

QUESTIONNAIRE ON THE USE OF ALGAL SUBSTITUTES AND THE REQUIREMENT FOR LIVE ALGAE IN HATCHERY AND NURSERY REARING OF BIVALVE MOLLUSKS

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In the frame work of a PhD thesis dealing with the use of artificial diets as an algal substitute for mollusks, the Laboratory of Aquaculture & Artemia Reference Center (State University of Ghent, Belgium) is organizing an inquiry which aims at drawing up an inventory of algal substitutes, their cost and applications, and their relative importance and cost-efficiency compared to live algae.

The questionnaire has been sent to more than 200 people who are involved in the practice of culturing bivalves. The results will be treated as part of the PhD work and a free copy of the resulting report will be sent to all those who are returning the form.

The questionnaire will be presented at Aquaculture Europe 1991 in Dublin under the form of a poster. The possibility will be offered to take copies of the form and to add your name to the mailing list for receiving the report.

The success of this questionnaire strongly depends on the cooperation and support from the people who are involved in the farming of bivalves. The authors hope that a common interest will result in a compilation of data that will be useful for many of you !

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