

# **SUNDSFJORD SMOLT AS**

RAS for Salmon | Case Study

### Commissioned: 2012

#### Challenge:

Design and build of a low footprint RAS-plant.

#### Solution:

Kaldnes® RAS, comprising of Hydrotech™ drumfilters, Kaldnes® MBBR, centralised CO<sub>2</sub> degasser and circulation pumps. The plant is fully monitored and controlled by Veolia's own control system - VA Operatör.



### **Design capacity:**

#### **Production:**

>3 million smolt annualy

#### **Maximal feeding:**

1.800 + 1.400 kg pr. day

#### Fish tank volume:

1.800 + 1.200 m<sup>3</sup>

#### **Operational data:**

 ${\rm CO_2}$  out of fish tank: 8 -12 mg/l NH<sub>4</sub>-N + NH3-N: 1,0 - 1,15 mg/l NO<sub>2</sub>-N: 0,2 - 0,4 mg/l NO<sub>3</sub>-N: < 100 mg/l Nitrogen saturation: 91- 98 %

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The plant consists of two departments. On-growing 5 (VH5) and on-growing 6 (VH6) each have a separate water treatment (RAS5 and RAS6).

The smaller VH6 is running purely on fresh water, while VH5 can run on both fresh and sea water. Fish tanks, piping, oxygenation system and energy plant were delivered by Plast-Sveis AS.



## Main components

The water treatment plants Kaldnes® RAS, consists of four main components:

## ► Mechanical cleaning

Hydrotech™ drumfilters remove particular matter like excess feed and fish feces from the water.

#### **▶** Biological treatment

Dissolved waste products are decomposed by bacteria and micro-organisms in a two-stage Kaldnes® MBBR (moving bed bio-reactor).

#### **▶** Gas-stripping

Carbon dioxide from the fish respiration is removed in the sentralized  ${\rm CO_2}$  -degasser.

#### **▶** Automation

The whole plant, including water treatment, lights, oxygen and water heating, is monitored and controlled by Veolia's own control system - VA-Operatör.



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## **Foot print**

In total, the two Kaldnes® RAS plants have a capacity of 3.200 kg per day of feeding, and a total hydraulic capacity of 6.035 m³/hour. Including control room and MCC room, the total area is only 480 m² or 21% of the total plant floor.

## **Key parameters**

| Parameter              | VHS          | VH6          |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Total fish tank volume | 1.800 m³     | 1.200 m³     |
| Maximum biomass        | 90.000 kg    | 60.000 kg    |
| Maximum feeding        | 1.800 kg/day | 1.400 kg/day |
| Dilution water         | 23 m³/hour   | 19 m³/hour   |

Table: Basis of design

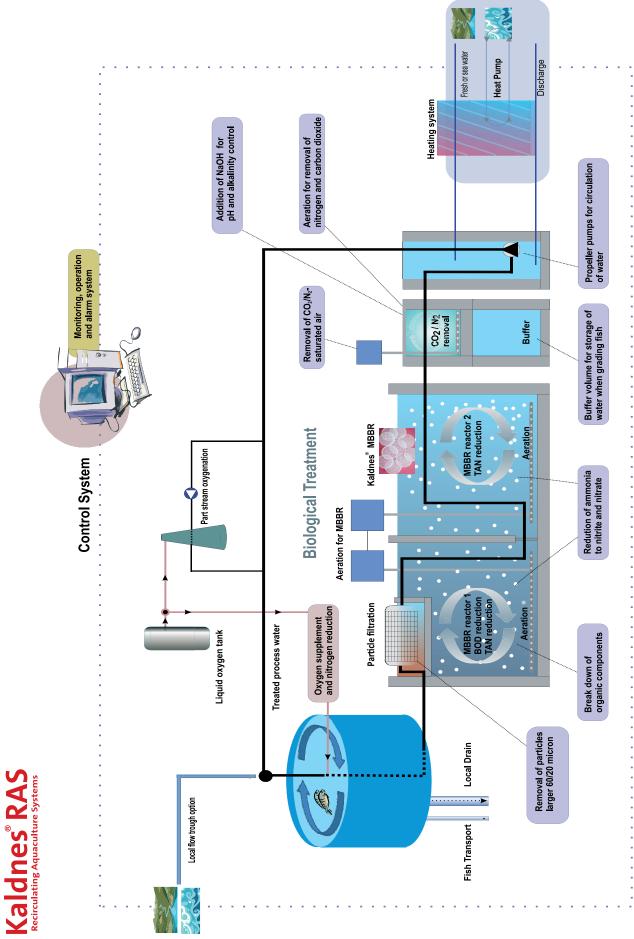
| Parameter                               | Sample values |
|---|---------------|
| CO <sub>2</sub> out of fish tank        | 8-12 mg/l     |
| NH <sub>4</sub> -N + NH <sub>3</sub> -N | 1,0-1,5 mg/l  |
| NO <sub>2</sub> -N                      | 0,2-0,4 mg/l  |
| NO <sub>3</sub> -N                      | < 100 mg/l    |
| Nitrogen saturation                     | 91-98 %       |

Table: Water quality parameters maximum feeding with 60-75 kg/m³ biomass.

## **Project progress**

It was of importance for Sundsfjord Smolt AS to be able to transfer fish from the start feeding department in the beginning of May 2012. The customer's wish was met by planning, erecting and commissioning on-growing 5 and 6 simultaneously in the existing building in just 7 months. Shortly after, full production was achieved in both departments.

| Mile stones                       | Date               |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Contract signature                | 27. september 2011 |
| Introduction of fish              | 15. mai 2012       |
| Guarantee test at full production | 2. oktober 2012    |





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