination of soil water retention 3 samples were collected from each horizon in tubes of volume 100 cm³. For determination of root densities one sample per 10-cm section was taken down through the profile using tubes 7 cm high and diameter 11 cm.

	1981	1982	1983
Texture, humus and pH	1400	1500	1700
CEC and exch. bases	245	245	450
Pyrophosphate sol. Fe and Al	700	130	280
Dith. citrate sol. Fe and Al	700	575	850
Total and organic P	100	700	150
Total N	800	700	500
KCl soluble Al	450	179	390
Citric acid soluble P	50	0	0
Mineralogical analyses	120	136	80
Soil water retention	970	800	700
Root density	0	408	342

Table 3. Number of different analyses carried out.
Tabel 3. Antal analyser udført ved jordprofilundersøgelsen.

ANALYSES

Table 3 shows the different analyses and the number carried out during the investigation period. Texture, organic matter, calcium carbonate, and pH(CaCl₂) have been determined on nearly all samples, while the other analyses have only been carried out on a minor part of the samples. The CEC was mainly determined on samples from profiles situated in forest because of heavy liming of the farmland. Soil water retention and root determinations have been carried out solely on samples from profiles situated on farmland, because these parameters will be of great value especially in irrigation planning. Pyrophosphate-soluble iron and aluminium were mainly determined on sandy samples, while KCl-soluble aluminium only were determined on acid subsoils. KCl-soluble aluminium was determined for the evaluation of Al-toxicity in the root zone. The electric conductivity was only determined on

samples from marine deposits, because all other deposits are leached for easily soluble salt due to heavy surplus of rain during the wintertime. The total nitrogen and phosphorous contents were mainly determined on samples from or just below the topsoil, while citric-acid soluble phosphorous were determined exclusively on A1-material which fulfilled all other specifications to a mollic epipedon.

The analytical methods are described in detail in Madsen et al. (1985), but the following short comments should be made. Texture analyses were carried out by sieving of the sand fractions and the hydrometer method for determination of fine silt and clay. The following grain sizes were determined 2 μ , 20 μ , 63 μ , 125 μ , 200 μ , 500 μ , and 2000 μ . The content of organic matter was determined by an IR-Leco apparatus and the pH was determined potentiometrically in a suspension of soil and 0.01 M CaCl_2 . Calcium carbonate content was determined by treating the sample with 4N HCl, catching the developed CO_2 in 0.1N $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ followed by a titration with 0.1N HCl. The exchangeable bases were determined by AAS after treating the samples with 1N NH_4Ac , while the exchangeable acidity was determined by Pipers method. The CEC-value was determined as the sum of exchangeable bases and exchangeable acidity, except in lime-containing samples where the CEC-value was determined by treating the samples with 1N NaAc, thereafter washing the samples with alcohol and exchange the sodium with 1M NH_4Ac . Dithionite-citrate and pyrophosphate soluble iron and aluminium were determined by AAS after treating the samples over night with a dithionite-citrate solution or with a pyrophosphate solution (Soil Conservation Service 1972). The KCl-soluble aluminium was determined by mixing the soil samples with 1M KCl for one hour, filtration and titration with 0.02N NaOH. The total content of nitrogen was determined by the Kjeldahl method and the citric-acid soluble phosphorous content was determined spectrophotometrically after treating the samples for 18-20 hours with 1% citric-acid. The total phosphorous content was determined spectrophotometrically by ashing the samples and thereafter treat them with 12N H_2SO_4 .

The soil conductivity was determined in the liquid phase after treating 25 g sample with 50 ml pure water for 16 hours.

The soil water characteristic curve was determined by the pressure plate apparatus method, and the water content was determined at: pF 1.0, pF 2.0, pF 3.0 and pF 4.2. The root densities were determined as cm root/ccm soil. The roots were separated from the soil by washing and their lengths measured on a grid with mesh-wide 1.27 cm.

After finishing the analyses the remaining part of the samples were stored in a soil sample library at ADK. This library contains today more than 40,000 soil samples.

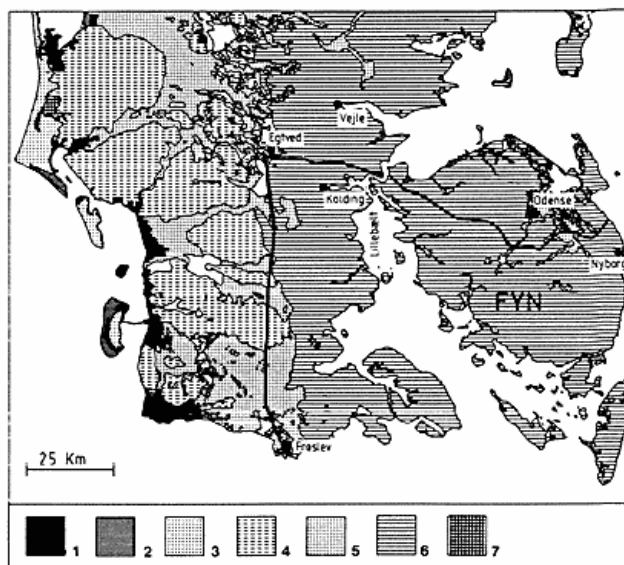


Fig. 3. The main gas pipeline system in southeastern Jutland and Funen in relation to landforms. 1: Marsh areas, 2: Marine forelands, 3: Dune landforms, 4: Saale glaciation landforms (= old moraine in table 4 and 5), 5: Outwash plains, 6: Weichsel moraine landforms (= young moraine in table 4 and 5), 7: Reclaimed areas.

Fig. 3. Hovedtransmissionsledningens forløb gennem forskellige landskabstyper i Sydøstjylland og på Fyn. 1: marsk, 2: marint forland, 3: klitlandskab, 4: bakke, 5: hedeslette, 6: ungt morænelandskab, 7: kunstigt tørlagt areal.

THE PRESENTATION AND USE OF DATA FROM THE PEDOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS

The database for soil profile descriptions is connected with the analytical databases, and programs have been developed to produce outputs giving the user a complete profile description in Danish and all corresponding analytical data. Fig. 4 shows an output for a single profile, a Pseudogleytypellessive developed in till.

In the profile description the exterior characteristics are mentioned first followed by a description of the interior characteristics for each horizon. In the first scheme a list of samples is given with sampling depth, sampling number, and ring numbers, the latter if samples for soil water retention have been collected. The second scheme shows the texture and the content of organic matter and calcium carbonate. The third scheme shows ppm dithionite-citrate and pyrophosphate soluble iron and aluminium. The fourth scheme shows the pH-values, exchangeable bases and acidity, CEC-values, base saturation, and electric conductivity, while the fifth scheme shows the nitrogen, phosphorous and carbon content. Root densities and soil water retention have not been determined.

The data from the profile investigations are today frequently used in combination with existing computerized

PROFILNR: 137

JORDBUNDSTYPER : JBNr 3

Pseudogleytypilessive
udviklet på moræneaflejringer

DATO : 11. 8.1981
UDTAGER : Lars Elkjær
FILM NR : 24 BILLED NR: 21 - 23
UTM KOORDINAT : 516141.71, 6136220.96
KORTBLAD : G1 1212 1V NV
TERRÆNKOTE : 58 m DNN
TERRÆNFORM : Kant af morænebakke
HÆLDNING : 0-2 grader
VEGETATION : Byg (vårbyg)
GRUNDVANDSDYB : 150
PROFILDYBDE : 160
DRÆNINGSKLASSE : Moderat veldrænet jord

BEMÆRKNINGER :
Poreindholdet ikke beskrevet. Profilen er en
Gleyic Acrisol efter FAO's system.

HORISONTFØLGE:

Apg (0 - 22 cm):

meget mørk brun (10YR 2/2 f) lerholdigt siltet sand;
få pletter af farven rød (2,5YR 4/8 f), pletterne
er fine, afrundede med en klar grænse og tydelig kontrast;
gleypletter på grålig bund; humusholdig; svag subangulær
struktur; meget spred konsistens; meget få, små sten
af alle former, der er forvitrede og som lithologisk
består af en blanding uden kalksten; nogle fine rødder;
horisontgrænsen er klar og jævn.

A2g (22 - 55 cm):

lys olivengrå (5Y 6/2 f) leret siltet sand; en del
pletter af farven kraftig brun (7,5YR 5/8 f), pletterne
er store, brogede med en klar grænse og tydelig kontrast;
gleypletter på grålig bund; humusfattig; moderat medium
subangulær struktur; spred konsistens; meget få, mellemstore
sten af alle former, der er forvitrede i varierende grad
og som lithologisk består af en blanding uden kalksten;
meget få, små, hårde, afrundede noder, der består af
jernoxider og -hydroxider; få fine rødder; horisontgrænsen
er abrupt og bøjet.

B2tg (55 - 90 cm):

lys olivengrå (5Y 6/2 f) ler; en del pletter af farven
gullig brun (10YR 5/8 f), pletterne er store, brogede
med en klar grænse og tydelig kontrast; desuden findes
pletter med farven sort (2,5Y 2/0 f); gleypletter
på grålig bund; humusfattig; moderat medium subangulær
struktur; meget spred konsistens; meget lidt plettet af
tynde coatings i rodgange og på aggregatoverflader,
coatings består af lerminerale og sesquioxider; meget få,
mellemstore sten af alle former, der er forvitrede
i varierende grad og som lithologisk består af en
blanding uden kalksten; horisontgrænsen er diffus og jævn.

B3tg (90 - 125 cm):

lys olivengrå (5Y 6/2 f) ler; en del pletter af farven
gullig brun (10YR 5/8 f), pletterne er store, brogede
med en klar grænse og tydelig kontrast; desuden findes
pletter med farven sort (2,5Y 2/0 f); gleypletter
på grålig bund; humusfattig; moderat medium subangulær
struktur; meget spred konsistens; meget lidt plettet af
tynde coatings i rodgange og på aggregatoverflader,
coatings består af lerminerale og sesquioxider; meget få,
mellemstore sten af alle former, der er forvitrede
i varierende grad og som lithologisk består af en
blanding uden kalksten; horisontgrænsen er diffus og jævn.

Cg (125 - 160 cm):

lys olivengrå (5Y 6/2 f) ler; en del pletter af farven
gullig brun (10YR 5/8 v), pletterne er store, brogede
med en klar grænse og tydelig kontrast; desuden findes
pletter med farven sort (2,5Y 2/0 f); gleypletter
på grålig bund; humusfattig; svag subangulær struktur;
meget spred konsistens; meget lidt plettet af tynde
coatings i rodgange og på aggregatoverflader, coatings
består af lerminerale og sesquioxider; meget få,
mellemstore sten af alle former, der er forvitrede
i varierende grad og som lithologisk består af en
blanding uden kalksten; horisontgrænsen ikke beskrevet.

PRØVER:						
PROFILNR: 137						
HORISONT	UDT.DYB	ÅSKENR	LAB.NR	RINGNR.		
Apg	10- 15cm	87111	41218	454	381	449
A2g	27- 35cm	87115	41219	1104	1986	1825
B2tg	70- 75cm	87161	41220	1016	357	1835
B3tg	105-110cm	87194	41221	159	278	1269
Cg	140-145cm	87155	41222	0	0	0

%											
HORISONT	DYBDE	LER	SILT	SAND	MELLENSAND	SAND	GRUS	ORGAN.	NAT.	CaCO3	
(cm)											
STØRRELSE (μm)	2	2-20	20-63	63-125	125-200	200-500	500-2000	2-20 mm			
Apg	10 - 15	8.0	13.6	12.1	14.6	11.2	28.9	6.6	+	5.04	0.0
A2g	27 - 35	11.2	7.5	6.8	11.6	16.6	34.6	11.1	+	0.58	0.0
B2tg	70 - 75	23.6	10.5	12.3	15.6	12.0	20.0	5.8	+	0.17	0.0
B3tg	105 - 110	22.4	8.7	14.7	14.6	13.4	20.0	6.0	+	0.17	0.0
Cg	140 - 145	24.3	9.8	11.9	15.8	11.6	20.8	5.6	+	0.17	0.0

ppm						
HORISONT	DYBDE	DIETH-CITR. OPLESELIGT	PYROFOSFAT OPLESELIGT	JERN	ALUMINIUM	ALUMINIUM
(cm)						
Apg	10 - 15	2319	1020	1132	1020	
A2g	27 - 35	6667	1060	1097	460	
B2tg	70 - 75	6809	1160	800	2200	
B3tg	105 - 110	6809	1020	800	1180	
Cg	140 - 145	6809	820	911	360	

mekv/100g jord											
HORISONT	DYBDE	pH	pH	OMBYTTELIGE	BASE	SURE	CEC	MITN	EVNE	LED	NINGS
(cm)		(H2O)	(CaCl2)	Ca	Mg	K	Na	BASE	SURE	CEC	MITN
				IONER	IONER	IONER	IONER	(I ALT)	IONER		% mho
Apg	10 - 15	6.00	5.60	11.13	0.32	0.14	0.07	11.66	6.97	18.64	62.55
A2g	27 - 35	5.60	5.10	5.46	0.38	0.20	0.05	6.09	3.44	9.53	63.90
B2tg	70 - 75	5.00	4.20	6.29	2.41	0.35	0.09	9.13	6.06	15.20	60.07
B3tg	105 - 110	5.10	4.20	6.31	2.57	0.37	0.09	9.34	5.63	14.98	62.35
Cg	140 - 145	5.40	4.60	7.63	2.41	0.35	0.10	10.50	4.12	14.61	71.87

%											
HORISONT	DYBDE	C/N	P org.	P v org.	P tot.	C/P	N/P				
(cm)											
Apg	10 - 15	2.958	0.205	14.4	301	230	531	55.7	3.9		
A2g	27 - 35	0.340	0.019	17.9	161	16	177	19.2	1.1		
B2tg	70 - 75	0.100	0.013	7.7	171	18	189	5.3	0.7		
B3tg	105 - 110	0.100	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		
Cg	140 - 145	0.100	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		

Fig. 4. An example of a profile description and analytical data.

Fig. 4. Eksempel på profilbeskrivelse med tilhørende analyseresultater.

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