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Only a few hundred metres from Tjorve, the longest cave in Norway, we find another vertical cave named Stoppenålen. It has been known and occasionally visited by various teams with members from Norway, Sweden and Poland since the mid-1990'ies. The exploration and mapping started in 1998, and has so far resulted in a cave 512 metres long and 207 metres deep. Even though Stoppenålen obviously belongs to the Tjorve system, we have not yet succeeded in connecting the cave to the main system, which would increase the depth with many metres. Its last secrets have yet to be discovered.