

## VISUAL MATURITY SCALE

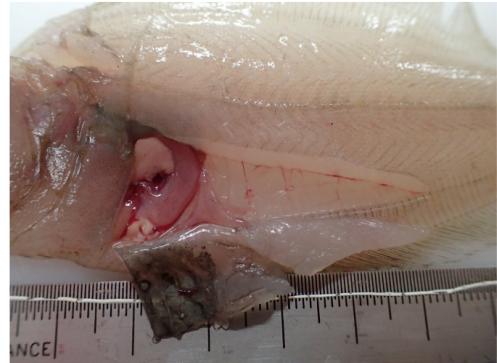
### Flat fish / *Flat fish sp.*

Picture	Sex	Species	First maturity size
		Pleuronectes platessa	20 - 30 cm
		Lepidorhombus whiffagonis	25 - 40 cm
		Microstomus kitt	23 - 30 cm

### A - IMMATURE

TRANSPARENT TO  
TRANSLUCID GONADS

WITHOUT EGGS



### B - DEVELOPING

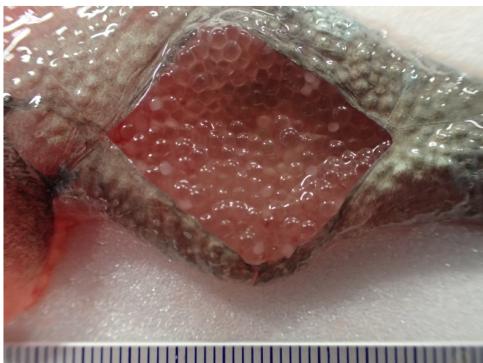
non-hydrated eggs  
SOMETIMES visible

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),  
IFREMER