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Charter Vessel Ardlamont

Cruise: 1009H

PROGRAMME

10-16 April 2009

Location

Loch Ewe, Ross-shire

In setting the cruise programme and specific objectives, etc the Scientist-in-Charge needs to be aware of the restrictions on working hours and the need to build in adequate rest days and rest breaks as set out in FRS' Working Time Policy (Lab Notice 34/03).

In addition, the Scientist-in-Charge must formally review the risk assessments for the cruise with staff on-board before work is commenced.

In the interest of efficient data management it is now mandatory to return the Cruise Report, to Iain Gibb and the Cruise Summary Report (old ROSCOP form) to Dougal Lichtman, within four weeks of a cruise ending. In the case of the Cruise Summary Report a nil return is required, if appropriate.

Personnel

J Mair K Summerbell

Gear

Live fish traps (two types)
Baited Cameras
Flow meter
Fish holding tank

Objectives

- To deploy baited fish traps for the collection of live fish for tagging purposes onboard FRV Alba na Mara.
- To deploy baited fish traps for the collection of live fish for the Aultbea site.
- To obtain camera footage of fish and trap interaction.

Procedure

Staff will be onsite at Aultbea on 10 April and will operate on a daily basis deploying up to 6 baited fish traps within Loch Ewe from the MV *Ardlamont*. Baited cameras and the flow meter will also be deployed at suitable locations. Live fish from the traps will be stored onboard in the holding tank before being transferred the *Alba na Mara*, which will be working in the same area, for tagging purposes. Some collected fish that are not required for tagging purposes will be retained as stock for the Aultbea site. Staff accommodation will be shore based and they will join the vessel at Aultbea each morning. Normal contacts will be maintained with the Laboratory and with the *Alba na Mara*. Staff will return to Aberdeen on 16 April.

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