

**CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENT, FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE
SCIENCE
LOWESTOFT LABORATORY, LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK NR33 OHT
2008 RESEARCH VESSEL PROGRAMME**

PROGRAMME: RV CEFAS ENDEAVOUR: CRUISE 5/08

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DURATION: 4 – 17 March.

LOCATION: Celtic Sea

AIMS:

To collect biological data on fish stocks in the Celtic Sea (VIIg,h,j) in support of Module I of the EU Data Collection Regulation.

Primarily :

Megrim (10 per cm per ICES Division)

Anglers (all fish due to low catch rates)

Mackerel (10 per cm survey total)

Cod (all fish due to low catch rates)

Hake (10 per cm survey total)

Rays (10 per cm survey total)

Sole (10 per cm by stock)

Plaice (10 per cm by stock)

RV CEFAS ENDEAVOUR will sail from Lowestoft on the afternoon tide on 3 March and proceed to the Celtic Sea fishing grounds to begin fishing. Sampling will initially take place in VIIj with tows to be decided in relation to catch rates and prevailing weather conditions. If time allows additional data will be collected on VIIg and VIh roundfish stocks.

GEAR:

List distributed separately and marked to relevant individuals for action.

A Tidd
9 January 2008

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DISTRIBUTION:

Basic list

Staff on Cruise

Devon SFC

Cornwall SFC

South Wales SFC

Isles of Scilly SFC