



Lumpfish start feeding - new insights into the effects on growth, survival and behavioral responses

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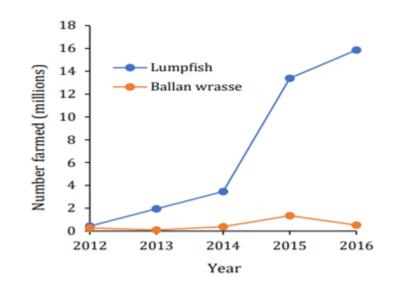


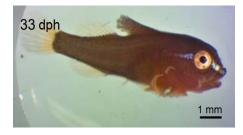


INDUSTRY NEED



- Challenge: lumpfish production is currently characterized by variable growth and survival during the larval stages. There is a clear industry need to:
 - Better know nutritional requirements
 - Better know functional behavior of lumpfish larvae
 - How larval and juvenile behavioral responses are affected by the nutritional quality of the first feed











SOLUTION

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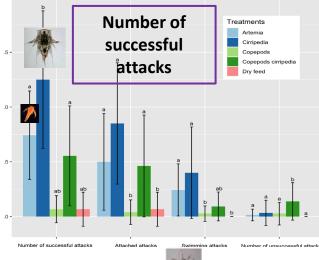
Feeding behaviour at 28 dph

ARTEMIA

Significantly better growth and survival



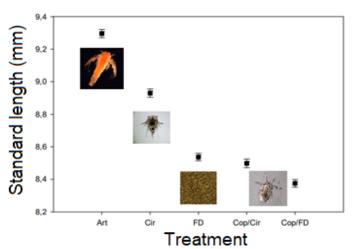
Feeding behaviour at 28 dph Treatments Artemia Cirripedia Copepods Copepods Copepods Copepods Copepods Time swimming Time attached Time orientating Time swimming for the attack

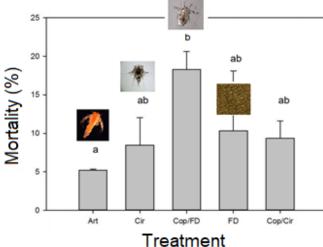


CIRRIPEDS

More **swimming** activity and **prey attacks**





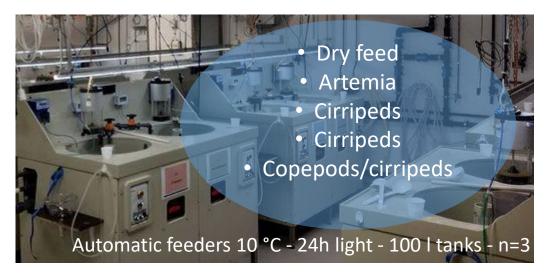






UNDERLYING MAGIC







- 1. Time swimming
- 2. Time attached
- 3. Time orientating
- 4. Successful and unsuccessful attacks
- 5. Type of attacks (swimming or attacked)

- Sampling was performed at 16 dph, 22 dph and 28 dph
- 10 larvae were sampled from each
 100l tank and placed into 1l plastic
 bottles
- For 3 hours larvae were acclimatized
- Volume of live prey (350 cirripeds/ml + 350 Artemia nauplii/ml) was added into the bottle
- Larval activity was recorded for 2 min





TARGET MARKET



Lumpfish hatcheries and industry



Optimize the **start feeding** protocols for **lumpfish**



Aquaculture feed producers



Improve the quality and robustness of lumpfish (high-quality lumpfish): CONTROL SEA LICE



Lumpfish aquaculture researchers

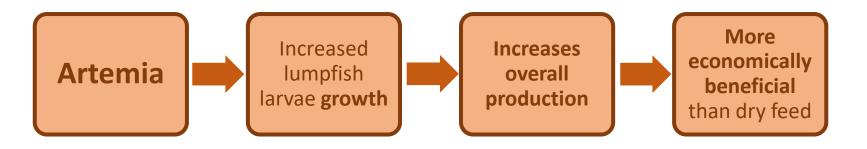


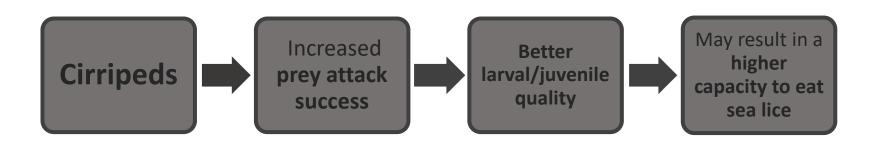
Continue researching the **key** areas in the production cycle of lumpfish



RESULTS and IMPACT





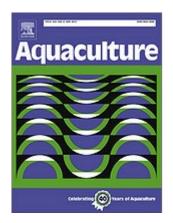




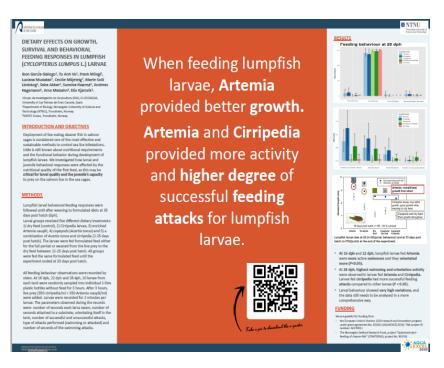
CURRENT STATUS

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- TRL 4 technology validated in lab
- AE21 e-poster
- Need to link these results with the nutrient content of the diet (lipids and proteins): restrictions due to Covid-19
- Future peer journal publication















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Thank you!

If you are interested to invest/collaborate towards the further development of this OUTPUT, please come and talk to me afterwards





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