

GAS IN MARINE SEDIMENTS



Panorama of the submarine landscape 'the bubbling reefs' at 10 to 12 m water depth in the northern part of Kattegat, Denmark, showing gas seepages from the seabed and the characteristic methane-derived carbonate-cemented columns and sandstone formations. Artwork: Chr. Würgler Hansen.

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Editorial note

Mr N. O. Jørgensen was responsible for both soliciting the manuscripts and obtaining referees' report on them.

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