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## EDITOR'S REPORT ON TECHNIQUES IN MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES FOR 1993

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The most recent publications in the Techniques in Marine Environmental Sciences series were Numbers 13 to 16, published in November 1991.

The following two numbers are in press, with anticipated publication in mid- to late Autumn 1993:

- No. 17 Nutrients: Practical notes on determinations in sea water, by D. Kirkwood (UK).
- No. 18 Contaminants in marine organisms:

  Pooling strategies for monitoring mean concentrations, by M.D. Nicholson and R.J. Fryer (UK).

In addition, an initial version of a training guide for the identification of diseases and parasites of fish in the North Atlantic was submitted in 1992 by several members of the Working Group on Pathology and Diseases of Marine Organisms. No final version has yet been submitted, however.

The submission of additional manuscripts will depend on relevant activities in ICES environmental working groups, of which the main group presently working on the development of methods is the Working Group on the Biological Effects of Contaminants. Accordingly, I do not anticipate receiving more than two or three manuscripts per year for the next few years.

It has been proposed that the word ICES be included at the beginning of the title of this series to bring it into line with the titles of other series publications by ICES. I support this proposal.