

VISUAL MATURITY SCALE

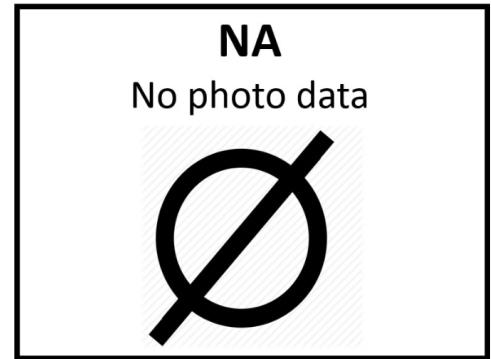
Sole / *Solea solea*

| Picture | Sex | Species | First maturity size |
|---|-----|-------------|---------------------|
|  | ♀ | Solea solea | 19 - 28 cm |

A - IMMATURE

TRANSPARENT TO
TRANSLUCID GONADS

WITHOUT EGGS



B - DEVELOPING

non-hydrated eggs
SOMETIMES visible

OPAQUE GONADS



C - SPAWNING

AT LEAST 1 VISIBLE
HYDRATED EGG



D - REGRESSION/REGENERATION

FEW HYDRATED EGGS
STILL PRESENT

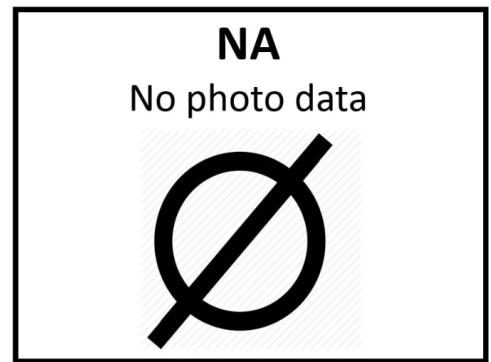
FLABBY GONADS AND
THICK INNER LAYER

General aspect "stunted"



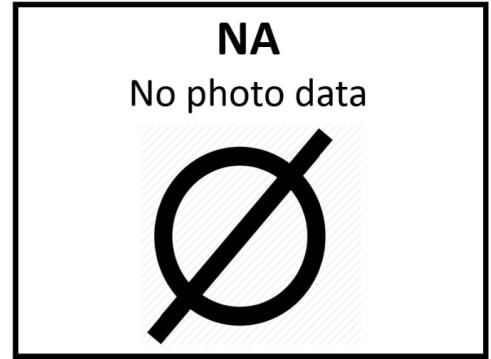
E - OMITTED SPAWNING

NOT DETERMINABLE BY
THE EYE



F - ABNORMAL

NECROSIS, SCLEROSIS
OR INTERSEX



References/Photos :

ICES (WKASMSF 2018 & WKMATCH 2012),
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