NOTICE

Design and Evaluation of Biological Surveys in Relation to Stock Assessments

Special Session of the Scientific Council of NAFO Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada, 4–6 September 1985

Specific Topics

- 1. Survey design and operations
 - a) Stratified-random groundfish surveys (standard bottom trawls)
 - b) Surveys designed for pelagic species (hydroacoustic, midwater-trawl and aerial surveys)
 - c) Surveys of invertebrate stocks (e.g. photographic and trap surveys)
 - d) Surveys of marine mammals (e.g. aerial surveys)
 - e) Surveys of early life stages of fish and invertebrates (e.g. eggs, larvae and juveniles) for stock assessment purposes
- 2. Survey gear, performance and catchability
 - a) Determination of gear parameters
 - b) Variability of parameters according to towing speed, bottom conditions and topography, currents, etc.
- 3. Environmental factors affecting variation in catchability of survey gears
- 4. Evaluation of survey data
 - a) Survey indices
 - b) Abundance and biomass estimates
 - c) Reliability of survey estimates
- 5. Importance and value of survey data for stock assessments

Deadlines

Authors are requested to send titles and brief descriptions of their potential contributions to the Convener by **15 April 1985**. Papers will be selected on the basis of their relevance to the topics indicated above. Authors of selected contributions will be informed by 15 May 1985.

Completed manuscripts (typescript or good quality photocopy) must arrive at the NAFO Secretariat for mimeographing by **20 August 1985**, addressed to Assistant Executive Secretary, Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization, Bedford Institute of Oceanography, P. O. Box 638, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada, B2Y 3Y9.

Publication

Publication in the *Journal of Northwest Atlantic Fishery Science* or *NAFO Scientific Council Studies* will depend on the nature and quality of individual contributions.

Convener

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NOTICE

Recent Advances in Understanding Recruitment in Marine Fishes of the Northwest Atlantic, with Particular Emphasis on Georges Bank and Flemish Cap

Special Session in September 1986

This theme was chosen by the Scientific Council of NAFO for a 3-day special session in advance of its Annual Meeting in September 1986. Details of organizational arrangements, including time and place, outline of topics to be covered, and deadlines for the submission of abstracts and completed manuscripts, will be finalized at the September 1985 Meeting of the Scientific Council.

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Content of Manuscript

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This page should contain the name(s) and complete address(es) of the author(s), including professional affiliation. Short titles of papers are preferred.

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In general, papers should be organized with an Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Discussion, Acknowledgements, and References. Authors should be guided by papers published in the Studies and by the Council of Biological Editors (CBE) Style Manual. All measurements should be given in numerals in the metric system. If other units are essential to the material presented, equivalents in metric units must be included. Footnotes should be avoided, but where necessary they should be numbered consecutively in the text and placed below a horizontal line at the bottom of each relevant page. Only those words to be printed in italics should be underlined.

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