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CRUISE REPORT

F.R.S. "CLUPEA"

22nd November - 9th December 1965

Objective

To compare the fishing capacities and selectivities of polypropylene and nylon drift nets of different colours.

There was a succession of gales during the cruise and the drift nets were shot on only five occasions. Catches were not large, the biggest being about three quarters of a cran. All the fish were measured and meristic data were taken from one sample. Plankton indicator hauls for S.M.B.A. were made before shooting and after hauling on two occasions for comparison with stomach samples from the catch.

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