

# CHANGES IN THE GEOCHEMICAL PARAMETERS OF KARST LAKES OVER THE PAST THREE DECADES – THE CASE OF PLITVICE LAKES, CROATIA

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## Supplementary Material

### Appendix A

Table A1 Significant correlations of measured and calculated parameters with water temperature at each location

Parameter	Locations							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
pH	0.17				-0.26	-0.40	-0.42	
c(HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> )				-0.20	-0.40	-0.22	-0.52	-0.37
c(Ca <sup>2+</sup> )	0.32		-0.20	-0.20	-0.50	-0.31	-0.49	-0.45
c(Mg <sup>2+</sup> )		0.23	0.37	0.41	0.10	0.23	0.23	0.28
SI <sub>calc</sub>	0.26	0.17		0.32				
IR <sub>calc</sub>	0.23			-0.14	-0.42	-0.47	-0.63	-0.44
c(CO <sub>2</sub> )	-0.24			-0.43	-0.31	-0.14	-0.24	-0.30
Mg/Ca		0.20	0.37	0.48	0.48	0.24	0.37	0.47

Table A2 Significant correlations of measured and calculated parameters at eight sampling locations with discharge rate at location 6 (Kozjak lake)

Parameter	Locations							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
t		-0.30	-0.20	-0.44		-0.44	-0.45	-0.28
pH	-0.22				0.35	0.17		
c(HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> )		-0.32	-0.48				0.49	
c(Ca <sup>2+</sup> )				0.44	0.55	0.40	0.57	
c(Mg <sup>2+</sup> )	-0.20	-0.42	-0.52	-0.62	-0.71	-0.42	-0.51	-0.24
SI <sub>calc</sub>					0.24		0.24	
IR <sub>calc</sub>					0.41	0.35	0.50	
c(CO <sub>2</sub> )				0.24				
Mg/Ca		-0.35	-0.45		-0.71	-0.41		-0.22

## Appendix B

T-test for paired data,  $p<0.05$ , *All locations* compare mean annual values (February and November excluded) for all locations in two time periods, while *Individual locations* compare mean values for each month in the two time periods (1981-1986 and 2010-2014). “sig” means that the pair of data from the first period significantly differs from that in the second period

Parameter	All locations	Individual locations							
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$Q$	sig	sig			*	*		*	*
$t$ (water)	sig	sig	sig			sig	sig		
$pH$		sig						sig	sig
$c(\text{Ca}^{2+})$	sig	sig	sig	sig	sig	sig	sig	sig	sig
$c(\text{HCO}_3^-)$	sig	sig	sig	sig	sig	sig	sig		sig
$c(\text{Mg}^{2+})$					sig				
$c(\text{CO}_2)$				sig				sig	sig
$SI_{calc}$	sig	sig	sig		sig	sig	sig		
$IR_{calc}$	sig	sig	sig		sig	sig	sig		
$Mg/Ca$	sig				sig	sig	sig	sig	sig

\*Insufficient data

## Appendix C

Table C1 Significant temporal correlations of measured and calculated parameters at each location from March to November ( $p < 0.05$ ). The temporal correlation for air in Gospic is given only for the temperature parameter ("p" = positive correlation, "n" = negative correlation)

Months	Air	Locations															
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		<i>t</i>				<i>pH</i>				<i>c(HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>)</i>							
Mar					p	p	p	p									p
Apr	p	p													p	p	p
May	p														p	p	p
Jun	p	p	n											n	p	p	p
Jul	p	p	p											p	p		p
Aug	p		n											n	p	p	p
Sep				p										p			p
Oct		p	n												p	p	p
Nov	p						p	p							p		p
		<i>c(Ca<sup>2+</sup>)</i>				<i>c(Mg<sup>2+</sup>)</i>				<i>c(CO<sub>2</sub>)</i>							
Mar	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p								
Apr	p	p		p	p	p				p							
May							p										
Jun	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p								p
Jul	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p						n		
Aug	p	p	p	p		p	p			p						p	
Sep					p										p		
Oct	p	p				p	p			n	n						
Nov	p		p	p							n						
		<i>SI<sub>calc</sub></i>				<i>IR<sub>calc</sub></i>				<i>Mg/Ca</i>							
Mar																	
Apr					p					p				n			n
May																	
Jun			p	p						p	p				n		
Jul			p	p						p	p						n
Aug			p	p						p	p						
Sep			p							p					n		
Oct					p						p			n	n	n	n
Nov	p		p				p		p								

Table C2 Percentage of coinciding significant temporal correlations in location pair combinations for each pair of parameters from Table C1 (expressed in decimal)

	<i>t</i>	<i>pH</i>	<i>c(HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>)</i>	<i>c(Ca<sup>2+</sup>)</i>	<i>c(Mg<sup>2+</sup>)</i>	<i>SI<sub>calc</sub></i>	<i>IR<sub>calc</sub></i>	<i>c(CO<sub>2</sub>)</i>	<i>Mg/Ca</i>
<i>t</i>	1	0.71	0.58	0.47	0.75	0.63	0.63	0.72	0.69
<i>pH</i>		1	0.54	0.43	0.88	0.83	0.83	0.99	0.85
<i>c(HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>)</i>			1	0.50	0.58	0.51	0.51	0.53	0.56
<i>c(Ca<sup>2+</sup>)</i>				1	0.33	0.43	0.43	0.42	0.39
<i>c(Mg<sup>2+</sup>)</i>					1	0.82	0.82	0.88	0.76
<i>SI<sub>calc</sub></i>						1	1.00	0.83	0.64
<i>IR<sub>calc</sub></i>							1	0.83	0.64
<i>c(CO<sub>2</sub>)</i>								1	0.75