


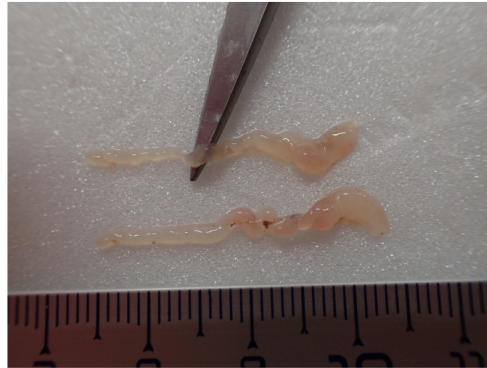
VISUAL MATURITY SCALE

Gadidae / Gadidae sp.

| Picture | Sex | Species | First maturity size |
|---|-----|--------------------------|---------------------|
|  | ♂ | Merlangius merlangus | 20 - 30 cm |
| | | Melanogrammus aeglefinus | 26 - 40 cm |
| | | Gadus morhua | 33 - 60 cm |

A - IMMATURE

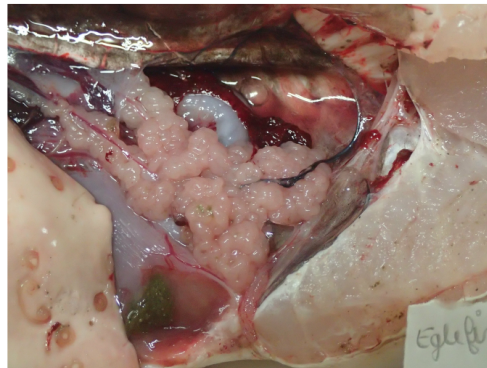
TRANSPARENT TO
TRANSLUCID GONADS



B - DEVELOPING

OPAQUE GONADS IN
TWISTED SHAPE

NON-FLOWING GONADS



C - SPAWNING

OPAQUE AND WHITISH
GONADS

FLOWING GONADS



D - REGRESSION/REGENERATION

BLOOD RESIDUE IN
TISSUES

FLABBY GONADS

MILT RESIDUALS



E - OMITTED SPAWNING

NOT DETERMINABLE BY
THE EYE



F - ABNORMAL

NECROSIS, SCLEROSIS
OR INTERSEX

