



WP4 Abiotic Factors of Tank Environment

Temperature limits for early development of sea bream
and sea bass

Rearing performance

Dr. Pantelis Katharios
Institute of Aquaculture, HCMR



Sea bream

OBJECTIVE

- Identify the effect of temperature on sea bream deformation response under industrial conditions

APPROACH

- Sea bream culture under 6 different temperature schemes (HCMR)
- Samplings at certain developmental stages
- Sample analysis by UoP and RVC

Experimental design

Experimental scheme	16°C	19°C	22°C
A	Autotrophic phase	Exotrophic phase	
B		Autotrophic phase	Exotrophic phase
C		Exotrophic phase	Autotrophic phase
D	Auto & Exotrophic		
E		Auto & Exotrophic	
F			Auto & Exotrophic

The hatchery

- 6 close systems
- 12 tanks stocked with 50000 eggs each
- Temperature control
- Cooling device
- Heater
- Electronically controlled



Rearing methodology

- Pseudogreen technique

*Papandroulakis, N., Divanach, P., Anastasiadis, P. & Kentouri, M.
2001. The pseudo-green water technique for intensive rearing of sea
bream (Sparus aurata) larvae. Aquaculture International 9: 205-216.*

Rearing methodology

- 500-L tanks
- 8-10 L microalgae (*Chlorella minutissima*)
- Water circulation through biological filters until first feeding – autonomous thereafter.
- Water renewal 3% daily (early stages), 50% daily (7 mm), >100% (artificial food)
- Borehole water
- Salinity: 35 ppt
- 24-h photophase
- Enriched rotifers, enriched artemia, artificial food

Feeds and Enrichments

Rotifers

DHA PROTEIN SELCO

Moisture	5%	Vit. A	1,500,000 IU/kg
Crude protein	27%	Vit. D3	100,000 IU/kg
Crude lipids	29%	Vit. E	7,200 mg/kg
Crude ash	7%	Vit. C	20,000 mg/kg
		Sum ω3 HUFA	5 mg/g dwt

Artemia

EASY DHA SELCO

Moisture	30%
Crude Lipids	67%
Crude Ash	1%
Crude Fiber	1%
Phosphorus	0.2%
Vit. A	1,500,00 IU/kg
Vit. D3	150,000 IU/kg
Vit. E	3,600 mg/kg
Vit. C	800 mg/kg
Antioxidants	Ethoxyquin, BHA
DHA/EPA	2.5
Sum(n-3)HUFA	min. 200 mg/g dwt

EASY SUPER SELCO

Moisture	30%
Crude Lipids	67%
Crude Ash	1%
Crude Fiber	1%
Phosphorus	0.2%
Vit. A	1,500,00 IU/kg
Vit. D3	150,000 IU/kg
Vit. E	3,600 mg/kg
Vit. C	800 mg/kg
Antioxidants	Ethoxyquin, BHA
DHA/EPA	1
Sum(n-3)HUFA	min. 400 mg/g dwt

Artificial feeds

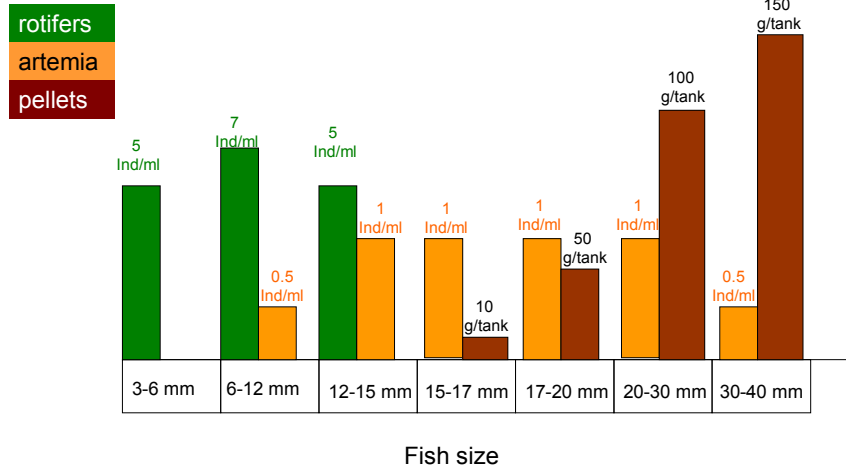
PROTON

Moisture	7%	Vit. A3	30,000 IU/kg
Crude protein	54%	Vit. D3	2,500 IU/kg
Crude lipids	15%	Vit. E	700 mg/kg
DHA/EPA	2	Vit. C	2,000 mg/kg
Sum ω3 HUFA		Antioxidants	ethoxyquine, BHT, propylgalate

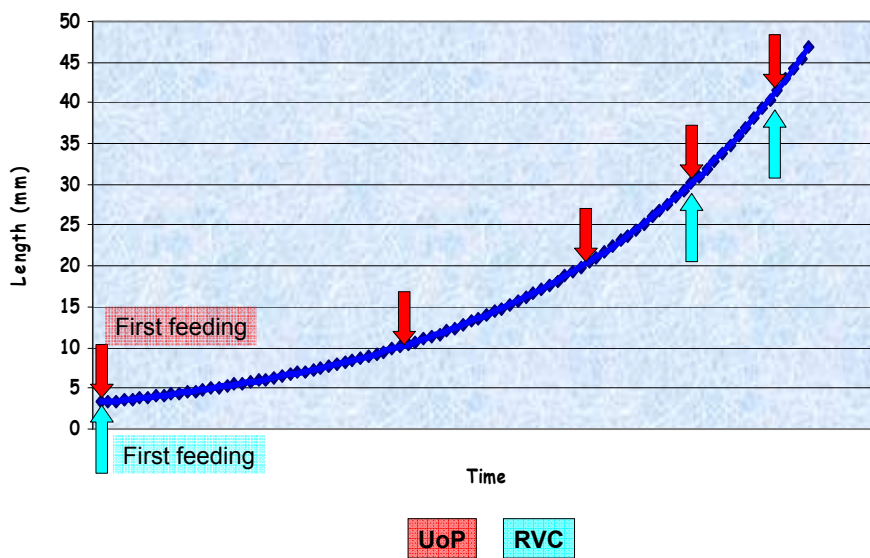
ALFA

Moisture	7%
Crude protein	54%
Crude lipids	15%
Vit. A	12,500 IU/kg
Vit. D3	2,500 IU/kg
Vit. E	350 mg/kg

Feeding regime



Samplings



Samplings

University of Patras

■ First feeding	200 individuals
■ 10 mm	Formalin fixed
■ 20 mm	
■ 30 mm	
■ 1 g	100 individuals frozen

Royal Veterinary College

■ First feeding	30-50 individuals Glutaraldehyde and RNAlater
■ 30 mm	10 individuals Glutaraldehyde
■ 1 g	RNAlater

Rearing performance

- Growth
- Survival

Rearing performance

- No statistical differences between replicates
- Significant differences among treatments

Treatment	Growth rates	Survival
22°C	3.375	9.80 (1.32)
19→22°C	3.210	17.10 (1.53)
19°C	3.015	13.03 (1.74)
16→19°C	2.950	29.6 (4.35)
22→19°C	2.760	7.42 (0.35)
16°C	2.230	12.08 (2.28)

CONCLUSIONS

Higher temperatureshigher growth rates

Highest growth: 22°C

Lowest growth: 16°C

Highest survival: 16-19°C

Lowest survival: 22-19°C



Sea bass

Sea bass

OBJECTIVE

- Identify the effect of temperature on sea bass deformation response under industrial conditions

APPROACH

- Sea bass culture under 6 different temperature schemes (HCMR)
- Samplings at certain developmental stages
- Sample analysis by UoP

Experimental design

Common conditions
>16-18 mm 19°C

Experimental scheme	15°C	18°C	21°C
A	Autotrophic phase	Exotrophic phase	
B		Autotrophic phase	Exotrophic phase
C		Exotrophic phase	Autotrophic phase
D	Auto & Exotrophic		
E		Auto & Exotrophic	
F			Auto & Exotrophic

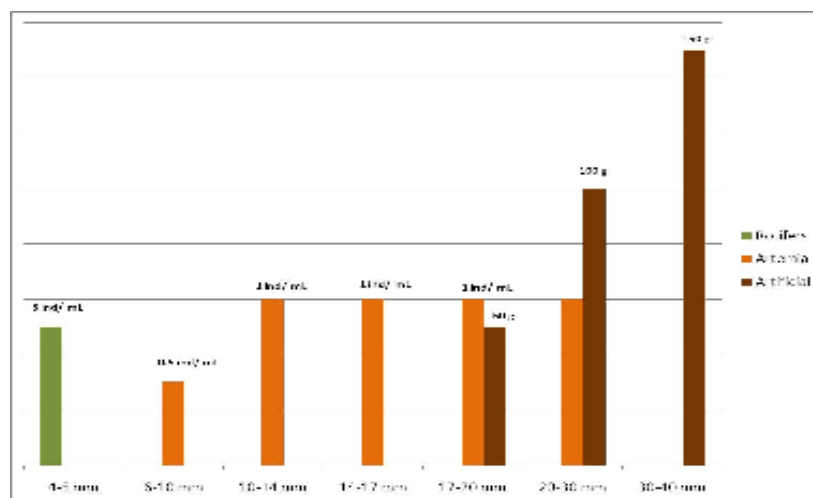
Rearing methodology

Divanach, P., Papandroulakis, N., Anastasiadis, P., Koumoundouros, G & Kentouri, M. 1997. Effect of water currents on the development of skeletal deformities in sea bass (*Dicentrarchus labrax* L.) with functional swimbladder during postlarval and nursery phase

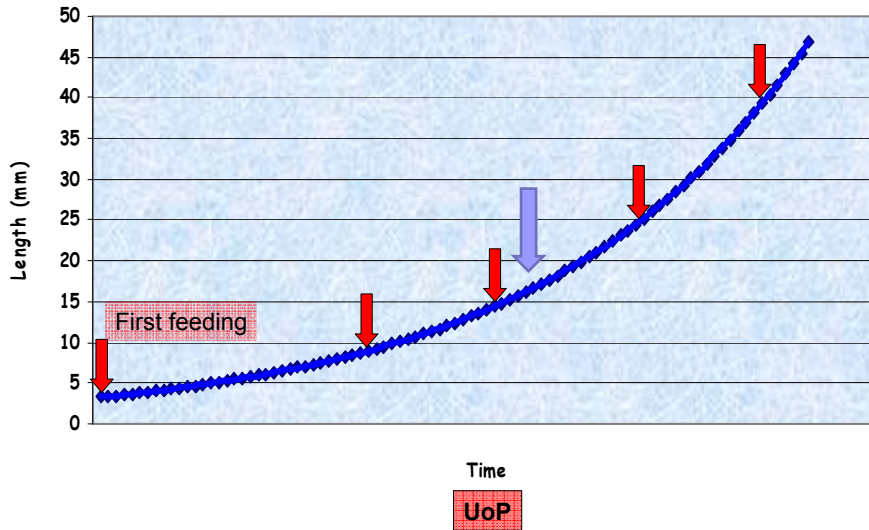
Rearing methodology

- 500-L tanks / 50.000 eggs
- 0.5/ L dense microalgae (*Chlorella minutissima*)
- Water renewal 3-5% daily (early stages), (20% - 50%)
- Borehole water
- Salinity: 35 ppt
- 12L:12D photophase
- Enriched rotifers, enriched Artemia, artificial food

Feeding regime



Samplings



Samplings

University of Patras

■ First feeding	100-200 individuals
■ 9 mm	Formalin fixed
■ 15 mm	
■ 25 mm	
■ 1 g	100 individuals frozen

Rearing performance

- Growth
- Survival

Rearing performance

- No statistical differences between replicates
- Significant differences among treatments

Treatment	Growth rates	Survival 1	Survival 2
21°C	0.365	18.7	52.1
18→21°C	0.365	22.5	63.2
18°C	0.34	30.6	73.6
15→18°C	0.33	43.2	72.6
21→18°C	0.33	21.7	62.1
15°C	0.26	42	73.8

CONCLUSIONS

No statistical differences between replicates (except D1-D2)

Higher temperatureshigher growth rates

Highest growth: 21°C

Lowest growth: 15°C

CONCLUSIONS

Survival 1: Until common conditions (<16-18 mm)

Lower temperatures.....higher survival

Best scheme 15 >18°C

Survival 2: Common conditions (>16-18 mm)

Lower temperatures.....higher survival

Best scheme..... 15°C



END OF PART 1

....to be continued (by Giorgos Koumoundouros)