



**Bedøvelse avliving av fisk med strøm kombinert med hodekapping. Hva har skjedd siden CO2 ble faset ut, fiskevelferd og kvalitet. Effekt på utblødning og velferd.**

# **Welfare of farmed fish from harvest to killing- Meeting the future challenge**

## **(Farewell)**

**UiB, Nofima, Havforskningsinstituttet i Bergen, Akvaplan,  
Wageningen Imares, Marine harvest, Grieg seafood,  
Bremnes seashore, Lerøy, Seaside, ScanVacc**

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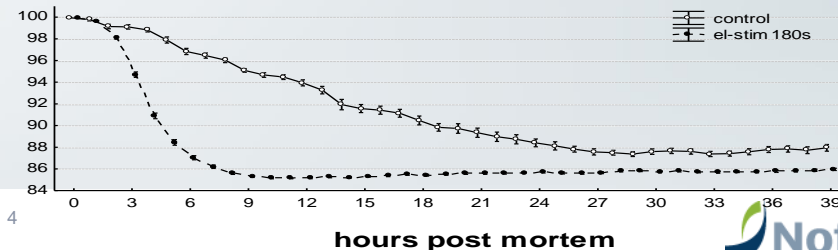
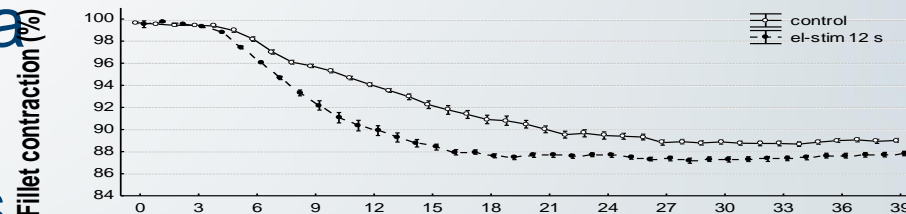
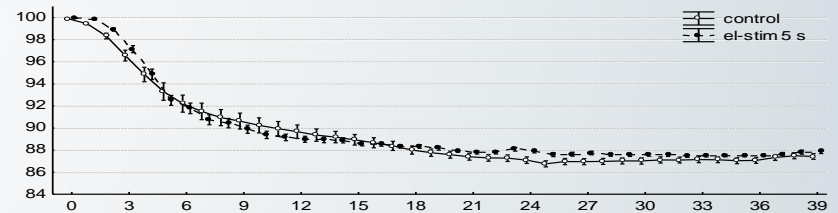
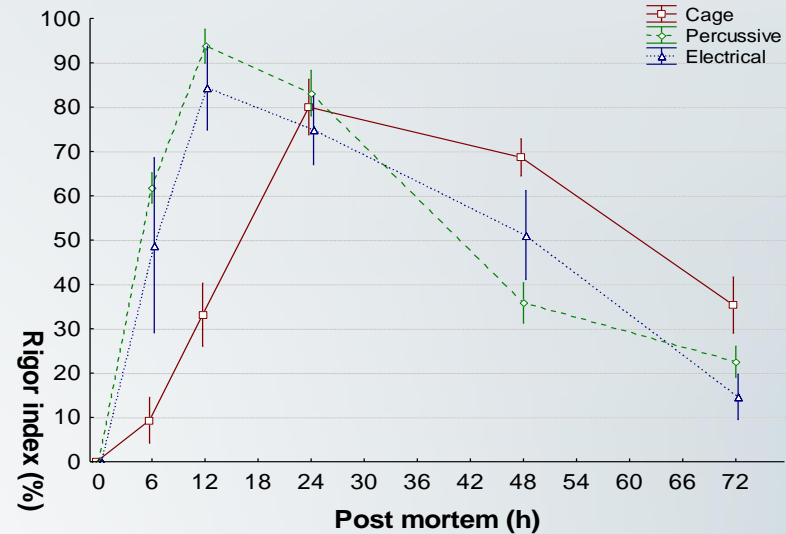
# Focus was stunning methods- Salmonids

- Electrical stunning
- Percussive stunning
- Gas stunning
  - N<sub>2</sub>/CO/CO<sub>2</sub>
- Effect on
  - Welfare
  - Quality



# Results

- Results from Fillet-O provided much of the grounds for today's legislation.
- Ban on gas
- 0.5 s stunning criteria
- Focus on mass slaughter/ processes



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# Next was Live chilling/low CO2

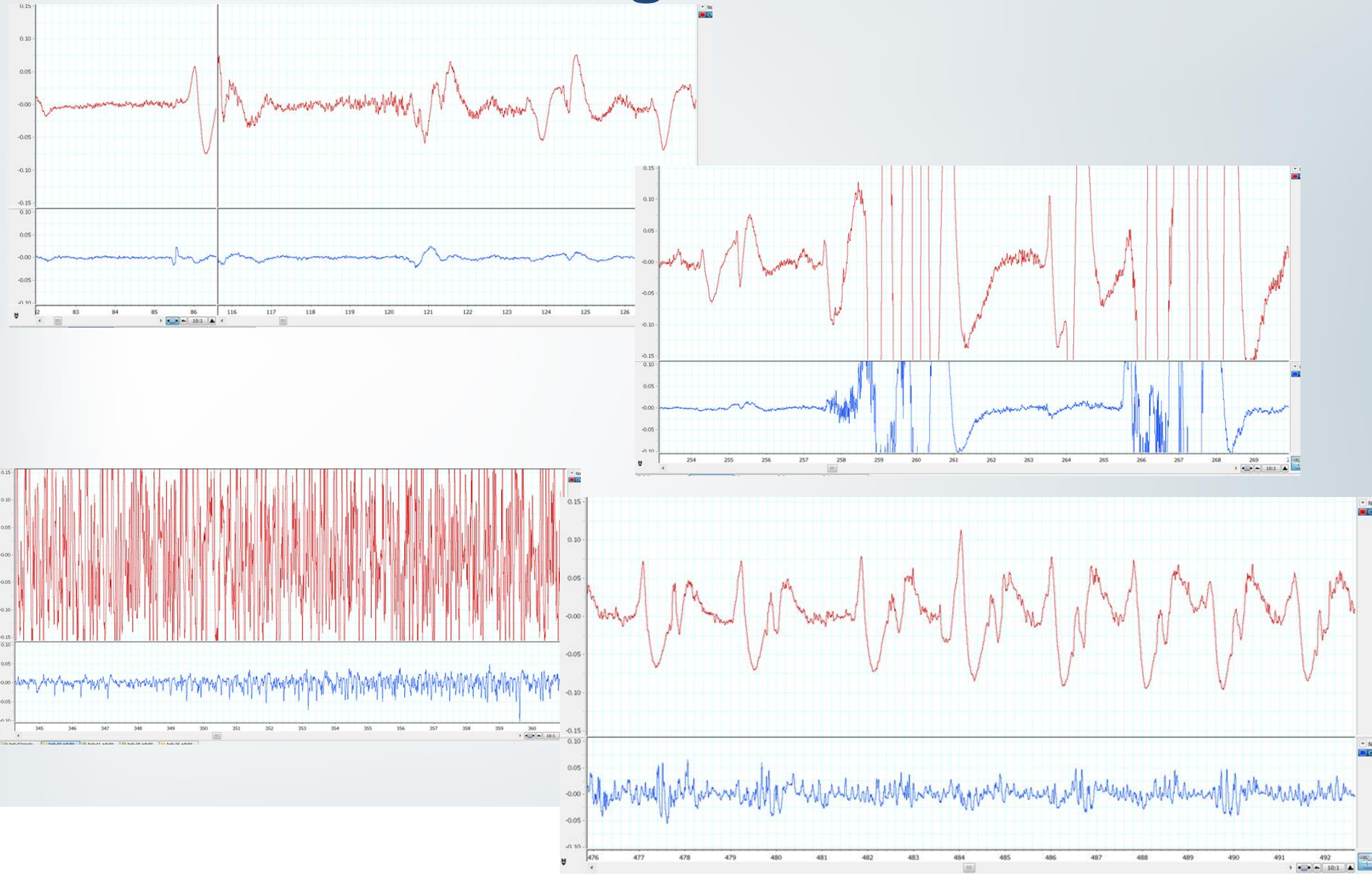
- Project between Marine Harvest, IMR, Nofima and Akvaplan-niva
- Focus on livechilling w/wo CO2
- Controlled tunnel respirometer experiments
- Commercial practice
- Results did show that slow immersion of CO2 worked against its purpose (suffocation)
- Should be more than less in order to stun the animals unconscious
- Salmon had a good tolerance to cold.

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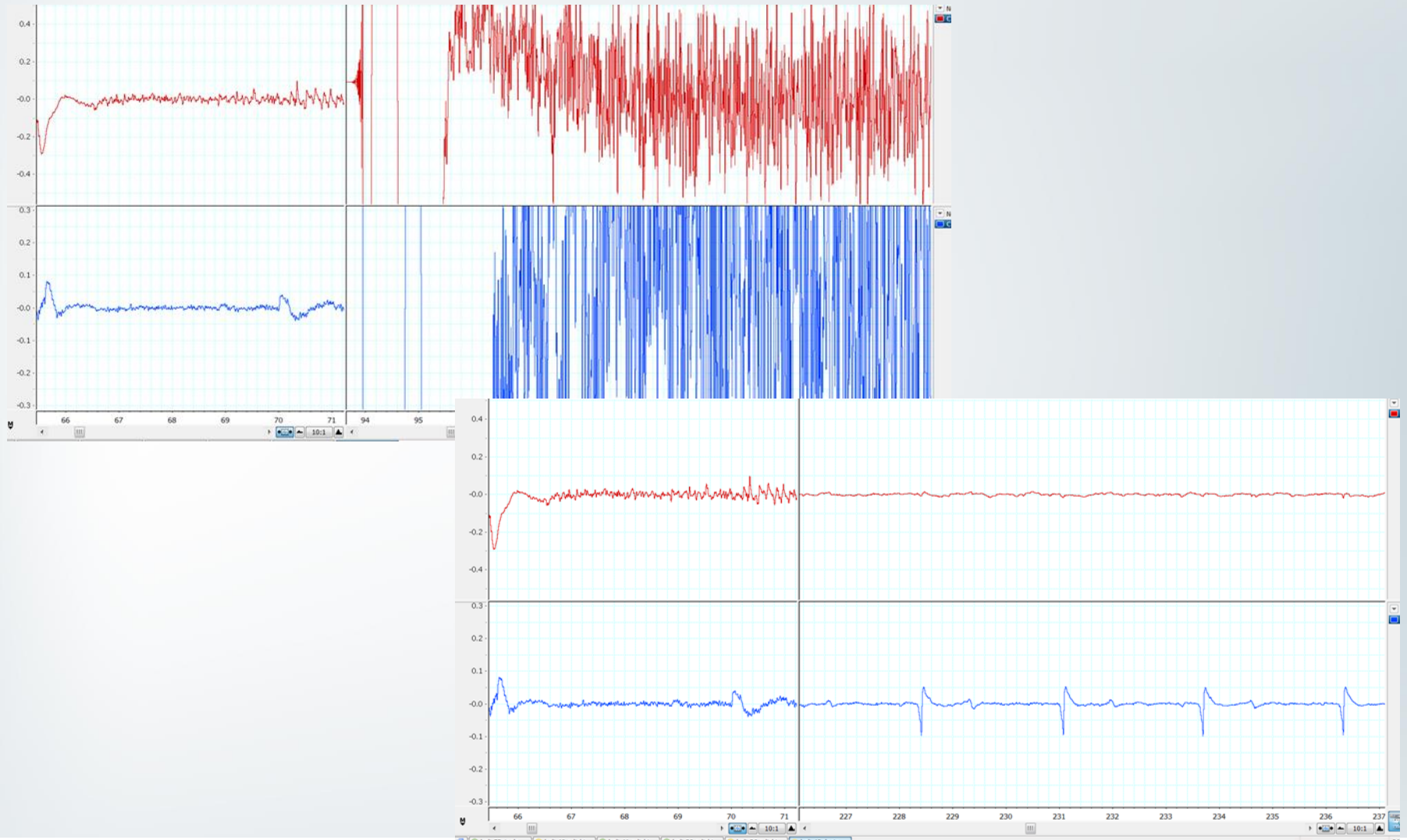
# What about other species?

- Turbot (EU Turpro/Maxiumus). Easy to stun, hard to kill. Sensitive to thermal shocks.
- Halibut.. prone for injuries. Tough fighter. Sensitive quality. Tolerant for thermal shocks and hypoxia
- Artic Charr. Tolerant to thermal shock,
- Halibut was a specie like Eel. Tough to stun and kill.
- May CO2 or pecussive stunning be the only solution?

# CO2 and stunning of Halibut



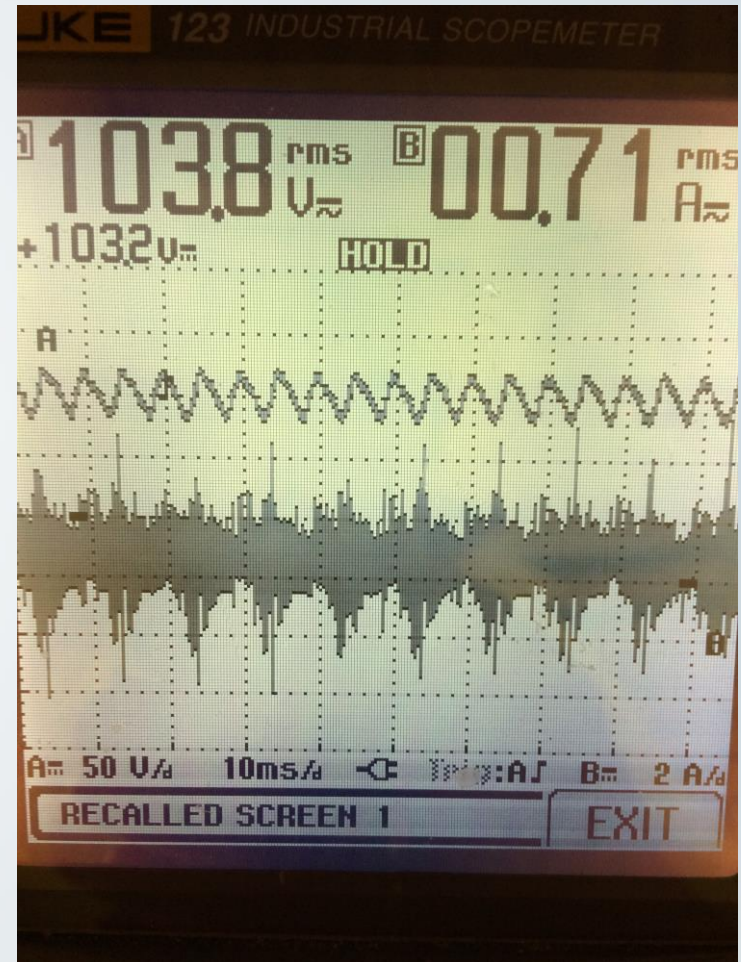
# Halibut- Electrical stunning





# Clenerfish-Brass (FHF-project)

- Research on all brass species show that they can be stunned within 0.5 s
- 110 V AC+DC (salmonstunners)
- Can be stunned at salmon process facilities
- Should be combined with a mince



# Lumpsucker

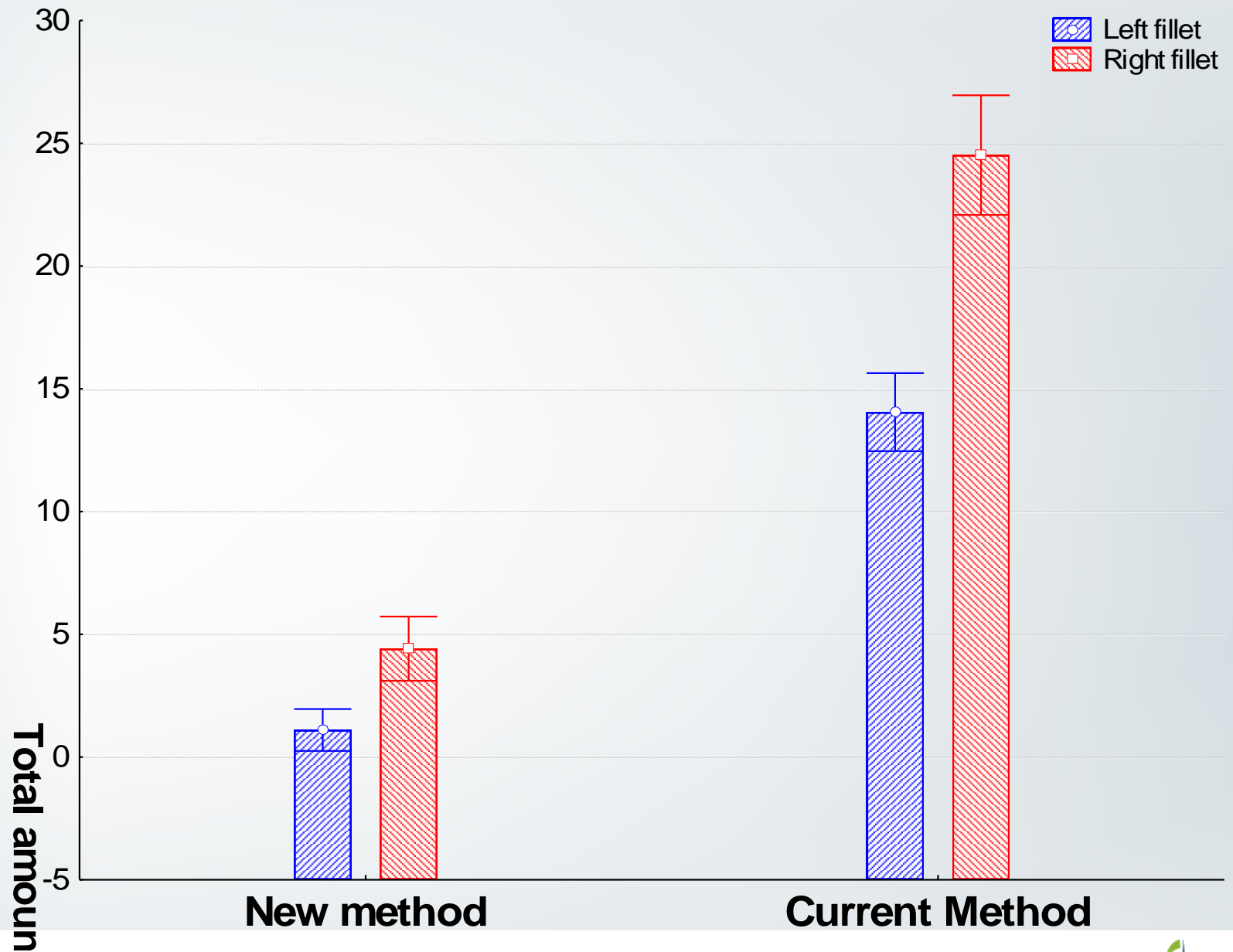
- Cannot be stunned med AC+DC
- Cheap technology with 220 V, 50 HZ in 5 s is Ok
  - Stunned within 0.5 s
  - 90 % mortality
- Burnmarks reveals resistance
- Should be combined with a mince



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# Direct filleting-Blood removal

- For removing blood several questions will arise important for the logistics and economy.
- First is how long does it take to empty the fillet for blood by spray washing 1,2... 10 min?
- Do we need to use gravity?
- How much water will the fillets suck-up and of this weight gain, how much will be lost and were?
- Will the proteins denaturate og pigment oxidised in contact with sweet or salt water?
- What are the hygiene risks in such production line?



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# Direct Processing: Can be done!!!

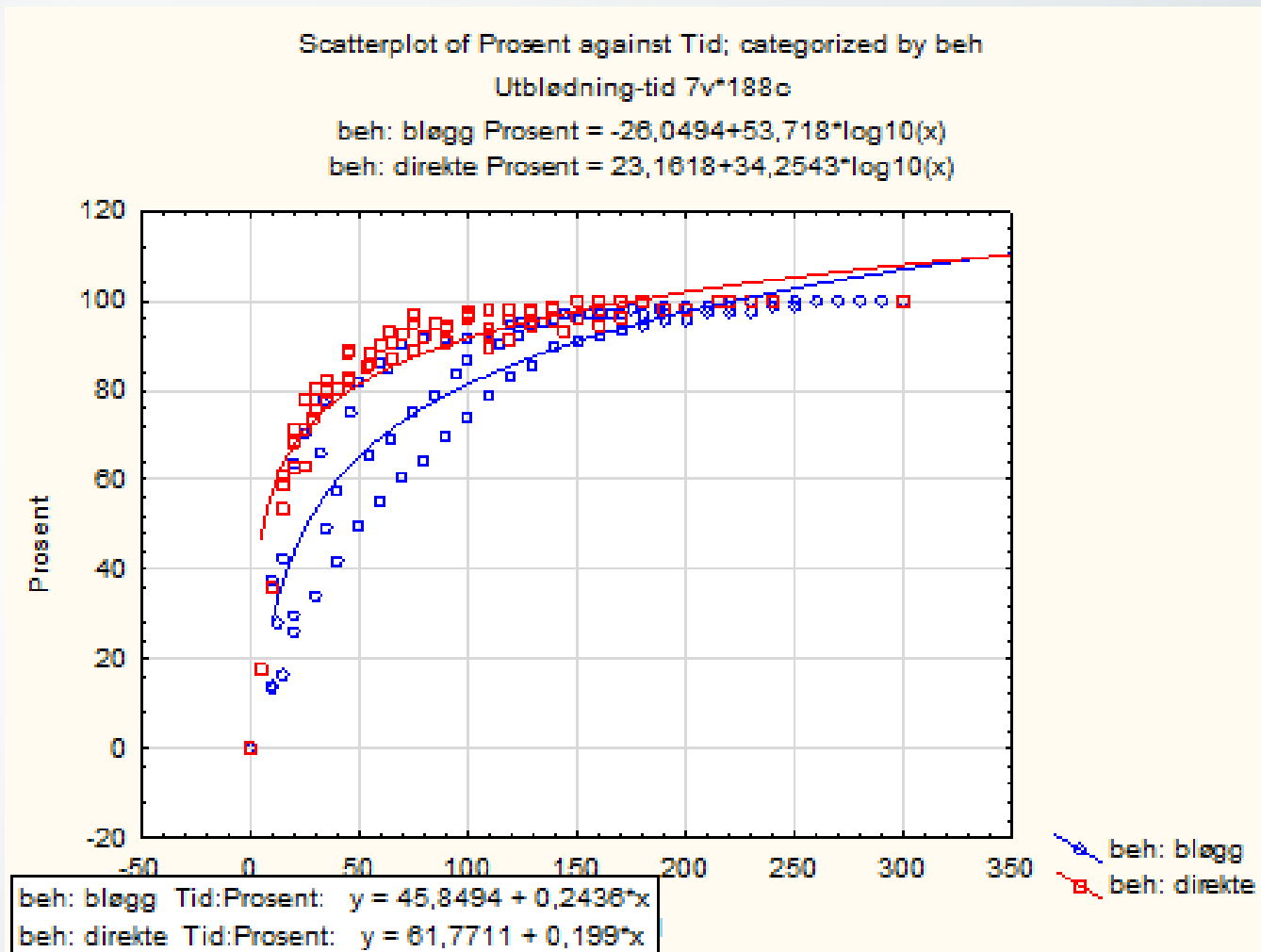
- Electrical stunning in combination with decapitation offers a 100 % killing method according to welfare standards.
- Majority of blood will be removed within minutes.
- Blood from the muscles requires more time, gravity is therefore important, meat down or skin off.
- Fillets can be washed.

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# Why decapitate after stunning?

- Improved welfare. A 100% kill
- Fish becomes oriented
- New products:
  - Get raw blood 1.7-2 % within the first minute.
  - Salmon head
- Skip gutting machines
- Gravity treatment (Hygiene)
- Space efficient, no tanks
- Hygiene barrier
- Direct filleting

# Blood removal- Time





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