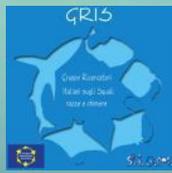




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WORKSHOP

STUDIO E VALUTAZIONE DEGLI ELASMOBRANCHI DELLE ACQUE ITALIANE. LORO STATO DI SFRUTTAMENTO E CONSERVAZIONE

Chioggia 10-11 Maggio 2016

Metodiche per la raccolta dei dati: stadi di maturità, stima della fecondità

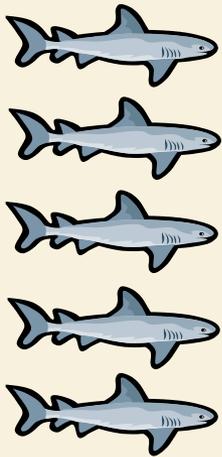
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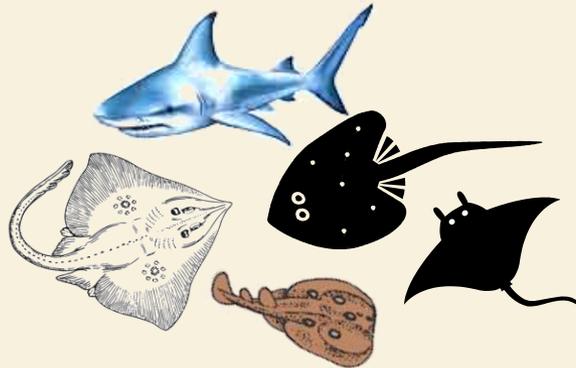


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Gli Elasmobranchi sono considerati organismi aventi **strategia riproduttiva di tipo K** (o “d’equilibrio”)



crescita lenta;
età di prima maturità tardiva;
bassa fecondità;
uova di grosse dimensioni;
scarsa mortalità naturale.



(Hoenig & Gruber 1990;
Musick, 1999; Cortés, 2000)



Le **modalità riproduttive** possono essere suddivise:

Wourms, 1981

sulla base del nutrimento che riceve il feto

- la lecitotrofia, in cui l'intero sviluppo dell'embrione è supportato solamente dal vitello;
- la matrotrofia, in cui almeno una parte dello sviluppo fetale è supportata da nutrienti addizionali provenienti dalla madre.

in base a dove avviene lo sviluppo embrionale

- all'esterno del corpo della madre (**oviparità**)
- all'interno di esso (**viviparità**).



MODALITA' RIPRODUTTIVE

Viene deposto un uovo alla volta da ciascun ovidotto
(Rajidae e Heterodontiformes)

Musick & Ellis, 2005

		Lecitotrofia	Matrotrofia
OVIPARITÀ	Singola	+	
	Multipla	+	
VIVIPARITÀ	Sacco vitellino	+	
			+
			+
			+
			+
			+

Comporta la conservazione di un ridotto numero di uova nell'ovidotto durante la maggior parte dello sviluppo prima della deposizione
(e.g. *Galeus melastomus*)

Dopo un periodo iniziale di dipendenza dal tuorlo del sacco vitellino, l'embrione è nutrito dalla madre attraverso una placenta formata dalla fusione del sacco vitellino con la parete dell'ovidotto.

si accrescono ingerendo le uova non fecondate prodotte dalla madre, per sostenere il loro sviluppo



**PARAMETRI
RIPRODUTTIVI**



Sebbene il ciclo riproduttivo dei maschi è generalmente

Lunghezza alla

Nelle specie ovipare si può determinare in acquario, in quelle vivipare, dagli embrioni in utero.

posseggono la cicatrice ombelicale.

gestazione.

**GESTIONE
DELLA PESCA
E
VALUTAZIONE
DEGLI STOCK**



1999 MEDITS

UNICA SCALA PER OVIPARI E VIVIPARI

1	IMMATURE
2	MATURING
3	MATURE



2008 MEDITS

UNICA SCALA PER OVIPARI E VIVIPARI

1	IMMATURE/VIRGIN
2	MATURING
3a	MATURE
3b	MATURE EXTRUDING/ACTIVE
4	RESTING

**WKMSL Malta 2010;
WKMSL2 Lisbona, 2012**



2012 MEDITS

OVIPARI

1	IMMATURE/VIRGIN
2	MATURING
3a	MATURE
3b	MATURE EXTRUDING/ACTIVE
4a	RESTING
4b	REGENERATING

VIVIPARI

1	IMMATURE
2	DEVELOPING
3a	SPAWNING CAPABLE
3b	EARLY PREGNANCY
3c	MID PREGNANCY
3d	LATE PREGNANCY
4a	REGRESSING
4b	REGENERATING



SCALE DI MATURITÀ

OVIPARI

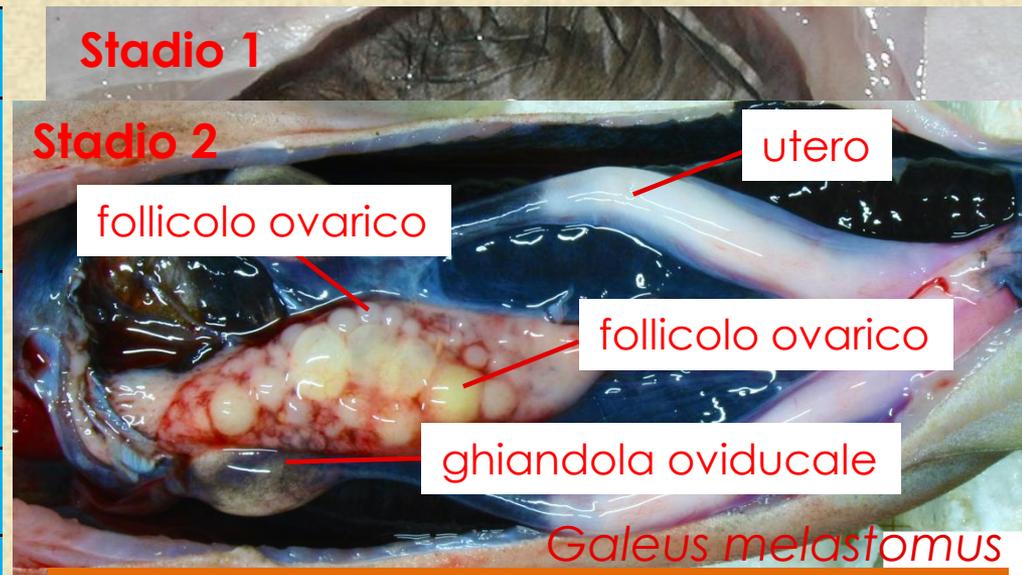
Sex	GONAD ASPECT	MATURATION STATE	STAGE
I	Sex not distinguished by naked eye.	UNDETERMINED	0
F	Ovary is barely discernible with small isodiametric eggs. Distal part of oviducts is thick-walled and whitish. The nidamental glands are less evident.	IMMATURE/VIRGIN	1
M	Claspers are small and flaccid and do not reach the posterior edge of the pelvic fins. Spermducts not differentiated. Testis small and narrow.		
F	Whitish and/or few yellow maturing eggs are visible in the ovary. The distal part of oviducts (uterus) is well developed but empty. The nidamental glands are small.	MATURING*	2
M	Claspers are larger, but skeleton still flexible. They extend to the posterior edge of the pelvic fins. Spermducts well developed eventually beginning to meander.		
F	Ovaries contain yellow eggs (large yolk eggs). The nidamental glands are enlarged and oviducts are distended.	MATURE	3a
M	Claspers extends well beyond the posterior edge of the pelvic fin and their internal structure is generally hard and ossified. Testis greatly enlarged. Spermducts meandering over almost their entire length.		
F	Ovary walls transparent. Oocytes of different sizes, white or yellow. Nidamental glands large. Egg-cases more or less formed in the oviducts (Extruding Stage).	MATURE/EXTRUDING-ACTIVE	3b
M	Clasper longer than tips of posterior pelvic fin lobes, skeleton hardened with axial cartilages hardened and pointed. Spermducts largely. Sperm flowing on pressure from cloaca (Active Stage).		
F	Ovary walls transparent. Oocytes of different sizes, white or yellow. Oviducts appear much enlarged, collapsed and empty. The nidamental glands diameter are reducing.	RESTING	4a
M	Clasper longer than tips of posterior pelvic fin lobes, skeleton hardened with axial cartilages still hardened. Spermducts empty and flaccid.		
F	Ovaries full of small follicles similar to stage 2, enlarged oviducal glands and Uterus.	REGENERATING*	4b



STADIO	STADIO
IMMATURO/ VERGINE	1
IN MATURAZIONE*	2
MATURO	3a
MATURO/ EXTRUDING	3b
A RIPOSO	4a
IN RIGENERAZIONE*	4b

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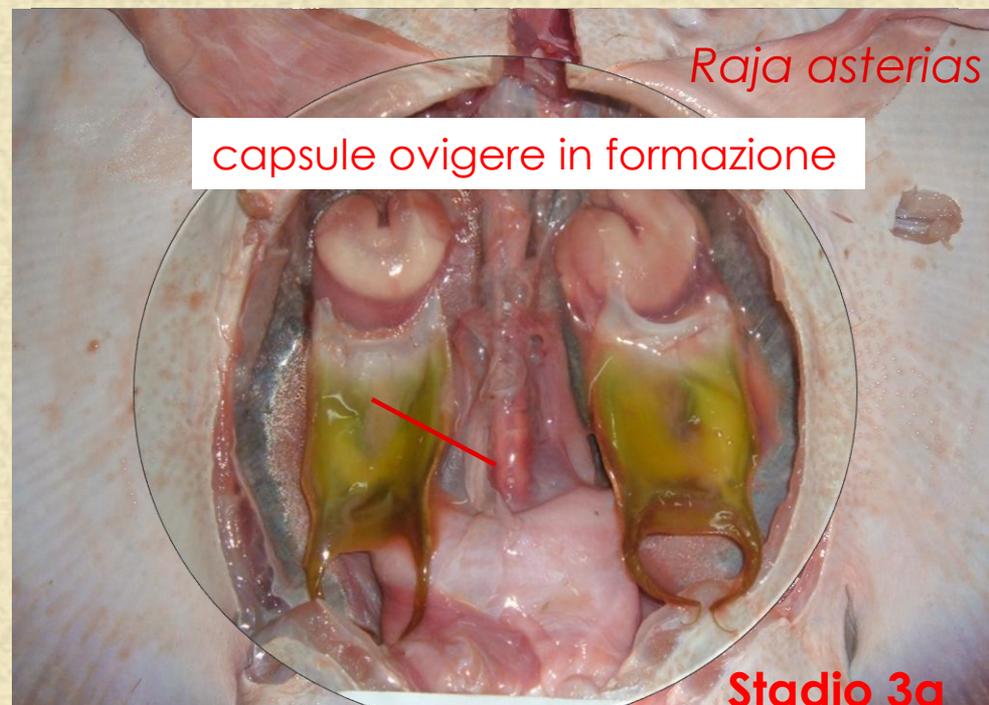


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STADIO	STADIO
IMMATURO/ VERGINE	1
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MATURO	3a
MATURO/ EXTRUDING	3b
A RIPOSO	4a
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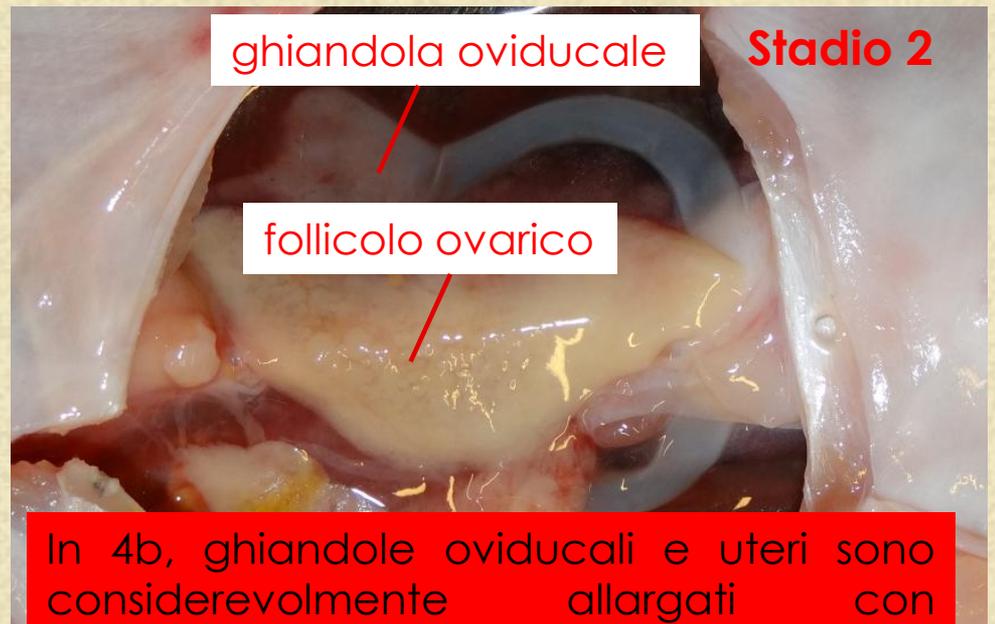
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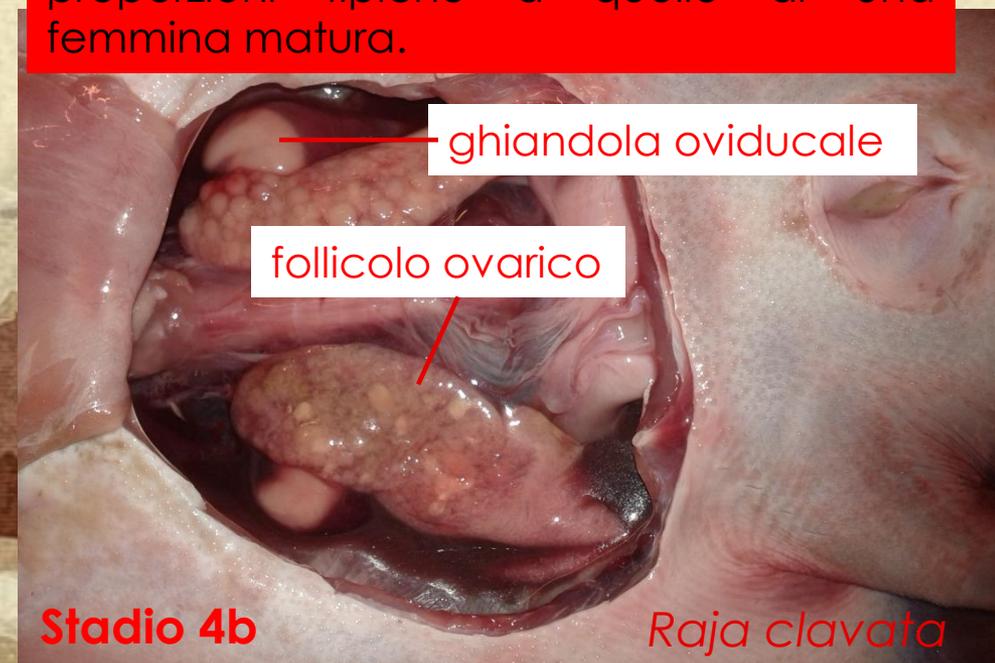
Ovari e ghiandole oviducali presentano le stesse caratteristiche dello stadio 3a.
ATRESICI.



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In 4b, ghiandole oviducali e uteri sono considerevolmente allargati con proporzioni tipiche a quelle di una femmina matura.



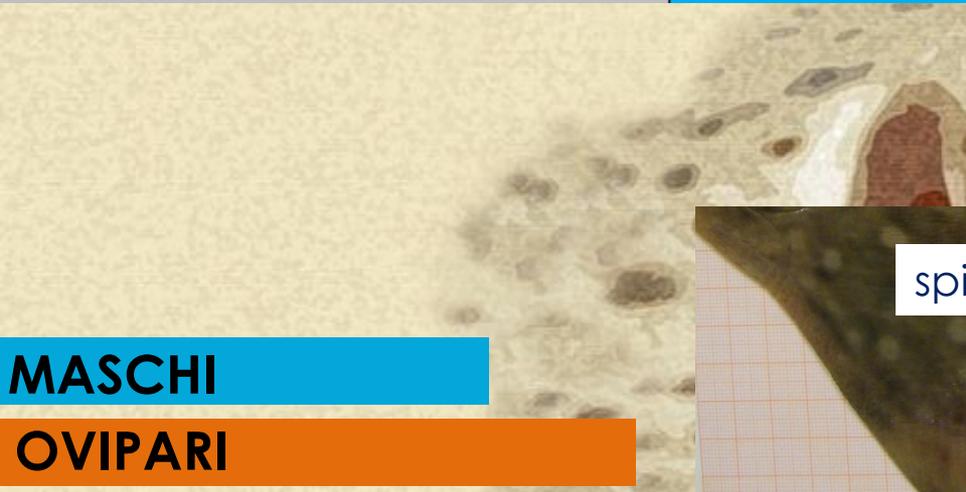
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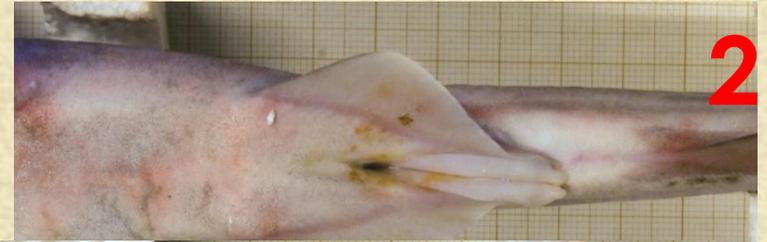
I maschi con testicoli pienamente sviluppati, ma con pterigopodi flessibili dovrebbero essere assegnati allo stadio 2.



MASCHI
OVIPARI

STADIO	STADIO
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MATURO/ ATTIVO	3b
A RIPOSO	4

Galeus melastomus



In alcune specie di gattucci (*S. canicula* e *S. stellaris*), gli pterigopodi non si estendono MAI oltre la pinna pelvica.



Scylliorhinus canicula



SCALE DI MATURITÀ

VIVIPARI

Sex	GONAD ASPECT	MATURATION STATE	MATURITY	STAGE
I	Sex not distinguished by naked eye.	UNDETERMINED	IMMATURE	0
F	Ovaries barely visible or small, whitish; undistinguishable ovarian follicles. Oviducal (nidamental) gland may be slightly visible. Uterus is thread-like and narrow.	IMMATURE	IMMATURE	1
M	Claspers flexible and shorter than pelvic fins. Testes small (in rays, sometimes with visible lobules). Sperm ducts straight and thread-like.			
F	Ovaries enlarged with small follicles (oocytes) of different size. Some relatively larger yellow follicles may be present. Ovaries lack atretic follicles. Developing oviducal gland and uterus.	DEVELOPING	IMMATURE*	2
M	Claspers slightly more robust but still flexible. Claspers as long as or longer than pelvic fins. Testes enlarged; in sharks testes start to segment; in rays lobules clearly visible but do not occupy the whole surface. Sperm ducts developing and beginning to coil (meander).			
F	Large ovaries with enlarged yolk follicles all of about the same size so that they can be easily distinguished. Oviducal gland and uterus developed without yolky matter, embryos and not dilated.	CAPABLE to REPRODUCE	MATURE	3a
M	Claspers fully formed, skeleton hardened, rigid and generally longer than pelvic fins. Testes greatly enlarged; in sharks testes are fully segmented; in rays filled with developed lobules. Sperm ducts tightly coiled and filled with sperm.	SPAWNING CAPABLE		
F	Uteri well filled and rounded with yolk content (usually candle shape). In general segments cannot be distinguished and embryos cannot be observed.	EARLY PREGNANCY	MATERNAL	3b
M	Description similar to stage 3a, however with clasper glands dilated, often swollen and reddish (occasionally open). Sperm often present in clasper groove or glans. On pressure sperm is observed flowing out of the cloaca or in the sperm ducts.	ACTIVELY SPAWNING	MATURE	
F	Uteri well filled and rounded, often with visible segments. Embryos are always visible, small and with a relatively large yolk sac.	MID PREGNANCY	MATERNAL	3c
F	Embryos fully formed, yolk sacs reduced or absent. Embryos can be easily measured and sexed.	LATE PREGNANCY	MATERNAL	3d
F	Ovaries shrunken without follicle development and with atretic (degenerating) follicles. The oviducal glands diameter may be reducing. Uterus appears much enlarged, collapsed, empty and reddish.	REGRESSING	MATURE	4a
M	Claspers fully formed, similar to stage 3. Testes and sperm ducts shrunken and flaccid.	REGRESSING	MATURE	4
F	Ovary with small follicles in different stages of development with the presence of atretic ones. Uterus enlarged with flaccid walls. Oviducal gland distinguishable.	REGENERATING (mature)	MATURE*	4b



MATURATION STATE	MATURITY	STAGE
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CAPABLE to REPRODUCE	MATURE	3a
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DEVELOPING	IMMATURE*	2
CAPABLE to REPRODUCE	MATURE	3a
EARLY PREGNANCY	MATERNAL	3b
MID PREGNANCY	MATERNAL	3c
LATE PREGNANCY	MATERNAL	3d
REGRESSING	MATERNAL	4a
REGENERATING	MATURE*	4b

Esiste una certa soggettività nella distinzione degli stadi mid e late pregnancy. In caso di difficoltà, è raccomandato rilevare le dimensioni corporee degli embrioni.



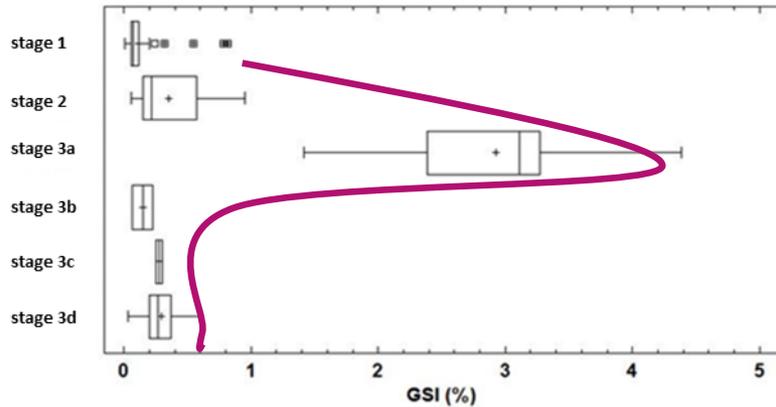
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FASE OVARICA E UTERINA ASINCRONE



NEGLI STADI MATERNI 3b, 3c, 3d,
L'OSSERVAZIONE DELLA GONADE NON
È RICHIESTA PERCHÉ:



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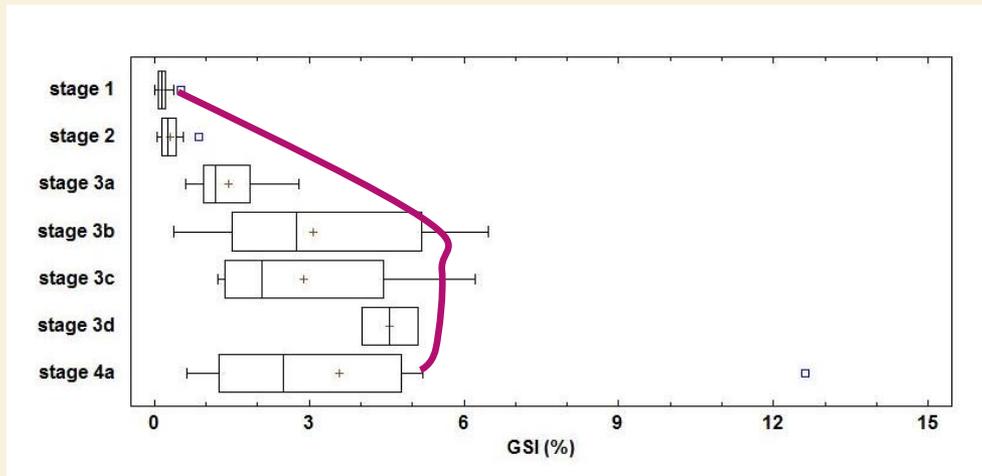
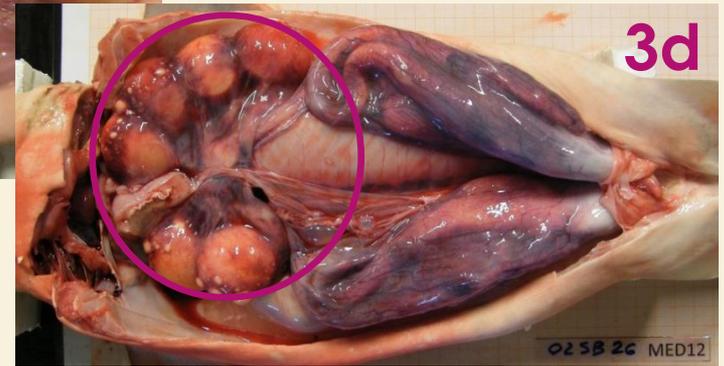
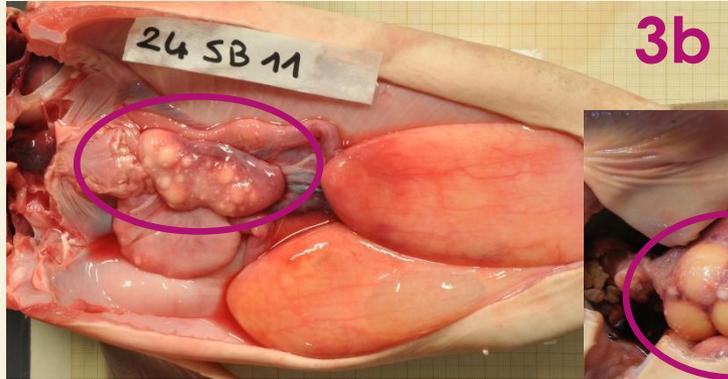
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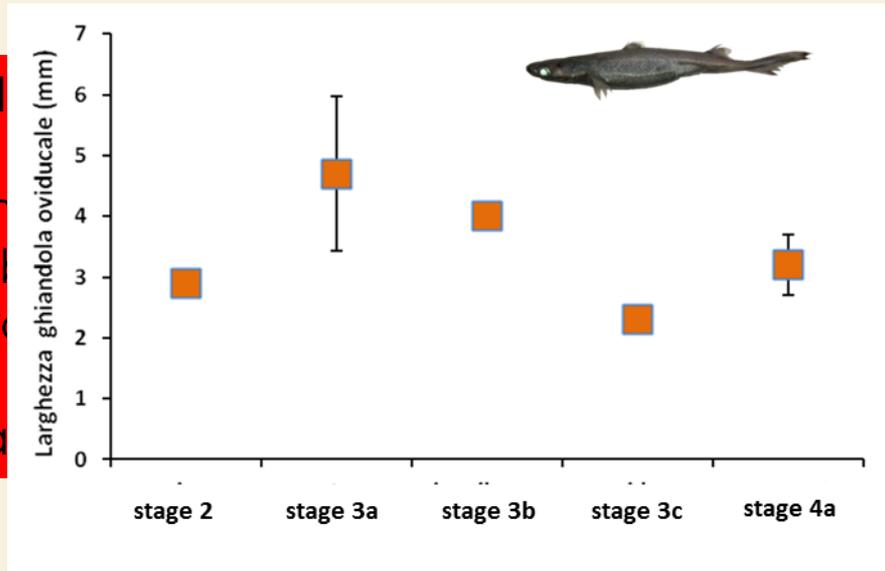


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DEVELOPING	IMMATURE*	2
CAPABLE to REPRODUCE	MATURE	3a
EARLY PREGNANCY	MATERNAL	3b
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LATE PREGNANCY	MATERNAL	3d
REGRESSING	MATERNAL	4a
REGENERATING	MATURE*	4b

NEGLI STADI MATERNI 3b, 3c, 3d, L'OSSERVAZIONE DELLA GHIANDOLA OVIDUCALE NON È RICHiesta

Durante le fasi di gravidanza le ghiandole oviducali subiscono una regressione (e.g. *coelolepis*; *Etmopterus*)

questo caso fer... abortito) potrebbe post-nascita. E' r... di altre strutture corretta classifica



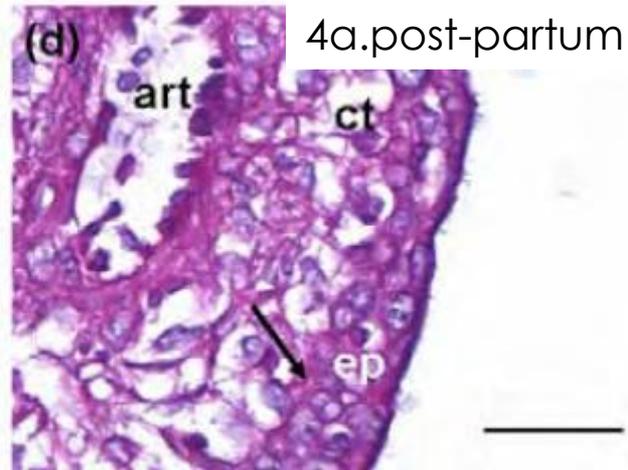
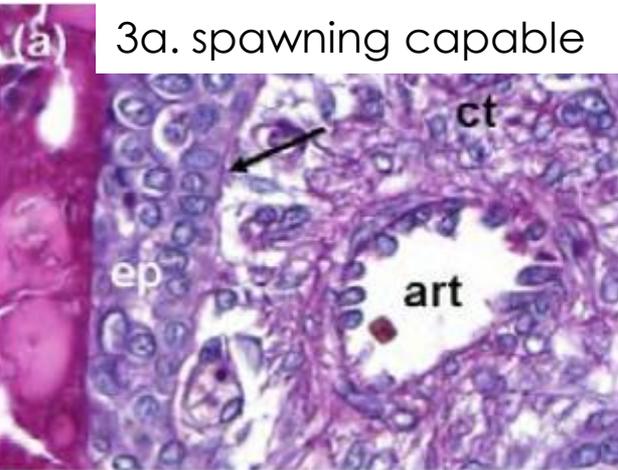
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UTERO – analisi istologica

Centroscymnus coelolepis

Moura e Figueiredo (WKMSL2, 2012)



l'epitelio dei villi uterini è costituito da tessuto connettivo fiancheggiato da un epitelio stratificato in femmine mature e early pregnant.

l'epitelio dei villi diventa semplice squamoso, diminuendo notevolmente il suo spessore. Il numero di vasi sanguigni vicini all'epitelio incrementano in numero e diametro.

Dopo il parto, l'epitelio di villi recupera la struttura iniziale presentato prima dell'ovulazione.

MATURATION STATE	MATURITY	STAGE
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DEVELOPING	IMMATURE	2
CAPABLE to REPRODUCE	MATURE	3a
ACTIVELY SPAWNING	MATURE	3b
REGRESSING	MATURE	4



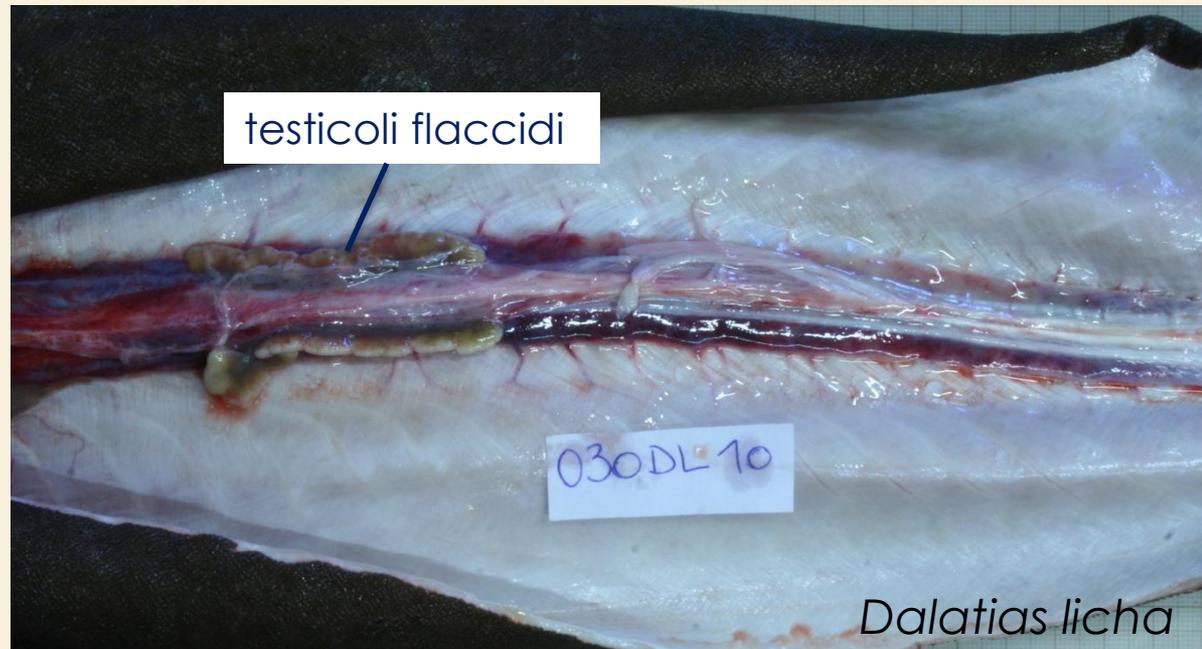
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La distinzione tra stadio 3a e 3b spesso risulta difficoltosa. In questo caso, è auspicabile assegnare l'individuo allo stadio 3a in modo da essere più conservativi.

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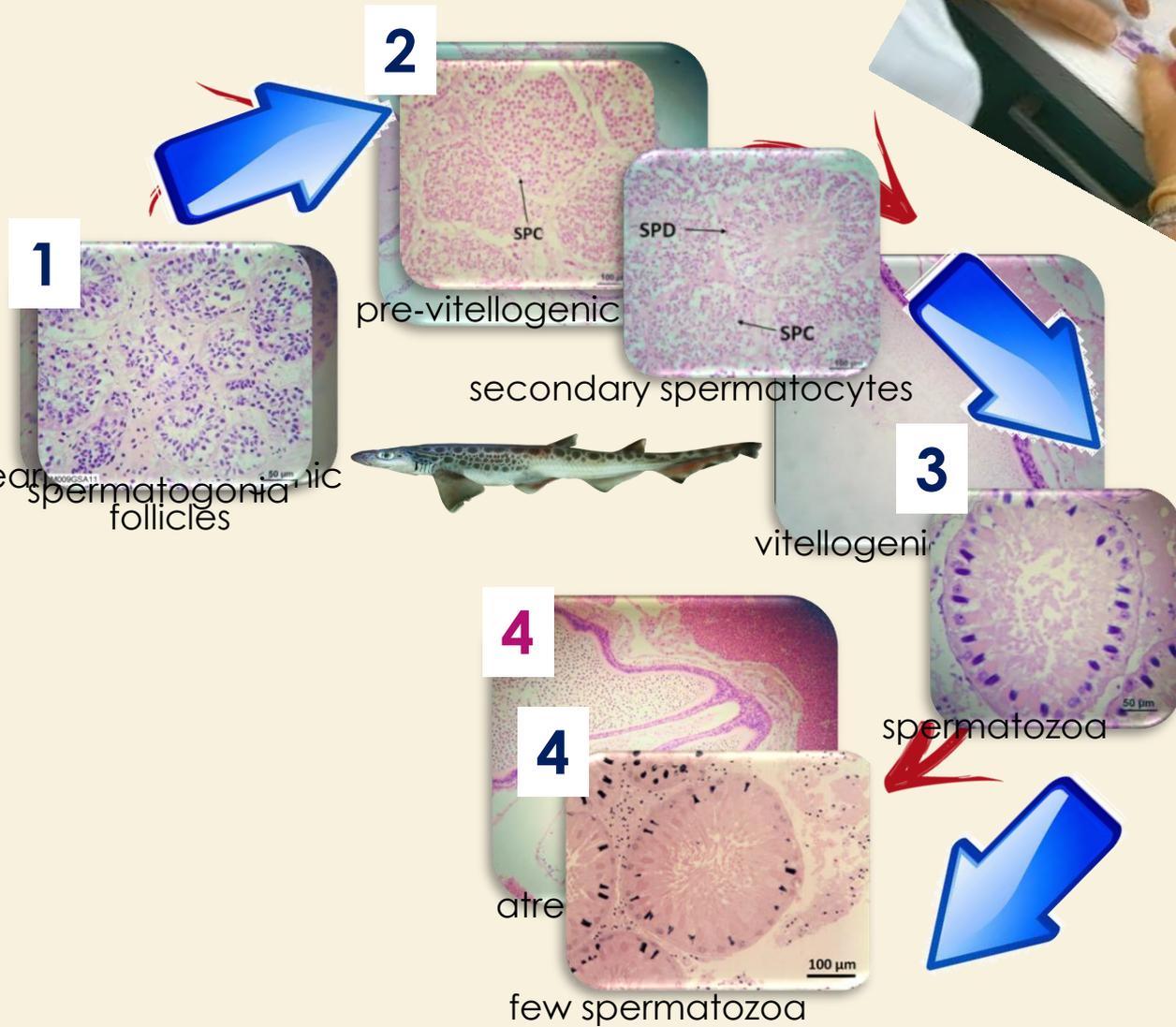
Lo stadio REGRESSING è molto difficile da individuare probabilmente perché avviene troppo velocemente.



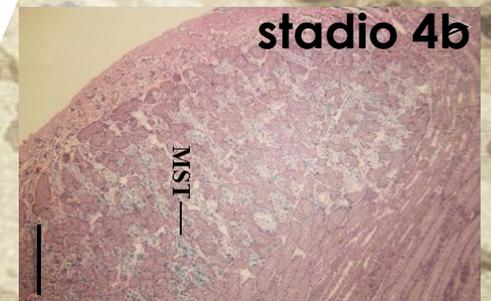
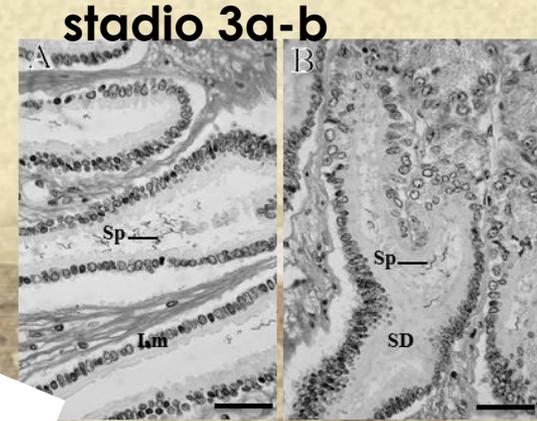
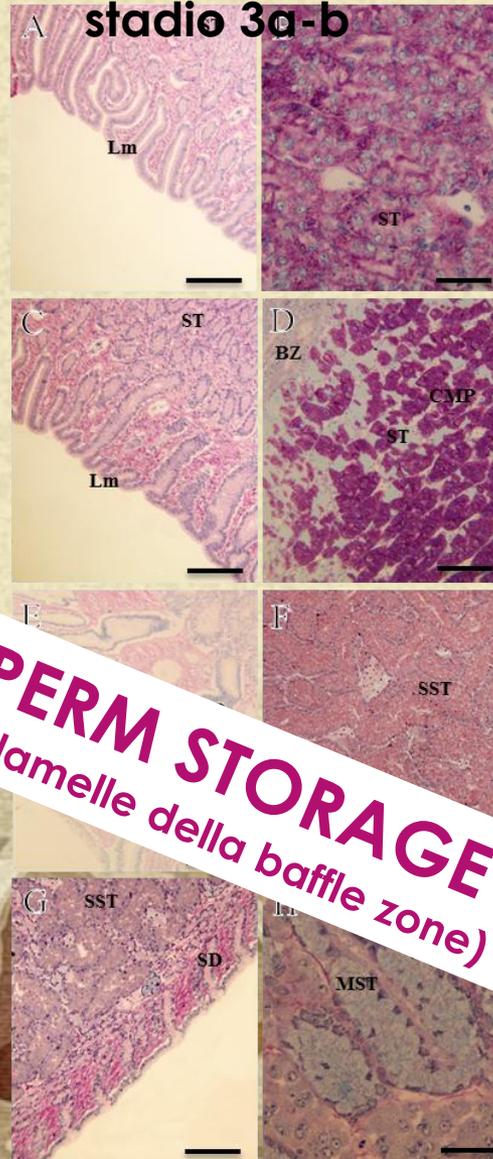
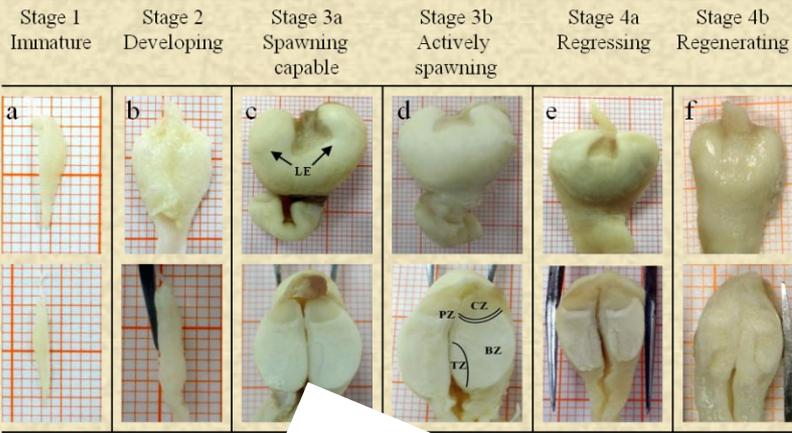
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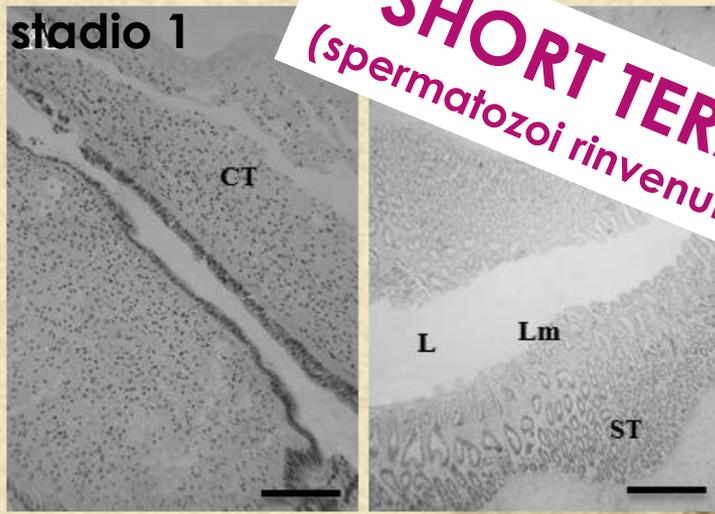
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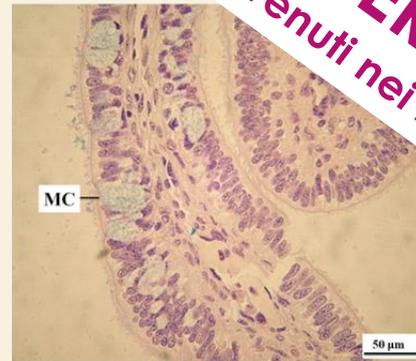
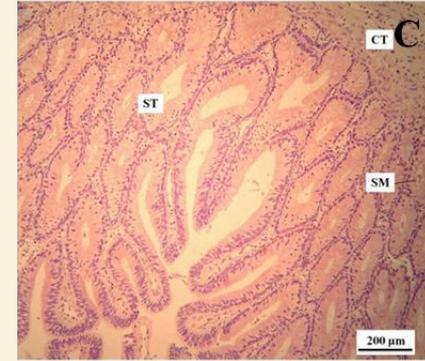
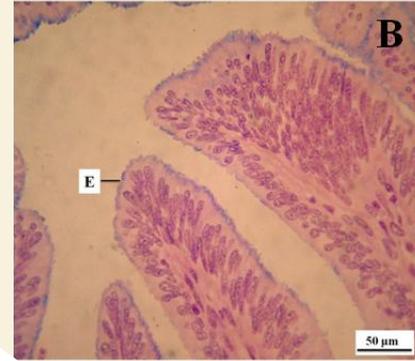
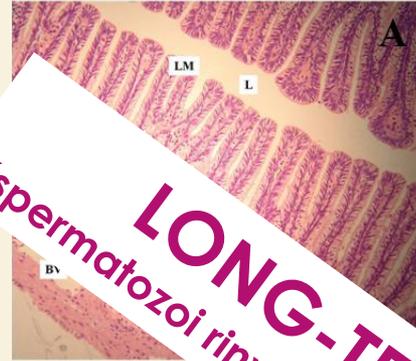
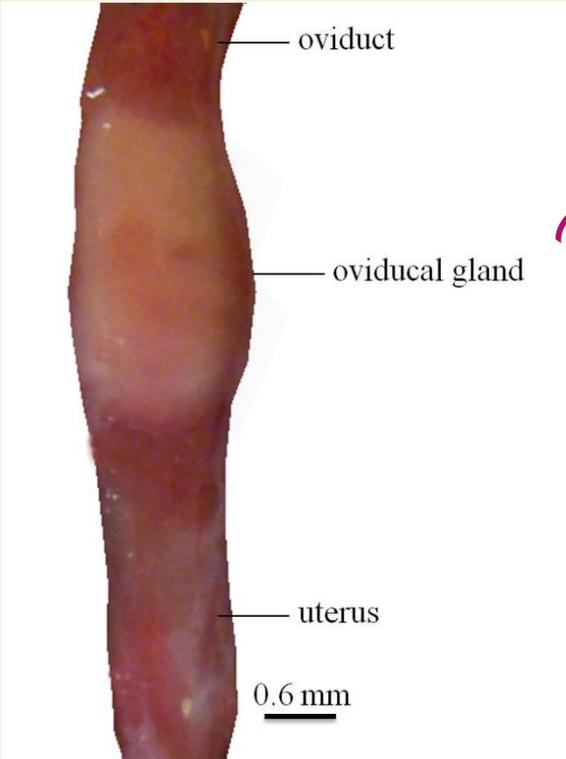
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SHORT TERM SPERM STORAGE
 (spermatozoi rinvenuti nelle lamelle della baffle zone)

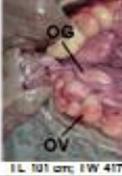


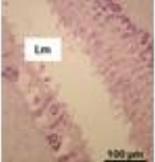
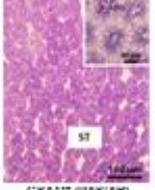
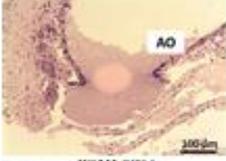
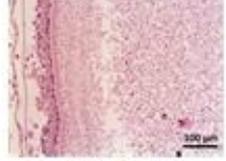
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LONG-TERM SPERM STORAGE
(spermatozoi rinvenuti nei recessi più profondi della ghiandola)



<i>Dipturus oxyrinchus</i> - DCF		
STAGE	MATURATION STATE	
1	IMMATURE/ VIRGIN	 FL 74.3 cm; IW 13
2	MATURING*	 FL 95.9 cm; IW 394
3a	MATURE	 FL 112.8 cm; IW 833
3b	MATURE/ EXTRUDING	 FL 101 cm; IW 417
4a	RESTING	 FL 109 cm; IW 52
4b	REGENERATING*	 FL 101.3 cm; IW 32

<i>Dipturus oxyrinchus</i> - DCF CODE: RJO - MEDITS CODE: RAJA OXY			
FEMALES			
STAGE	MATURATION STATE	MICRO_PHOTOS (ovary)	MICRO_PHOTOS (oviducal gland)
1	IMMATURE/ VIRGIN	 CSA11 (H&E) 300 µm	 CSA11* (H&E) 300 µm
2	MATURING	 CSA11 (H&E) 300 µm	 CSA11* (H&E) 300 µm
3a	MATURE	 CSA11 (H&E) 300 µm	 CSA11* (PAS/Ab) 100 µm
3b	MATURE/ EXTRUDING	 CSA11 (H&E) 300 µm	 CSA11* (H&E) 100 µm
4a/4	RESTING	 CSA11 (H&E) 300 µm	 CSA11* (PAS/Ab) 100 µm
4b	REGENERATING	 CSA11 (H&E) 300 µm	 CSA11* (PAS/Ab) 300 µm

* from MARONGU M.P., PORCU C., SELLONI A., GUCCHIO, M.LAS A., KOLJA M.C. Oviducal gland microstructure of two Rajidae species, *Raja miculus* and *Dipturus oxyrinchus*. *Journal of Morphology* (submitted).

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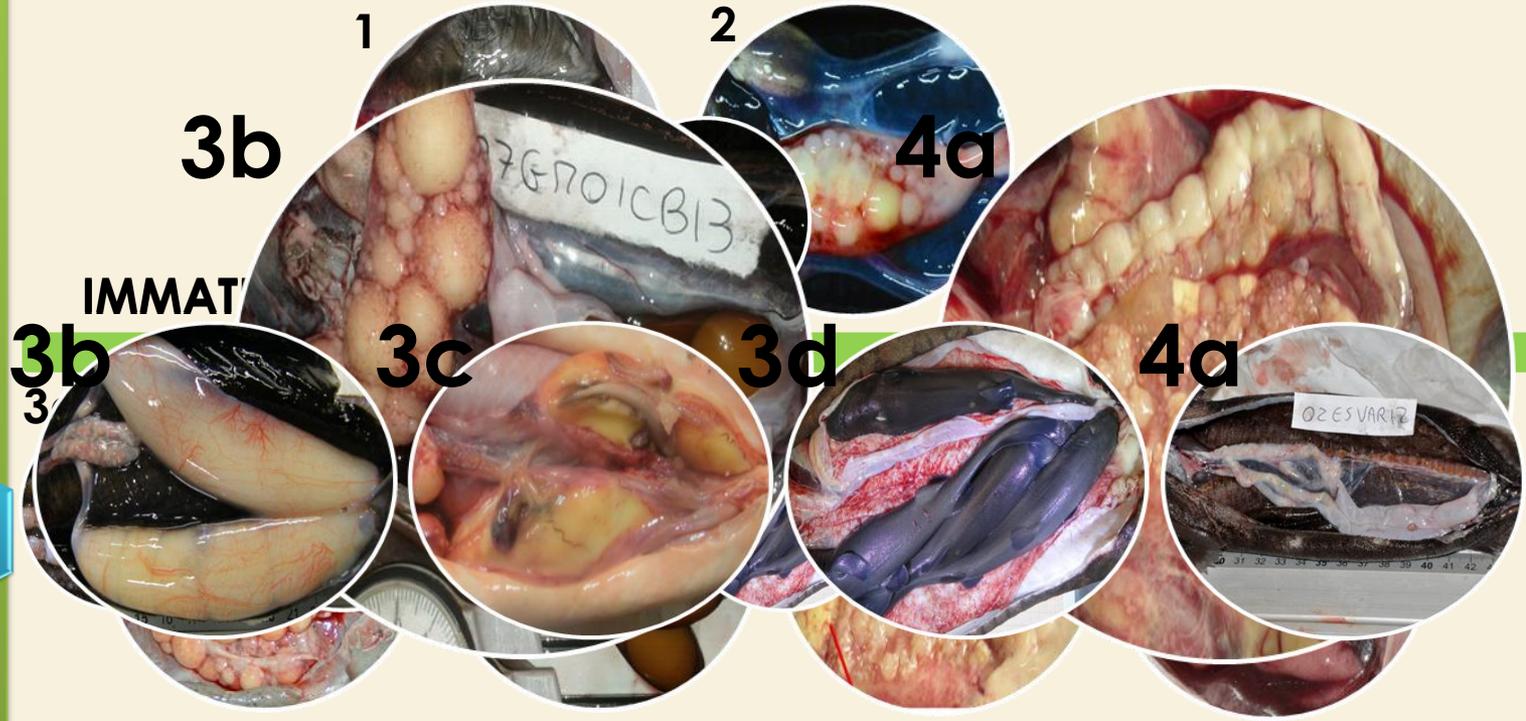
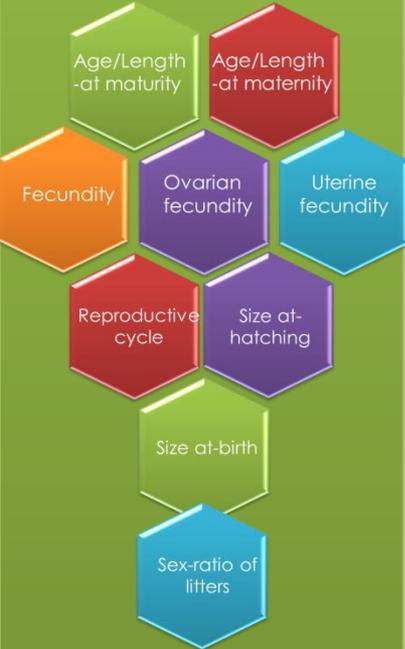
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		MICRO_PHOTOS (ovary)	MICRO_PHOTOS (oviducal gland)
1	IMMATURE	 GSA11* (H&E)	 GSA11* (H&E)
2	DEVELOPING	 GSA11* (H&E)	 GSA11* (H&E)
3a	CAPABLE TO REPRODUCE	 GSA11* (H&E)	NOT AVAILABLE
3b	EARLY PREGNANCY	 GSA11* (H&E)	 GSA11* (PAS/AB)
3c	MID PREGNANCY	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE
3d	LATE PREGNANCY	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE
4a	REGRESSING	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE
4b	REGENERATING (mature)	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE

<i>Etmopterus spinax</i> - DCF CODE: ETX - MEDITS CODE: ETMO SPI		
STAGE	MATURATION STATE	MALES
		MICRO_PHOTOS
1	IMMATURE	 GSA11* (H&E)
2	DEVELOPING	 GSA11* (H&E)
3a	SPAWNING CAPABLE	 GSA11* (H&E)
3b	ACTIVELY SPAWNING	 GSA11* (H&E)
4	REGRESSING	NOT AVAILABLE

* from PORCU C., WAKSBERG M.F., POLUBA M.C., BELLODI A., MELAS A., RIZZO F., CADI A. (2014) - Reproductive aspects of the velvet belly *Etmopterus spinax* (Chondrichthyes: Etmopteridae), from the central western Mediterranean Sea. Notes on gametogenesis and oviducal gland microstructure. Mar. Med. Sci., 15/2: 313-326.

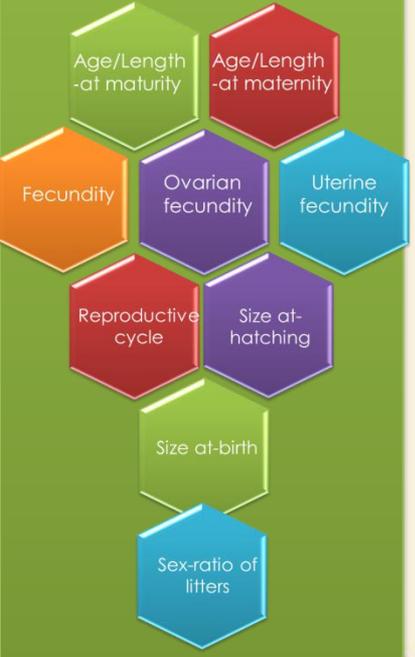
CONCLUSIONE

	OVIPARI	VIVIPARI
Age/Length at maturity	X	X
Age/Length at maternity	X	X



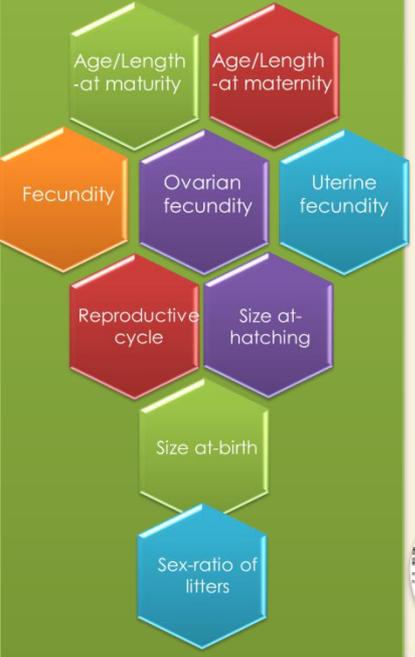
CONCLUSIONE

	OVIPARI	VIVIPARI
Age/Length at maturity	X	X
Age/Length at maternity	X	X
Ovarian fecundity	X	X
Uterine fecundity		

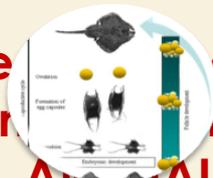


CONCLUSIONE

	OVIPARI	VIVIPARI
Age/Length at maturity	X	X
Age/Length at maternity	X	X
Ovarian fecundity	X	X
Uterine fecundity		X
Reproductive cycle	X	X

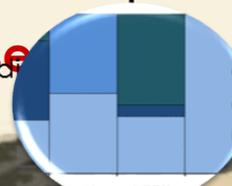
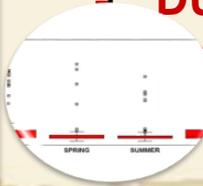


Maschi ovipari e femmine ovipare hanno generalmente un ciclo riproduttivo ANNUALE.



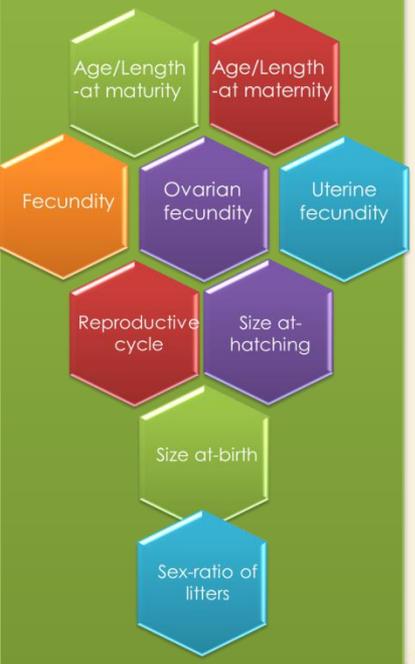
Femmine vivipare possono avere cicli riproduttivi molto lunghi (anni) dipendenti da:

- **Modalità riproduttiva;**
- **Durata della gestazione;**
- **Stagionalità / variazione tra fasi e fase**



distribuzione degli stadi uterini

CONCLUSIONE



	OVIPARI	VIVIPARI
Age/Length at maturity	X	X
Age/Length at maternity	X	X
Ovarian fecundity	X	X
Uterine fecundity		X
Reproductive cycle	X	X
Size at-hatching	X	



Size at-birth
ratio of