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ABSTRACT

commercially important fish and invertebrates were collected on the south and west coasts of Puerto Rico, primarily in and around Mayaguez Bay. The edible flesh was analyzed for mercury. The concentrations of total mercury ranged from 2 low of .007 ppm (ug/g) in *Strombue gigae* ("conch" or "carrucho") to 1.47 ppm in *Centropomue undecimalie* ("snook" or "robalo"). There appeared to be a positive relationship between the size of the organism and the amount of mercury present: the larger the organism, the higher the mercury concentration. Some of the organisms, in particular *Centropomus undecimalie*, showed higher concentrations of mercury than the safety limit of 0.5

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INTRODUCTION

Since the Minamata Bay poisonings in Japan (N.A.S.-N.A-E., 1973) public concern about mercury poisoning has sparked research and quality controls on the mercury levels of edible fish.

Sources of mercury pollution are a concern in areas where commercial fishing takes place, and it is to identify these sources and measure the effects of human pollution on fish populations that studies like ours are begun.

our contemporary, José A. Ramfrez Barbot, (1979) spent

year sampling the fish populations of Guayanilla Bay on the south coast of Puerto Rico where a power plant and other industries

are known to contribute trace metals to the environment.

Our study was undertaken in an attempt to supplement his research and to look at another part of the island's ecosystem for comparison purposes

Our sampling area included Mayaguez Bay on the west coast of Puerto Rico which, although not known to be as polluted as Guayanilla Bay, is a commercial harbor and has several industrial

attractions such as a tuna processing

facility on its northern

shore. We also sampled frequently on a clean and much fished reef about eight miles off shore and took sampling trips to the south coast and to Desecheo Island, where we fished on clear off-shore reefs. With this study and the previous work done in Guayanilla we hope to formulate a more complete picture of the mercury concentration of fish in south and west coasts

of Puerto Rico, with an eye to controlling human consumption of possible toxic materials.

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LITERATURE REVIEW

Mercury occurs naturally in aquatic environments. Its

natural concentration in sea water has been estimated to be

0.1 ug/l (ppb) (N.A.S.-N.A.E., 1973). It is a non-essential

non-beneficial element and is potentially toxic. It is ac-

cumulated by organisms far more rapidly than it can be eliminated,

and a fish may contain a concentration of mercury 10,000 times

that of the surrounding water (McKim 1974). This toxic magni-

fication can be carried to man, who must limit his intake of

fish with high concentrations of mercury. The National Academy

of Science and National Academy of Engineering suggested in the

publication Water Quality Criteria, 1972 (N.A.S.-N.A.E. 1973)

that the concentration of mercury in fish for human consumption

should not exceed 0.5 ppm (ug/g). This limit was adopted by U.S. Food and Drug Administration. There is still an active concern in the literature that this is not low enough for human safety. Recently, however, U.S. F.D.A, released a "Revised

Action List for Poisons or Deleterious Substance:

* where the

action level for mercury was established at 1.0 ppm (NPI 1978).

Clearly, not enough is known about the dangers of mercury in

lower concentrations.

Mercury occurs in several forms. Microorganisms have the ability to convert inorganic and organic forms of mercury to highly toxic methyl or dimethyl mercury, making any form of mercury @ potential hazard to the environment. The methylation process takes place in and on the sediment where benthic organisms

are most active. From the ingestion of sediment, detritus, or

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?the benthos, fish and other larger organisms accumulate the

highly toxic methylmercury (

ALS.-N.A-E., 1973).

Recent studies have suggested relationships between

mercury concentration and environmental factors. In particular,

that the water temperature may have a significant effect on the mercury concentration in fish (Cember, Curtis, Blaylock, 1978). This was not considered in our study and may be of interest. Also, it has been shown that controls on mercury discharges have effected a decrease of the mercury content of fish in an area (Armstrong and Scott, 1979).

the problem of trace metals (in particular, mercury)

being contributed to the environment by man may be dealt with

only by {dentification of dangerous levels in the environment,

ing the source, and elimination of contaminants. It

is only the first step of this procedure that this study deals with, with hopes that further work will be done if indicated

by our results.

PROCEDURES

Field Method

Sampling trips were made throughout June, July, and the beginning of August, 1979, Within Mayaguez Bay trawl nets were used, both in the day and at night. At Tourmaline reef off-shore and on trips further afield collection was made by spearfishing and hook and line. All samples were stored on ice, transported to the lab, and frozen.

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Laboratory Method

After transportation to the lab the samples were separated and identified with the help of the Cornelia Hill staff, in particular, Leida Luz Cruz. Randall (1968) and Bohike and Chaplin (1968) were used as references for identification. The specimens were counted, measured and weighed

and separated by species and size. Fish were grouped by 3.0 cm increments, and crabs were separated into 10 gram groups.

The edible flesh and muscles were removed for analysis of total mercury content. When prominent, the eggs were also removed for analysis. For each size group duplicates of two gram samples (wet weight) were used for the mercury analysis.

The two gram samples were weighed into BOD bottles, then digested with concentrated sulfuric and nitric acid in a 80°C water bath. Excess potassium permanganate was added to oxidize the mercury present to the mercuric form (Hg²⁺) and the sample was further heated at 80°C for an hour before cooling. Hydroxylamine hydrochloride was added to clear excess permanganate, and stannous chloride was added to reduce the mercury to the metallic form just before analysis.

The instrument used was a Mercury Analyzer System, Model MAS 50, from Perkin Elmer Corporation, Coleman Instruments Division. It is sensitive to 0.01 micrograms of mercury. The percent transmittance (#1) was given for each sample.

Calculations

The absorbance can be calculated from the percent transmittance by using Beer's Law: $A = \log 1/T$. The samples were

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analyzed together with a series of standards of mercury.

These were graphed with a Linear Regression that was used to determine the final concentration of the element in the different samples. The final concentration of mercury was

determined by the formula:

Final conc. = (conc. - blank) \times volume of sample

\div gram of sample

The final concentration was given in micrograms of mercury

Per gram of sample, or ppm.

Graphs comparing fish size to mercury concentration

were made for the more common species using linear regression

analysis and a t-test was used to compare results from different

stations.

RESULTS

In 1,122 organisms sampled of 45 different species, the mean mercury concentrations found varied from .007 ppm (ug/s) to 1.47 ppm. The only fish found to exceed the U.S. Food and Drug Administration action Limit of 1.0 ppm were *Seamus coeruleus* (@ large parrotfish) from Tourmaline, and several

Centropomus undecimalis

from the Guanajibo river mouth, with

concentrations to 1.9 ppm in some fish, The *Centropomus*

(or snook) are a concern because they are considered excellent

for eating and were acquired from fisherman who were selling

them for food. *Centropomus ensiferus* from the Aflasco River

area also surpassed the 0.5 ppm safety limit recommended by

the National Academy of Science and the National Academy of

Engineering. Other than these fish, all samples were below

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the Limit established by the U.S.F.D.A., but variations among species, sampling areas, and size occurred at lower mercury concentration

Unfortunately, not all the samples were readily comparable between sampling sites. Stations on a reef did not yield the same type of fish that were collected in bay stations, and different collection techniques such as trawl nets vs.

fishing in these different areas made direct comparisons between species and size groups impossible in many cases. A

test was done for comparison of the following: Aflasco vs.

Mayaguez, Tourmaline and Punta Ostiones reefs vs. Desecheo

Istand, Afiasco and Mayaguez vs. Desecheo, Afasco and Mayaguez

urmatine and Punta Ostiones, and Desecheo, Tourmaline

ta Ostiones vs. Aiasco and Mayaguez. It was found that
P <0.05 for the two bay stations and the bay stations vs. the
island. For the other three comparisons it was found that

P 0.01. It can therefore be assumed that there is less
mercury found in the fish at Afasco than the fish in Mayaguez
Bay; and less mercury in the fish around Desecheo Island

?than in the bay stations. For the others compared there is
no significant éifference in the mercury content.

It is well known that mercury {s accumulated by most
organisms faster than it can be eliminated. Most species,
for which three or more size groups could be established,
showed an increase in mercury levels with an increase in

size. These were Baliet

vetula, Bothue sp., Callinectes

SD, Contropomus undectmalie, Cephalopholiea futva, Cynosoion

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janaieensie, Diapterus sp., Larimus breviceps, Lutjanue

synagrie, Ophioseton aduetue, Panutirue argus, Peneaus 8P-»

Selene vomer, Symphumue aravak, and Trichivus lepturus. Some of the species tested showed a decrease in mercury levels

with an increase in size, These were Epinophelus guttatua,

Epinephelue etriatuo, Petmometopon eruentatun, and Potydactyiue

sp. (see graphs). The other species analyzed were not graphed

as there were not enough size groups for each.

?The minimum number of points used for graphing was three which may allow for too great an error. The fact that the points used were mean concentrations regardless of station,

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be some fluctuations in the graphs that are not attributable to size increase only. (The graphs were done by means of Linear regression analysis and best fit line.) Only the large fish had concentrations approaching or exceeding potentially dangerous levels. We also observed a correlation between diet and mercury concentration. Grazers and other organisms lower on the food chain (such as conchs, lobsters, or shrimp) generally exhibited lower mercury concentrations than carnivorous or predator species.

In some specimens we were able to analyze the gonads as well as the edible flesh and found less mercury in the gonads.

?The gonads were not free from mercury, however, and

pecially

in very large fish (in particular, Centroponue) the mercury concentration of the gonads was high enough (see table) to warrant concern about future generations of fish continually exposed to high levels of mercury.

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CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

?here is a positive relationship between size and mercury

concentration with a few exceptions, since larger fish demonstrated significantly higher levels of mercury. This has

been found by other researchers in the field. There is also

an apparent correlation between an organism's niche in the

food web and the level of mercury accumulated in that lower levels of mercury are found in organisms lower in the food web.

Some commercial, edible, and valuable fish were shown to

have mercury concentrations not only above the 0.5 ppm safety Limit recommended by the National Academy of Science and the National Academy of Engineering and originally established the U.S.P.D.A., but also exceeded the action limit of 1.0 ppm recently set by the U.S.F.D.A, These fish were being sold for human consumption and an effort should be made to effect some control and educate the public about the dangers of mercury poisoning from fish.

Stations closer to centers of human population yielded more mercury in the fish populations, indicating that pollution from a human source could cause higher mercury levels in fish in these areas. The tuna canneries on the north shore of Mayaguez Bay are possible mercury sources. Since the areas closer to shore are often where the highest amount of commercial and private fishing takes place, it is desirable to control sources of mercury pollution and to educate the public, once again, of the dangers involved.

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our results were generally similar to those of the research done in Guayanilla Bay by José A. Ramfrez Barbot (1979). The same relationship between fish size and mercury

concentrations was observed. Similar results were found for the same species in both studies. *Centroponus undeoinatie*, for example, exhibited very high levels of mercury in both studies.

Anyone wishing to make further studies in this area may want to analyze for mercury in other components of the environment surrounding the fish sampled. Not only water and sediment, and food sources, but also temperature records may be both interesting and beneficial to a study of this kind.

More importantly, however, we need to pinpoint the sources of mercury pollution and implement some form of control. Traditionally, it has been known that tuna have

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larly high mercury concentrations. The presence of

the tuna can

es on the northern shore of Mayaguez Bay
that have been releasing their effluent into the bay for years
is certainly suspect as a mercury pollutant. Before we actually
endanger the fish populations and the people who eat them, we
should take care to regulate the amount and kinds of waste we
contribute to our environment. In this area, mercury may be

of particular concern as it so directly affects the fish that

are necessary to the economy.

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TABLE 1

SUMMARY OF MERCURY CONTENT
OF FISH AND INVERTEBRATE ORGANISMS

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potygoniue 21-24 em ? Reet 0126 0015 1

Anchoa Tyotepte 3-6 em Ahasco 0612 0.0 10

fntotmemia suwinoweneie 27-30 em Tourmaline wt 0356 1

Balieves vetute 480 0076 4

21-24 em Tourmaline 0346 0081 1

2h-27 cm Tourmaline 0387 0.0 1

27-30 cm Tourmaline 0382 0008 1

33-36 cm Tourmaline 0802 0027 1

Bothus sp. 0998 0177 2

3-6 om Arasco 0513 0087 8

Mayaguez 0450 0015 "

BS em 482 0062 20

6-3 cm Afasco 0988 0037 18

9-12 om Anasco -1782 0027 3

12-15 em Mayaguez 21298 0051 1

Callinectes sp. <1130 0872 86

0-10 g ? Anasco 02h 0007 52

Mayaguez 0189 +0006, 5

ows - 0217 0013 57

10-20 9 ARasco 0318 -0010 7

30-40 9 Anasco 0921 0189 4

Mayaguez 0543 0037 2

B0-W0g = 0732 0226 6

40-50 9 Anasco 1064 0157 7

Mayaguez 0560 0 1

0-509 = 0817 0157 8

50-60 9 Anasco 1008, 0073 3

60-70 g Anasco 3052 0169 1

70-80 9 Atasco 1263 0210 2

80-90 9 © Anasco 0822 0024 2

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MEAN CONC.

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- 1.4702 7132 4

- 3015 015 2

9.53 ka Guanajibo 1.0520 £1635 1

11.79 ko Guanajibo 1.6106 A158 1

13.61 ko Guanajibo 1.3124 0048 1

gonads Guanajibo 0.2119 0093 1

15.88 kg Guanajibo 1.9048 0391 1

gonads Guanajibo 9.3910 0052 1

73 0362 2

30-33 em Anasco 13 0308 1

33-36 cm ARaseo 7853 0054 1

35.2. cm Desecheo 0305 000 ?

0 1013 0595 9

15-18 cm Tourmaline 0424 0008 1

18-21 em Tourmaline 1829 0137 1

Desecheo, 0912 0055 1

1Bahem = 1371 0192 2

21-2h cm Tourmaline .14K6 0091 1

Desecheo 0629 0022 5

2i-zh em +1038 013 6

2-27 em Desecheo 0835, 0054 1

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3-6 cm Mayaguez 0324 0.0 6

18-21 cm Tourmaline 0564 0006 1

1527 0034 10

6-9 em Afasco 0551 0018 4

9°12 cm Mayaguez an 0016 4

12-15 cm Mayaguez 1658 0.0 1

15-18 em Mayaguez 276 0.0 1

Digpterue sp. 0328 0051 "

3-6 cm Mayaguez 0298 0008 7

6-9 em Mayaguez 0269 0033 1

9-12 em Mayaguez 0325 0.0 5

12-15 em Mayaguez 0339 0009 1

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Diodon holacantua 0166 0.0 5

6-3 cm Joyuda 0159 0.0 4

9°12 em Joyuda 0172 0.0 1

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spinephelua gut 0526 2020514

Pea. Ostiones -0470 0027 1

La Parguera -0802 0004 1

118 em = 0636 0031 2

18-21 em Tourmaline 0464 0066 3

Pea. Ostiones -0458 0024 5

18-21. = 20461 0100 8

21-24 em Pra. Ostiones 0514 0047 4

0736 0278 4

21-Th cm Pa. Ostiones -0656 0002 1

2h-27 em Pta, Ostiones .1223 0039) 2

36-39 om Pta. Ostiones .0408 0237 1

Eusinostomas so. 0459 0.0 4

3-6 cm Guanajibo ?? .0380 0.0 3

6-9 em Guanajibo 0538 0.0 1

Buthyrnue 30. 30-33 cm Tourmaline 1369 0191 1

Hoeriton sp. 0623 0025 5

3-6 em Anasco 0548 0.0 2

6-3 cm Mayaguez 0757 0025 3

Havengula sp. 2128 os 7

6-3. em Mayaguez £1305 os

9-12 em Anasco 2953 0068 4

Lactophaye biaudalie 18-21 ?m Desecheo 0226 0025 1

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larimie brevicere 1572 0815 AB

0-3 cm Anasco 0230 0.0 | (0

3-6 em Anasco. 0353 00 13

6-9 em Afasco O75 018312

Mayaguez 120 0028 2

63 em = 0993, tL)

9-12 cm Ahasco 0551 0135, 5

Mayaguez 1576 0.0 3

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15-18 cm Nasco +3361 0552 1

18-21 em ARasco 4517 ont 1

15-18 cm Pta, Ostiones .0389 0013 1

lutganue foo Pea. Ost 1220 0091 1

Lutianue synagrie 0535 0038 7

3-6 om Mayaguez 0282 0014 3

6-9. em Joyuda nz 0047 2

Mayaguez 0677 0037 5

63 en - 0550 0074 7

9-12 em Mayaguez 0760 0010 1

ue 0614 20335 "

9°12 em Mayaguez 0837 0033 2

9-12 em Anasco 0310 0127 1

B12 em = 0824 0160 3

12-15 cm Mayaguez 0315 0014 2

15-18 cm Mayaguez 016 ors 1

18-21 cm Mayaguez 0580 0015 1

21-24 cm Mayaguez 0586 024 1

24-27 cm Mayaguer ost 0.0 2

30-33 cm ARasco 21387 0075 1

Pamulivue ange 0322 0172 6

21-24 cm Tourmaline 0373 0003 1

24-27 cm Tourmaline 0212 0009 1

27-30 cm Tourmaline 0366 0100 ?

30-33 cm Tourmaline .0346 0020 2

33-36 cm Tourmaline 0335 0034 3

Peo. Ostiones .0299, (0006 2

3336 em 0317 0040 5

Ponoaus sp. 0512 0370 \$50

0-3 cm Anasco 018 0050 200

3-6 om Afasco 0228 0056 50

6-9 em Afasco 0751 00K 236

Mayaguez 0259 0018 26

69 om = 0505 0064 262

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Poaneaus sp. 9-12 em Masco 1129) 0031 2

Mayaguez 0506 0.0 2B

912 en - 0818 0031 35

12-15 em Mayaguez 0564 0169 3

1234 0233 3

18-21 cm Tourmaline «1211 0025 1

18-21 cm La Parguera 1479 0088 1

- 1345, 0078 2

21-2h cm Tourmaline «1231 0032 1

24-24 em Desecheo +0951 ont 3

21-26 om - 1031 013 4

2h-27 cm La Parguera ? -1300 0012 3

© 1275 1070 28

3-6 cm ARasco 3312 0.0 2

Mayaguez 0071 0008 2

3-6 om - 1692 0008 23

6-3 em Ahasco 0921 001 1

9-12 em asco ont 0925 1

Mayaguez 1350 0126 3

93-12 em - 1036 1051 4

Pomacanthus ancuatus 27-30 cm Tourmaline 0424 0392 1

Ryptioue eaponaseue tou 0042 4

9-12 em Mayaguez 0757 0025 3

12-15 em Mayaguez 135 0017 1

Seamus eoemuteus 49.4 cm Tourmaline 1.226 0064 1

Seonberomorue segatie 42.2 cm Pra. Ostiones .0963, 0175 1

Selene vores 1063 0028 2

3-6 cm Mayaguez 0250 0.0 7

6-9 cm Mayaguez 21106 0.0 2

9-12 em Mayaguez 1832 0028 3

Sermanus lavivertyis 36 em Joyuda +0626 0.0 2

Sphacroides testulineus 3-6 em ?Afasco 0236 0.0 2

Steliffer sp. 21486 017 7

6-3 em Anasco 1262 20055 6

9-12 em Masco <1709 0092 6

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MEAN CONC.

SPECIES size___STATION (ug/a) STA. DEV. ___n

Stronbue gigae 1.36 kg Pea. Ostiones .0074 0043 18

Symphuarue amici 0529 0260 7

3-6 cm Afasco 0303 0.0 7

6-9 em Atasco 0520 0072 9

Mayaguez 0392 0.0 1

63 em 0456 0072 10

9-12 em Afasco. 077 0088 19

Mayaguez 20335 0035 2

- 05m 0123 2

?Anasco +0506 oot 6

Mayaguez 0610 0008 2

11S em = 0558 0050 8

15-18 cm Mayaguez 0822 0015 1

retoniueme Lepome 065% 0103 6

1821 cm Anasco 0356 0010 1

212k em ?Akasco 0283 2.0 1

2-27 em ARasco 0314 0110 1

Mayaguez 0224 0.0 1

227 em = 0269 0110 2

27-30 cm hasco <1 0016 1

48.8 cm Hayaguer 1948 0055 1

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TOURMALINE

PUNTA OSTIONES

LA PARGUERA

DESECHEO ISLAND

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GRAPHS SHOWING CORRELATIONS BETWEEN
ORGANISM SIZE AND MERCURY CONCENTRATION

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Hg concentration ug/g

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Fig 2

Bothus sp. $y = 0.143 + 0.109 Cx$?

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Length in em.

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Hg concentration ug/g

Hg concentration ug/g

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Fig. 2

Balistes vetula ?_y = $\sim .0562 + 0098 cx$)

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Centropomus undecimatis.

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$y = 1276 + 0.234Cx$

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Fig 6

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Cephalophotis ful

or, $Y = -0.287 + 0.03x$

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Length in em,

Diapterus sp

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Mg concentration ug/g

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Fig 7

Epinephelus guttatus

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16s. 195 225

Length incm

Spnepbetis striatus

Wg concentration 15/0

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25 255 285 3s 345

Length in em

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Hg concentration wag

Fig 8

arimus breviceps $y = -.0616 + 0.022660x$

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Length in em.

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Lutjanus synagris $y = .0067 + .0080x$

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as 75 ws 135

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Fig 11

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Peneaus sp.

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Fig 12

$y = 0097 + 0047 Cx >$

75 ws

Length in em.

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Fig. 13

y=.444-000860

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255

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Polydactylus_sp.

y=-2036 - 0109 60

as 75 ws

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Fig. 15

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Fig. 16

Symphurus_arawak

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Fig 17

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SAMPLE STATION MEAN CONC. (ug/i) STA. DEV. NOTES

? Anaseo <0.001 -

8 Anasco <0.001 -

a Mayaguez <0.001 -

6 Mayaguez <0.001 -

3A Punta Guanajibo ? <0,001 -

: Punta Guonajibo ? <0.00" -

?A soyuda <0.001 -

2 Joyuda <0,001 :

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APPENDIX TABLE 2

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SEDIMENT SAMPLE ANALYSIS

STATION EAN CONC. (ug/g) STA. DEV. _\ NOTES

?Araseo 0679 0.0

8 nasco 0677 20243

2h Mayaguez 1787 0087

28 Mayaguez mg 0004

3A Punta Guanajibo 0423 0126

3 Punta Guanajibo ? .0745 0.0

A toyuda 1036 ork

4s Jeyuda 1018 0.0

5 Punta Ostiones 0936 0123

6 Punta Ostiones 1005 sort

7 Punta Ost iones <0.003 0.0

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