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The data set available here is published with article "Kraft et al. (2022). Towards operational phytoplankton recognition with automated high-throughput imaging, near real-time data processing, and convolutional neural networks. Front Mar. Sci." (submitted on 2.2.2022, status not updated). It contains approximately 63 000 images belonging to 50 different classes, consisting mainly of phytoplankton. The images can be used to e.g. train a classifier to identify phytoplankton images.

The images were collected with an Imaging FlowCytobot (IFCB, McLane Research Laboratories, Inc., U.S., Olson and Sosik, 2007) from different locations in the Baltic Sea. In 2017 and 2018 the data were collected from a continuous deployment at the Utö Atmospheric and Marine Research Station (59°46.84′ N, 21°22.13′ E; Laakso et al., 2018; Kraft et al., 2021) operated by Finnish Environment Institute and Finnish Meteorological Institute (n=62). In 2016 and 2019 water samples were collected using the Alg@line ferrybox systems of M/S Finnmaid and Silja Serenade (Ruokanen et al., 2003; Kaitala et al., 2014) and manually ran in the laboratory (n=52). The images were manually annotated by expert taxonomists. The class list and labeled image set is a continuous work in progress, thus there may be a need for revision in future. The data set available with this doi will not be revised. More detailed explanation and example images can be found from the publication Kraft et al. 2022.

The zipped folder contains 50 different folders, and the images are located in the class-specific folders. The image names may refer to an old class (e.g. folder Cryptophyceae-Teleaulax contains images with names Cryptophyceae_drop, Cryptophyceae_small, Teleaulax sp.) that has been joined with another one / revised otherwise.

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The list of classes and the number of images in a class:

Class / taxonomic group	Samples	Class / taxonomic group	Samples
Cyanophyceae		Diatomophyceae	
Dolichospermum sp. /Anabaenopsis sp.	12280	Skeletonema marinoi	4128
Aphanizomenon flosaquae	6989	Thalassiosira levanderi	2537
Oscillatoriales	4440	Chaetoceros sp. chain	1382
Snowella sp. / Woronichinia sp.	2950	Pennales thin	781
Dolichospermum sp. /Anabaenopsis sp. coiled	2504	Centrales	480
Chroococcus sp.	827	Chaetoceros sp. single	213
Nodularia spumigena	169	Pennales thick	210
Chroococcales	142	Pauliella taeniata	119
Merismopedia sp.	98	Cyclotella choctawhatcheeana	102
Aphanothece paralleliformis	29	Licmophora sp.	74
		Nitzschia paleacea	65
Cryptophyceae		Ceratoneis closterium	45
Cryptophyceae / Teleaulax sp.	6830	Melosira arctica	43
Cryptomonadales	713		
		Chrysophyceae	
Euglenophyceae		Uroglenopsis sp.	516
Eutreptiella sp.	2247	Pseudopedinella sp.	379
Euglenophyceae	102		
		Chlorophyta	
Dinophyceae		Pyramimonas sp.	1224
Heterocapsa triquetra	3276	Oocystis sp.	842
Dinophyceae	1433	Monoraphidium contortum	327
Peridiniella catenata single	899	Cymbomonas tetramitiformis	199
Heterocapsa rotundata	614	Chlorococcales	95
Prorocentrum cordatum	276		
Dinophysis acuminata	217	Ciliates	
Peridiniella catenata chain	193	Mesodinium rubrum	1132
Gymnodinium like cells	158	Ciliata	243
Gymnodiniales	69		
Gonyaulax verior	22	Additional classes	
Amylax triacantha	19	heterocyte	263
		beads	125
Katablepharis remigera	54		

Below, example images representing the 50 classes: 1) *Aphanizomenon flosaquae*, 2) *Dolichospermum* sp. / *Anabaenopsis* sp. coiled, 3) *Nodularia spumigena*, 4) *Dolichospermum* sp. / *Anabaenopsis* sp., 5) *Snowella* sp. / *Woronichinia* sp., 6) Chroococcales, 7) *Merismopedia* sp., 8) Oscillatoriales, 9) *Aphanothece* paralleliformis, 10) *Chroococcus* sp., 11) *Eutreptiella* sp., 12) Euglenophyceae, 13) Cryptomonadales, 14) Cryptophyceae / *Teleaulax* sp., 15) *Katablepharis remigera*, 16) *Pseudopedinella* sp., 17) *Pyramimonas* sp., 18) *Ceratoneis closterium*, 19) *Uroglenopsis* sp., 20) *Cymbomonas tetramitiformis*, 21) Chlorococcales, 22) *Monoraphidium contortum*, 23) *Oocystis* sp., 24) Pennales thin, 25) Pennales thick, 26) Centrales, 27) *Thalassiosira levanderi*, 28) *Cyclotella choctawhatcheeana*, 29) *Chaetoceros* sp. single, 30) *Melosira arctica*, 31) *Skeletonema marinoi*, 32) *Nitzschia paleacea*, 33) *Licmophora* sp., 34) *Chaetoceros* sp., 35) *Pauliella taeniata*, 36) *Peridiniella catenata* chain, 37) *Peridiniella catenata* single, 38) Gymnodiniales, 39)

Gymnodinium like cells, 40) Heterocapsa triquetra, 41) Heterocapsa rotundata, 42) Prorocentrum cordatum, 43) Gonyaulax verior, 44) Amylax triacantha, 45) Dinophyceae, 46) Dinophysis acuminata, 47) Mesodinium rubrum, 48) Ciliata, 49) Beads, 50) Heterocyte

