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Charter Vessel Cruise

MV "Altair"

REPORT

16 May - 20 June 1988

Personnel

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C P Whitworth	SO	16-26 May and 10-20 June
K J Peach	ASO	29 May - 20 June

Narrative

Loading of codends and small mesh covers took place at Aberdeen on the morning of 16 May. After rigging the nets and codends, the vessel sailed for the fishing grounds and started work the following morning. Work continued uninterrupted until the afternoon of 25 May, when the vessel headed for Aberdeen in order to land on 26 May.

Two further trips were carried out before the charter period was completed on 20 June.

Results

A total of 110 hauls were completed, of which 107 will be used for analysis. All codends and extensions were tested during the charter period. The table below indicates the number of valid hauls for each rig of codend.

Extension length	Mesh size diameter	80 mm			90 mm			100 mm		
		Narrow	Normal	Wide	Narrow	Normal	Wide	Narrow	Normal	Wide
Short		4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4
Normal		4	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	4
Long		4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	4

K A Coull
13 July 1988