

using a square mesh codend to sort out juvenile *Nephrops* in a crustacean fishery

TARGET SPECIES

Nephrops, rose shrimp, hake

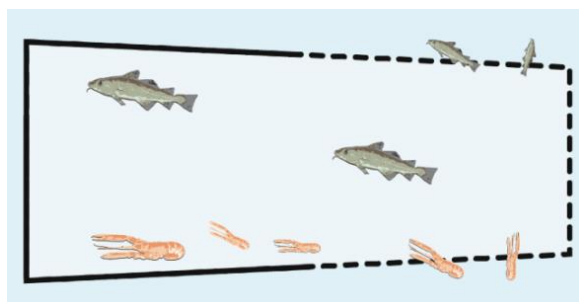
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22 hauls were carried out in the crustacean fishery on the Portuguese south coast on board the FV *Saturno* (24.8 m, 800 HP) during August 2006



GEAR MODIFICATION

a 60mm square mesh codend made from 3.5mm double twine Euroline Premium netting was used



RESULTS

69 % of immature and 41 % of mature *Nephrops* were excluded.

62 % of undersized and 39 % of marketable rose shrimp were excluded

71% of unmarketable hake were excluded, but there were no losses of marketable hake.

nearly all blue whiting was excluded.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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