

Parasitic Diseases of Finfish and Shellfish

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PARASITIC DISEASES OF FINFISH AND SHELLFISH

Parasites in fish are a natural occurrence and common. Parasites can provide information about host population ecology. Infisheries biology, for example, parasite communities can be used to distinguish distinct populations of the same fish species co-inhabiting a region. Additionally, parasites possess a variety of specialized traits and life-history strategies that enable them to colonize hosts. Understanding these aspects of parasite ecology, of interest in their own right, can illuminate parasite-avoidance strategies employed by hosts. Parasites have arisen by evolution from what were free-living animals (animals not living on or in another animal, and not reliant on another to draw their nourishment). They often resemble their ancestors a good deal, but have become better adapted for a parasitic life. Some parasites have developed organs, such as suckers for hanging on to their hosts. Many lay tremendous numbers of eggs because the chances that any one egg will infect a new host are incredibly small. Parasites have generally changed biochemically and immunologically, so they can survive inside another organism and not be digested or killed. Some of them depend on their hosts for compounds that their ancestors could synthesize. The shellfish industry, although only a small part of the fish industry as a whole, has grown considerably in recent years, and the products are generally high value ones. The principal species in order of importance are Norway lobster or scampi, lobster, scallop, crab, cockle, crawfish and oyster. Mussels and shrimp make only small contributions to British landings at the present time, but their fisheries are capable of considerable expansion. The book covers most interesting chapters and will guide to identify and manage parasitic diseases including some aspects of latest developments in fish parasitological research.

Contents: Introduction; Fish Diseases and Disorders; Parasites Diseases in Marine Fishes; Handling Shellfish; Parasites in Fish; Diseases and Parasites of Baltic Fish; Freshwater Fish Parasites; Pests Control Management and Fish Diseases.

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