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EASTERN TROPICAL PACIFIC COMMON DOLPHIN SURVEY
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Table 5. Average numbers of larvae (per 100 m³ of water filtered) for each taxon taken in Manta net tows in the regions (Figure 3) occupied on *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4.

Taxon	Region			
	1	2	3	4
<i>Albula</i> spp.	-	-	-	0.1
Anguilliformes	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Gymnothorax mordax</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Ophichthus</i> spp.	-	-	-	0.1
<i>Ophichthus zophochir</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Ariosoma gilberti</i>	-	-	0.4	0.4
Clupeidae	2.6	-	-	-
<i>Opisthonema</i> spp.	8.9	-	2.3	2.1
Engraulidae	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Anchoa</i> spp.	22.8	-	2.0	-
<i>Cetengraulis mysticetus</i>	-	-	1.4	-
<i>Cyclothona</i> spp.	-	-	0.1	-
<i>Cyclothona pseudopallida</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Diplophos proximus</i>	-	-	0.0	0.1
<i>Sternopyx</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Vinciguerria lucetia</i>	-	1.1	4.1	0.9
<i>Astronesthes</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Synodus</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Synodus evermanni</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Lestidium</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Stemonosudis macrura</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Bolinichthys</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Diaphus</i> spp.	-	-	0.1	-
<i>Diaphus pacificus</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Lampanyctus</i> spp.	-	-	0.1	0.2
<i>Lampanyctus parvicauda</i>	-	-	0.1	0.1
<i>Nannobrachium ritteri</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Triphoturus</i> spp.	-	-	0.1	-
<i>Benthosema panamense</i>	-	-	0.7	-
<i>Hygophum proximum</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Myctophum aurolaternatum</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Trachipterus fukuzakii</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Zu cristatus</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Lepophidium</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
Ogcocephalidae	0.4	-	-	-
<i>Melanocetus</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	0.1
<i>Dolopichthys</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Oneirodes</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Ceratias holboelli</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Hemiramphus saltator</i>	-	-	0.2	-
<i>Cheilopogon</i> spp.	0.4	1.1	0.0	-
<i>Cheilopogon xenopterus</i>	-	-	0.2	0.9
<i>Exocoetus</i> spp.	-	-	0.2	0.5
<i>Fodiator acutus</i>	-	-	0.1	-

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Taxon		Region		
	1	2	3	4
<i>Hypsoblennius</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Dormitator latifrons</i>	0.4	-	-	-
Gobiidae	-	-	0.3	-
<i>Clarkichthys bilineatus</i>	-	-	0.0	-
Acanthuridae	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Nealotus triples</i>	0.6	-	0.0	-
<i>Trichiurus lepturus</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Istiophorus platypterus</i>	-	-	0.0	0.1
<i>Acanthocybium solandri</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Auxis</i> spp.	2.7	-	2.4	3.2
<i>Euthynnus lineatus</i>	-	1.1	0.2	-
<i>Thunnus</i> spp.	0.3	-	0.1	0.6
<i>Cubiceps pauciradiatus</i>	-	-	1.0	2.5
<i>Nomeus gronovii</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Psenes pellucidus</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Psenes sio</i>	-	-	0.0	0.1
Paralichthyidae	3.6	-	-	-
<i>Cyclopsetta panamensis</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Etropus peruvianus</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Syacium ovale</i>	0.4	-	0.0	-
<i>Bothus</i> spp.	0.4	-	0.2	0.1
<i>Syphurus</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Syphurus elongatus</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Balistes polylepis</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Canthidermis maculatus</i>	-	-	0.2	-
Disintegrated fish larvae	-	-	0.0	0.1
Unidentified fish larvae	-	-	0.0	-

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Taxon	Region			
	1	2	3	4
<i>Hirundichthys</i> spp.	-	-	0.1	0.1
<i>Hirundichthys marginatus</i>	-	1.1	0.2	1.1
<i>Oxyporhamphus micropterus</i>	0.7	-	4.1	10.7
<i>Prognichthys</i> spp.	3.4	-	1.0	2.7
<i>Scopelogadus bispinosus</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Myripristis leiognathos</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Scorpaena</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Howella pammelas</i>	-	-	0.0	-
Serranidae	-	-	0.0	-
Epinephelinae	-	-	0.0	-
Opistognathidae	-	-	0.0	-
Carangidae	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Alectis ciliaris</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Caranx</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Caranx caballus</i>	2.5	-	0.0	0.2
<i>Caranx sexfasciatus</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Decapterus</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Hemicarax</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Naucrates ductor</i>	-	-	0.1	-
<i>Oligoplites</i> spp.	-	-	0.1	-
<i>Selar crumenophthalmus</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Selene</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Seriola lalandi</i>	-	1.1	-	-
<i>Seriola peruana</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Trachinotus kennedyi</i>	-	-	0.1	-
<i>Trachinotus paitensis</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Coryphaena</i> spp.	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Coryphaena equiselis</i>	0.3	-	2.4	2.5
<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>	-	-	0.6	0.1
<i>Brama dussumieri</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Lutjanus</i> spp.	0.6	-	-	-
<i>Lutjanus novemfasciatus</i>	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Lobotes surinamensis</i>	-	-	0.1	-
Gerreidae	0.7	-	0.1	2.3
Haemulidae	-	-	0.0	-
Sciaenidae	2.8	-	0.0	-
<i>Polydactylus approximans</i>	-	-	1.2	-
Mullidae	0.4	-	-	-
<i>Kyphosus</i> spp.	0.6	-	-	-
<i>Mugil</i> spp.	0.3	-	0.2	-
Pomacentridae	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Microspathodon</i> spp.	0.7	-	0.0	-
<i>Xyrichtys</i> spp.	0.3	-	-	-
<i>Scarus</i> spp.	-	-	0.1	-
Dactyloscopidae	-	-	0.0	-
<i>Entomacrodus chiostictus</i>	-	1.1	-	-

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ABSTRACT

This report provides ichthyoplankton, juvenile/adult fish, and associated station and tow data from the surface plankton samples collected during the 1992 Southwest Fisheries Science Center eastern tropical Pacific common dolphin survey. It is the fifth in a series of reports that presents these data for all dolphin surveys from 1987 to the present. In total, 116 stations were sampled with Manta nets between 8 August and 1 November, 1992, during which two research vessels surveyed within an area extending from about 23°–2° N, and from the Gulf of Panama westward to about 110° W. The data are presented in six tables, and distributions of the 20 most frequently occurring larval fish taxa are shown in a series of figures. The background, methodology, and necessary interpretive information are given in an accompanying text.

INTRODUCTION

In 1986 the Southwest Fisheries Science Center (SWFSC) conducted the first of a series of dolphin surveys in the eastern tropical Pacific (ETP). The purpose of these multi-ship surveys was to monitor abundance and distribution of ETP dolphin stocks and concurrently to monitor physical and biological variables in their habitat (Holt et al. 1987; Holt and Jackson 1987). A primary objective was to determine the relation between environmental variables and population trends in ETP dolphin stocks. The physical oceanography was conducted jointly with NOAA's Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory (AOML). On the 1992 survey and all surveys conducted since 1987 (Thayer et al. 1988a, b), Manta (surface) net tows were taken at night in conjunction with the oceanographic operations (1987 survey, Moser et al. 2000; 1988 survey, Ambrose et al. 2000; 1989 survey, Charter et al. 2000; 1990 survey, Sandknop et al. 2000; 1992 survey, this report). The purpose of this was to study the distribution and abundance of ETP fish larvae and extend the ichthyoplankton time series begun during the Eastropac Expedition (Ahlstrom 1971, 1972). This report provides ichthyoplankton and associated station and tow data from the 1992 eastern tropical Pacific common dolphin survey conducted from July 28 to November 2, 1992.

The survey was conducted aboard the NOAA research vessels *David Starr Jordan* and *McArthur*. Hydrographic and biological data for the *Jordan* and *McArthur* cruises, other than Manta tow data, are reported in Philbrick et al. (1993). Usually a conductivity-temperature-depth instrument (CTD) cast was made each morning to 1000 m to measure temperature, salinity, oxygen, chlorophyll, phaeophytin, and nutrients, and to collect water samples for productivity measurements; mini-CTD casts were made to 200 m each morning and afternoon, and another cast was made to 500 m at the conclusion of marine mammal operations each day. Sea surface temperature and salinity were measured continuously while the ship was underway. Expendable bathythermograph (XBT) casts were made daily at noon and were substituted for mini-CTD casts when the latter could not be made. In addition to marine mammal observations, data on bird and turtle sightings were made throughout the survey. Robert Pitman made observations on surface organisms and associated environmental variables at night light stations throughout the survey and made extensive collections of fishes, squids, and other surface-living organisms. Data on fish stomach contents were recorded from fishes caught incidentally by trolling and rod-and-reel; unidentifiable stomach contents were preserved for subsequent laboratory analysis. Surface plankton samples were collected with a Manta net each night.

SAMPLING AREA AND PATTERN

A total of 116 Manta tows was made on the survey, 57 aboard the *Jordan* (Figure 1) and 59 aboard the *McArthur* (Figure 2). The survey was conducted in three legs for both vessels:

<i>Jordan</i> Leg 1	28 July–26 August	San Diego, California to Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala
<i>Jordan</i> Leg 2	31 August–29 September	Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala to Rodman, Panama
<i>Jordan</i> Leg 3	4 October–2 November	Rodman, Panama to San Diego, California.

McArthur Leg 128 July–26 August
McArthur Leg 231 August–29 September
McArthur Leg 34 October–2 November

San Diego, California. to Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala
Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala to Rodman, Panama
Rodman, Panama to Rodman, Panama.

ICHTHYOPLANKTON SAMPLING GEAR AND METHODS

Plankton tows were made with a Manta net (Brown and Cheng 1981) identical to that used on California Cooperative Oceanic Fisheries Investigations (CalCOFI) cruises. It consists of a rectangular mouth 15.5 cm deep and 86 cm wide attached to a frame that supports square lateral extensions covered with plywood and urethane foam. These extensions stabilize the net when it is towed and keep the top of the net at the sea surface. The net material is constructed of 0.505 mm nylon mesh. The towing bridle is asymmetrical with one side longer than the other; when the net is towed this bridle arrangement forces the mouth away from the ship at a slight angle. A General Oceanics flowmeter was suspended across the center of the net mouth to measure the amount of water filtered during each tow. Two towing procedures were used on this survey. On the *Jordan* the tow line attached to the bridle was attached to the hydrographic wire and then lowered to slightly below the surface of the water before the net was deployed. On the *McArthur* the net was towed from a boom on the starboard side of the ship. A weight attached to the tow line in front of the bridle kept the top of the net mouth at the surface and the tow line below the mouth of the net. Hauls were made at a ship speed of 1.0–2.0 knots for 15 minutes. Samples were preserved in 5% buffered formalin and returned to the plankton sorting laboratory at the SWFSC at the end of the cruise.

LABORATORY PROCEDURES

The ichthyoplankton was removed from the invertebrate portion of each sample and bottled separately in 3% buffered formalin. In addition to fish eggs and larvae the samples contained limited numbers of surface-living juvenile, and occasionally adult, stages of fishes; these also were removed and bottled separately in 3% formalin. The volume of water filtered by each net was computed from the flowmeter readings. Constituent taxa in the samples were identified by the senior author of this report and E. M. Sandknop in the ichthyoplankton ecology laboratory of the La Jolla Fisheries Resources Division. Early ontogenetic stages of fishes are difficult to identify and this is further complicated by the large number and diversity of species which contribute to the ichthyoplankton in the ETP. Most identifications were based on descriptions of ontogenetic series of fishes in an identification guide to early stages of fishes in the California Current and adjacent regions (Moser 1996). Larval specimens that could not be identified with the guide were identified by establishing ontogenetic series on the basis of morphology, meristics, and pigmentation, and then linking these series through overlapping features to known metamorphic, juvenile, or adult stages (Powles and Markle 1984). Fischer et al. (1995) was a primary source of information on distribution and taxonomy of adult fishes of the ETP. Except for damaged specimens, a large proportion of the larvae and most juvenile/adults taken in the surface tows could be identified to species. The types of larvae most difficult to identify were those of tropical shorefishes (e.g., Sciaenidae, Gerreidae) but most oceanic fishes could be identified to species or at least to genus. A total of 118 larval fish categories (including unidentified and disintegrated) was identified: 65 to species, 35 to genus, 14 to family, 1 to subfamily, and 1 to order.

The following taxonomic categories in Tables 2–5 require special explanation:

Cyclothona spp. – Small or damaged larvae lacking diagnostic characters.

Cyclothona pseudopallida – Postflexion stage larvae having diagnostic pigmentation characters.

Disintegrated fish larvae – Larvae that could not be identified because of their poor condition;

separated from the "unidentified" category to monitor the general condition of the ichthyoplankton samples through the time series.

Exocoetus spp. – *E. monocirrhus* and *E. volitans* occur in the study area and their larvae smaller than about 10 mm cannot be reliably distinguished.

Hirundichthys spp. – Small or damaged larvae lacking diagnostic characters, probably most are *H. marginatus*.

Lestidium spp. – Larvae are a single species, *Lestidium* sp. Ege 1953. Adults collected during other studies of the ETP resemble *Lestidium bigelowi* Graae 1967 known from the Indian Ocean.

Mugil spp. – Mugilid larvae lacking the full complement of anal fin elements (larvae <~5–6 mm) and those with 12 total anal fin elements could not be identified to species; *Mugil cephalus* has 11 (rarely 10) total anal fin elements.

Prognichthys spp. – *P. sealei* and *P. tringa* occur in the study area and their larvae cannot be reliably distinguished. The former species has a primarily oceanic distribution whereas the latter is coastal; the larvae collected in 1992 were predominantly coastal and most (perhaps all) probably are *P. tringa*.

Triphoturus spp. – Larvae of *Triphoturus* in the region of the ETP sampled by this expedition correspond to *Triphoturus oculatus* (Garman 1899), a species Hulley (1986) synonymized with *T. mexicanus* (Gilbert 1890). These larvae share pigment characteristics of *T. mexicanus* and *T. nigrescens* (the other *Triphoturus* species recognized by Hulley 1986).

Unidentified fish larvae – Larvae that were generally in good condition but could not be identified because of their small size or early stage of development.

Vinciguerria lucetia – *V. lucetia* is the most common *Vinciguerria* species in the study area, but *V. nimbaria* and *V. poweriae* also occur in the eastern Pacific, primarily west of about 130° W; larvae of the three species are very difficult to distinguish and it is possible that some *V. nimbaria* and *V. poweriae* were included within *V. lucetia*.

SPECIES SUMMARY

Of the five most abundant taxa for the entire 1992 survey, the shortwing flyingfish *Oxyporhamphus micropterus* ranked first in abundance and occurrence with 16.1% of the total larvae and 55.2% positive tows (Tables 2 and 3). The Panama lightfish *Vinciguerria lucetia* ranked second in abundance with 11.1% of the total larvae and was third in occurrence with 31.9% positive tows. The anchovy genus *Anchoa* ranked third in abundance with 10.0% of the total larvae, but tied for 15th in occurrence with only 6.9% positive tows. The pompano dolphinfish *Coryphaena equiselis* ranked fourth in abundance with 8.2% of the larvae and was second in occurrence with 52.6% positive tows. The scombrid genus *Auxis* ranked fifth in abundance with 8.1% of the larvae and fourth in occurrence with 31.0% positive tows. The next five most abundant taxa were the herring genus *Opisthomema* (6.5% of total larvae), the anchoveta *Cetengraulis mysticetus* (5.6%), the blue bobo *Polydactylus approximans* (4.4%), the flyingfish genus *Prognichthys* (4.2%), and the bigeye cigarfish *Cubiceps pauciradiatus* (3.7%). These species were tied for 23rd, tied for 31st, tied for 15th, ranked 5th, and 7th in frequency of occurrence, respectively. The ten most abundant taxa comprised 77.8% of all the larvae collected in the survey area. The remaining 22.2 % was distributed among 108 other taxa (including the "disintegrated" and "unidentified" categories). Of the ten most abundant taxa, three (*Oxyporhamphus micropterus*, *Coryphaena equiselis*, *Cubiceps pauciradiatus*) are epipelagic species, one (*Prognichthys*) is a

genus containing both an epipelagic (*P. seali*) and a coastal pelagic species (*P. tringa*), four (*Anchoa*, *Auxis*, *Opisthonema*, *Cetengraulis mysticetus*) are coastal, pelagic taxa, one (*Polydactylus approximans*) is a coastal, primarily epibenthic schooling species, and one (*V. lucetia*) is a midwater species that migrates to the epipelagic zone at night.

EXPLANATION OF FIGURES AND TABLES

Figures 4–23. Lengths of vertical bars are proportional to total larval counts for each station.

Table 1. This table lists for each tow the pertinent station and tow data for ichthyoplankton stations occupied during *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4. Cruises are designated by a six character alphanumeric code; the first two digits indicate the year and the second two the month, followed by the ship code, JD (*David Starr Jordan*) or M4 (*McArthur*). Data are listed sequentially by tow number. Regions are based on 15° latitude H 15° longitude squares (Figure 3). Time is listed as local time at the start of each tow in 24-hour designation. The values for total fish eggs and larvae are raw counts (unadjusted for volume of water filtered). In 1992 the Manta tows and hydrographic casts were made at different times of the day. The column “CTD station” gives the CTD number where a Manta sample was collected at the same location as the morning hydrographic cast.

Table 2. Pooled occurrences of all larval fish taxa taken in Manta nets on *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4. Taxa are listed in rank order.

Table 3. Pooled counts (unadjusted for volume of water filtered) of all larval fish taxa taken in Manta net tows on *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4. Taxa are listed in rank order.

Table 4. Numbers of fish larvae for each taxon taken in Manta net tows on *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4, listed by tow number (Figures 1 and 2). Numbers of larvae are listed as raw counts and number per 100 m³ of water filtered. Fish orders and families are listed in phylogenetic sequence (Eschmeyer 1998); other taxa are listed alphabetically.

Table 5. Average number of larvae (per 100 m³ of water filtered) for each taxon taken in Manta net tows in the regions (see Figure 3) occupied on *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4.

Table 6. Numbers (raw counts) and size ranges of juvenile fishes taken in Manta net tows on *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4. Fish orders and families are listed in phylogenetic sequence (Eschmeyer 1998), genera and species are listed in alphabetical order. For each entry, the tow number is given first in bold type, the count is next in parentheses, and size range is given last.

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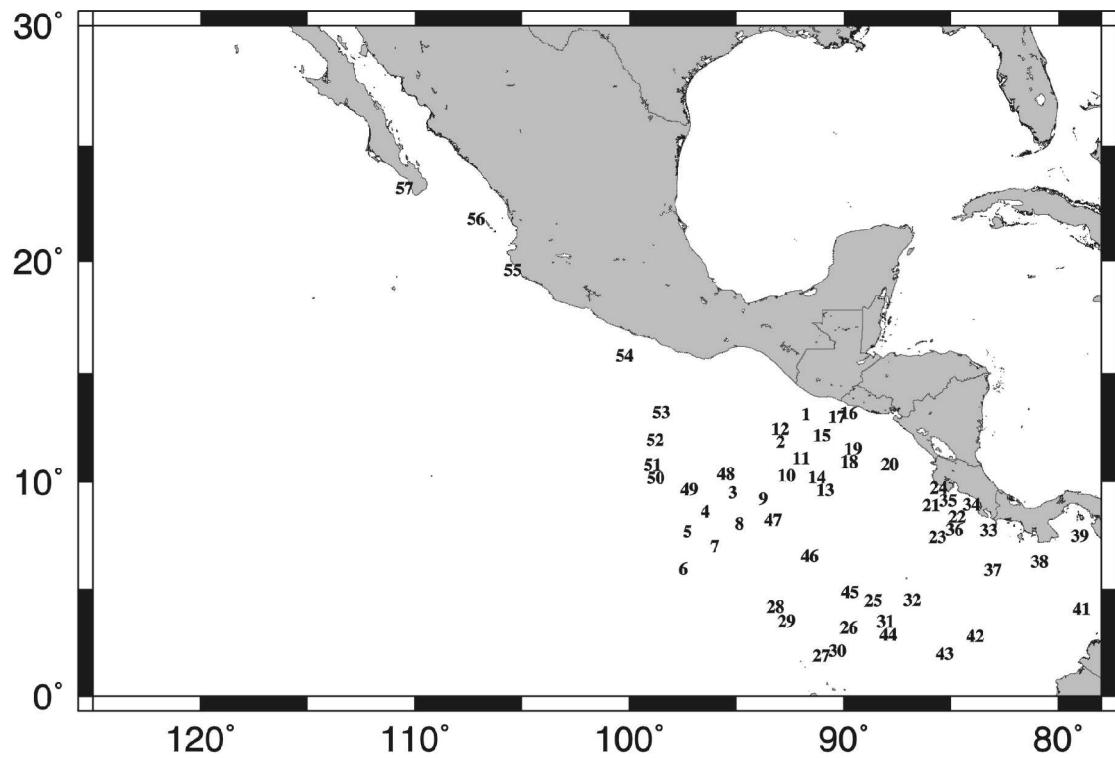


Figure 1. Manta net tow stations for *Jordan* cruise 9210JD.

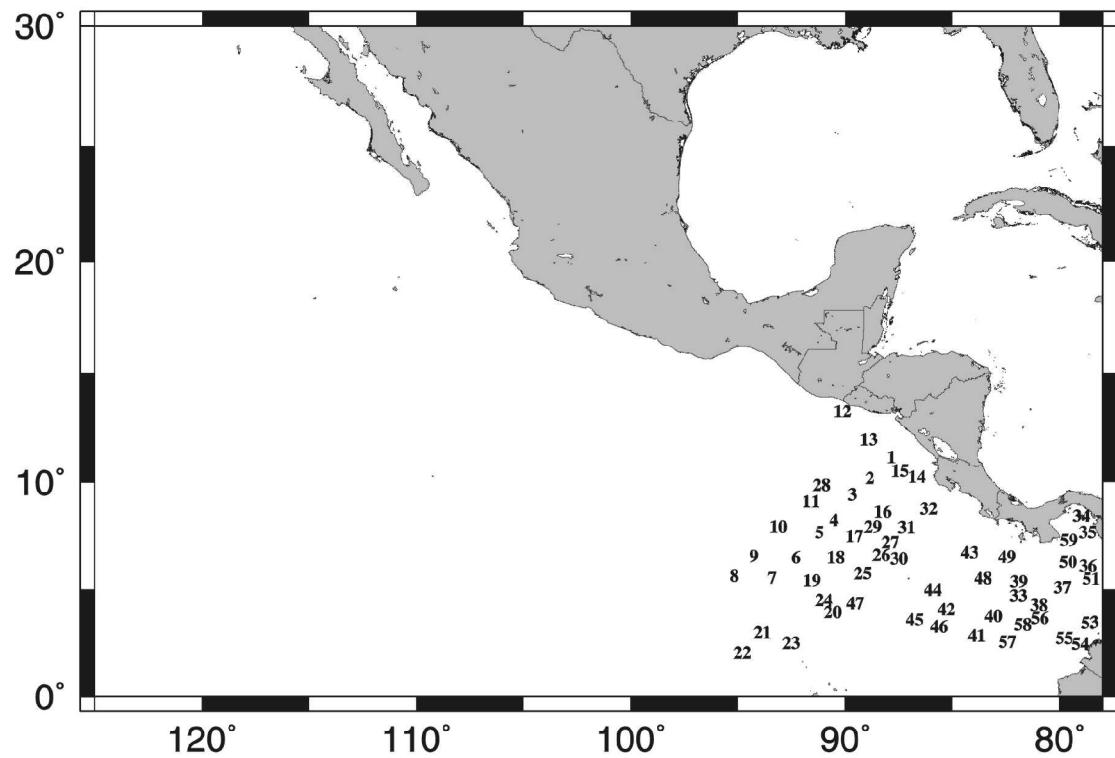


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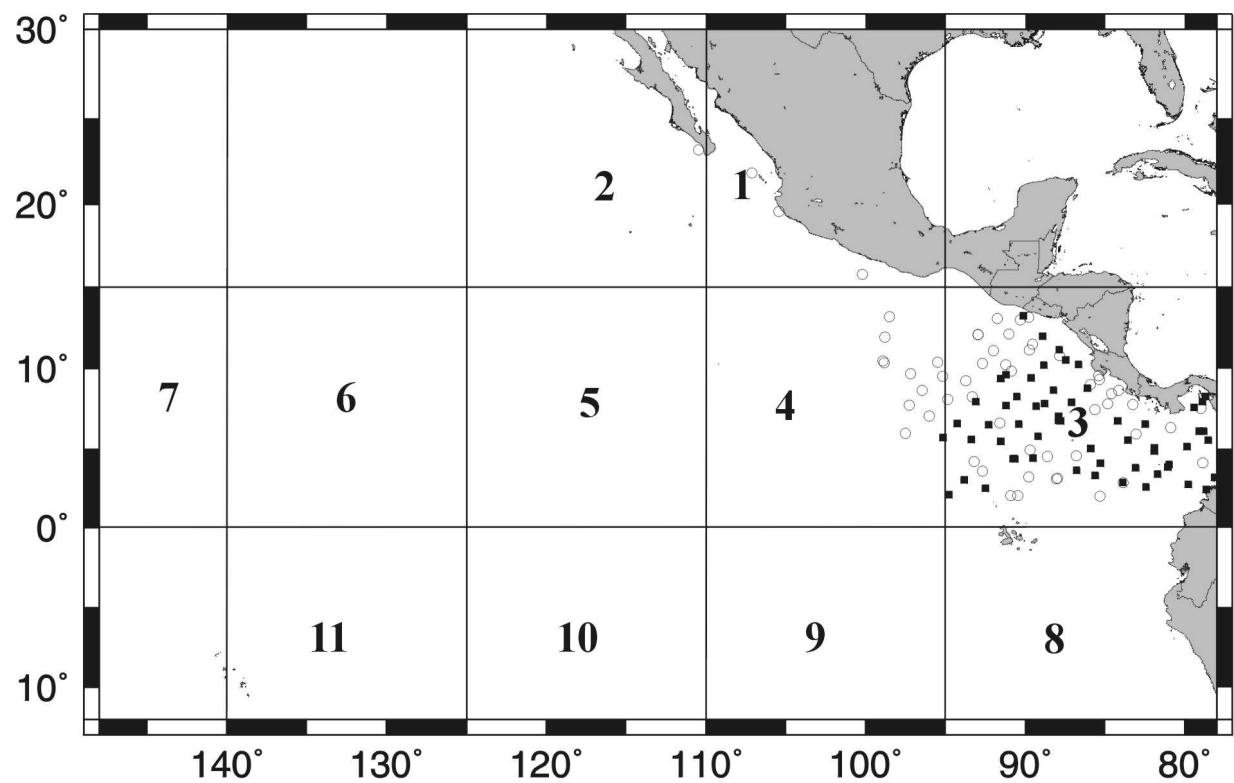


Figure 3. Sampling regions for 1992 eastern tropical Pacific common dolphin survey indicated by numbers 1 to 11; Manta net tow stations for *Jordan* cruise 9210JD are indicated by circles and for *McArthur* cruise 9210M4 by solid squares.

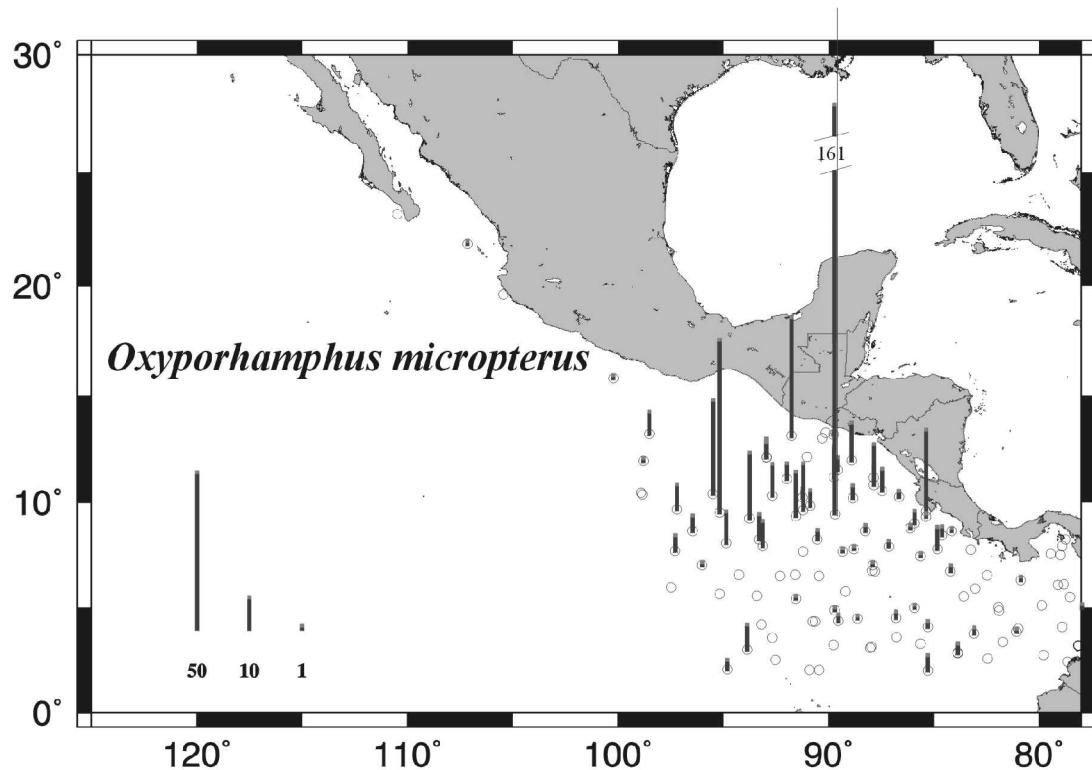


Figure 4. Distribution of *Oxyporhamphus micropterus* larvae from Manta net tows: 9210JD & 9210M4.
Lengths of vertical bars are proportional to total larval counts for each station.

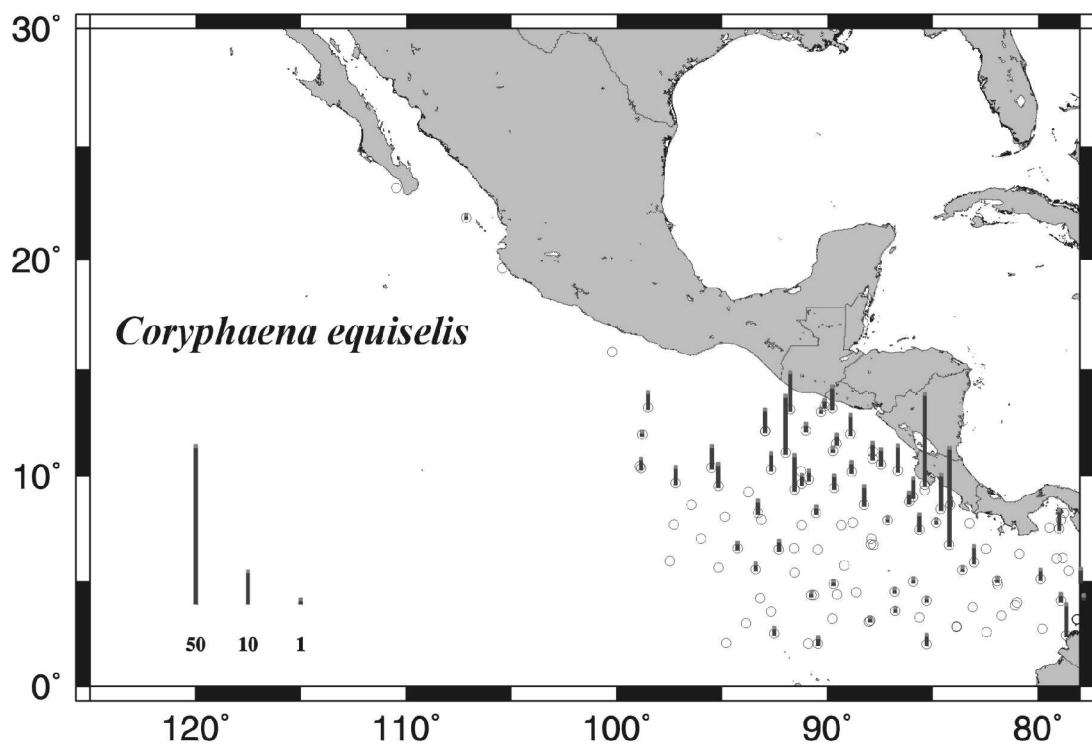


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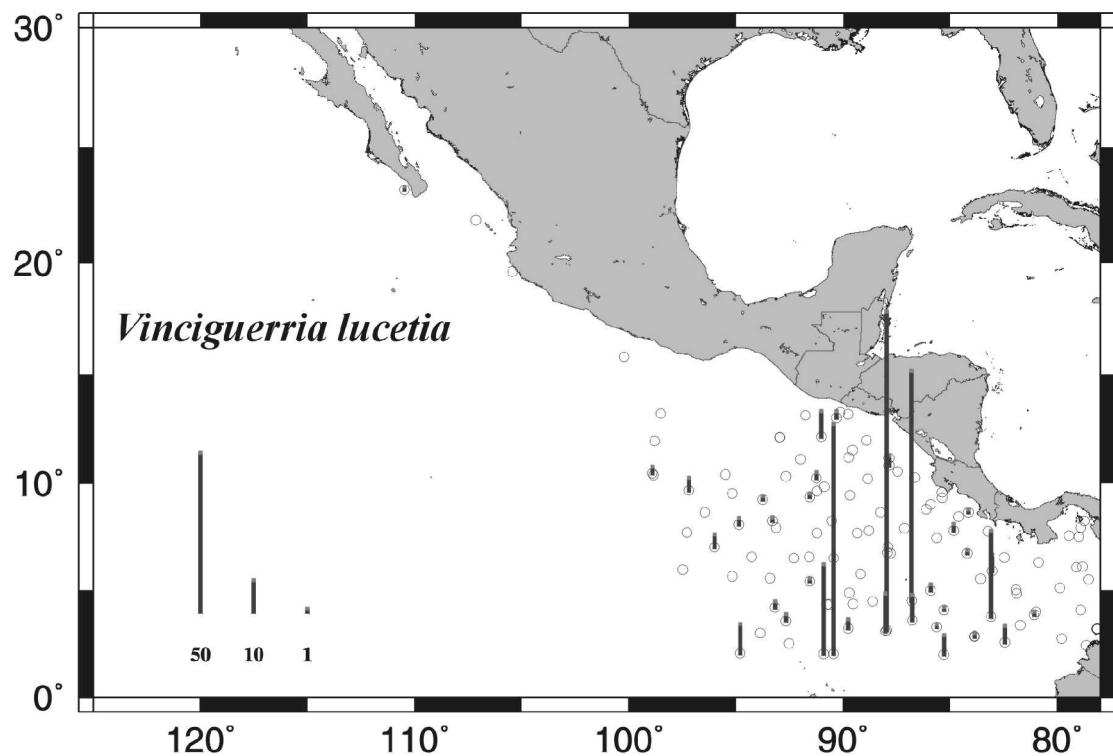


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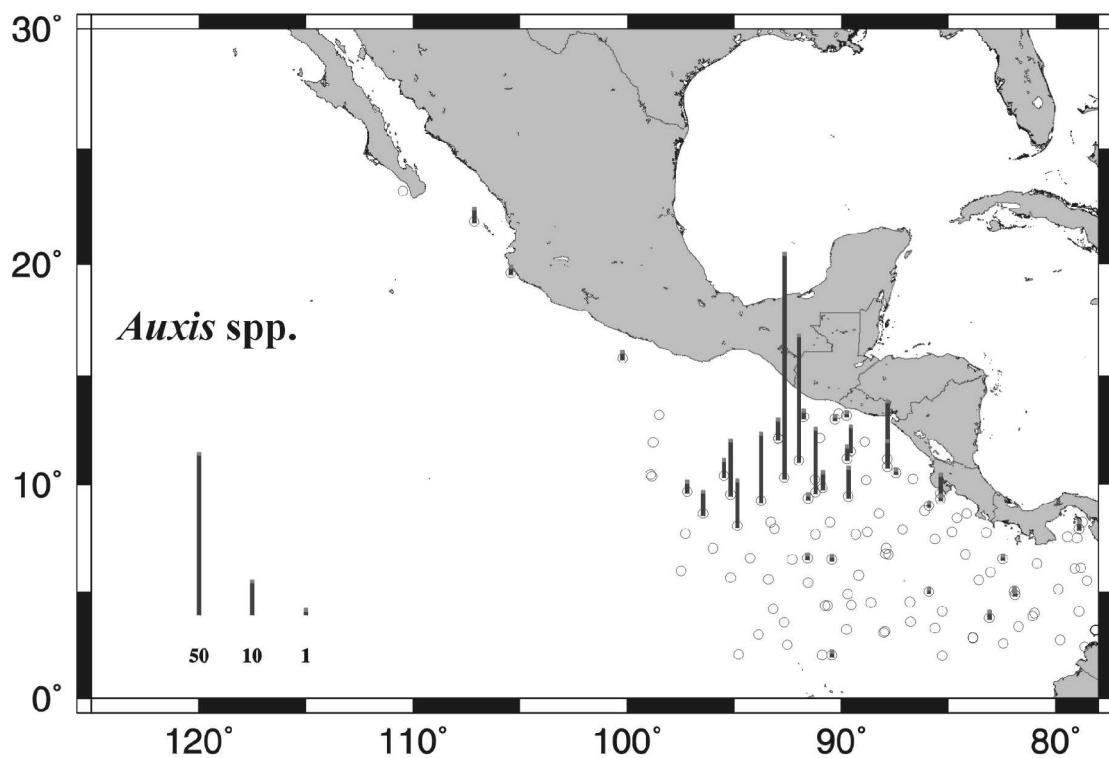


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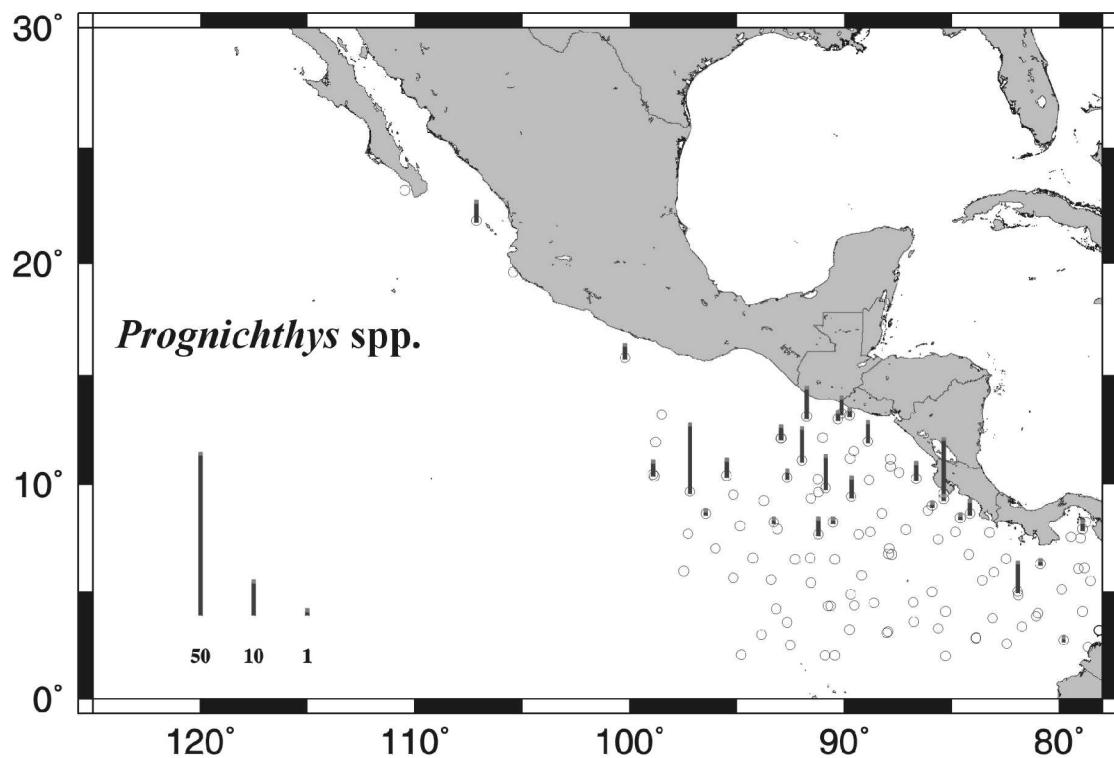


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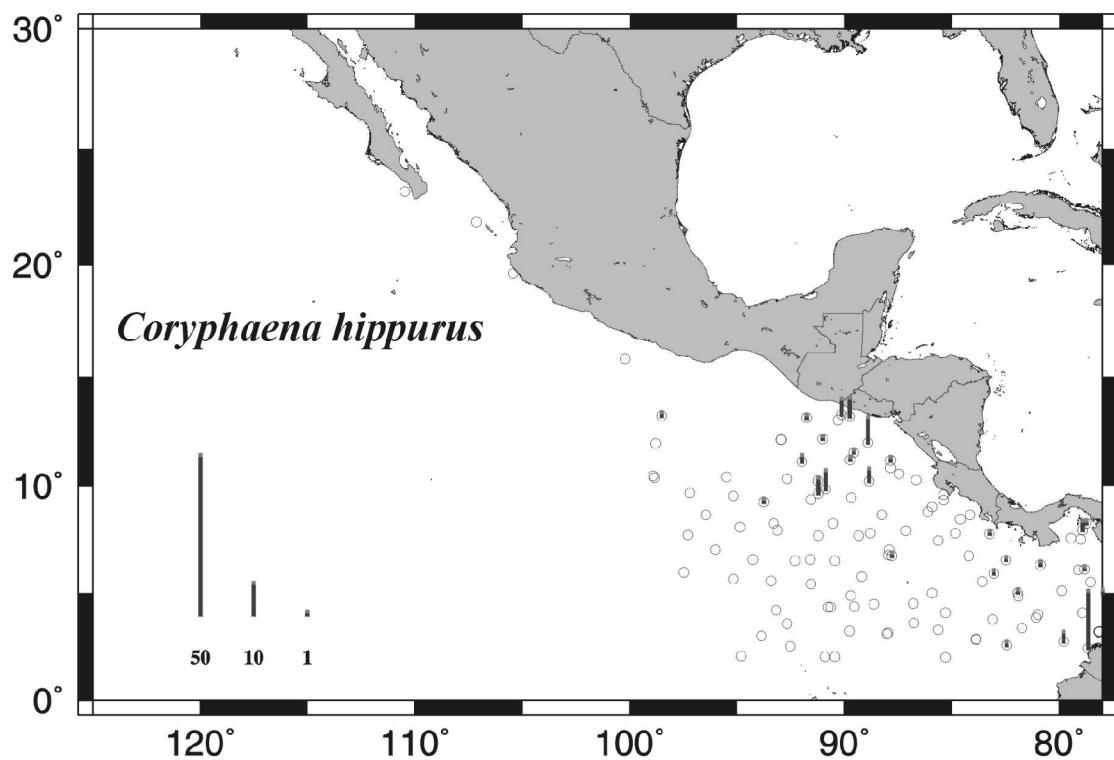


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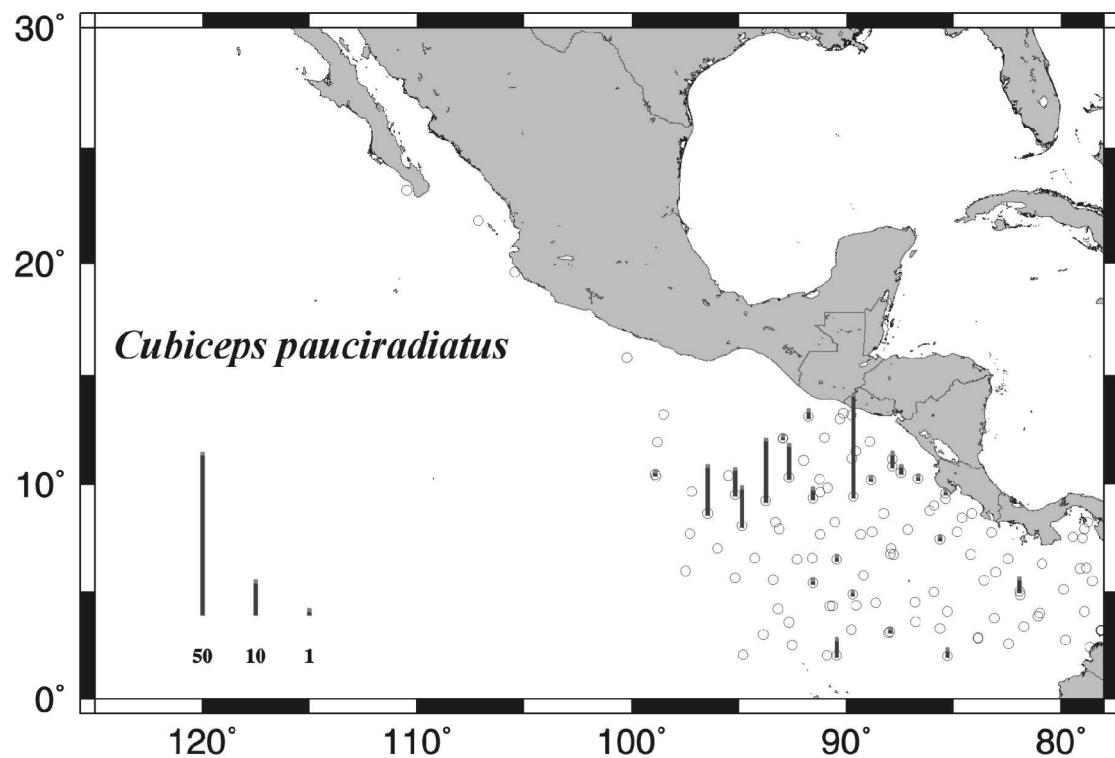


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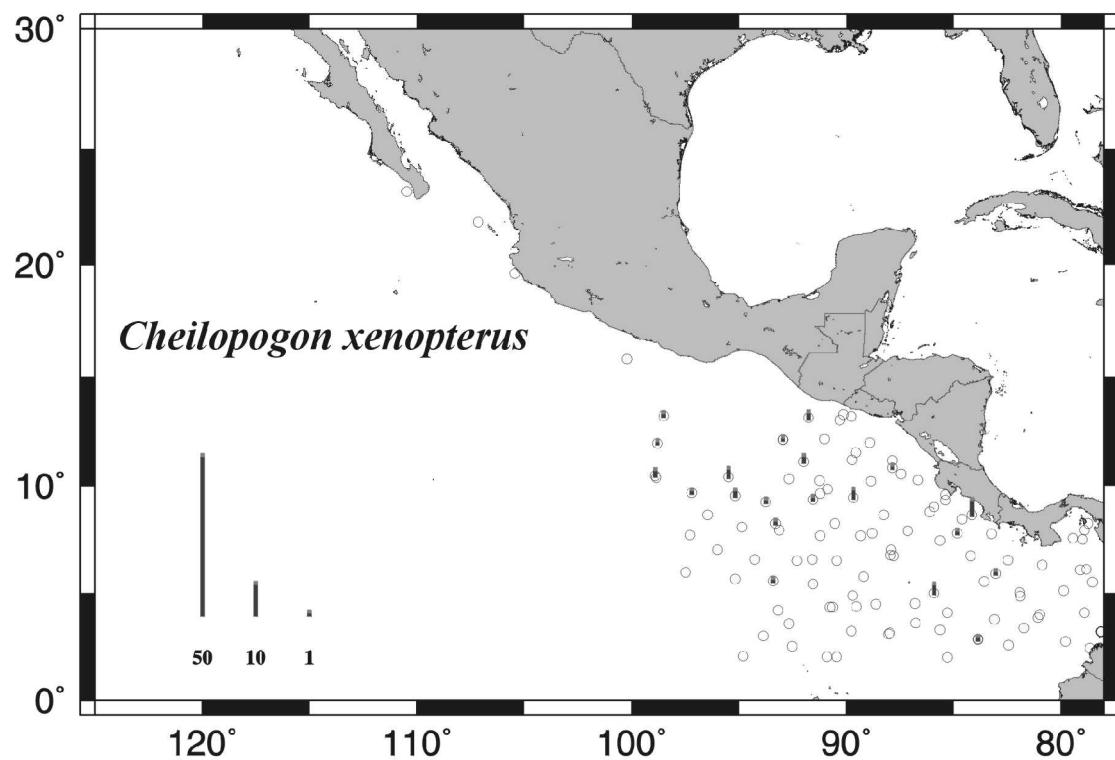


Figure 11. Distribution of *Cheilopogon xenopterus* larvae from Manta net tows: 9210JD & 9210M4.

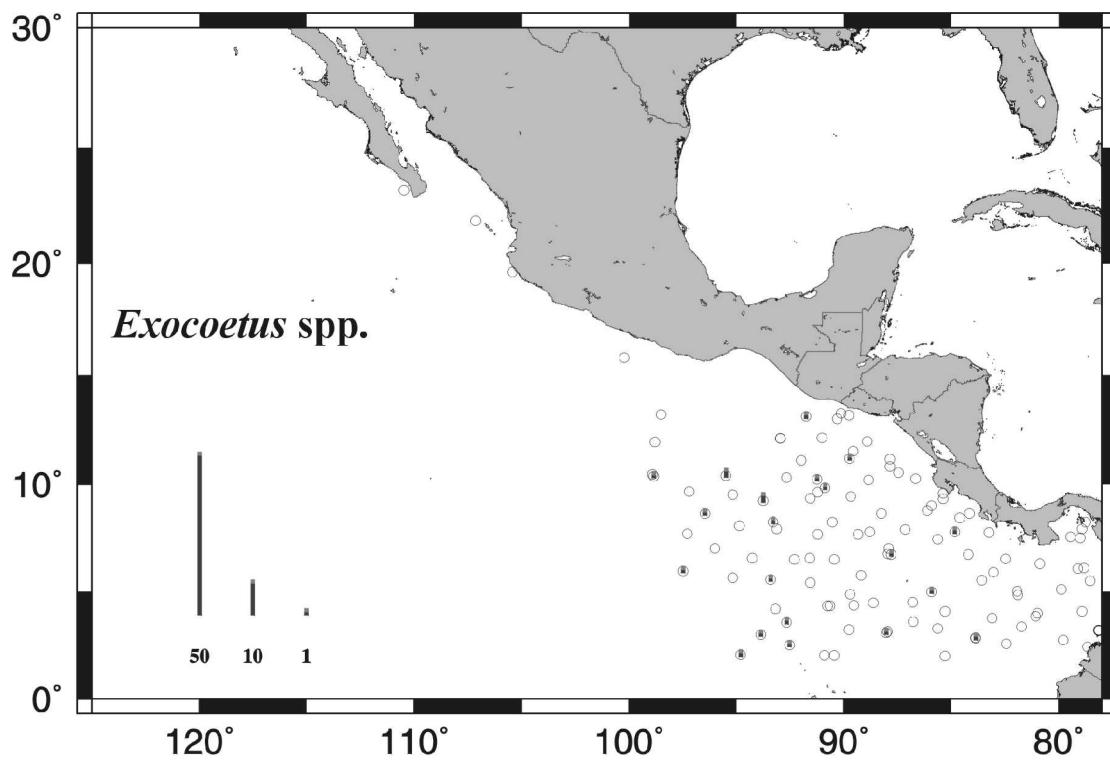


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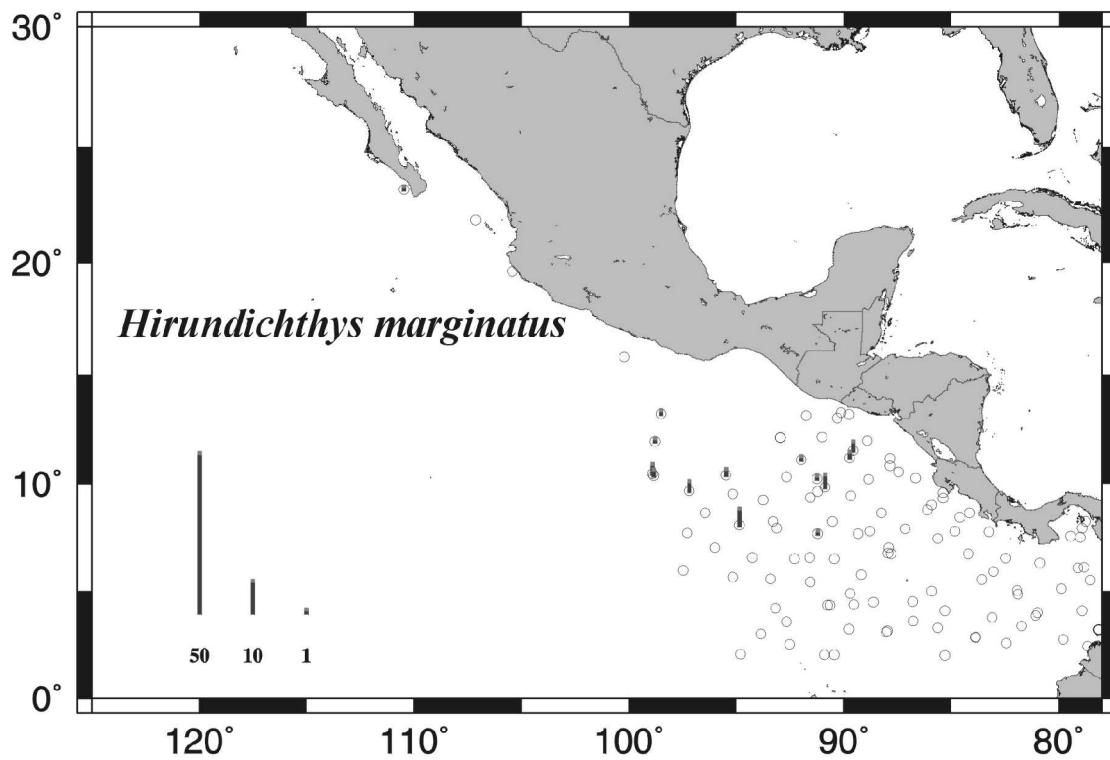


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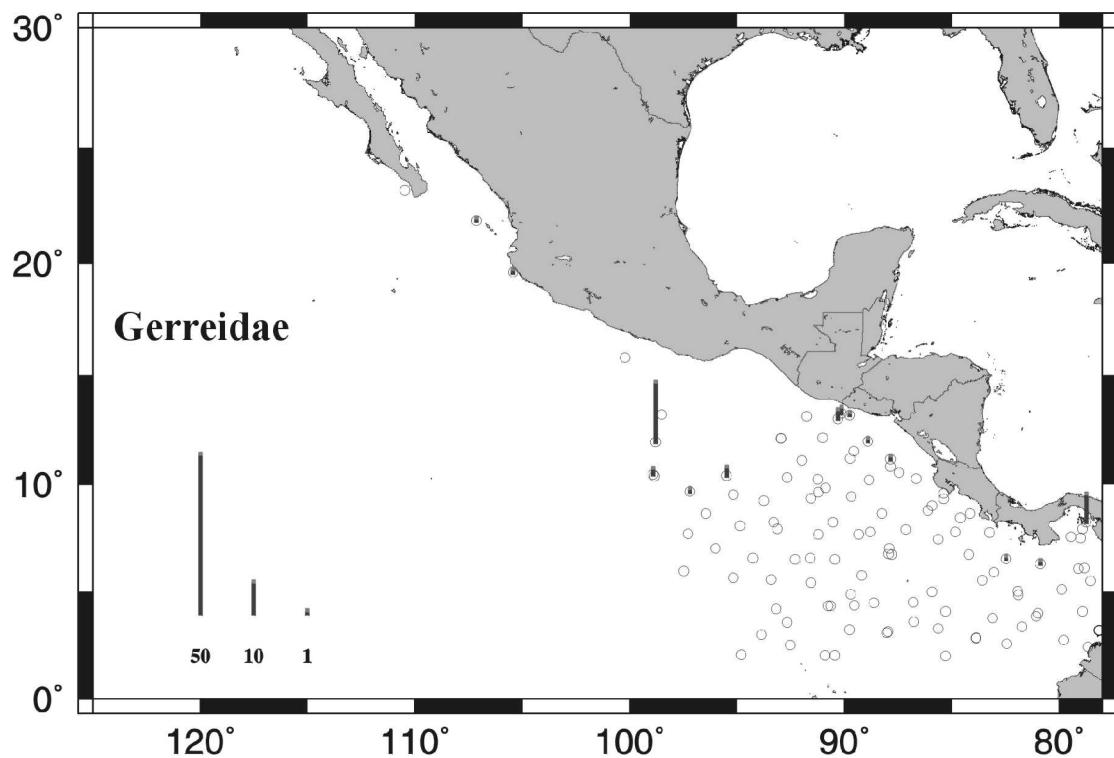


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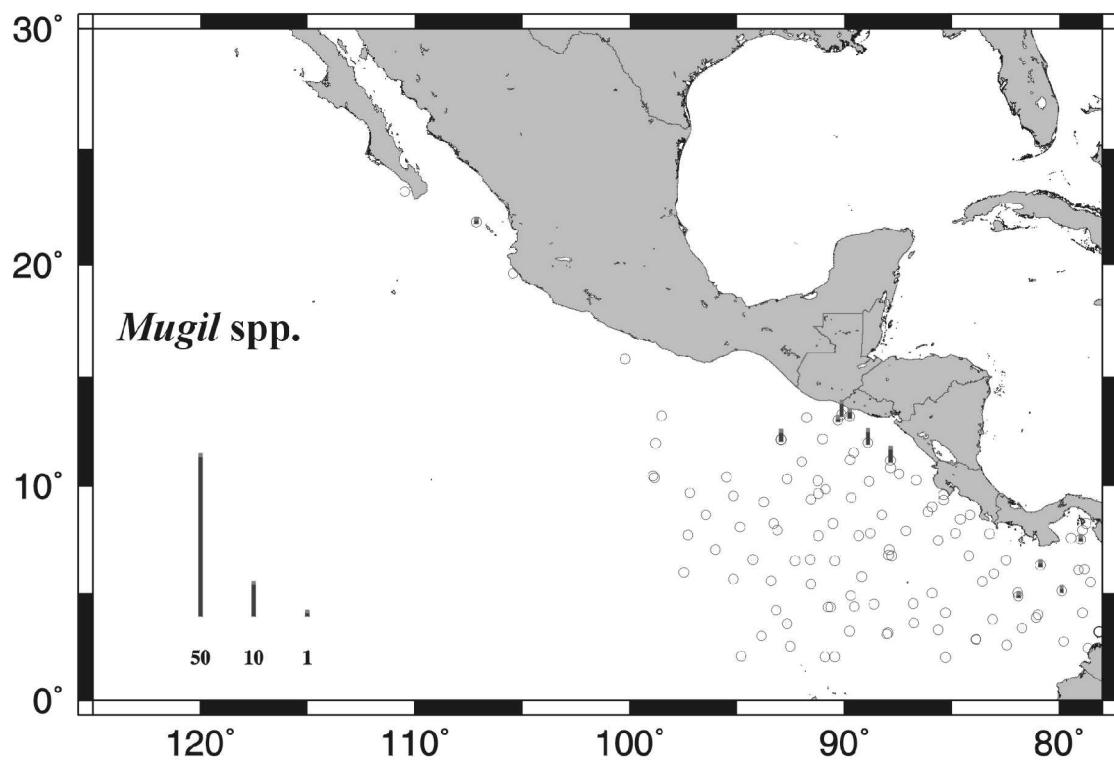


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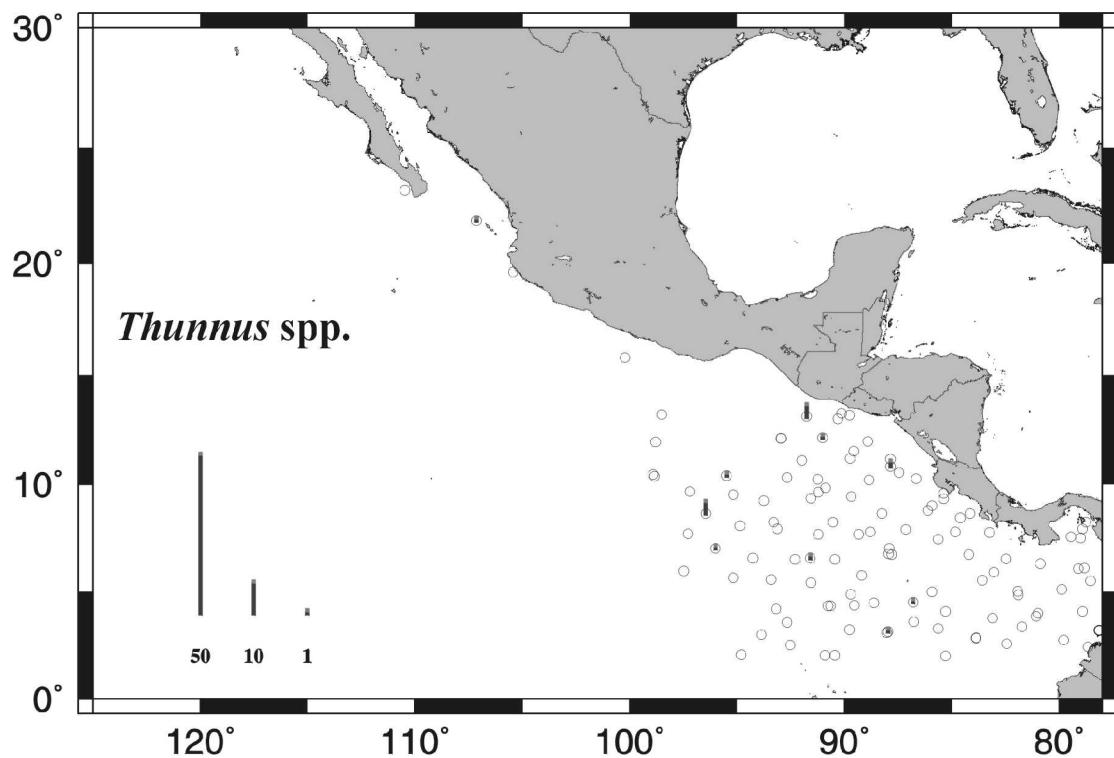


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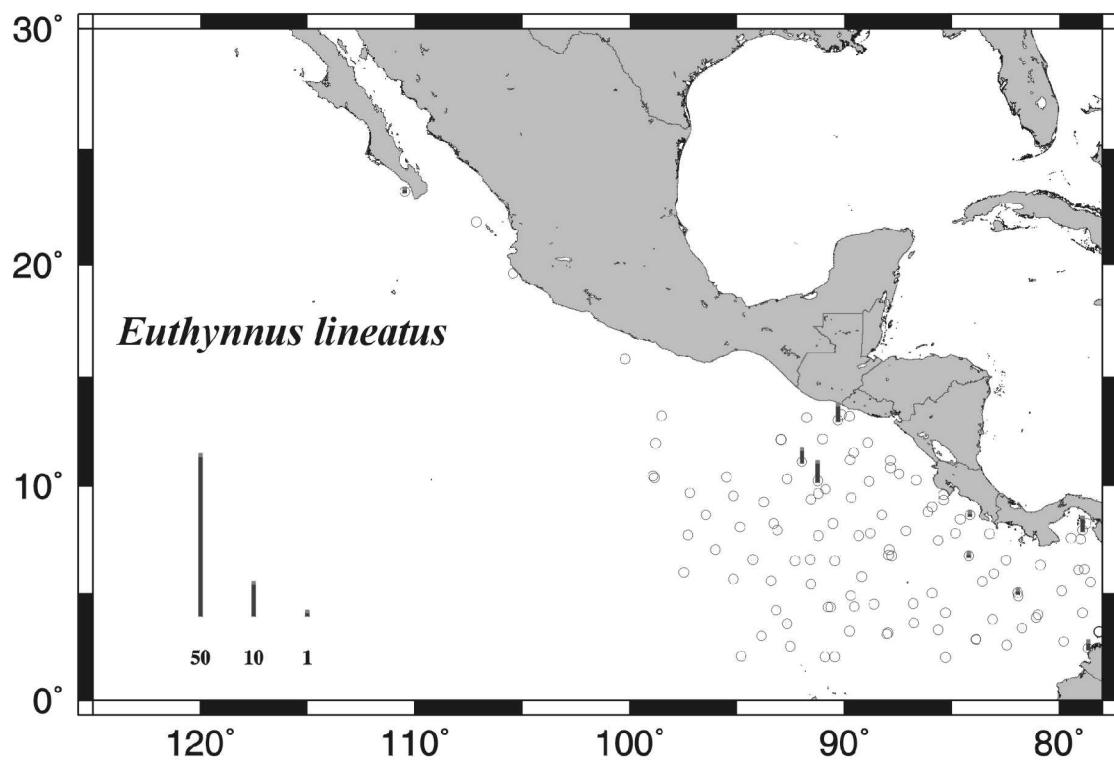


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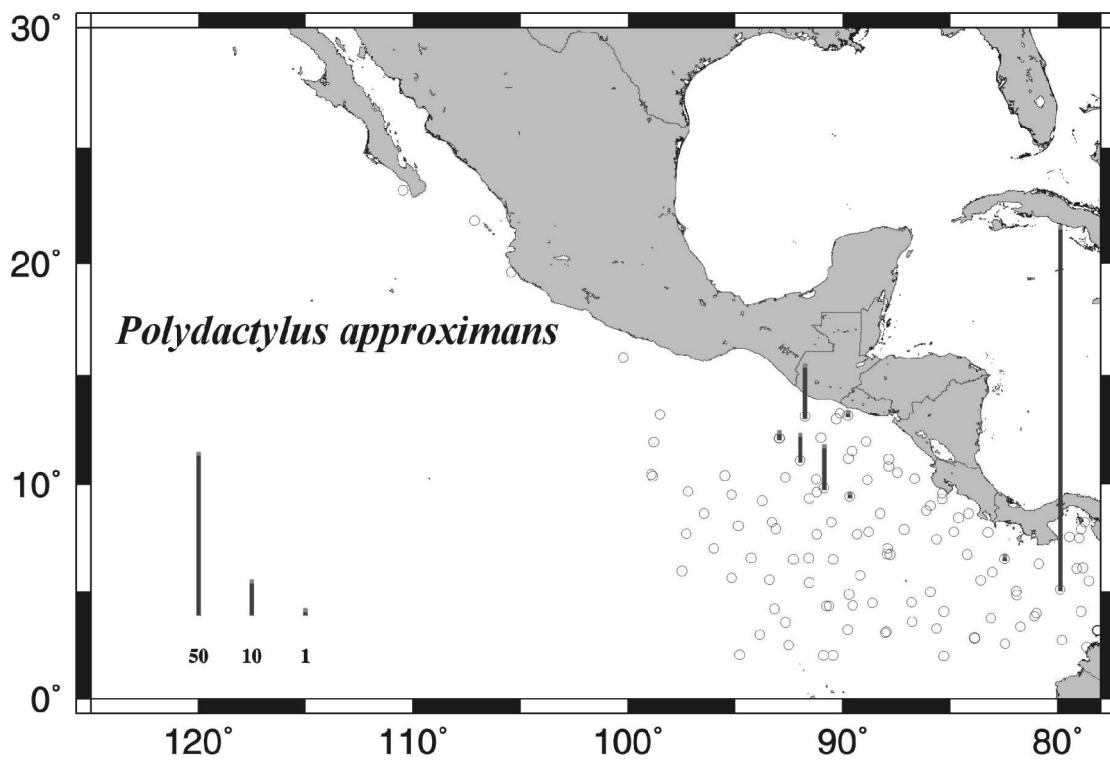


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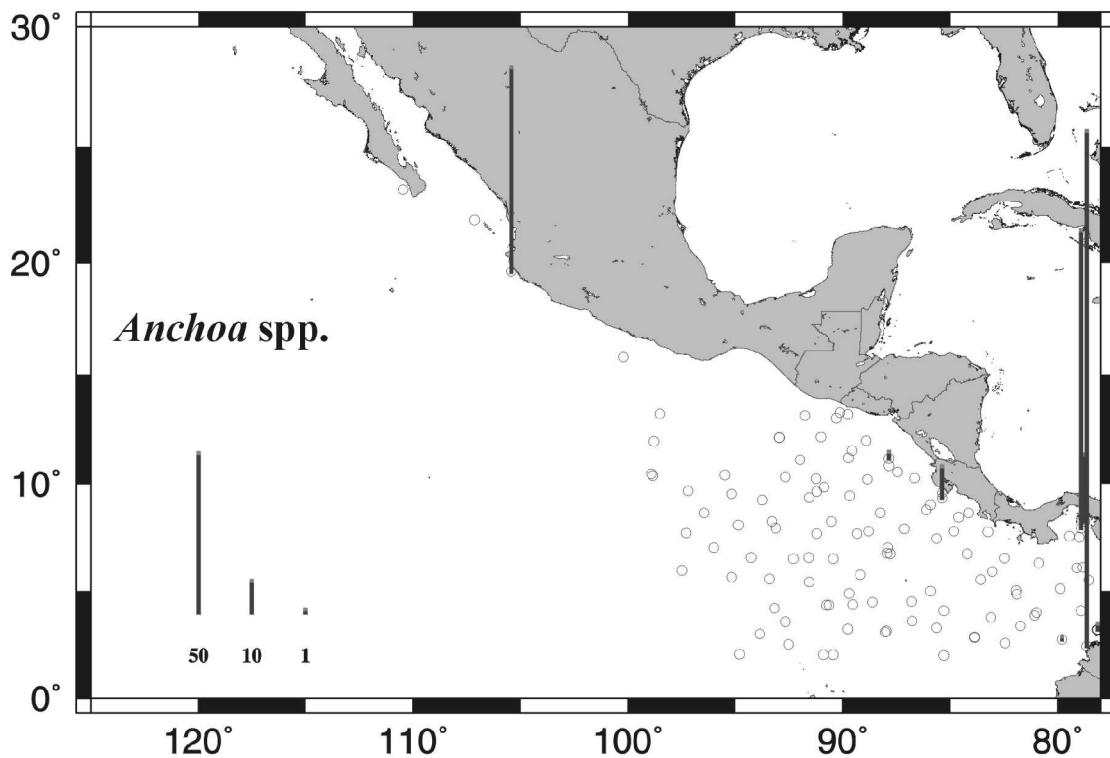


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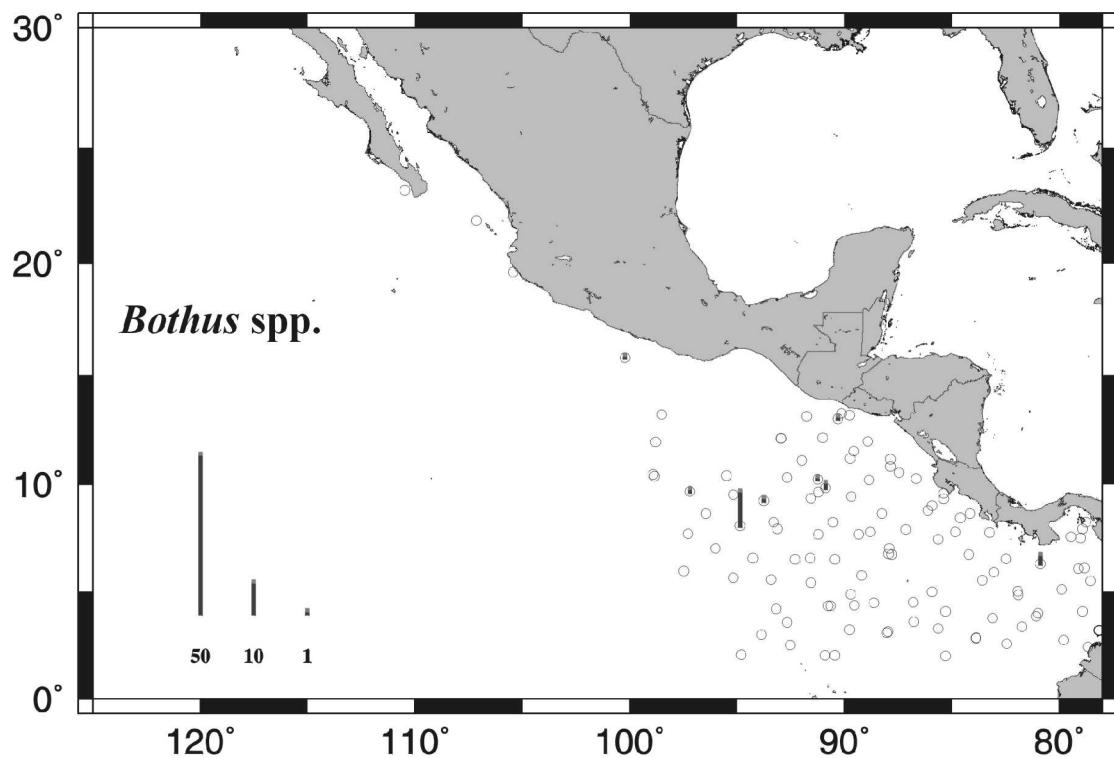


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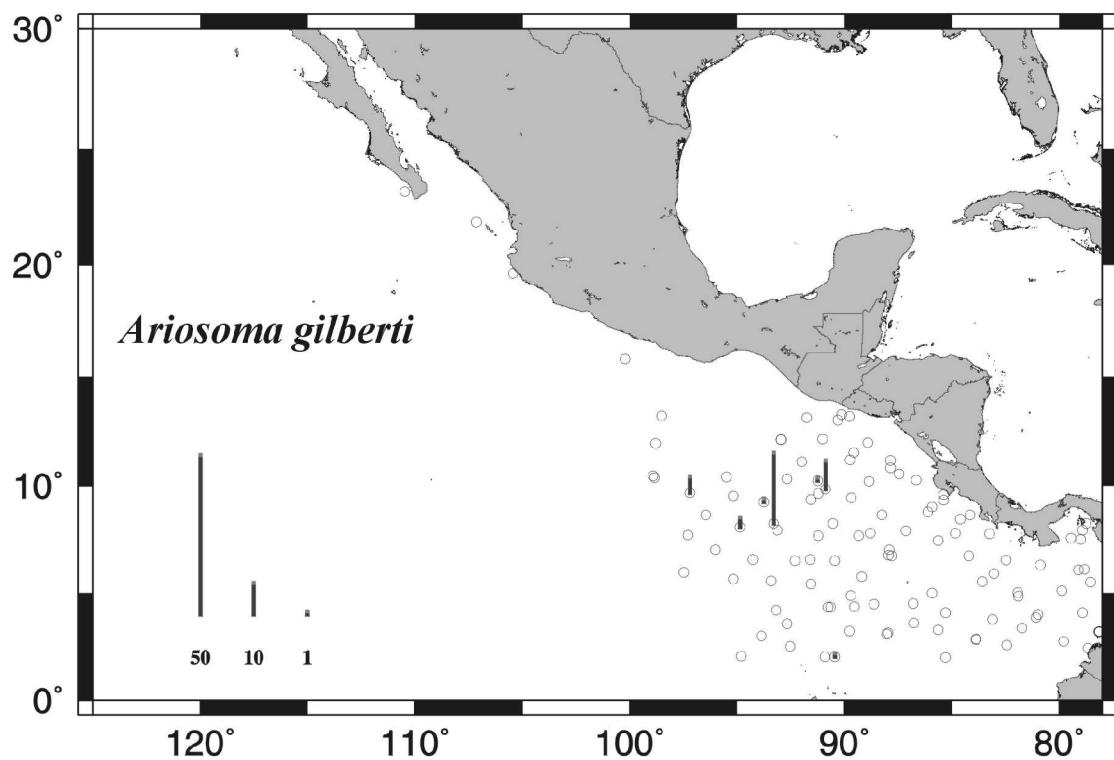


Figure 21. Distribution of *Ariosoma gilberti* larvae from Manta net tows: 9210JD & 9210M4.

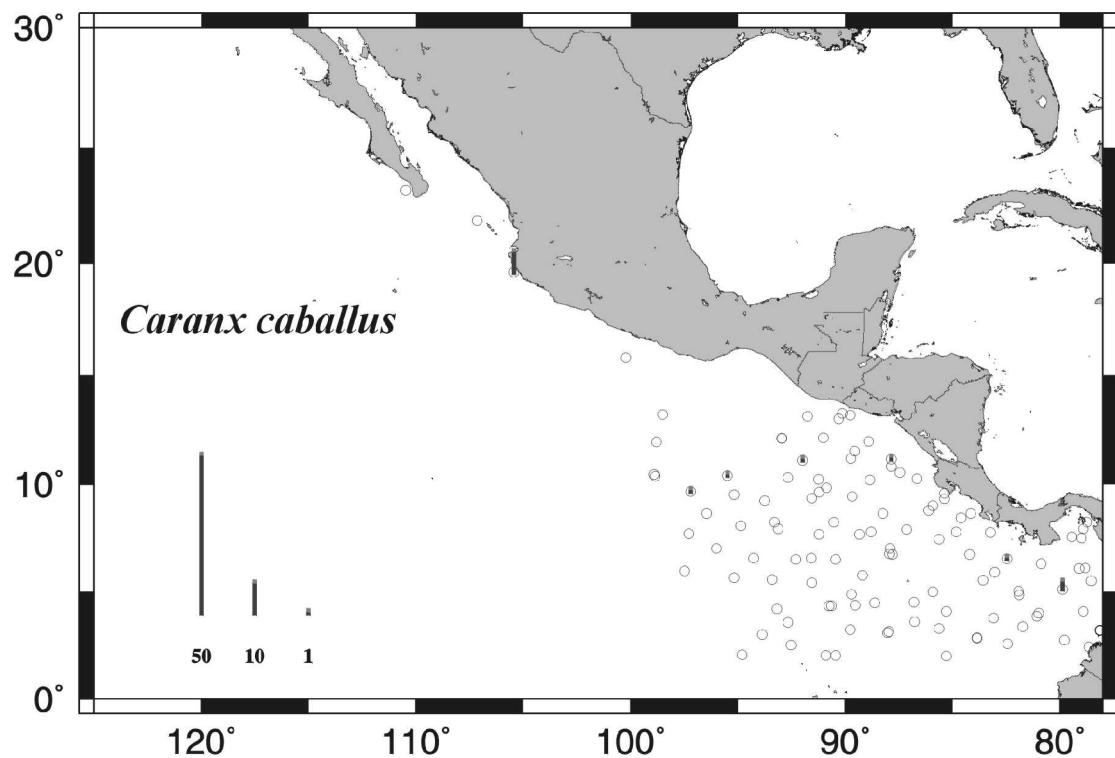


Figure 22. Distribution of *Caranx caballus* larvae from Manta net tows: 9210JD & 9210M4.

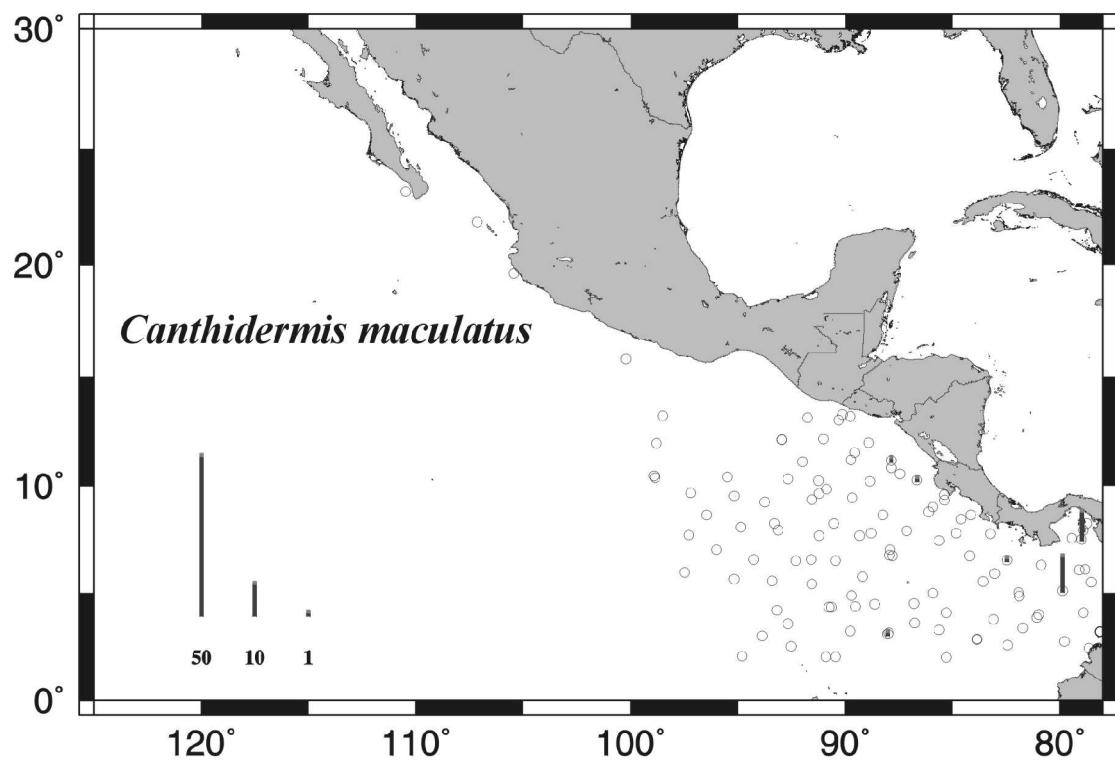


Figure 23. Distribution of *Canthidermis maculatus* larvae from Manta net tows: 9210JD & 9210M4.

Table 1. Station and Manta net tow data for *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4.

Tow Number	CTD Station	Lat. deg. min.	Long.(W) deg min.	Region	Ship Code	Tow Date yymmdd	Time (Loc.)	Vol.(m ³) Water Strained	Total Larvae	Total Eggs
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3		9 32.8 N	95 10.7	4	JD	920811	2039	83.9	91	1672
4		8 39.0 N	96 27.0	4	JD	920812	2032	78.0	34	283
5		7 42.8 N	97 16.3	4	JD	920813	2032	80.7	5	98
6		5 58.7 N	97 29.5	4	JD	920814	2050	72.8	1	2
7		7 02.1 N	96 00.2	4	JD	920815	2116	81.4	7	5
8		8 06.0 N	94 52.4	3	JD	920816	2021	86.6	58	171
9		9 15.7 N	93 44.8	3	JD	920817	2021	79.7	68	419
10		10 20.2 N	92 41.0	3	JD	920818	2050	103.7	97	283
11		11 07.4 N	91 59.0	3	JD	920819	2042	96.8	96	45
12		12 07.3 N	92 57.1	3	JD	920820	2032	94.7	10	7
13		9 50.2 N	90 52.3	3	JD	920821	2023	90.8	59	46
14		10 14.0 N	91 14.0	3	JD	920822	2049	94.7	15	139
15		12 09.3 N	91 01.9	3	JD	920823	2107	81.3	12	48
16		13 10.8 N	89 46.7	3	JD	920824	2012	91.3	25	1
17		13 01.4 N	90 18.2	3	JD	920831	2028	78.3	34	57
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19		11 31.5 N	89 33.9	3	JD	920902	2016	95.3	21	827
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21		9 01.5 N	85 54.6	3	JD	920904	1748	97.7	13	60
22		8 26.7 N	84 36.5	3	JD	920905	1929	89.4	15	121
23		7 27.1 N	85 37.7	3	JD	920906	1950	103.9	7	107
24		9 35.4 N	85 23.0	3	JD	920909	1947	99.3	79	15
25		4 29.6 N	88 37.3	3	JD	920912	1944	82.0	1	98
26		3 13.8 N	89 46.6	3	JD	920913	1935	86.6	3	213
27		2 02.4 N	90 54.9	3	JD	920914	1947	84.0	30	27
28		4 11.9 N	93 11.7	3	JD	920915	2108	90.4	4	4
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Tow Number	CTD Station	Lat. deg. min.	Long.(W) deg min.	Region	Ship Code	Tow Date yymmdd	Time (Loc.)	Vol.(m ³) Water Strained	Total Larvae	Total Eggs
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55		19 36.2 N	105 25.1	1	JD	921027	2039	93.7	124	2010
56		21 52.0 N	107 08.7	1	JD	921028	2022	103.1	30	222
57		23 11.6 N	110 27.9	2	JD	921029	2013	92.5	6	173
1		11 10.7 N	87 52.1	3	M4	920808	2000	135.5	42	2
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11		9 22.6 N	91 32.7	3	M4	920821	1902	128.8	35	18
12		13 16.6 N	90 08.6	3	M4	920825	1905	79.8	249	119
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14		10 16.1 N	86 40.0	3	M4	920903	1850	165.7	20	83
15		10 33.5 N	87 28.0	3	M4	920904	1848	157.0	18	542
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Tow Number	CTD Station	Lat. deg.	Lat. min.	Long.(W) deg	Long.(W) min.	Region	Ship Code	Tow Date yymmdd	Time (Loc.)	Vol.(m ³) Water Strained	Total Larvae	Total Eggs	
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54		2	26.3	N	78	39.3	3	M4	921026	1840	129.9	198	26
55		2	45.0	N	79	47.5	3	M4	921027	1857	178.7	6	79
56		3	51.3	N	81	04.7	3	M4	921028	1905	85.9	2	1517
57		2	35.4	N	82	26.4	3	M4	921029	1905	111.6	7	50
58		3	22.5	N	81	43.1	3	M4	921030	1855	100.4	0	18
59		7	35.0	N	79	26.6	3	M4	921101	1905	174.7	0	0

Table 2. Pooled occurrences of fish larvae taken in Manta net tows on *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4.

Rank	Taxon	Occurrences
1	<i>Oxyporhamphus micropterus</i>	64
2	<i>Coryphaena equiselis</i>	61
3	<i>Vinciguerria lucezia</i>	37
4	<i>Auxis</i> spp.	36
5	<i>Prognichthys</i> spp.	30
6	<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>	27
7	<i>Cubiceps pauciradiatus</i>	24
8	<i>Cheilopogon xenopterus</i>	20
8	<i>Exocoetus</i> spp.	20
10	Gerreiidae	14
10	<i>Hirundichthys marginatus</i>	14
12	<i>Mugil</i> spp.	11
13	<i>Thunnus</i> spp.	10
14	<i>Euthynnus lineatus</i>	9
15	<i>Polydactylus approximans</i>	8
15	<i>Anchoa</i> spp.	8
15	<i>Bothus</i> spp.	8
18	<i>Caranx caballus</i>	7
18	<i>Lampanyctus</i> spp.	7
18	<i>Canthidermis maculatus</i>	7
18	<i>Hirundichthys</i> spp.	7
18	<i>Ariosoma gilberti</i>	7
23	<i>Cyclothone</i> spp.	6
23	<i>Benthosema panamense</i>	6
23	<i>Lampanyctus parvicauda</i>	6
23	<i>Opisthonema</i> spp.	6
27	<i>Cheilopogon</i> spp.	5
27	Gobiidae	5
27	<i>Naucrates ductor</i>	5
30	<i>Brama dussumieri</i>	4
31	Haemulidae	3
31	<i>Gymnothorax mordax</i>	3
31	<i>Sympodus</i> spp.	3
31	<i>Cetengraulis mysticetus</i>	3
31	<i>Psenes sio</i>	3
31	<i>Nomeus gronovii</i>	3
31	<i>Istiophorus platypterus</i>	3
31	<i>Diaphus</i> spp.	3
31	<i>Hygophum proximum</i>	3
40	<i>Diplophos proximus</i>	2
40	<i>Lestidium</i> spp.	2
40	<i>Triphoturus</i> spp.	2
40	<i>Oneirodes</i> spp.	2
40	Engraulidae	2
40	<i>Melanocetus</i> spp.	2
40	<i>Myctophum aurolateratum</i>	2
40	Serranidae	2
40	Carangidae	2
40	<i>Caranx sexfasciatus</i>	2

Table 2. (cont.)

Rank	Taxon	Occurrences
40	<i>Decapterus</i> spp.	2
40	<i>Cyclothona pseudopallida</i>	2
40	<i>Syacium ovale</i>	2
40	<i>Caranx</i> spp.	2
40	<i>Nealotus triples</i>	2
40	Sciaenidae	2
40	<i>Trachinotus paitensis</i>	2
40	<i>Trichiurus nitens</i>	2
40	<i>Microspathodon</i> spp.	2
40	<i>Trachinotus kennedyi</i>	2
40	Disintegrated fish larvae	2
40	<i>Etropus peruvianus</i>	2
62	<i>Dormitator latifrons</i>	1
62	<i>Lampanyctus ritteri</i>	1
62	<i>Hypsoblennius</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Entomacrodus chiostictus</i>	1
62	<i>Clarkichthys bilineatus</i>	1
62	<i>Diaphus pacificus</i>	1
62	Acanthuridae	1
62	<i>Bolinichthys</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Stemonosudis macrura</i>	1
62	Dactyloscopidae	1
62	<i>Synodus evermanni</i>	1
62	<i>Synodus</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Sternopyx</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Lepophidium</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Acanthocybium solandri</i>	1
62	<i>Psenes pellucidus</i>	1
62	Paralichthyidae	1
62	<i>Cyclopsetta panamensis</i>	1
62	<i>Syphurus elongatus</i>	1
62	Clupeidae	1
62	<i>Balistes polylepis</i>	1
62	<i>Ophichthus zophochir</i>	1
62	<i>Ophichthus</i> spp.	1
62	Anguilliformes	1
62	<i>Astronesthes</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Lutjanus</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Selar crumenophthalmus</i>	1
62	<i>Oligoplites</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Seriola lalandi</i>	1
62	<i>Hemicaranx</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Seriola peruana</i>	1
62	Unidentified fish larvae	1
62	<i>Albula</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Alectis ciliaris</i>	1
62	<i>Howella pammelas</i>	1
62	Opistognathidae	1
62	Epinephelinae	1
62	<i>Coryphaena</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Scorpaena</i> spp.	1

Table 2. (cont.)

Rank	Taxon	Occurrences
62	<i>Trachipterus fukuzakii</i>	1
62	Pomacentridae	1
62	<i>Zu cristatus</i>	1
62	<i>Selene</i> spp.	1
62	Ogcocephalidae	1
62	<i>Xyrichtys</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Dolopichthys</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Myripristis leiognathos</i>	1
62	<i>Hemiramphus saltator</i>	1
62	<i>Scopelogadus bispinosus</i>	1
62	<i>Kyphosus</i> spp.	1
62	Mullidae	1
62	<i>Fodiator acutus</i>	1
62	<i>Lobotes surinamensis</i>	1
62	<i>Lutjanus novemfasciatus</i>	1
62	<i>Scarus</i> spp.	1
62	<i>Ceratias holboelli</i>	1
	Total	606

Table 3. Pooled counts of fish larvae taken in Manta net tows on *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4.

Rank	Taxon	Count
1	<i>Oxyporhamphus micropterus</i>	573
2	<i>Vinciguerria lucetia</i>	395
3	<i>Anchoa</i> spp.	354
4	<i>Coryphaena equiselis</i>	291
5	<i>Auxis</i> spp.	287
6	<i>Opisthonema</i> spp.	230
7	<i>Cetengraulis mysticetus</i>	199
8	<i>Polydactylus approximans</i>	155
9	<i>Prognichthys</i> spp.	148
10	<i>Cubiceps pauciradiatus</i>	130
11	<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>	77
12	<i>Benthosema panamense</i>	66
13	Gobiidae	53
14	Gerreidae	46
15	<i>Ariosoma gilberti</i>	42
16	<i>Cheilopogon xenopterus</i>	34
17	<i>Hirundichthys marginatus</i>	30
18	<i>Euthynnus lineatus</i>	25
18	<i>Canthidermis maculatus</i>	25
20	<i>Mugil</i> spp.	23
21	<i>Exocoetus</i> spp.	22
22	<i>Bothus</i> spp.	21
23	<i>Hemiramphus saltator</i>	19
24	<i>Thunnus</i> spp.	17
25	<i>Lampanyctus</i> spp.	16
26	<i>Caranx caballus</i>	15
27	<i>Scarus</i> spp.	11
28	Sciaenidae	10
28	<i>Hirundichthys</i> spp.	10
28	Paralichthyidae	10
31	<i>Triphoturus</i> spp.	8
31	Clupeidae	8
31	<i>Lampanyctus parvicauda</i>	8
34	<i>Lobotes surinamensis</i>	7
34	<i>Trachinotus kennedyi</i>	7
34	<i>Oligoplites</i> spp.	7
34	<i>Diaphus</i> spp.	7
34	<i>Cyclothona</i> spp.	7
39	<i>Nauclerates ductor</i>	6
40	Haemulidae	5
40	<i>Cheilopogon</i> spp.	5
42	<i>Microspathodon</i> spp.	4
42	<i>Gymnothorax mordax</i>	4
42	<i>Nealotus triples</i>	4
42	<i>Fodiator acutus</i>	4
42	<i>Myctophum aurolateratum</i>	4
42	<i>Nomeus gronovii</i>	4
42	<i>Brama dussumieri</i>	4

Table 3. (cont.)

Rank	Taxon	Count
42	<i>Hygophum proximum</i>	4
50	<i>Caranx</i> spp.	3
50	Engraulidae	3
50	Acanthuridae	3
50	<i>Synodus</i> spp.	3
50	<i>Syphurus</i> spp.	3
50	<i>Psenes sio</i>	3
50	Serranidae	3
50	<i>Istiophorus platypterus</i>	3
50	<i>Lestidium</i> spp.	3
50	<i>Clarkichthys bilineatus</i>	3
50	<i>Etropus peruvianus</i>	3
50	<i>Trichiurus nitens</i>	3
62	<i>Astronesthes</i> spp.	2
62	<i>Synodus evermanni</i>	2
62	<i>Kyphosus</i> spp.	2
62	<i>Diplophos proximus</i>	2
62	<i>Syacium ovale</i>	2
62	<i>Caranx sexfasciatus</i>	2
62	<i>Diaphus pacificus</i>	2
62	<i>Lutjanus</i> spp.	2
62	Disintegrated fish larvae	2
62	<i>Trachinotus paitensis</i>	2
62	<i>Psenes pellucidus</i>	2
62	Unidentified fish larvae	2
62	<i>Oneirodes</i> spp.	2
62	Carangidae	2
62	<i>Cyclothone pseudopallida</i>	2
62	<i>Melanocetus</i> spp.	2
62	<i>Hemicaranx</i> spp.	2
62	<i>Decapterus</i> spp.	2
80	<i>Albula</i> spp.	1
80	Ogocephalidae	1
80	Dactyloscopidae	1
80	<i>Ceratias holboelli</i>	1
80	<i>Dolopichthys</i> spp.	1
80	<i>Hypsoblennius</i> spp.	1
80	<i>Lepophidium</i> spp.	1
80	<i>Cyclopsetta panamensis</i>	1
80	<i>Sternoptyx</i> spp.	1
80	<i>Syphurus elongatus</i>	1
80	<i>Entomacrodus chiostictus</i>	1
80	<i>Myripristis leiognathos</i>	1
80	Opistognathidae	1
80	<i>Acanthocybium solandri</i>	1
80	<i>Seriola peruana</i>	1
80	<i>Selar crumenophthalmus</i>	1
80	<i>Seriola lalandi</i>	1
80	<i>Selene</i> spp.	1
80	Mullidae	1
80	<i>Lutjanus novemfasciatus</i>	1

Table 3. (cont.)

Rank	Taxon	Count
80	<i>Howella pammelas</i>	1
80	Epinephelinae	1
80	Pomacentridae	1
80	<i>Xyrichtys</i> spp.	1
80	<i>Scopelogadus bispinosus</i>	1
80	<i>Dormitator latifrons</i>	1
80	<i>Zu cristatus</i>	1
80	<i>Trachipterus fukuzakii</i>	1
80	<i>Ophichthus</i> spp.	1
80	<i>Coryphaena</i> spp.	1
80	<i>Ophichthus zophochir</i>	1
80	<i>Alectis ciliaris</i>	1
80	Anguilliformes	1
80	<i>Stemonosudis macrura</i>	1
80	<i>Scorpaena</i> spp.	1
80	<i>Lampanyctus ritteri</i>	1
80	<i>Bolinichthys</i> spp.	1
80	<i>Balistes polylepis</i>	1
	Total	3551

Table 4. Numbers of fish larvae taken in Manta net tows on *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4.

<i>Albula</i> spp.							<i>Opisthonema</i> spp. (cont.)						
Tow	Ship	CTD				Count per	Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per	
Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³		Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³	
49	JD		4	1	1.04		48	JD		4	7	7.67	
		Anguilliformes					52	JD		4	15	17.08	
Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per		55	JD		1	25	26.68	
Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³		Engraulidae						
11	JD		3	1	1.03		Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per	
		<i>Gymnothorax mordax</i>					Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³	
Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per		17	JD		3	2	2.55	
Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³		57	M4		3	1	0.90	
8	JD		3	1	1.15		<i>Anchoa</i> spp.						
11	JD		3	1	1.03		Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per	
47	JD		3	2	2.09		Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³	
		<i>Ophichthus</i> spp.					1	M4		3	2	1.48	
Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per		34	M4		3	21	10.19	
Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³		35	M4		3	93	50.24	
49	JD		4	1	1.04		35	JD		3	10	10.22	
		<i>Ophichthus zophochir</i>					53	M4	3-059	3	2	1.27	
Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per		54	M4		3	161	123.94	
Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³		55	M4		3	1	0.56	
52	M4	3-058	3	1	0.62		55	JD		1	64	68.30	
		<i>Ariosoma gilberti</i>					<i>Cetengraulis mysticetus</i>						
Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per		Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per	
Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³		Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³	
8	JD		3	3	3.46		1	M4		3	2	1.48	
9	JD		3	1	1.25		12	M4		3	18	22.56	
13	JD		3	9	9.91		52	M4	3-058	3	179	111.25	
14	JD		3	1	1.06		<i>Cyclothona</i> spp.						
30	JD		3	1	1.06		Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per	
47	JD		3	22	23.04		Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³	
49	JD		4	5	5.20		20	JD		3	1	1.11	
		Clupeidae					29	JD	2-029	3	1	1.01	
Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per		30	JD		3	2	2.12	
Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³		31	JD		3	1	1.05	
56	JD		1	8	7.76		32	JD	2-032	3	1	1.09	
		<i>Opisthonema</i> spp.					38	JD		3	1	1.06	
Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per		<i>Cyclothona pseudopallida</i>						
Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³		Tow	Ship	CTD			Count per	
12	M4		3	165	206.77		Number	Code	Number	Region	Count	100m ³	
16	JD		3	4	4.38		36	JD		3	1	1.11	
17	JD		3	14	17.88		40	M4		3	1	1.16	

Diplophos proximus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
7	JD		4	1	1.23
32	JD	2-032	3	1	1.09
<i>Sternopyx</i> spp.					

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
48	M4		3	1	0.87

Vinciguerria lucetia

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
7	JD		4	4	4.91
8	JD		3	2	2.31
9	JD		3	1	1.25
11	M4		3	1	0.78
14	JD		3	2	2.11
15	JD		3	8	9.84
17	JD		3	2	2.55
18	M4		3	1	0.68
19	M4		3	1	1.05
20	JD		3	3	3.34
22	M4		3	9	6.11
26	JD		3	3	3.46
27	JD		3	28	33.33
28	JD		3	2	2.21
29	JD	2-029	3	2	2.02
30	JD		3	72	76.35
31	JD		3	100	105.04
32	JD	2-032	3	72	78.43
34	JD		3	1	1.13
36	JD		3	2	2.21
37	JD		3	5	5.64
40	M4		3	27	31.36
41	M4		3	1	0.75
42	JD		3	1	1.03
42	M4		3	1	1.34
43	JD		3	6	6.42
43	M4		3	1	0.60
44	JD		3	12	13.65
44	M4		3	2	1.28
45	M4		3	8	5.70
46	M4		3	1	1.01
47	JD		3	1	1.05

Vinciguerria lucetia (cont.)

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
49	JD		4	4	4.16
51	JD		4	2	2.17
56	M4		3	1	1.16
57	JD		2	1	1.08
57	M4		3	5	4.48

Astromesthes spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
30	JD		3	2	2.12

Synodus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
34	M4		3	3	1.46

Synodus evermanni

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
47	JD		3	2	2.09

Lestidium spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
27	M4		3	1	1.14
31	JD		3	2	2.10

Stemonosudis macrura

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
31	JD		3	1	1.05

Bolinichthys spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
23	M4		3	1	0.63

Diaphus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
30	JD		3	1	1.06
31	JD		3	5	5.25

Diaphus pacificus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
32	JD	2-032	3	1	1.09

Lampanyctus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
3	JD		4	2	2.38
14	M4		3	1	0.60
27	JD		3	1	1.19
30	JD		3	6	6.36
31	JD		3	4	4.20
32	JD	2-032	3	1	1.09
44	JD		3	1	1.14

Lampanyctus parvicauda

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
18	JD		3	1	1.10
20	JD		3	1	1.11
31	JD		3	3	3.15
40	M4		3	1	1.16
43	JD		3	1	1.07
51	JD		4	1	1.09

Lampanyctus ritteri

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
28	M4		3	1	0.68

Triphoturus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
30	JD		3	4	4.24
31	JD		3	4	4.20

Benthosema panamense

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
11	JD		3	3	3.10
18	JD		3	2	2.19
20	JD		3	58	64.66
27	JD		3	1	1.19
33	JD		3	1	1.06
44	JD		3	1	1.14

Hygophum proximum

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
30	JD		3	2	2.12
43	JD		3	1	1.07
44	JD		3	1	1.14

Myctophum aurolaternatum

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
31	JD		3	3	3.15
44	JD		3	1	1.14

Trachipterus fukuzakii

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
30	JD		3	1	1.06

Zu cristatus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
43	JD		3	1	1.07

Lepophidium spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
35	JD		3	1	1.02

Ogcocéphalidae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
55	JD		1	1	1.07

Melanocetus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
4	JD		4	1	1.28
31	JD		3	1	1.05

Dolopichthys spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
28	JD		3	1	1.11

Oneirodes spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
20	M4		3	1	1.15
44	JD		3	1	1.14

Ceratias holboelli

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
30	JD		3	1	1.06

Hemiramphus saltator

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
12	M4		3	19	23.81

<i>Cheilopogon</i> spp.							<i>Exocoetus</i> spp. (cont.)						
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³	
7	M4		3	1	0.72		23	M4		3	1	0.63	
10	M4		3	1	0.77		29	JD	2-029	3	1	1.01	
15	M4		3	1	0.64		30	M4		3	1	0.65	
55	JD		1	1	1.07		36	JD		3	1	1.11	
57	JD		2	1	1.08		42	JD		3	1	1.03	
<i>Cheilopogon xenopterus</i>							44	JD		3	1	1.14	
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		44	M4		3	1	0.64	
1	JD		3	2	2.37		47	JD		3	1	1.05	
2	JD		3	1	1.18		48	JD		4	2	2.19	
3	JD		4	2	2.38		50	JD		4	1	1.08	
<i>Fodiator acutus</i>							<i>Hirundichthys</i> spp.						
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³	
7	M4		3	1	0.72		12	M4		3	4	5.01	
9	JD		3	1	1.25		11	M4		3	3	2.33	
11	M4		3	1	0.78		13	JD		3	1	1.10	
11	JD		3	2	2.07		15	M4		3	1	0.64	
20	JD		3	1	1.11		18	M4		3	2	1.35	
34	JD		3	5	5.63		21	JD		3	1	1.02	
36	JD		3	1	1.11		22	M4		3	1	0.68	
37	JD		3	1	1.13		49	JD		4	1	1.04	
42	JD		3	1	1.03		<i>Hirundichthys marginatus</i>						
44	M4		3	3	1.92		Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³	
47	JD		3	1	1.05		5	M4		3	1	0.58	
48	JD		4	3	3.29		8	JD		3	5	5.77	
49	JD		4	1	1.04		11	JD		3	1	1.03	
51	JD		4	2	2.17		13	JD		3	4	4.41	
52	JD		4	1	1.14		14	JD		3	1	1.06	
53	JD		4	1	0.99		18	JD		3	2	2.19	
<i>Exocoetus</i> spp.							19	JD		3	3	3.15	
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		48	JD		4	2	2.19	
1	JD		3	1	1.18		49	JD		4	3	3.12	
4	JD		4	1	1.28		50	JD		4	2	2.15	
6	JD		4	1	1.37		51	JD		4	3	3.26	
7	M4		3	1	0.72		52	JD		4	1	1.14	
9	JD		3	2	2.51		53	JD		4	1	0.99	
13	JD		3	1	1.10		57	JD		2	1	1.08	
14	JD		3	1	1.06								
18	JD		3	1	1.10								
21	M4		3	1	0.49								
22	M4		3	1	0.68								

Oxyporhamphus micropterus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	JD		3	38	45.02
1	M4		3	4	2.95
2	JD		3	5	5.90
2	M4		3	4	2.88
3	JD		4	55	65.55
3	M4		3	161	120.15
4	JD		4	5	6.41
4	M4		3	3	1.97
5	JD		4	5	6.20
7	JD		4	1	1.23
8	JD		3	10	11.55
9	JD		3	21	26.35
10	M4		3	8	6.19
10	JD		3	10	9.64
11	M4		3	14	10.87
11	JD		3	5	5.17
12	JD	1-012	3	6	6.34
13	M4		3	12	7.00
13	JD		3	5	5.51
14	JD		3	3	3.17
14	M4		3	2	1.21
15	M4		3	7	4.46
16	JD		3	1	1.10
16	M4		3	2	1.27
17	M4		3	1	0.71
18	JD		3	10	10.95
19	JD		3	4	4.20
19	M4		3	1	1.05
20	JD		3	13	14.49
21	M4		3	8	3.96
21	JD		3	4	4.09
22	JD		3	3	3.36
22	M4		3	3	2.04
23	JD		3	1	0.96
24	JD		3	26	26.18
25	JD		3	1	1.22
27	M4		3	1	1.14
28	M4		3	15	10.18
29	M4		3	1	0.80
31	M4		3	2	1.17

Oxyporhamphus micropterus (cont.)

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
32	JD	2-032	3	2	2.18
32	M4		3	1	0.84
34	JD		3	1	1.13
35	JD		3	1	1.02
36	JD		3	7	7.75
38	JD		3	1	1.06
40	M4		3	2	2.32
40	JD		3	1	1.08
41	M4		3	3	2.24
42	JD		3	3	3.08
42	M4		3	2	2.67
43	M4		3	2	1.21
43	JD		3	5	5.35
44	M4		3	1	0.64
45	JD		3	1	1.02
47	JD		3	8	8.38
47	M4		3	2	1.81
48	JD		4	30	32.86
49	JD		4	8	8.32
52	JD		4	1	1.14
53	JD		4	7	6.95
54	JD		1	1	1.11
56	M4		3	1	1.16
56	JD		1	1	0.97
<i>Prognichthys</i> spp.					
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	JD		3	9	10.66
2	JD		3	4	4.72
3	M4		3	6	4.48
4	M4		3	1	0.66
4	JD		4	1	1.28
5	M4		3	5	2.88
10	JD		3	2	1.93
11	JD		3	10	10.33
12	JD	1-012	3	2	2.11
12	M4		3	5	6.27
13	JD		3	10	11.01
13	M4		3	6	3.50
14	M4		3	5	3.02

Prognichthys spp. (cont.)

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
16	JD		3	2	2.19
17	JD		3	2	2.55
21	JD		3	1	1.02
22	JD		3	1	1.12
24	JD		3	17	17.12
34	JD		3	4	4.50
35	M4		3	2	1.08
35	JD		3	1	1.02
38	JD		3	1	1.06
39	M4		3	9	6.62
47	JD		3	1	1.05
48	JD		4	5	5.48
49	JD		4	21	21.85
51	JD		4	4	4.35
54	JD		1	4	4.43
55	M4		3	1	0.56
56	JD		1	6	5.82

Scopelogadus bispinosus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
9	M4		3	1	0.86

Myripristis leiognathos

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
55	M4		3	1	0.56

Scorpaena spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
35	M4		3	1	0.54

Serranidae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	M4		3	2	1.48
43	JD		3	1	1.07

Epinephelinae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
20	JD		3	1	1.11

Opistognathidae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
35	M4		3	1	0.54

Howella pammelas

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
30	JD		3	1	1.06

Carangidae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
34	M4		3	1	0.49
54	M4		3	1	0.77

Alectis ciliaris

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
19	JD		3	1	1.05

Caranx spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
35	M4		3	2	1.08
39	JD		3	1	1.18

Caranx caballus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	M4		3	1	0.74
11	JD		3	1	1.03
37	M4		3	3	1.90
48	JD		4	1	1.10
49	JD		4	1	1.04
49	M4		3	1	0.72
55	JD		1	7	7.47

Caranx sexfasciatus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
11	JD		3	1	1.03
19	JD		3	1	1.05

Decapterus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
39	M4		3	1	0.74
54	M4		3	1	0.77

Coryphaena equiselis (cont.)

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
34	JD		3	2	2.25
36	JD		3	1	1.11
37	M4		3	3	1.90
37	JD		3	5	5.64
39	JD		3	6	7.07
39	M4		3	1	0.74
40	JD		3	4	4.33
41	JD		3	2	2.19
42	M4		3	1	1.34
43	JD		3	3	3.21
43	M4		3	31	18.73
44	M4		3	1	0.64
45	JD		3	1	1.02
45	M4		3	1	0.71
47	JD		3	4	4.19
48	JD		4	7	7.67
48	M4		3	1	0.87
49	JD		4	5	5.20
50	JD		4	3	3.23
52	M4	3-058	3	1	0.62
52	JD		4	1	1.14
53	JD		4	5	4.97
54	M4		3	10	7.70
56	JD		1	1	0.97

Coryphaena hippurus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	JD		3	1	1.18
1	M4		3	1	0.74
2	M4		3	4	2.88
9	JD		3	1	1.25
11	JD		3	2	2.07
12	M4		3	5	6.27
13	M4		3	8	4.66
13	JD		3	6	6.61
15	JD		3	1	1.23
16	JD		3	6	6.57
18	JD		3	1	1.10
19	JD		3	1	1.05
28	M4		3	5	3.39

Coryphaena hippurus (cont.)

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
30	M4		3	1	0.65
33	JD		3	1	1.06
34	M4		3	1	0.49
35	M4		3	3	1.62
36	M4		3	1	0.80
37	JD		3	1	1.13
38	JD		3	1	1.06
39	M4		3	1	0.74
40	JD		3	1	1.08
49	M4		3	1	0.72
53	JD		4	1	0.99
54	M4		3	18	13.86
55	M4		3	3	1.68
57	M4		3	1	0.90

Brama dussumieri

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
20	JD		3	1	1.11
28	JD		3	1	1.11
31	JD		3	1	1.05
32	JD	2-032	3	1	1.09

Lutjanus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
56	JD		1	2	1.94

Lutjanus novemfasciatus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
17	JD		3	1	1.28

Lobotes surinamensis

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
12	M4		3	7	8.77

Gerreidae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	M4		3	1	0.74
12	M4		3	2	2.51
13	M4		3	1	0.58
16	JD		3	1	1.10
17	JD		3	3	3.83

Gerreidae (cont.)

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
34	M4		3	9	4.37
38	JD		3	1	1.06
48	JD		4	3	3.29
49	M4		3	1	0.72
49	JD		4	1	1.04
51	JD		4	2	2.17
52	JD		4	19	21.64
55	JD		1	1	1.07
56	JD		1	1	0.97

Haemulidae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	M4		3	2	1.48
49	M4		3	1	0.72
52	M4	3-058	3	2	1.24

Sciaenidae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
54	M4		3	2	1.54
55	JD		1	8	8.54

Polydactylus approximans

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	JD		3	16	18.96
2	JD		3	2	2.36
3	M4		3	1	0.75
11	JD		3	8	8.26
13	JD		3	13	14.32
16	JD		3	1	1.10
37	M4		3	113	71.75
49	M4		3	1	0.72

Mullidae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
55	JD		1	1	1.07

Kyphosus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
56	JD		1	2	1.94

Mugil spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	M4		3	4	2.95
2	JD		3	3	3.54
12	M4		3	4	5.01
13	M4		3	4	2.33
16	JD		3	2	2.19
17	JD		3	1	1.28
33	M4		3	1	0.84
37	M4		3	1	0.63
38	JD		3	1	1.06
39	JD		3	1	1.18
56	JD		1	1	0.97

Pomacentridae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
35	M4		3	1	0.54

Microspathodon spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
39	JD		3	2	2.36
55	JD		1	2	2.13

Xyrichtys spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
56	JD		1	1	0.97

Scarus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
34	M4		3	11	5.34

Dactyloscopidae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
35	M4		3	1	0.54

Entomacrodus chiosictus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
57	JD		2	1	1.08

Hypsoblennius spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
54	M4		3	1	0.77

<i>Dormitator latifrons</i>							<i>Auxis spp. (cont.)</i>						
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³	
55	JD		1	1	1.07		1	JD		3	2	2.37	
Gobiidae													
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		2	JD		3	6	7.08	
12	M4		3	1	1.25		3	M4		3	9	6.72	
33	M4		3	1	0.84		4	JD		4	7	8.97	
34	M4		3	46	22.33		8	JD		3	14	16.17	
35	M4		3	4	2.16		9	JD		3	21	26.35	
39	M4		3	1	0.74		10	JD		3	70	67.50	
<i>Clarkichthys bilineatus</i>													
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		11	M4		3	1	0.78	
34	M4		3	3	1.46		13	JD		3	5	5.51	
Acanthuridae													
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		15	M4		3	1	0.64	
34	M4		3	3	1.46		16	JD		3	1	1.10	
<i>Nealotus tripes</i>													
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		17	JD		3	1	1.28	
44	JD		3	2	2.28		18	JD		3	4	4.38	
56	JD		1	2	1.94		18	M4		3	1	0.68	
<i>Trichiurus nitens</i>													
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		19	JD		3	8	8.39	
20	JD		3	2	2.23		20	JD		3	8	8.92	
53	M4	3-059	3	1	0.63		21	JD		3	1	1.02	
<i>Istiophorus platypterus</i>													
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		24	JD		3	6	6.04	
12	JD	1-012	3	1	1.06		28	M4		3	20	13.58	
20	JD		3	1	1.11		30	JD		3	1	1.06	
48	JD		4	1	1.10		33	M4		3	1	0.84	
<i>Acanthocybium solandri</i>													
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		35	M4		3	2	1.08	
20	JD		3	1	1.11		35	JD		3	1	1.02	
<i>Auxis spp.</i>													
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		39	M4		3	1	0.74	
1	M4		3	18	13.28		40	M4		3	2	2.32	
<i>Euthynmus lineatus</i>													
Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³		44	M4		3	1	0.64	
11	JD		3	4	4.13		46	JD		3	1	1.22	
14	JD		3	6	6.34		48	JD		4	5	5.48	
17	JD		3	5	6.39		49	JD		4	3	3.12	

Euthynnus lineatus (cont.)

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
34	JD		3	1	1.13
35	M4		3	4	2.16
39	M4		3	1	0.74
43	M4		3	1	0.60
54	M4		3	2	1.54
57	JD		2	1	1.08

Thunnus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	JD		3	4	4.74
4	JD		4	4	5.13
7	JD		4	1	1.23
15	JD		3	1	1.23
20	JD		3	2	2.23
31	JD		3	1	1.05
32	JD	2-032	3	1	1.09
46	JD		3	1	1.22
48	JD		4	1	1.10
56	JD		1	1	0.97

Cubiceps pauciradiatus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	JD		3	2	2.37
1	M4		3	2	1.48
2	M4		3	1	0.72
2	JD		3	1	1.18
3	JD		4	8	9.54
3	M4		3	32	23.88
4	JD		4	15	19.23
8	JD		3	12	13.86
9	JD		3	19	23.84
10	JD		3	10	9.64
11	M4		3	3	2.33
14	M4		3	1	0.60
15	M4		3	2	1.27
18	M4		3	1	0.68
19	M4		3	1	1.05
20	JD		3	4	4.46
23	JD		3	1	0.96
24	JD		3	1	1.01

Cubiceps pauciradiatus (cont.)

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
30	JD		3	5	5.30
31	JD		3	1	1.05
39	M4		3	4	2.94
43	JD		3	2	2.14
45	JD		3	1	1.02
51	JD		4	1	1.09

Nomeus gronovii

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
42	M4		3	1	1.34
43	M4		3	2	1.21
51	M4		3	1	0.79

Psenes pellucidus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
22	M4		3	2	1.36

Psenes sio

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
14	M4		3	1	0.60
33	M4		3	1	0.84
51	JD		4	1	1.09

Paralichthyidae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
55	JD		1	10	10.67

Cyclopsetta panamensis

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
54	M4		3	1	0.77

Etropus peruvianus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
34	M4		3	2	0.97
54	M4		3	1	0.77

Syacium ovale

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
37	JD		3	1	1.13
55	JD		1	1	1.07

Bothus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
8	JD		3	11	12.70
9	JD		3	1	1.25
13	JD		3	2	2.20
14	JD		3	1	1.06
17	JD		3	1	1.28
38	JD		3	3	3.18
49	JD		4	1	1.04
54	JD		1	1	1.11

Syphurus spp.

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
12	M4		3	1	1.25
15	M4		3	1	0.64
38	JD		3	1	1.06

Syphurus elongatus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
53	M4	3-059	3	1	0.63

Balistes polylepis

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
38	M4		3	1	0.75

Canthidermis maculatus

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
1	M4		3	1	0.74
14	M4		3	1	0.60
35	M4		3	1	0.54
37	M4		3	11	6.98
39	JD		3	9	10.60
44	JD		3	1	1.14
49	M4		3	1	0.72

Disintegrated fish larvae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
12	M4		3	1	1.25
48	JD		4	1	1.10

Unidentified fish larvae

Tow Number	Ship Code	CTD Number	Region	Count	Count per 100m ³
34	M4		3	2	0.97

Table 5. Average numbers of larvae (per 100 m³ of water filtered) for each taxon taken in Manta net tows in the regions (Figure 3) occupied on *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210M4.

Taxon	Region			
	1	2	3	4
<i>Albula</i> spp.	-	-	-	1.0
<i>Anguilliformes</i>	-	-	1.0	-
<i>Gymnothorax mordax</i>	-	-	1.2	-
<i>Ophichthus</i> spp.	-	-	-	1.0
<i>Ophichthus zophochir</i>	-	-	1.6	-
<i>Ariosoma gilberti</i>	-	-	5.7	4.8
<i>Clupeidae</i>	8.2	-	-	-
<i>Opisthonema</i> spp.	23.4	-	48.8	9.8
<i>Engraulidae</i>	-	-	1.3	-
<i>Anchoa</i> spp.	60.0	-	63.1	-
<i>Cetengraulis mysticetus</i>	-	-	101.7	-
<i>Cyclothona</i> spp.	-	-	1.1	-
<i>Cyclothona pseudopallida</i>	-	-	0.9	-
<i>Diplophos proximus</i>	-	-	0.9	0.8
<i>Sternopyx</i> spp.	-	-	1.1	-
<i>Vinciguerria lucetia</i>	-	0.9	11.1	3.0
<i>Astronesthes</i> spp.	-	-	1.9	-
<i>Synodus</i> spp.	-	-	6.2	-
<i>Synodus evermanni</i>	-	-	1.9	-
<i>Lestidium</i> spp.	-	-	1.4	-
<i>Stemonosudis macrura</i>	-	-	1.0	-
<i>Bolinichthys</i> spp.	-	-	1.6	-
<i>Diaphus</i> spp.	-	-	2.2	-
<i>Diaphus pacificus</i>	-	-	1.9	-
<i>Lampanyctus</i> spp.	-	-	2.3	1.7
<i>Lampanyctus parvicauda</i>	-	-	1.3	0.9
<i>Lampanyctus ritteri</i>	-	-	1.5	-
<i>Triphoturus</i> spp.	-	-	3.8	-
<i>Benthosema panamense</i>	-	-	9.9	-
<i>Hygophum proximum</i>	-	-	1.2	-
<i>Myctophum aurolaternatum</i>	-	-	1.9	-
<i>Trachipterus fukuzakii</i>	-	-	0.9	-
<i>Zu cristatus</i>	-	-	0.9	-
<i>Lepophidium</i> spp.	-	-	1.0	-
<i>Ogcocephalidae</i>	0.9	-	-	-
<i>Melanocetus</i> spp.	-	-	1.0	0.8
<i>Dolopichthys</i> spp.	-	-	0.9	-
<i>Oneirodes</i> spp.	-	-	0.9	-
<i>Ceratias holboelli</i>	-	-	0.9	-
<i>Hemiramphus saltator</i>	-	-	15.2	-
<i>Cheilopogon</i> spp.	0.9	0.9	1.4	-
<i>Cheilopogon xenopterus</i>	-	-	1.8	1.5
<i>Exocoetus</i> spp.	-	-	1.2	1.1
<i>Fodiator acutus</i>	-	-	3.2	-

Taxon	Region			
	1	2	3	4
<i>Hirundichthys</i> spp.	-	-	2.0	1.0
<i>Hirundichthys marginatus</i>	-	0.9	2.3	1.9
<i>Oxyporhamphus micropterus</i>	1.0	-	10.0	12.2
<i>Prognichthys</i> spp.	4.9	-	5.0	7.3
<i>Scopelogadus bispinosus</i>	-	-	1.2	-
<i>Myripristis leiognathos</i>	-	-	1.8	-
<i>Scorpaena</i> spp.	-	-	1.9	-
Serranidae	-	-	1.8	-
Epinephelinae	-	-	0.9	-
Opistognathidae	-	-	1.9	-
<i>Howella pammelas</i>	-	-	0.9	-
Carangidae	-	-	1.7	-
<i>Alectis ciliaris</i>	-	-	1.0	-
<i>Caranx</i> spp.	-	-	2.3	-
<i>Caranx caballus</i>	6.6	-	2.1	0.9
<i>Caranx sexfasciatus</i>	-	-	1.0	-
<i>Decapterus</i> spp.	-	-	1.3	-
<i>Hemicaranx</i> spp.	-	-	1.6	-
<i>Naucrates ductor</i>	-	-	1.5	-
<i>Oligoplites</i> spp.	-	-	5.6	-
<i>Selar crumenophthalmus</i>	-	-	0.8	-
<i>Selene</i> spp.	-	-	0.9	-
<i>Seriola lalandi</i>	-	0.9	-	-
<i>Seriola peruana</i>	-	-	1.9	-
<i>Trachinotus kennedyi</i>	-	-	3.4	-
<i>Trachinotus paitensis</i>	-	-	1.3	-
<i>Coryphaena</i> spp.	-	-	1.7	-
<i>Coryphaena equiselis</i>	1.0	-	5.7	4.3
<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>	-	-	3.7	1.0
<i>Brama dussumieri</i>	-	-	0.9	-
<i>Lutjanus</i> spp.	2.1	-	-	-
<i>Lutjanus novemfasciatus</i>	-	-	0.8	-
<i>Lobotes surinamensis</i>	-	-	5.6	-
Gerreidae	1.0	-	3.6	5.6
Haemulidae	-	-	2.4	-
Sciaenidae	7.5	-	2.6	-
<i>Polydactylus approximans</i>	-	-	27.0	-
Mullidae	0.9	-	-	-
<i>Kyphosus</i> spp.	2.1	-	-	-
<i>Mugil</i> spp.	1.0	-	2.5	-
Pomacentridae	-	-	1.9	-
<i>Microspathodon</i> spp.	1.9	-	1.7	-
<i>Xyrichtys</i> spp.	1.0	-	-	-
<i>Scarus</i> spp.	-	-	22.7	-
Dactyloscopidae	-	-	1.9	-
<i>Entomacrodus chiostictus</i>	-	0.9	-	-

Taxon	Region			
	1	2	3	4
<i>Hypsoblennius</i> spp.	-	-	1.3	-
<i>Dormitator latifrons</i>	0.9	-	-	-
Gobiidae	-	-	21.1	-
<i>Clarkichthys bilineatus</i>	-	-	6.2	-
Acanthuridae	-	-	6.2	-
<i>Nealotus tripes</i>	2.1	-	1.8	-
<i>Trichiurus nitens</i>	-	-	1.7	-
<i>Istiophorus platypterus</i>	-	-	0.9	0.9
<i>Acanthocybium solandri</i>	-	-	0.9	-
<i>Auxis</i> spp.	2.6	-	9.0	6.8
<i>Euthynnus lineatus</i>	-	0.9	3.4	-
<i>Thunnus</i> spp.	1.0	-	1.4	1.6
<i>Cubiceps pauciradiatus</i>	-	-	5.5	6.4
<i>Nomeus gronovii</i>	-	-	1.8	-
<i>Psenes pellucidus</i>	-	-	2.9	-
<i>Psenes sio</i>	-	-	1.4	0.9
Paralichthyidae	9.4	-	-	-
<i>Cyclopsetta panamensis</i>	-	-	1.3	-
<i>Etropus peruvianus</i>	-	-	2.7	-
<i>Syacium ovale</i>	0.9	-	0.9	-
<i>Bothus</i> spp.	0.9	-	2.8	1.0
<i>Syphurus</i> spp.	-	-	1.1	-
<i>Syphurus elongatus</i>	-	-	1.6	-
<i>Balistes polylepis</i>	-	-	1.3	-
<i>Canthidermis maculatus</i>	-	-	4.6	-
Disintegrated fish larvae	-	-	0.8	0.9
Unidentified fish larvae	-	-	4.1	-

Table 6. Numbers (raw counts) and size ranges of juvenile fishes taken in Manta tows on *Jordan* cruise 9210JD and *McArthur* cruise 9210JD. Some larger specimens (e.g., myctophids) may be adults.

STOMIIFORMES
Astronesthidae

Astronesthes gibbsi

M4 31 (1) 60 mm; **M4 49** (1) 40 mm.

MYCTOPHIFORMES
Myctophidae

Lampanyctus omostigma

JD 8 (2) 41-50 mm.
M4 32 (1) 48 mm.

Gonichthys tenuiculus

JD 8 (8) 15-30 mm; **JD 10** (2) 20-21 mm; **JD 18** (2) 16-18 mm; **JD 22** (2) 16-18 mm; **JD 23** (2) 21 mm; **JD 25** (1) 18 mm; **JD 29** (2) 15-16 mm; **JD 30** (2) 15 mm; **JD 32** (1) 16 mm; **JD 33** (1) 17 mm; **JD 36** (10) 15-17 mm; **JD 37** (12) 15-17 mm; **JD 38** (2) 16-23 mm; **JD 46** (2) 19-22 mm; **JD 49** (3) 21-22 mm; **JD 50** (6) 14-23 mm; **JD 51** (3) 15-16 mm; **JD 56** (1) 15 mm; **JD 57** (3) 16-18 mm.

M4 2 (2) 20-21 mm; **M4 4** (26) 17-41 mm; **M4 5** (14) 16-39 mm; **M4 7** (3) 19-21 mm; **M4 9** (10) 20-40 mm; **M4 10** (4) 30-49 mm; **M4 14** (6) 17-20 mm; **M4 15** (2) 19-26 mm; **M4 16** (6) 16-33 mm; **M4 17** (2) 19-31 mm; **M4 18** (2) 40-41 mm; **M4 19** (3) 19-20 mm; **M4 20** (1) 19 mm; **M4 21** (4) 17-38 mm; **M4 22** (1) 20 mm; **M4 23** (5) 20-41 mm; **M4 24** (3) 18-20 mm; **M4 25** (1) 20 mm; **M4 26** (1) 22 mm; **M4 27** (12) 16-38 mm; **M4 28** (9) 15-16 mm; **M4 29** (14) 15-22 mm; **M4 30** (23) 14-39 mm; **M4 31** (18) 14-43 mm; **M4 32** (19) 15-41 mm; **M4 33** (13) 15-18 mm; **M4 37** (2) 17-20 mm; **M4 38** (8) 18-20 mm; **M4 39** (16) 18-42 mm; **M4 42** (1) 24 mm; **M4 43** (16) 21-35 mm; **M4 44** (7) 20-38 mm; **M4 45** (41) 18-42 mm; **M4 47** (4) 14-39 mm; **M4 48** (4) 16-23 mm; **M4 49** (1) 16 mm; **M4 51** (1) 21 mm; **M4 52** (2) 37-41 mm; **M4 53** (2) 17-40 mm; **M4 55** (31) 15-43 mm; **M4 57** (12) 15-39 mm; **M4 58** (4) 15-32 mm; **M4 59** (1) 18 mm.

Loweina rara

M4 44 (2) 27-29 mm.

Myctophum aurolaternatum

JD 8 (1) 29 mm; **JD 27** (1) 61 mm; **JD 38** (1) 25 mm; **JD 47** (1) 74 mm; **JD 51** (1) 24 mm; **JD 53** (3) 23-25 mm; **JD 54** (1) 22 mm.

M4 30 (1) 57 mm; **M4 39** (2) 30-32 mm; **M4 41** (1) 33 mm.

Myctophum nitidulum

JD 13 (1) 14 mm; **JD 27** (1) 25 mm; **JD 30** (1) 15 mm; **JD 31** (1) 15 mm; **JD 32** (1) 14 mm; **JD 33** (1) 15 mm; **JD 36** (1) 15 mm; **JD 37** (6) 14-16 mm; **JD 38** (2) 14-16 mm.

M4 5 (2) 27-29 mm; **M4 6** (3) 19-32 mm; **M4 18** (3) 21-26 mm; **M4 20** (1) 20 mm; **M4 21** (1) 22 mm; **M4 23** (5) 19-25 mm; **M4 25** (1) 20 mm; **M4 33** (3) 16-18 mm; **M4 39** (2) 20-21 mm; **M4 41** (4) 20-52 mm; **M4 43** (6) 19-24 mm; **M4 44** (3) 24-52 mm; **M4 48** (1) 15 mm; **M4 53** (2) 16-32 mm; **M4 57** (1) 17 mm.

Symbolophorus evermanni

JD 31 (2) 18-19 mm; **JD 32** (9) 17-20 mm; **JD 34** (1) 19 mm; **JD 37** (3) 19-20 mm; **JD 38** (1) 20 mm.
M4 25 (1) 45 mm; **M4 29** (2) 19-20 mm; **M4 30** (1) 44 mm; **M4 31** (2) 19-20 mm; **M4 48** (2) 20-57 mm; **M4**

51 (1) 19 mm.

BELONIFORMES
Hemiramphidae

Hemiramphus saltator

M4 36 (1) 52 mm.

Exocoetidae

Cypselurus sp.

M4 36 (1) 34 mm.

Exocoetus monocirrhus

M4 20 (1) 40 mm; **M4 44** (2) 27-28 mm; **M4 48** (1) 29 mm.

Oxyporhamphus micropterus

JD 8 (1) 45 mm.

Prognichthys tringa

JD 1 (1) 16 mm; **JD 16** (1) 19 mm; **JD 53** (2) 13 mm.

PERCIFORMES
Carangidae

Caranx sexfasciatus

JD 14 (1) 22 mm.

Trachinotus rhodopus

M4 36 (1) 21 mm.

Coryphaenidae

Coryphaena equiselis

JD 10 (1) 22 mm; **JD 12** (1) 23 mm; **JD 23** (1) 20 mm; **JD 30** (1) 32 mm; **JD 48** (1) 18 mm.

M4 5 (1) 26 mm; **M4 22** (1) 24 mm; **M4 36** (1) 57 mm; **M4 38** (1) 20 mm.

Coryphaena hippurus

JD 11 (1) 21 mm; **JD 16** (1) 29 mm.

Lobotidae

Lobotes surinamensis

M4 36 (14) 16-25 mm.

Polynemidae

Polydactylus approximans

JD 1 (2) 14-15 mm; **JD 2** (28) 13-26 mm; **JD 33** (1) 17 mm.

M4 37 (6) 18-24 mm; **M4 51** (1) 19 mm; **M4 53** (1) 19 mm.

Kyphosidae

Kyphosus (elegans?)

M4 36 (2) 23-23 mm.

Mugilidae

Mugil cephalus

JD 49 (1) 12 mm.

M4 54 (1) 13 mm.

Mugil spp.

JD 2 (1) 15 mm; **JD 54** (2) 10-17 mm; **JD 55** (1) 18 mm; **JD 56** (2) 11-16 mm.

M4 13 (1) 15 mm; **M4 35** (1) 14 mm.

Acanthuridae

Acanthurus triostegus

JD 34 (1) 19 mm.

Istiophoridae

Istiophorus platypterus

M4 49 (1) 62 mm.

Nomeidae

Nomeus gronovii

M4 37 (4) 14-39 mm; **M4 39** (1) 14 mm.

PLEURONECTIFORMES

Cynoglossidae

Sympodus spp.

M4 12 (1) 11 mm.

TETRAODONTIFORMES

Balistidae

Canthidermis maculatus

JD 16 (1) 13 mm; **JD 33** (1) 24 mm; **JD 34** (1) 10 mm; **JD 49** (1) 8 mm.

M4 36 (9) 17-23 mm.

Diodontidae

Diodon holocanthus

JD 52 (2) 5-6 mm.

Diodon holocanthus

JD 56 (1) 7 mm.

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