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I VOLUME AND VALUE OF PRESENT PRODUCTION

A Major and minor producing countries.

UNIDO's Aide-Memoir for this meeting starts with an estimate of world seaweed production from which we can learn some basic essentials:

The three big ones: Japan, China and Republic Korea account for 69% of the tonnage harvested to a value of no less than 96.5% of the total world production.

The remaining 3.5% in value (31% in weight) has to be broken down on USSR, USA, UK and "Others", including a number of great non-tropical producers, e.g. Norway, Chile, France, Mexico, Canada, Portugal, Iceland. The conclusion is obvious: the seaweed production in the Tropics is a very small fraction of the present total world production.

From the same table we can also make an estimate of value/weight. I repeat the table with these figures entered (Table 1)

Table 1 Estimate of world seaweed production^{1/}

Location	10 ³ tonnes net weight	Value US\$ million	Value per t US \$
Japan	654	563.0	861
China	700	130.0	186
Korea (Republic)	224	45.0	201
	}=69%	}=96.5%	} 467
USA	126	1.9	15
USSR	100	5.8	58
UK	24	0.4	17
Others	572	18.9	33
	}=31%	}= 3.5%	} 33
TOTAL WORLD	2400x10³te.	765x106 US\$	

^{1/} Industrial Biotechnology, October/November 1985, p.73.

Far East seaweed products are worth 14 times as much per ton as those of the rest of the world. In the Far East algae are essentially used for human consumption, in the rest of the world

essentially for technical products. Any advice for developing countries should include this basic fact.

Behind the spectacular differences between and within the two production blocks another basic fact must be understood: brown algae (kelp) are very rich in biomass and are easy to harvest in pure stands of one species only. Therefore they can be produced at a very low price. Red algae are usually small as compared to brown and have a lower production per area unit. There is often a lot of work included in keeping natural or cultivated stands free from undesired species.

The difference between Japan and China - 4.6 to 1 in value - reflects a basic difference. The Japanese production is most diversified with a large number of different species and still more different products. Up to the seventies brown algae dominated in bulk, red by far in value. From the eighties red algae have passed also in quantities. China's seaweed production has been concentrated on one species only, Laminaria japonica. One or a few per cent of the production were red algae. Recently red algae have increased from 72 000 t in 1980 to 124 000 t in 1984 or 8% of the total wet weight quantity.

Maybe the observation is surprising that the lowest value per ton is paid for the US harvest followed by the UK. The low figures could be explained by the fact that these countries produce brown algae only. However, they may also reflect a general economic trend. US and UK industries are interested in very cheap raw material. Harvesting is mechanized to the point where the least number possible of people are occupied. Any harvesting enterprise which cannot produce at a low cost is unprofitable and will close down.

From FAO Yearbook of Fishery Statistics (Table 2 and Appendix) we learn that the three big in quantities also are the three big in increase: China in particular with regard to brown algae but now advancing to the fourth place in red, where the Philippines have recovered and hold the second place.

FAO Yearbook of Fishery Statistics. Catches and landings.

Countries with > 5000 t harvest

Thousands of metric tons

	1975	1977	1980	1983	1984
Brown seaweeds, total	786	892	2 470	2 298	2 393
Red	460	470	789	823	1 036
Green	2.5	2.5	9	19	8
Mixe	92	97	80	70	107
	1340	1461	3 348	3205	3 545
<u>BROWN</u>					
France	15.9	14.7	33.5	44.3	60.6
Iceland	1.4	3.8	9.9	15.8	16.8
Norway	60	57.5	126.8	136.7	136.4
UK, Scotland	26.2	22.3	60.7	10.4	10.7
S. Africa	45.5	54.4	10.6	12.3	3
China	959.6	1333.3	1517.4	1387.8	1504
Japan	294.7	306.3	292.7	329	301
Korea, Rep.	156.4	229.3	225.6	272	245
Mexico	27.5	41.7	23.3	3.3	19.7
USA	155.7	159.7	162.4	4.8	39
Chile	...	...	...	53.6	5.9
<u>RED</u>					
Canada	36.1	22.2	19.3	18.4	19.8
Portugal	...	...	13.2	13.2	17.4
Spain	5.2	5	6	3.6	4.1
Morocco	5	5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Argentina	16.7	20.7	14.3	10.3	7
China	...	...	72	100	124
Japan	290.2	290.7	367.5	371.2	409.4
Korea, Rep.	53.2	64.9	66.2	95.4	143.5
Indonesia	8.4	4.1	7.9	9.6	10.8
Philippines	0.07	0.15	115.7	132.7	145.
Mexico	4.4	17.6	10.3	7.7	10.9
Chile	30	30	74.5	136.8	123.8

The largest drop to be observed during the last ten years reported in statistics is that of USA, where 162 000 tons of brown algae were collected on the west coast in 1980 and barely 5 000 t three years later. S. Africa, UK and Chile have suffered great losses in brown seaweed, while France and Norway have gained a lot. Canada and Argentina have lost quantities in red, Chile has fourfolded its lot. Among various reasons which could explain the losses one is well known: increase in oil prices has made harvesting and transports more expensive, and in particular drum-drying.

In total, however, the trend is strong and steady upwards.

FAO has published "Seaweed Resources of the Ocean" (MICHANEK 1975), a review which surveys world resources by "Major fishing areas for statistical purposes" with breakdown on countries.

B CLIMATIC REGIONS AND SEAWEED PRODUCTION

Only two tropical countries have qualified to be entered into Tab 2, where only countries producing at least 5000 t have been included.

A well planned effort, economically and scientifically supported from the US has brought the Philippines to a second place in red algae production. Similar efforts more on their own has placed Indonesia on the list.

The importance of environmental factors is emphasized by a breakdown on climatic regions of 1978 world harvest figures (Tab.3)

Annual seaweed harvest (world total) related to climatic zones and expressed in terms of thousands of tons wet weight (Original)

Group of algae	Arctic and subarctic waters	Cold-temperate waters	Warm-temperate waters	Tropical waters	Percentage per algal group
Brown algae	—	1585	900	5	71%
Red algae	—	249	591	17	26%
Area percentage	—	51%	11%	1.5%	

Note: Not included are 2000 tons of green algae from warm-temperate waters (see South Korea) and 300 000 tons of 'maerl' which are coralline red algae in cold-temperate waters—but which are not 'seaweed'

Only 1.5% of the world seaweed harvest came from tropical waters. The dominance of the Far East is still more obvious, when the production is presented on a world map (Fig. 1)

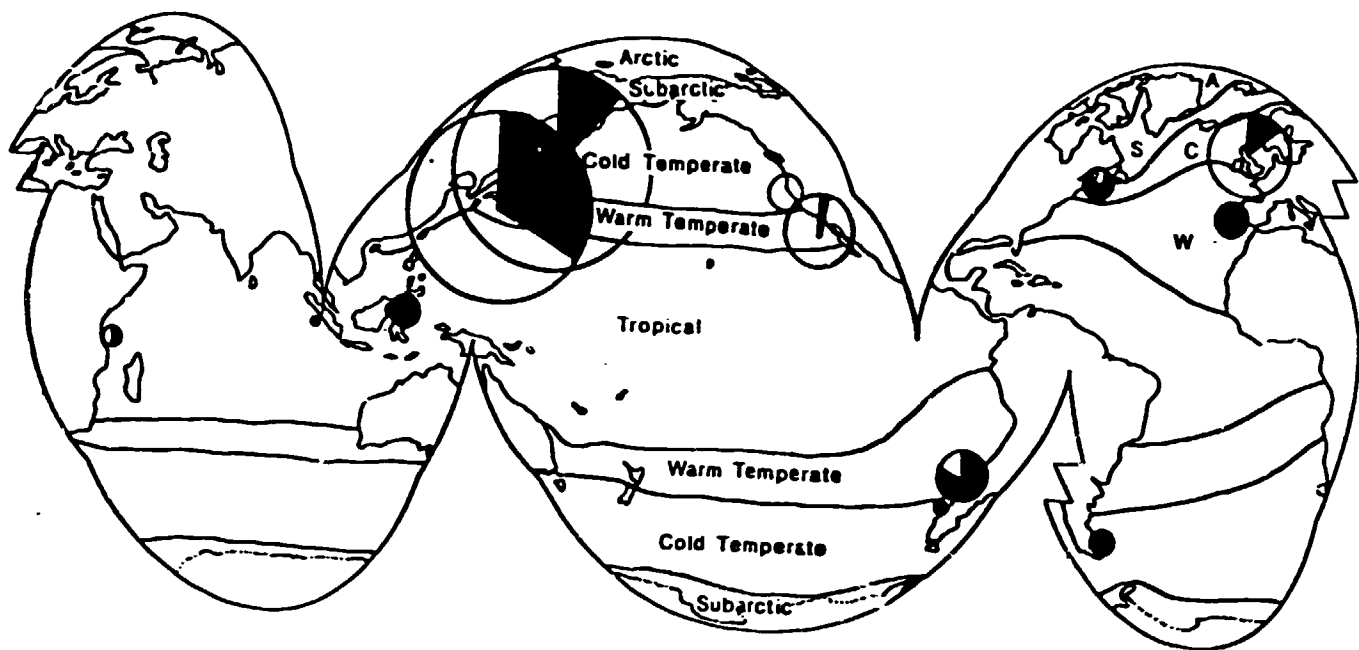


Fig. 1 World harvest of seaweed resources related to climatic regions.
 Black sectors red algae, white sectors brown algae
 A Arctic, S Subarctic, C Cold temperate, W Warm temperate, T Tropical
 From MICHANEK 1983.

These productions volumes demonstrate above all the demand for algae for food in the Orient, but also the advantage of industrialized countries before developing.

As the harvest depends not only on biomass but also on weather (storms, rain), distance, harvesting effort and market demand it would be interesting to compare actual harvest with potentially harvestable quantities. These figures were assessed from known natural beds, but also including, to a minor degree,

Estimated annual potential of harvestable seaweed. Thousands of tons wet weight. World total (Original)

Group of algae	Subarctic waters	Cold-temperate waters	Warm-temperate waters	Tropical waters	Percentage per algal group
Brown algae	150	13 610	1136	1045	91%
Red algae	—	322	912	106	9%
Area percentage	0.9%	10.7%	11.9%	0.1%	

Table 4. From MICHANEK 1983

estimates of the outcome of a reasonably increased mariculture in areas where such a trend is discernible (Table 4)

When outcome and estimate are compared, we find that some 50% of the resources of red algae are utilized, but only 16% of brown algae. Five-sixths of the world's unexploited seaweed resources are made up of 12 million tons of brown algae in cold waters. However, there is no demand for such quantities of alginophytes (unless they could be produced at a very low price). Phycocolloids from red algae are more in demand, and as labour is cheapest in the Tropics, present demand seems to favour tropical red algae from mariculture. As a rough estimate it was calculated that the tropical production of 47 000 t red algae in 1978 could by a considerable effort be raised to 106 000 t. This figure has already been passed by the Philippines alone: 145 000 t in 1984 with an additional 10 800 t from Indonesia.

C REGIONS AND VOLUMES OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

The production of alginate, carrageen and agar is geographically localized in different ways.

Alginate industry is found close to the large resources of Laminaria and Ascophyllum in Scotland, Norway, France and Japan and of giant kelp, Macrocystis and Nereocystis in California and Mexico (Fig.2). Its absence in the Tropics does not reflect technical difficulties to extract alginate, rather that comparable quantities of a suitable material is missing. However, Sargassum species and also Turbinaria can be used, and India produces alginates for textile printing at the Kathiawar peninsula.

Carrageenan is a high-tech product. Details of the manufacturing process are kept secret, in particular how to meet special requirements on gel strength, melting and setting temperatures. The factories are few and big and in industrialized countries: US, Denmark, France, smaller units in Spain and Japan. (Fig.3). The Philippines as only developing country has two companies producing carrageenan of a

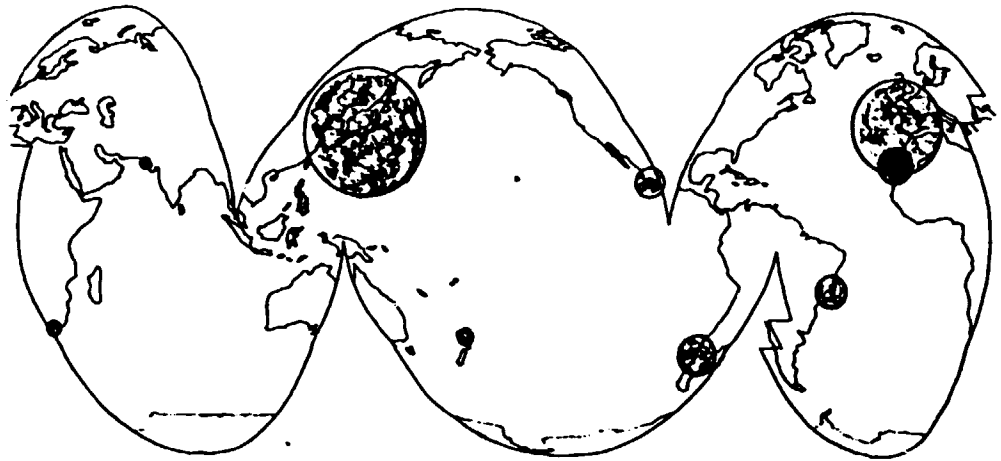


Fig. 2 World production of agar

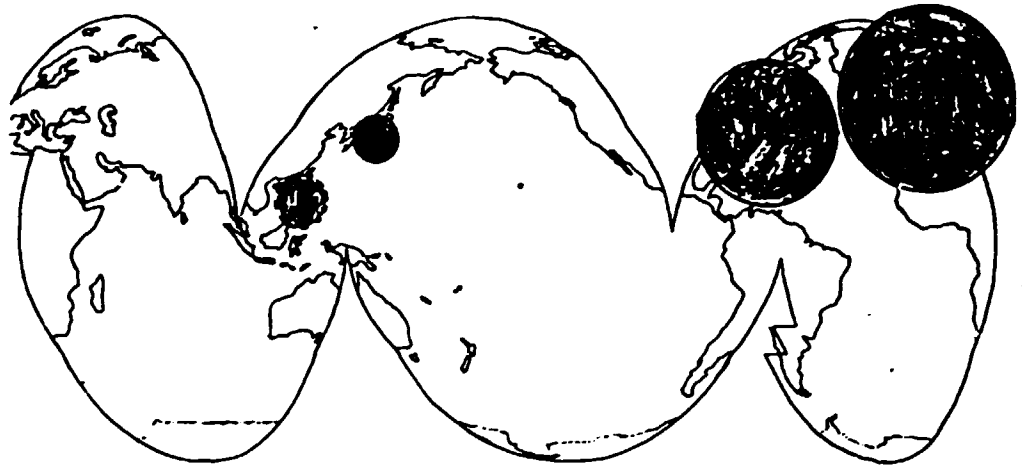


Fig. 3 World production of carrageenan (dotted line inferior quality)

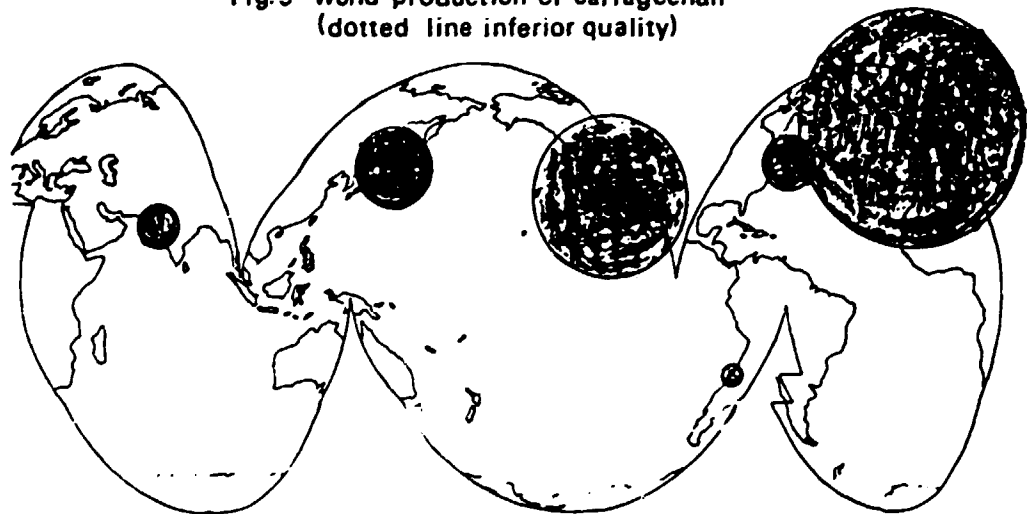


Fig. 4 World production of alginate

from MICHANEK 1984

lower quality.

Agar production is spread over the world. It is dominated by Japan, Republic of Korea and Spain (Fig.4), but also found in Portugal, Chile, Morocco, Mexico, Argentina, Taiwan, Brazil, France, S. Africa, New Zealand and India. There have been many more. During the world wars, when the Japanese monopoly production was cut off from world trade, small factories arose in most countries. Most of them had to close down when peacetime opened trade for competition.

D WORLD TRADE.

Quantities and values of the main phycocolloids are shown in diagrams (Fig.5,6)

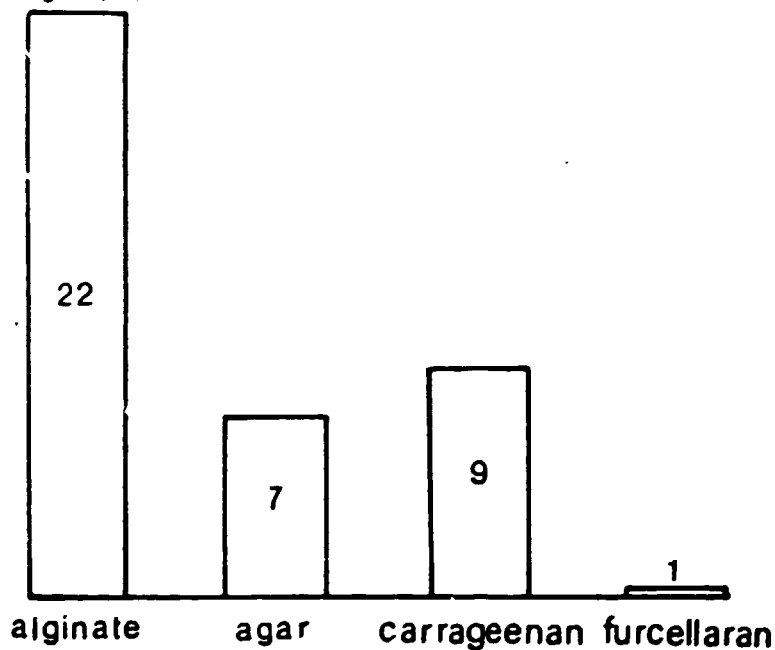


Fig.5. World trade in seaweed phycocolloids. Quantities in 1000t 1980.

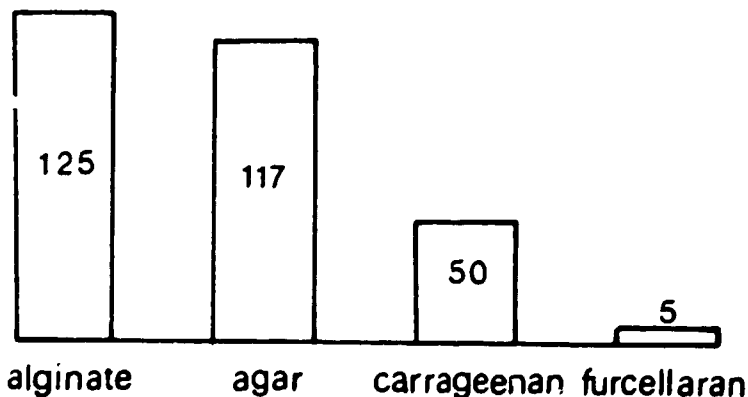


Fig.6. World trade in seaweed phycocolloids. Value in million US\$ 1980.

Alginates dominate in quantity, furcellaran is a relatively small commodity. Agar is three times as expensive as the other phycocolloids. Prices fluctuate and many users react on changes in relative prices by switching from one commodity to another. This includes not only algal products, phycocolloids, but all hydrocolloids, industrial gums, which can be used as emulsifiers and stabilizers, including gelatine, pectin and various forms of starch and cellulose (Tab.5)

TAB. 5

Phycocolloids compared to other hydrocolloids. Price and usage 1978.

	<u>US \$/kg</u>	<u>US usage t</u>
Gelling hydrocolloids		
Modified starch	0.60	91 000
Gelatine	3.30	6 000
Algin	4.40	360
Methyl cellulose	4.60	1 400
Pectin	5.15	1 800
Furcellaran	6.60	200
Kappa carrageenan	7.05	1 800
Agar	11.00	450
Agarose	350.00	3
Non-gelling hydrocolloids		
Modified starch	0.60	45 000
Carboxymethyl cellulose	2.20	7 300
Sodium alginate	4.95	1 800
Propylene glycol alginate	6.60	650
Lambda carrageenan	7.05	900

Data from Bixler 1979

The world trade is analyzed in a Pilot Survey of the World Seaweed Industry and Trade (ITC 1981).

II SEAWEED PRODUCTS

A Main uses

1 Human food

From much of what is written on seaweed utilization it appears that there is a strong push in favour of seaweed production for industrial demands but no such push for the alternative use for human consumption. There is a demand, however, also for seaweed food products, and it appears that Japan can swallow any new resource. As emphasized already in the introductory chapter seaweed prepared for human food are estimated at prices ten times higher or more than those produced for industrial purposes.

For export of food products the Japanese market is no longer the only alternative. In US and in Western Europe the "green wave" has brought an increasing interest in oriental cooking.

In addition to the direct use of dried algae for food there is also a considerable use of seaweed meal in bread and in health pills and of phycocolloids in food products such as icecream, milk and chocolate products. Origin, function, possible adverse effect and typical products are accounted for in Table 5.

For the home market in developing countries it should be most advisable to support a revival of old customs of eating algae which have often disappeared during this century.

As phycocolloids are known to bind heavy metals and their radioactive isotopes there is an increasing demand for seaweed as food also in Western countries.

2 Medicine and prevention.

Malnutrition is still a plague in great parts of the world and all seaweed are rich in microelements and vitamins and many of them have remarkably high protein values.

In particular they are known to form a remedy for goitre, "the easiest of all human diseases to prevent", which affects some 300 million people. In general goitre areas coincide with high mountains (Fig.7)

E FOR ADDITIVES		E FOR ADDITIVES	
E401	Sodium alginate	E405	Propane-1,2-diol alginate (Propylene glycol alginate; alginate ester)
<i>Origin</i>	Prepared from alginic acid (E-400) derived from brown seaweeds	<i>Origin</i>	Prepared from alginic acid derived from native brown seaweeds
<i>Function</i>	Stabilizing agent, suspending or thickening or emulsifying agent in the preparation of water-mixable pastes, creams and gels. Capable of emulsifying an equal volume of vegetable oil by simple agitation.	<i>Function</i>	Emulsifier or stabilizer, thickener, solvent for extracts, flavours or spices
<i>Adverse Effects</i>	No known toxicological problems	<i>Adverse Effects</i>	None known.
<i>Typical Products</i>	Desserts Puddings Pastry cheesecake mixes Ice cream Pastry cake mixes Processed cheese slices Barbecue sauce mixes Tinned fruit pie fillings	<i>Typical Products</i>	Thousand Island dressing Cottage cheese with salmon and cucumber Mint sauce Seafood dressing Capon salad
EMULSIFIERS, STABILIZERS AND OTHERS		EMULSIFIERS, STABILIZERS AND OTHERS	
E402	Potassium alginate	E406	Agar (agar-agar; Japanese Isinglass)
<i>Origin</i>	Prepared from alginic acid (E-400) derived from native brown seaweeds.	<i>Origin</i>	A naturally occurring derivative of the stems of seaweeds belonging to the red algae family, especially <i>Gelidium amansii</i> .
<i>Function</i>	Emulsifier; stabilizer; boiler water additive; gelling agent.	<i>Function</i>	Thickening agent, stabilizer and gelling agent.
<i>Adverse Effects</i>	None known.	<i>Adverse Effects</i>	Agar is not digested; large quantities of it may temporarily increase flatulence and distension or cause intestinal obstruction but it is likely that amounts in food are too small to produce these effects.
<i>Typical Products</i>	—	<i>Typical Products</i>	Thickening agent for ice cream and for glazing meats when a firm jelly is needed Frozen raspberry trifle
E403	Ammonium alginate	E FOR ADDITIVES	
<i>Origin</i>	Prepared from alginic acid (E-400) derived from native brown seaweeds.	E407	Carrageenan (Irish Moss)
<i>Function</i>	Emulsifier; stabilizer; diluent for colouring matter; thickener.	<i>Origin</i>	Natural extract of several seaweeds, notably Carrageen (<i>Chondrus crispus</i>).
<i>Adverse Effects</i>	None known.	<i>Function</i>	Emulsifying, thickening, suspending and gelling agent.
<i>Typical Products</i>	—	<i>Adverse Effects</i>	Reported to be the possible cause of ulcerative colitis and, when degraded, may be carcinogenic. The most harmful form is when taken in a drink (<i>Lancet</i> , 7 Feb. '81, p. 338).
E FOR ADDITIVES		<i>Typical Products</i>	Ice creams Desserts Jellified fruit juices Decorations on cakes Pastries Biscuits Blancmanges Chocolate products Cheeses Quick-setting jelly mix Milk shakes Spray cream Frozen trifle Salad dressings Sour cream Infant formula Alcoholic beverages
E404	Calcium alginate (Algin)		
<i>Origin</i>	Prepared from alginic acid (E-400) derived from native brown seaweeds		
<i>Function</i>	Emulsifier; stabilizer; thickening agent and gelling agent		
<i>Adverse Effects</i>	None known.		
<i>Typical Products</i>	Ice cream Synthetic cream		

Table 6. Phycocolloids as food additives

From Hanssen 1984, E for additives.

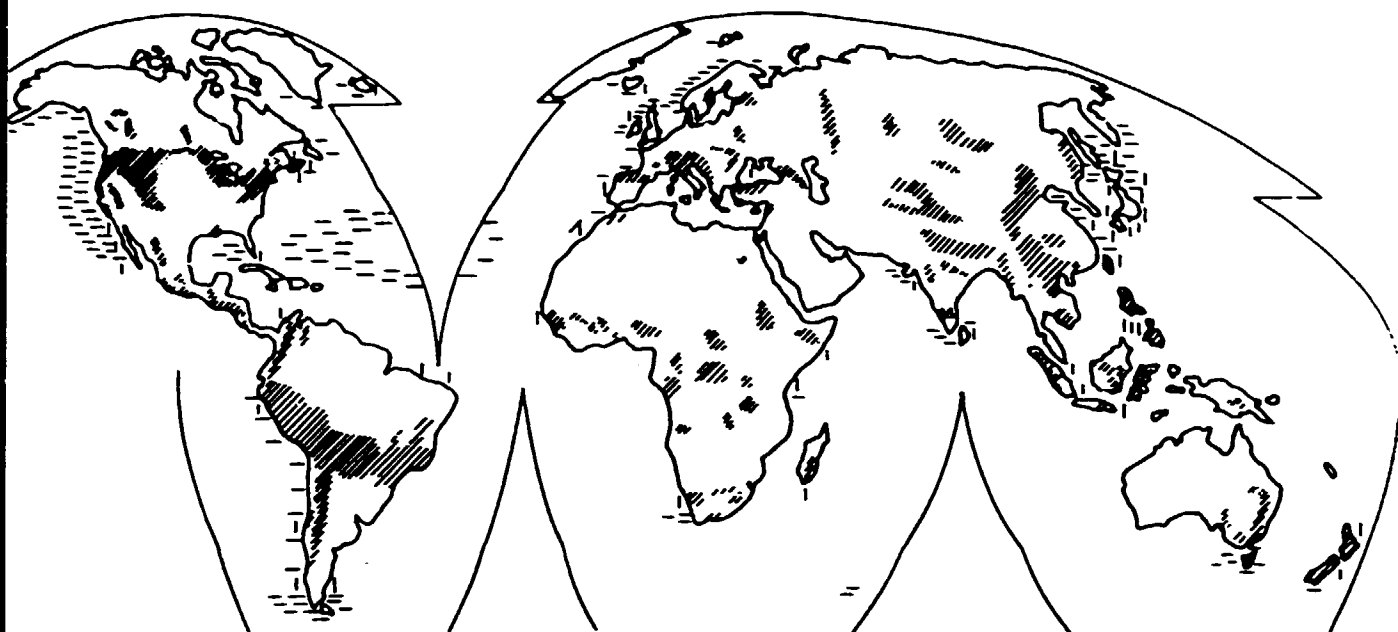


Fig. 7 Distribution of endemic goitre and of seaweed resources. Hatched: areas where endemic goitre has been found. (After KELLEY and SNEDDEN, 1960); horizontal dashes: areas rich in resources of brown algae; vertical dashes: areas rich in red algae. (From MICHANEK, 1979b; Goode Homoloxine Equal-area Projection; reproduced by permission of the University of Chicago)

" A need, a resource, a distance. Would it be possible to bridge the difficulties, including the introduction of a strange food-stuff? The last point would probably not present the most difficult problem. Pilot projects have already been carried through. Durvillea seaweed meal has been added to children's food in Chile in account of its high iodine content (Etcheverry 1953). There are also remnants of a competent folk medicine. Some Indian tribes in the Andean region used Phyllogigas as 'goitre sticks' to counter high incidence of thyroid enlargement. Sargassum bacciferum was also used by South American Indians to cure goitre (and renal disorders) (Schwimmer and Schwimmer 1955). In Peru the marine algae have formed part of the human diet since the pre-Inca and Inca periods. — — — These algae are still brought to the market places of the interior in considerable quantities (Acleto 1971). It seems reasonable to suggest that an attack on the goitre problem ~~in South America~~ should start with an ethno-botanical study of lost habits and surviving uses to explore the possibility of breathing new life into salutary old customs."

(from MICHANEK 1979, where pp 219-231 deal with the problem of endemic goitre.)

Algae in medicine are reviewed in "Seaweed resources for pharmaceutical uses" (MICHANEK 1979 = APPENDIX 2). Personal views were expressed in "Getting seaweed to where it's needed" (MICHANEK 1981 = APPENDIX 3)

Unfortunately, importers know what they want and can pay for it. Goitrous tribes in the mountains and beriberi victims in the plains may not even realize that they are sick, because everyone in their community is. They may know nothing about possible remedies and certainly they have a low purchasing power. They need help from their governments, and these need international assistance. In particular for inland countries like Zambia, Bolivia or Nepal help through seaweed would require action through UN agencies.

3 Industrial products.

Agar has a clear definition. The term should be reserved for phycocolloids from red algae, which are insoluble in cold water, but soluble in hot water. At 32° to 39°C, a 1.5% solution settles into a solid gel, which does not melt until at 85°C. Related phycocolloids, like phyllophoran, which do not completely comply with the definition, are called agaroids, a term which often includes Gracilaria gum.

This definition is necessary, because in nature agar consists of mixtures of polysaccharides with the same backbone structure; mainly neutral agarose, but also pyruvated agarose and some sulphated galactan. (YAPHE and DUCKWORTH 1972). Sulphated members of the family are non-gelling, viscous, and agar quality depends on the proportions of neutral agar and some sulphated galactans. As an example, Kobe-agar has a stronger gelling power, Yokohama-agar a better solubility

The common view is, that the rich variety of properties is the reason for the demand of phycocolloids in food industry and in the cosmetic market, and that the more purified and the more exactly defined a product is, the better.

Carrageenan contains sulfate groups, which pure agar does not. Carrageenans therefore are chemically active, while the best agar is uncharged.

In nature the sexual generation of Irish moss cannot be distinguished morphologically from the spore-producing generation. In the lab it can, also in a chemical lab, because kappa-carrageenan is predominant in sexual plants and lambda carrageenan in the spore-producing. For a merchandize the difference is enormous; kappa-carrageenan means highest gelling quality, lambda-carrageenan means no gelling. The first commercial reaction on the finding was, that kappa-carrageenan was wanted, lambda-carrageenan unwanted. It is surprising to find that both are sold at the same price (Table 5).

Alginic acid is the most useful polysaccharide, produced by brown algae. To a non-chemist "acid" sounds to be something basically different from "sugar". Actually the difference is small; the single carbon, which has its place outside the carbon-oxygen ring, forms a $-CH_2OH$ group in a sugar molecule, while in brown algae this group is replaced by the functional group of acids, $-COOH$. The single units will therefore be called mannuronic acid and guluronic acid. They have a tendency to appear in blocks of about 20 units, each followed by a block of the other acid, these blocks interspersed by sections of mixtures. Guluronic acid has a strong affinity for Ca^{++} ions, and gel strength is depending on the combination of units in the polymere, as calcium ions fill into folds of the guluronic acid chains, stabilizing the whole structure (PERCIVAL 1979).

A property of practical value is, that alginic acid or sodium alginate, which form viscuous solutions, can be made to gel by the addition of calcium ions. The gel strength can be varied by control of the pH.

This rich variation within the phycocolloids has consequences not only for gel strength but also for all other qualities of gels and emulsifiers such as solubility (ROECK-HOLTZHAUER 1970)

Production methods are scematically described in flow sneets for alginic acid (Fig.8) and for agar production (Fig.9).

FAO published a study on "Production, Trade and Utilization of Seaweeds and Seaweed Products." (NAYLOR 1976).

International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT published a "Pilot Survey of the World Seaweed Industry and Trade" in 1981. This excellent study reviews:

Production by countries of seaweeds for agar, alginate, carrageenan	p.11
Production capacities by countries of agar, alginate, carrageenan	p.12
Exports by countries of agar, alginate, carrageenan	p.13
Prices of agar, alginate, carrageenan	p.17 -19
Prices of Gelidium, Gracilaria, Eucheuma et.al.	22 -24
Markets for agar, alginate, carrageenan	27-29, 34-36, 41 -44
Industry and trade in selected countries	49-75
Manufacture of agar, alginates, carrageenan	79 -84

ADB/FAO INFOFISH devoted their Market report 6 to "The World Seaweed Industry and Trade. Developing Asian Producers and Prospects for Greater Participation (McHUGH and LANIER 1983). A review of the world seaweed industry is followed by studies of India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Republic of Korea, Philippines and Sri Lanka (Appendix 4).

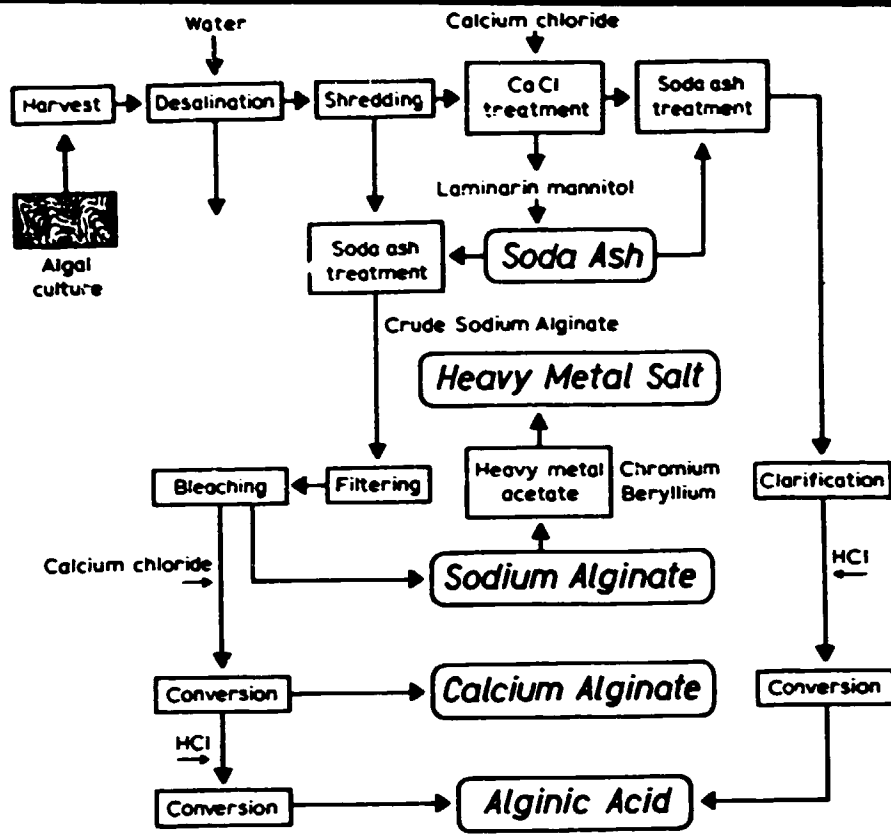


Fig. 8. Schematic for alginic acid production.

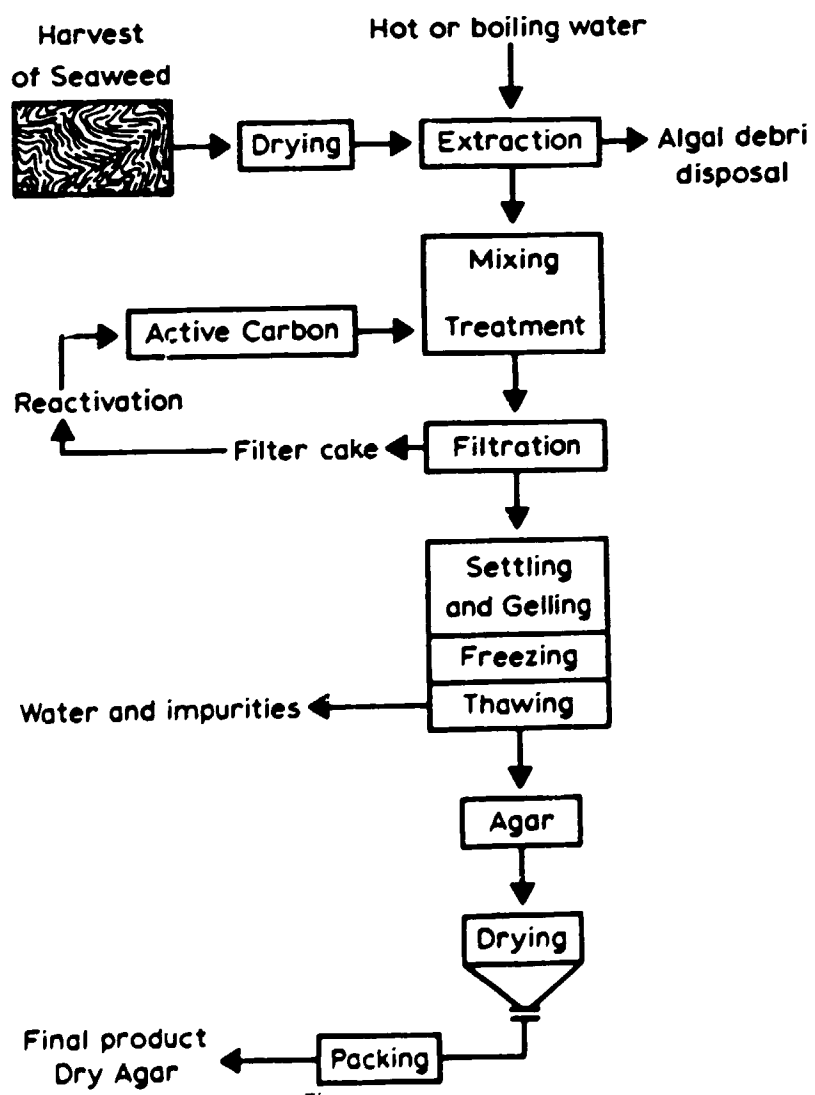


Fig. 9. Agar production from seaweed.

from Vilesky, Zajic and Knetik 1970

4 Fodder

There is a remarkable discrepancy between the very favourable results obtained at a number of investigations with seaweed as fodder and the totally low number of such investigations.

5 Manure and foliar spray

SENN and KINGMAN (1978) reviewed more than 20 years of research concerned with seaweeds for agricultural usage, as well as for greenhouse and other horticultural crops. Among the numerous examples that can be mentioned, liquid spray of Ascophyllum nodosum resulted in significant increases in soluble solids of tomatoes, protein content of soyabean, and even in the quality of Chrysanthemum. The observed physiological responses exceeded those explainable on the basis of known chemical seaweed composition.

Seaweed as manure and soil conditioner has been objective for some studies. The results are either extraordinary in favour of seaweeds before other kinds of manure or they show no difference at all. An explanation could be that on soils poor in one or more micronutrients the effect is as strong as determined by Liebig's law; on soils rich in such elements the effect may be none.

Another component of value is that phycocolloids have a high capacity of retaining water and can help plants overcome a drought period.

B Identification of useful species

"List of multicellular algae of commercial use" (BONOTTO 1976) enumerates 341 species (27 green, 87 brown and 227 red algae) APPENDIX 5

„Drogenkunde" (HOPPE 1977) gives an annotated review, rich in references of 375 algae (28 green, 104 brown and 243 red), which are mentioned in literature as used in pharmacology or in folk medicine. The same author gives a similar presentation in LEVRING, HOPPE, SCHMID 1969.

The correct naming of a number of commercially interesting algae is a great problem. *Chondrus* should mean *Chondrus crispus* which is also known under the trade name 'Irish moss'. However, a shipment of 'Irish Moss' from Canada may well contain a mixture of *C. crispus* and *Gigartina stellata* which has a very similar appearance and occurs in similar or identical localities. In each of the genera *Euclima* and *Hypnea* more than 20 species names are being used. Most species are difficult to determine taxonomically even for a specialist and some are known to be confusing. 'Zanzibar Weed' is the trade name for a mixture of *Euclima* species. One of these is referred to by commercial firms as *E. cottonii*, but is probably *E. striatum*. Another one, commercially sold as *E. setta*, was identified as *E. spinosum* (MSHIGENI, 1973). The agaroid *Gracilaria* is found in commercial quantities all around the world. The common type is called *G. verrucosa* (syn: *G. confertoides*). However, it is very much doubted whether the *Gracilaria verrucosa* found in Chile, Florida, the Mediterranean Sea, India, Thailand, Philippines, Taiwan, Japan, South Africa, and Australia is indeed the same species.

A long-desired investigation of confusions in some of the most important commercial genera was recently performed (ABBOT and NORRIS 1985):

C Chemistry of phycocolloids

see also II A 3 Industrial products.

Various handbooks treat the subject, e.g.

Physiology and Biochemistry of Algae (Lewin 1962)

Marine algae: a survey of research and utilization (Levring-Hoppe-Schmid 1969)

Handbook of Water-Soluble Gums and Resins (DAVIDSON 1980)

Important papers for the understanding of present conceptions are REES 1972, YAPHE and DUCKWORTH 1972.

Progress is fast and for correct details it is recommended to consult recent papers, e.g. PERCIVAL 1979, GYIRY (1979), LARSEN (1981), HANSEN; PACKARD and DOYLE (1981), ABBOT and CHENEY (1982).

While starch is very monotonously built up by maybe 25, maybe 1000 identical α -glucose sugar units, and cellulose by 10 000 identical β -glucose, gums from red algae are polymerized from a variety of different sugars, essentially galactoses and related compounds, like galactose sulfate, anhydrogalactose, methyl-galactose, galactopyranose and so on, causing a very rich variety of polymers with different qualities (Tab. 7). Occasionally rhamnose, xylose and other sugars are included. The proportions and arrangements of these units differ from different genera, species, nuclear phases and local collects.

TAB. 7 Chemical structure of phycocolloids

<u>Polysaccharid</u>	<u>Predominant units</u>	<u>% Ester sulfate</u>
A. <u>Red algae</u>		
Agarose	D-galactose	little or none
Hypnean Furcellaran	D-galactose D-galactose sulfate 3,6-anhydro-D-galactose	12 - 16 %
Kappa carrageenan	D-galactose-4-sulfate 3,6-anhydro-D-galactose	20 - 25 %
Lambda carrageenan	D-galactose-2-sulfate D-galactose-2,6-disulfate	30 - 35 %
B. <u>Brown algae</u>		
Alginate acid	β -D-mannuronic acid α -L-guluronic acid	none
"Algin"	Na-alginate	none
"Alginate"	Ca-alginate and other salts of alginate acid	none
"Fucan"	A family of polymers containing galactose, mannose, xylose and glucose	contain ester sulfate

With this rich variety in chemical forms follows a great variety in uses (Tab.8).

TAB. 8

Properties and utilization of phycocolloids

	<u>Properties</u>	<u>Utilization</u>
Agar	Forms well defined gels uncharged (chemically indifferent)	Food 12-14%, bacteriological culture medium (suppositories, laxative, creams, lotions)
Agarose	Same, purified from a small sulphated fraction	
"Danish agar" (= furcellaran)	Forms strong gels, withstands autoclavation	>90% in foodstuffs, tablet disintegrators, emulsifier in pharm. prep., tooth pastes
Kappa carrageenan.	More sulphur, more ash than agar. Forms a variety of gels, which can be "tailor-made" to control texture, mouth-feel, stability, solubility ... withstands autoclavation	Food, ice-cream, pet food, suspending cocoa in milk, suspending fat in evaporated milk. Dental impressions, smoother in shampoos, hydrating agent in lotions, creams
Lambda carrageenan	Does not form gels. Thickens solutions by increasing viscosity	Lotions
"Algin"	Extremely viscous solution. Hydrophobic, can be made to gel by addition of Ca.	Dairy and bakery industries. Paper industry. Shampoos, lotions
Alginates	Form gels, thickens, disperses. Show good acceptability with starch, dextrin, pectin, glycerin, methyl-cellulose. Gel strength can be varied by control of pH	Textile printing 50%. Food 30 %. Pharmaceuticals 5%. Thickener in medicines.
Propylene glycol alginate	Readily soluble. High viscosity at low concentrations. Not gelled by acid ions.	Stabilizer in dressings, sauces and frozen fruit
"Fucan" (Fucoidan, Funoran, Laminarin)		Anticoagulant activity. Sizing, hairwaving preparations. Surgical dusting powder, tumour inhibiting effects

D Biology of useful species.

The life history of most algae includes a change between a sexual generation forming gametes and one or more asexual sporophyte stages. In Porphyra one of the sporophyte generations lives in mussel shells. This discovery made it possible to cultivate the microalgae belonging to the winter phase and to produce large quantities of spores, which could be seeded on ropes or nets. Artificial seeding almost doubled the production in 1959 of 1 800 million sheets of nori to 3 500 million sheets in 1960 and enabled the deep freezing technique for young plants, which rose production to 4 500 million sheets in 1964. The release of spores can be controlled by temperature, light intensity, length of daylight and chemically (MICHANEK ¹⁹⁷⁵ ~~1975~~ pp 89-91).

The fact that Chondrus crispus, Irish moss, produces high-gelling kappa-carrageenan and non-gelling lambda-carrageenan in sexual plants and in spore-producing respectively was mentioned in II C 2. Studies of life-cycles, fertility and seasonal variations in biomass, phycocolloid content and quality are necessary for a successful cultivation of commercial species:

Table 9 Hypnea musciformis in India

Quantities high only in	Dec	Jan	Feb		
Hypnean content high only in		(Jan)	Feb	Mar	
Gel strength high only in				Mar	Apr

A considerable part of the phycological literature deals with biological problems of the algae. An early treatise was given by BONEY (1965). During the years numerous papers were published in the proceedings of the International Seaweed Symposia. A periodical with a particular ambition to cover utilization aspects was *Botanic Marina*.

Changes in temperature and light will rapidly change the chemistry of the cell wall, which explains differences in agar quality between winter and spring.

Another biochemical observation of a commercial interest is that on the same tidal coast the red algae which emerge for a long time produce agar with galactans heavily loaded with sulphates while other plants of the same species, which have grown immersed for a long time do not. (BODARD, CHRISTIAEN and STAEDLER 1984).

In conclusion an agar manufacturer could amend his quality by collecting raw material from greater depth or during neap tides. He could also increase gel strength of his agar by submersing lots of agarophytes, collected at higher levels, for a time before starting the extraction.

To a biologist it is a fascinating point, that a plant can adapt itself to severe conditions, like wave action, by producing stiffer gels. This is achieved, biochemically, by the removal of "kinks" in the polysaccharide chain, which permits more extensive double helix formation, which in its turn results in a more compact, rigid gel framework (PERCIVAL 1979). A manufacturer could either treat separately lots harvested from very exposed shores or also amend quality by adding the enzyme which is capable of removing the "Kinks".

Ecological factors of importance for seaweed production in the Tropics are dealt with in MICHANEK 1983 pp.800-810.

III TECHNOLOGY FOR GROWTH AND HARVESTING

Recent reviews are given by HANSEN, PACKARD AND DOYLE 1981, and by MATHIESON 1982. Area reviews with a general interest are given for Indonesia (MURABAK 1980), China (TSENG 1981) and for East Africa (MSHIGENI 1983)

A A capital intense exemple: California.

Along the coast of California rich natural stands of giant kelp Macrocystis, grow at such depths, that they can be harvested directly from large vessels engulfing the canopies floating on the surface. This rich biomass, rapidly recovering after each harvest, in combination with the high technology of the area created the conditions for an industry. In the 1940's the kelp beds started to deteriorate, intense studies were conducted and from the 1960's millions of dollars were spent on a research and restoration program. There is a rich literature on control of predator, transplant technique and mass culture.

In Tasmania similar beds of Macrocystis were likewise harvested by a specially designed vessel, which cut the weed at a depth of 1.2 m below surface. In spite of large quantities and high technology the company collapsed. The Californian harvest declined from 155 - 160 000 t in the 70's to 5 000 t in 1983 and 39 000 t in 1984 (Table 2 and Appendix) High levels of arsenic and mercury has made the sale of a Californian "health product" forbidden in Sweden. Even if the full reasons are not known, the decline shows how vulnerable even a high technique enterprise may be.

B A labour intense exemple: Brazil

As unemployment is a severe problem in the northern states of Brazil, a seaweed company was organized some years ago with the obligation to provide work for 4 000 people. New governmental support was granted under condition that 10 000 people were employed later the obligation was raised to 24 000 collectors. These gathered

4 000 t of agarophytes, 50 000 t of alginophytes and 45 000 t of unspecified seaweed a year. No scientist advised on optimal harvesting and resource conservation. The company collapsed.

Is this an example of what we have to expect in other, comparable areas: Seaweed enterprises are started and developed not based on considerations of supply and demand but on employment policy desires?

C Fishing of wild crop or mariculture?

Fishing of wild crop has dominated all seaweed production except the Japanese nori cultivation. It is still of importance for brown algae, while the production of red algae has shifted abruptly to mariculture. The main reasons are: 1/ with ropes, nets and rafts coastal waters can be used at greater depths and independent of suitable substratum 2/ mariculture gives the possibility to favour the desired species by growing its spores and by combating competing species, 3/ in many countries wild crops are common property, while a cultivation is always owned by the sea farmer. Actually this last reason is most important as whenever seaweed harvesting is successful and prosperous it attracts lots of people who arrive at the best season and usually overharvest the growth to the point where further work is very little profitable.

In Chile Gracilaria collection became an occupation of last resource. When mines closed down, the unemployed found no other chances, which led to conflicts with the settled fishermen. Any similar situation will cause problems for a government: to balance the need for work of unemployed against the desire to let the established fishermen reach a satisfactory standard of living. As mariculture cannot occupy all - the world needs hundreds of millions of new jobs - there is no sense in promoting situations, which will most likely result in overharvesting and finally less job. The policy for governments in coastal countries must be to plan for a development of mariculture by regional plans for the use of coastal

areas, by regulations, and of course by promoting research on useful species, their biology and cultivation.

Mariculture in this context is not only the culture of seaweed, but also of fish, shrimps and mussels. In many cases there is a favourable interaction: algae increase oxygen in water, animals release phosphates and nitrates through their fecalia. A dense growth of algae gives food and protection for fish fry or for a host of small animals which feed wild or cultivated fish. See also polyculture III D 10.

D Technologies used for growing of marine algae.

1 Habitat manipulation.

Seaweed fishermen have old traditions to help desired species by weeding the bottoms from undesired ones. On soft bottoms rocks are planted. In Japan stone-planting has been practised for 300 years. Very big stones are necessary, usually between 600 and 700 kg, in order to stand against wave action on open coasts. Concrete boulders and cementing over existing rocks are also practices and is still the basis of Gloiopeltis cultivation in Japan. This genus occurs in a narrow tidal level range where the substrate can be extended by filling low crevices creating a flat shelf.

In Chile iron nets were placed on sand bottoms as substrate for Gracilaria. A drawback is that iron has short survival in sea water.

2 Ropes, nets and rafts.

World seaweed production has totally changed over a short period with the introduction of artificial substrates. As mentioned III C this means in particular economically private ownership of the growths, the possibility to use vast areas of the sea, which would otherwise not produce any macroalgae and the possibility to grow particular species or even selected strains of these. Further it gives the chance to enhance growth by adding nutrients and by bringing the cultures to the surface or to the level where growth

conditions are optimal.

The shift to cultivation technique started in Japan 1938-47 with the introduction of horizontal nets for Porphyra, their economically most important alga. In addition to the advantages mentioned the nets could be placed at such a level that at low water they remained hanging in the air, which killed competing green algae, while Porphyra has an extreme capacity of surviving desiccation.

In the Philippines overharvesting depleted the resources of Eucheuma which had given work to many people. A project was started with US assistance and with research and farming as main components. From this activity emanates two posters on how to bring information to the public, which cannot be quoted too often. (Fig. 10, 11)

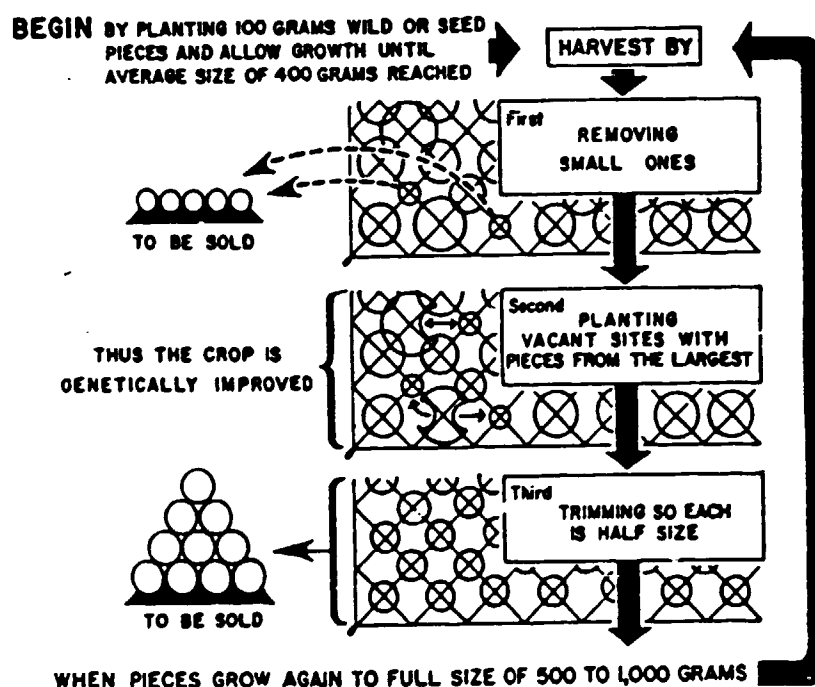


Fig. 10. Net unit method of Eucheuma farming: once begun in a non-seasonal area the harvest and regrowth cycle (broad arrows at right) can be repeated about once a month. With this method genetic improvement of a strain especially suited to higher productivity at particular site is continuous.

EUCHEUMA FARMS ARE

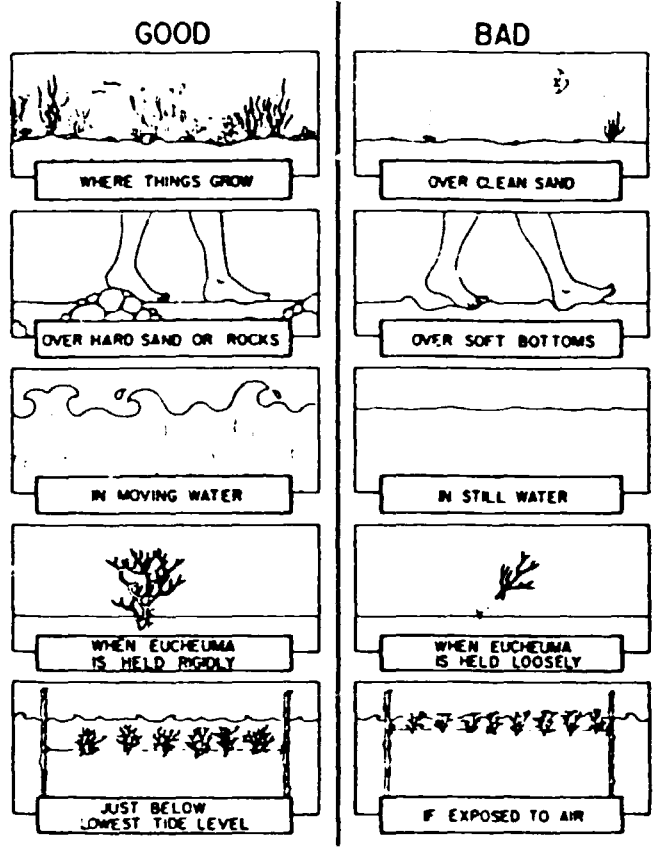


Fig. 11. Poster produced as aid in teaching selection of sites for Eucheuma farms (also produced in 8 1/2 by 11 inch pads with no words for use of teachers in different colloquial language areas). When sent home with students as a homework assignment, the information is spread to adults in the communities.

from DOTY 1973, DOTY 1977.

Normally Eucheuma grows continuously and can be propagated vegetatively: when a plant has grown to 800 g or 1 kg it is pruned back to 200 g and just left to continue growing. However, if light is too strong, as it may be over a shallow sand bottom, a phenomenon of "ageinf" occurs and the plants have to be replaced by fresh material.

3 Sowing of spores.

In its natural habitat the water column may contain sufficient of spores to provide a dense culture on lines and nets. Sometimes it fails, and sometimes lots of other species are merging into the

desired growth. In 1949 a study of "Conchocelis", an almost microscopic shell-boring red alga revealed that actually this is a stage in the life-cycle of Porphyra. Now oyster shells are collected, cleaned, infected with spores and submersed in grat hatchery ponds, where nets and lines can be dropped at the proper time and sown with spores.

4 Vegetative propagation.

As mentioned for Euclima (III D 2 and fig 10) vegetative propagation is preferable when it is feasible, which is the case with two more economically important red algae: Chondrus and Gracilaria. In nature it is a rule to leave during harvesting the parts which may most rapidly recover into new plants. In culture it is possible to tear large plants into pieces and let them continue to grow.

5 Tank cultures and greenhouse cultivation.

Considering that open-sea seaweed resources are estimated at 17 million tons annually one wonders what a few tanks could add to that quantity. For particular growths, however, controlled conditions are essential. In Chondrus for example a vegetative cultivation in suspended culture produces the desired kappa-carrageenan. A fast-growing strain is found, which fragments spontaneously, when it reaches the size where it should otherwise have had to be torn into pieces.

In Canada tank cultivation in greenhouses is thought to be a suitable spare-time occupation for fishermen and their families.

6 Upgrading

Other advantages with tank cultivation is the possibility of nutrient addition -- and of nutrient starvation. If a growth is given all nutrients except for nitrogen, it cannot form protein. Among the proteins necessary for a plant are the enzymes which form chlorophyll, phycocyan and other assimilation pigments. A nitrogen-starved alga will very soon lose its colour. To the manufacturer

starved alga will very soon lose its colour. To the manufacturer bleaching of his product is expensive, he is willing to pay more for a naturally bleached shipment. Further, when the possibility for the alga to form proteins is blocked, it will increase its carbohydrate content - which is an advantage if the crop is to be used for the extraction of phycocolloids.

7 Pond cultivation and polyculture.

Pond cultivation is suitable for Gracilaria which thrives well in brackish waters. In Taiwan there are considerable areas with ponds which are used for polyculture algae/milkfish or algae/shrimps.

8 Waste recycling.

An application of polyculture systems has the primary aim to remove nutrients from sewage. One of the greatest human wastes is that of waste water. Enormous quantities of nutrients are dumped into rivers and seas where they cause a series of problems. Reasonably they should be brought back to agriculture, and, where this is not feasible, be used in aquaculture and mariculture. A large number of studies has been performed, for references see MICHANEK 1978. See also MATHIESON 1982, Polyculture p 51-53.

9 Bio-gas through large-scale ocean farming or small-scale family units?

In the shadow of the oil crises methane production from algal biomass was tried and a system for extensive cultivation in "marine farms" was designed. The pilot plant broke during the first storm and large-scale fermentation plants did not succeed economically. When oil resources were found to be greater than expected interest in ocean farming went out of focus. Artificial upwelling was one part of the ocean farm concept, wave energy another. If these two basic prerequisites will be solved, the idea may attract new interest.

Small-scale plants on the other hand have been most successful in the warm-temperate parts of China. In country-side areas, where energy has to be produced locally, a large number of fermentation chambers has been constructed. In Szechwan there were 30 000 units in 1973, 410 000 in mid-75 and in August 1976 2.8 million farmers in Szechwan had their own biogas for light and cooking (IVA 1976). The gas produced has an energy value of 5 300 to 6 300 kcal/m³ (pure methane gives 9 345 kcal/m³), and in addition the process gives an organic manure of a very high quality

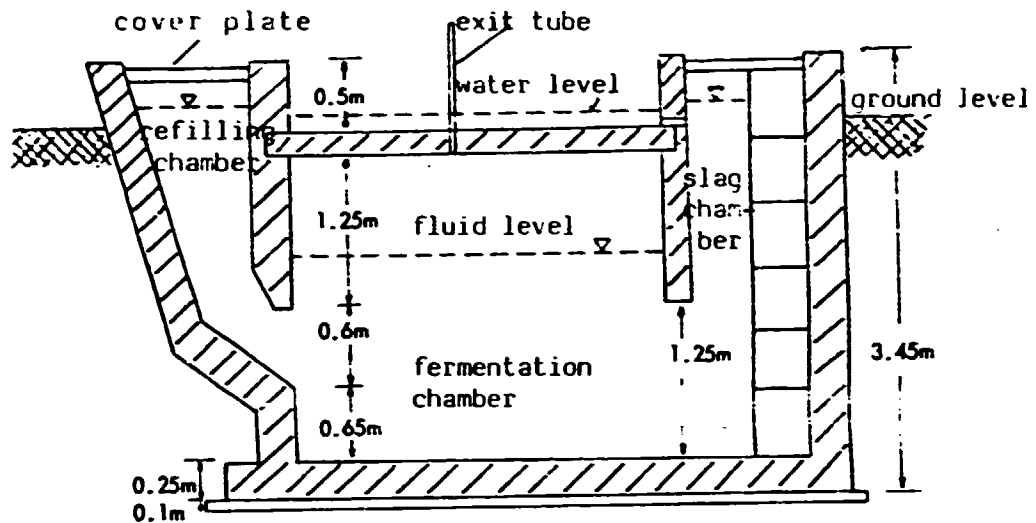


Fig.12 Profile of a typical biogas plant from Szechwan (not to scale)
 Water flow through a narrow hole ($\varnothing = 5 \text{ mm}$) in the wall between fermentation- and slag chamber effects a stable pressure in the plant. The exit tube is from metal or hard plastic, ca 1 m long and with an inner diameter ca 2 mm.

A typical plant (Fig.12) of $10\text{--}15 \text{ m}^3$ consists of three chambers for refilling, fermentation and slag products. It requires a good 100 kg of cement and the price was in 1976 about US\$ 13. The best combination of added material was 10% "human garbage", 30% "animal garbage", 10% grass 50% water or 20% "human", 30% pig manure and urine, 50% water. The content should be stirred regularly and the chambers carefully cleaned twice a year. Methanogenic bacteria propagate very slowly and are very sensitive to environmental factors. At "mesophilic fermentation" optimal temperature is $28\text{--}45^\circ\text{C}$ and should not fluctuate more than 2°C . "Thermophilic fermentation" at $55\text{--}60^\circ\text{C}$ is still more sensitive to temperature. The pH should be neutral, 6.8-7.4. Where large quantities of algae are cast ashore, these could contribute largely to the biomass raw material. If seaweed wracks contain living algae, this could include a hazard, as algae produce biocides to protect themselves from bacteria. Therefore they should be sundried before utilization.

10 Microalgae

An astonishing high proportion of academic and governmental resources for studies on algae for food has been spent on research on microalgae. These may under favourable conditions reach very high protein production per area unit. This, however demands high technology and a high level of control measures. It appears that most projects have functioned as long as the experts were present and research money available. It is doubtful if at present any such project is surviving in free competition on the open market. Most promising are microalgae cultivation in the Israel desert and - due to very high prices for the product - Spirulina cultivation in Mexico, Japan and other places.

Rich information on the subject is found in the publications of World Mariculture Society, European Mariculture Society and in a textbook with the misleading title "Algae Biomass" (SHELEF and SOEDER 1980).

11 Summary

A matrix of necessary activities and considerations for successful mariculture is quoted (Tab.10)

E. TECHNOLOGIES USED FOR HARVESTING OF MARINE ALGAE

1. Beach collection

Stranded and floating material is often made up of a mixture of numerous species and therefore not suitable for food or as industrial raw material. It is used all over the world for manure and is especially valuable where the soil is poor in micronutrients, on rock islands where there is no or little soil, and in arid zones with mineral soils poor in organic material. Due to high water-holding capacity seaweed manure is a very good soil conditioner.

In certain areas one species is so dominating that wracks of stranded seaweed may be more or less monospecific. This is the rule in Gracilaria areas. As this alga can grow on sand bottoms, it has no competitors. When it grows in estuaries, there are usually no or few other species, which endure the brackish water.

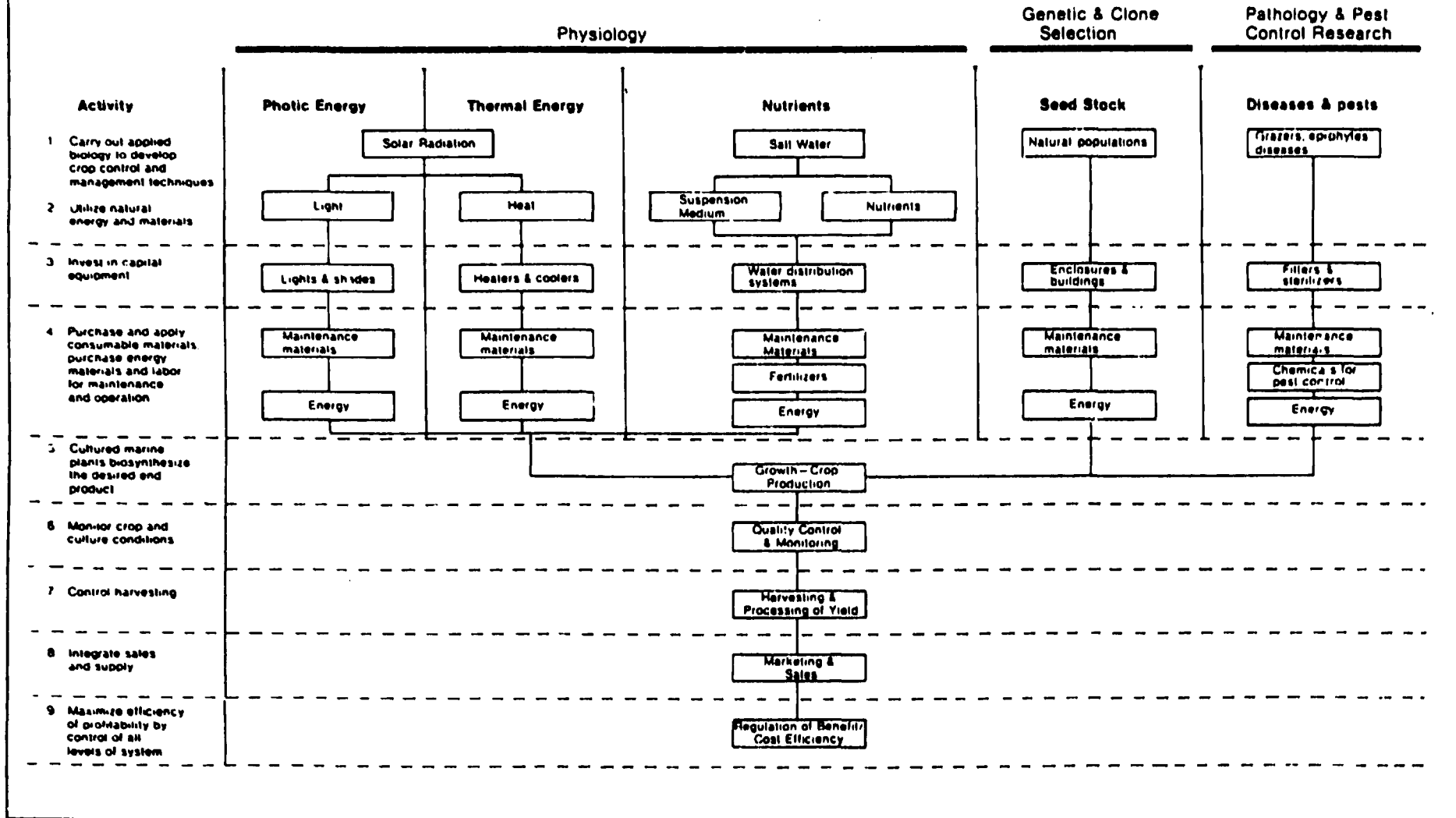
In tourist areas there are places where drift algae are collected primarily in order to clean beaches from nuisance for swimmers.

In stormy regions large amounts of Laminaria, Saccorhiza or Durvillea may be cast ashore where they are easily available for collectors. In Ireland the stipes only were collected.

Intensive Algal Mariculture—A Working Matrix

Permits and Regulations

1. Land Use: watershed, tidal waters, ocean bottom, leasing
2. Building: engineering, architecture
3. Water usage, discharge, monitoring



Tab. 10 A matrix of activities and considerations that must be integrated for the successful mariculture of an alga.

(Modified from I. C. Neish, 1979)

from Hansen, Packard & Doyle 1981. Mariculture of red seaweeds

2. Near-shore collection of growing algae.

In tidal areas seaweed is collected at low water. This may appear primitive, but for certain species, like Gelidium in Portugal, conditions favour this simple method.

Among the alginophytes Ascophyllum grows in the intertidal belt. At low water sea farmers go down with tractors and buckets and load their trailers. It is not mentioned if this method follows the rule that 15 cm of the base of the plant should be left to permit a rapid regrowth.

An unusual tool is used in Chile in shallow waters on sandy bottoms in rather open shorelines with heavy surf. Men and boys jump in man-deep water on stilts which entangle and pull up Gracilaria specimens.

In Canada Chondrus is collected with hand rakes. These are designed to remove the mature "moss" fronds and leave the small plants and holdfasts undisturbed. There are primitive hand rakes remaining of a cowberry rake, there are more sophisticated apparatuses on long handles and with a plastic hose into which the cut moss is sucked, carried to the surface and dumped into the boat automatically. On greater depths drag rakes are pulled after boats.

3 Diving for algae

is used both as primitive as sponge diving and with scuba equipment. In Japan it appears that diving for Gelidium is a female profession.

4 Tools for harvesting of natural populations.

A pattern-card of the rich variety of tools thought of by brilliant investors is given by OKAZAKI (1971) Fig. 13-16. As an example of an admirable efficiency I recall asking two boys in a small boat in the Maullín estuary in southern Chile how much they had collected and during how much time. They had gathered two tons in four hours. Their tool was an araña (spider), with eight hooks pulled after the boat. Here, where the collectors gathered ten times as much per unit effort as on other beaches the buyers paid a tenth of the price given in other areas.

In Denmark Furcellaria is loose-lying on bottoms where currents bring them together in large quantities. Trawlers collect it with modified trawls. The Macrocystis ships with "hay-movers" in their sterns, going astern when they collect, and with conveyor belts directly to the store space have already been mentioned (IIIA).

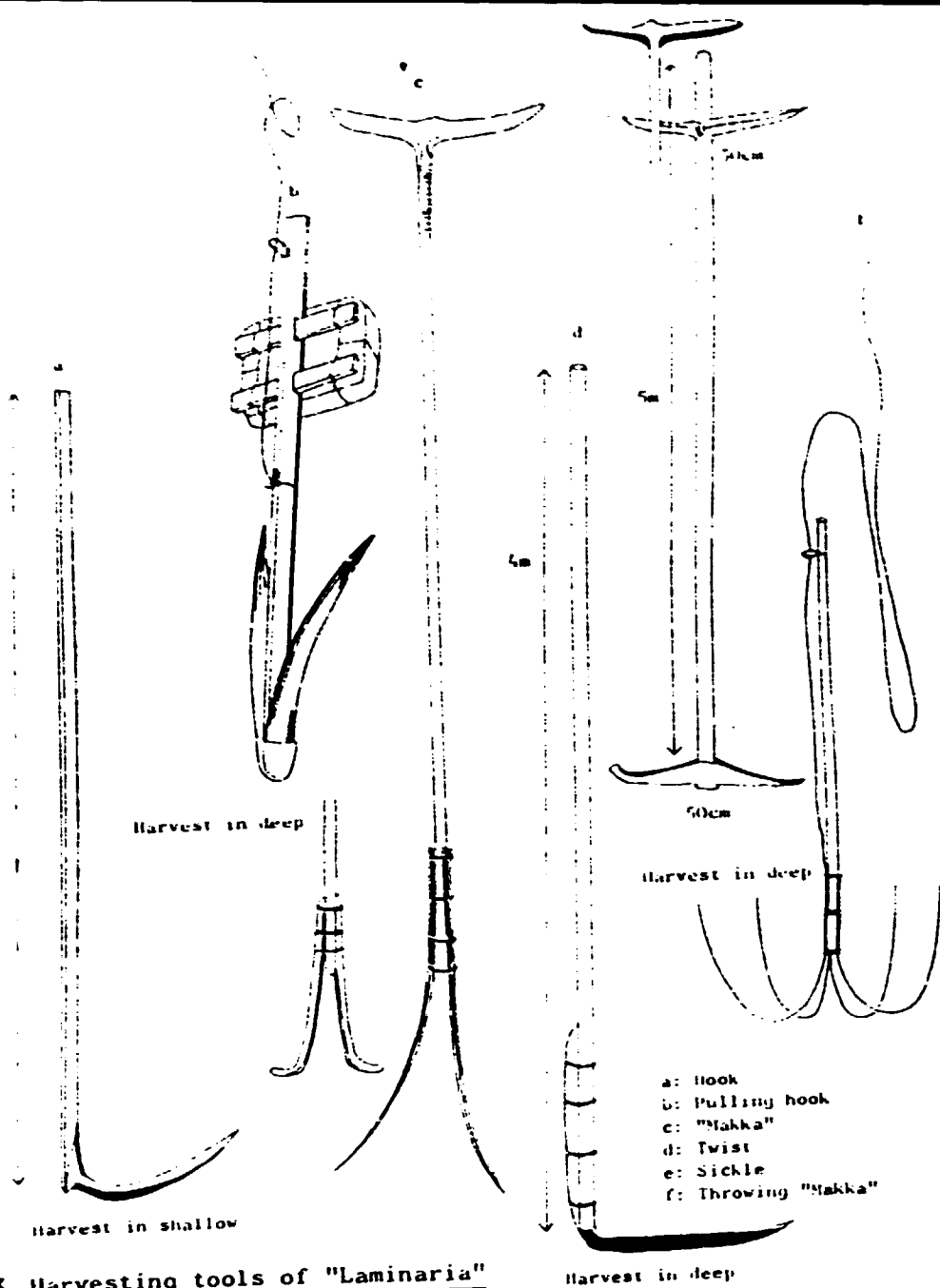


Fig.13. Harvesting tools of "Laminaria"

From OKAZAKI 1971

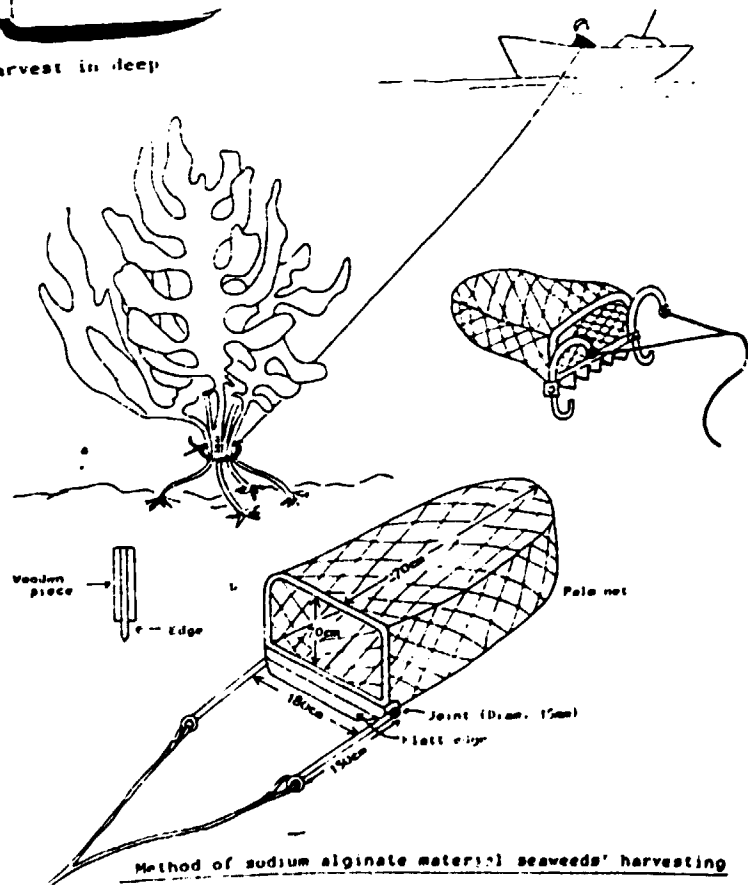
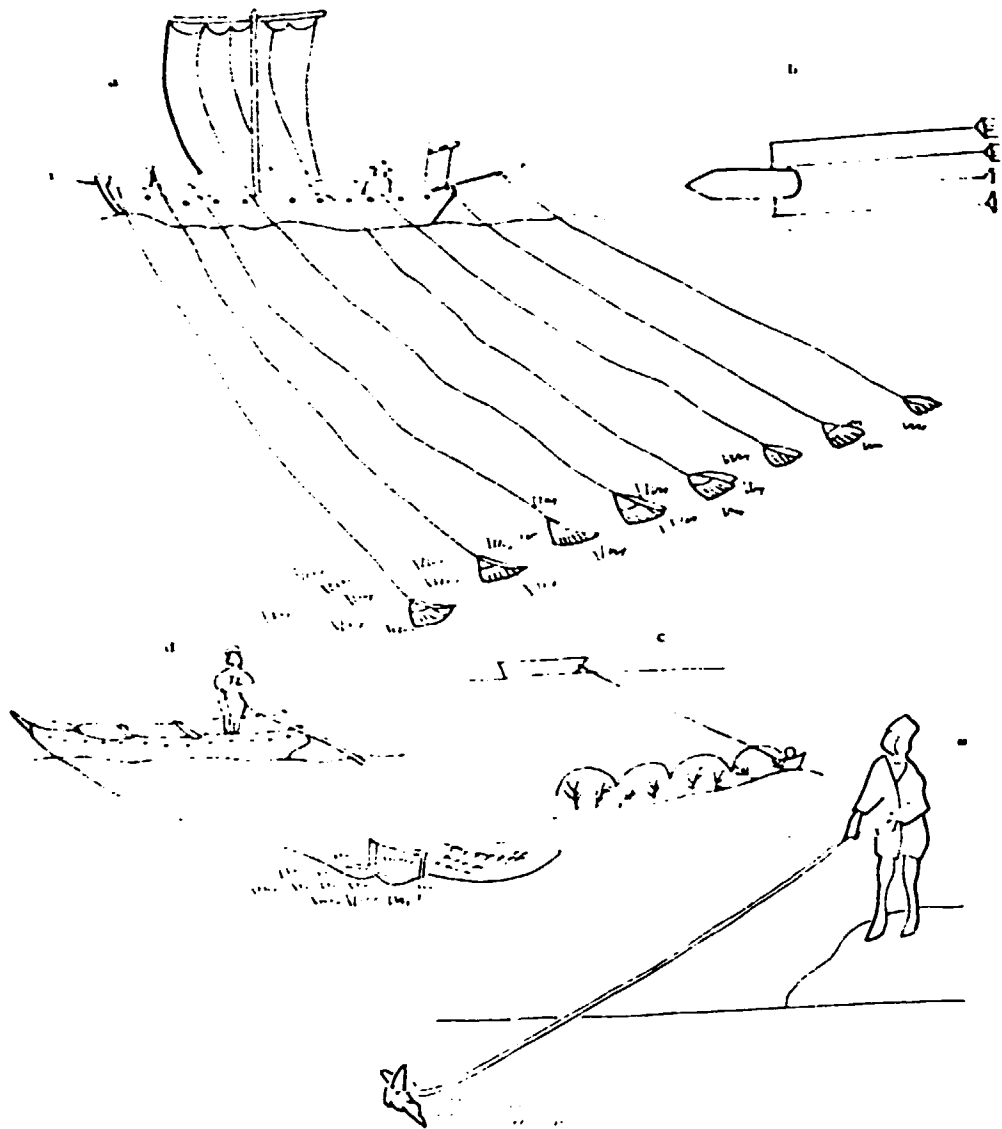


Fig.14. From OKAZAKI 1971



- a The boat moves by sail and trawls "Manga"
- b The ship with motor engine trawls "Manga"
- c Action of "Manga" in the seabottom
- d seaweed thrown on the seabottom is harvested by trawling tool
- e Umbrella type harvester (see Fig.20-g)

Fig.15.From OKAZAKI 1971

"Gelidium" harvesting method

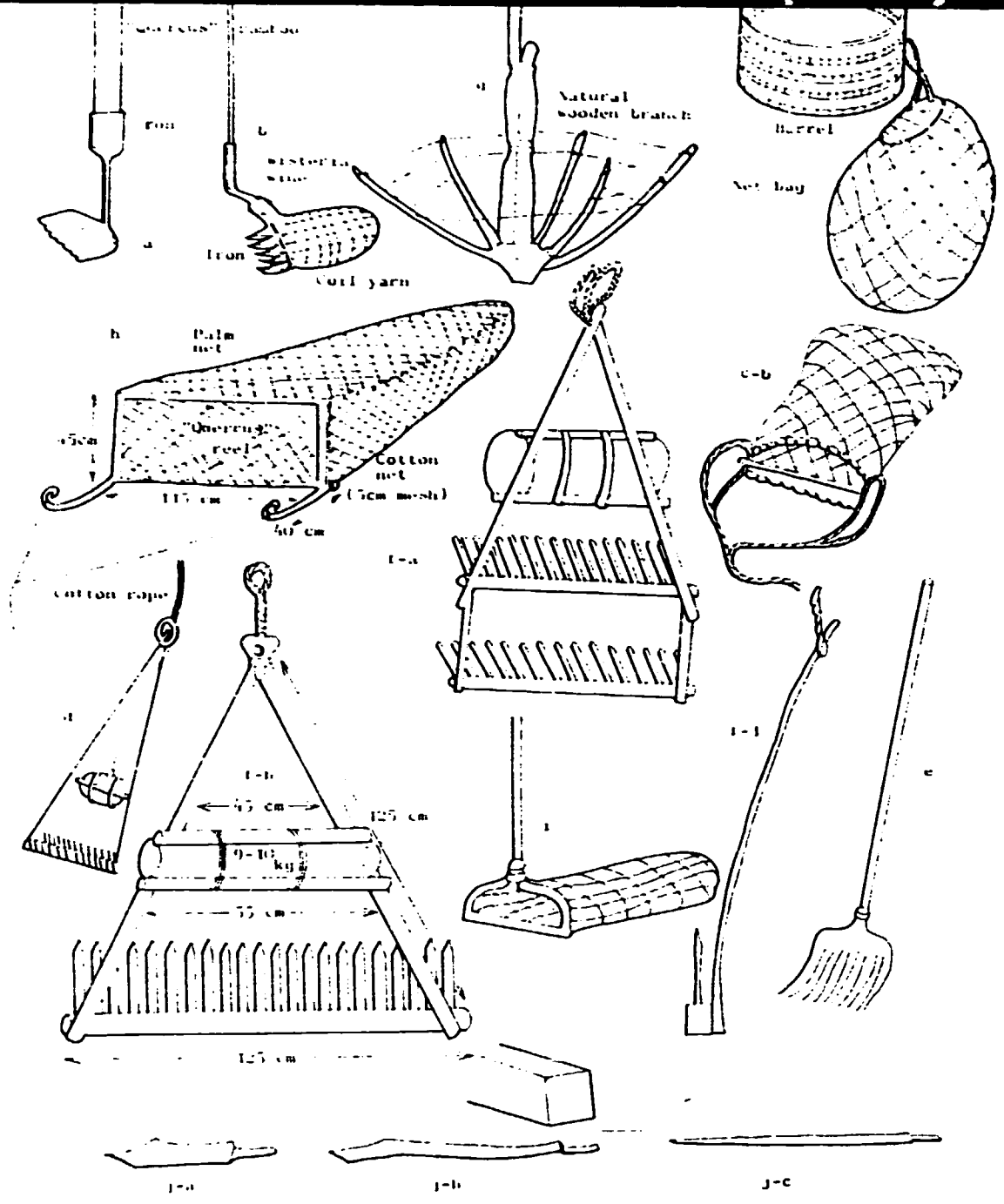


Fig.16. From OKAZAKI 1971. Agar material seaweed harvesting tools

5 Harvesting of cultivated specimen.

There is not much mechanization in the handling of seaweed, known to be very labour-intensive. On the contrary, instead of full harvesting a pruning down (Fig.10) is often more economical. Another example can be taken from Laminaria cultivation in China. When the band-formed fronds are 2 m long, more than half of them is cut off. The tip is the oldest part and the frond regenerates from a meristeme between stipe and blade. By cutting off the oldest part this is harvested while still in a good condition before it attracts epiphytes and loses matter from its margin. Further the full-grown parts do not longer shadow the younger parts, which can now profit from all the available light and nutrients and grow faster during the remaining part of the vegetative season.

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BRUN SEAWEEDS
 ALGUES BRUNES
 ALGAS PARDAS

SPECIES ESPECIE ESPECIE	COUNTRY PAIS PAIS	AREA ZONE AREA	1975 MT	1976 MT	1977 MT	1978 MT
FRANCE	27		15937	14002	14714	32714
ICELAND	27		1350	1810	3750	12270
NORWAY	27		40733	55401	57547	66250
SPAIN	27		479	979	189	83
UK SCOTLAND	27		26714	26214	22276	22815
AREA TOTAL	27		104513	103206	98478	234134
ARGENTINA	41		1300	722	2061	2061
AREA TOTAL	41		1300	722	2061	2061
SOUTH AFRICA	47		45448	43025	54363	25737
AREA TOTAL	47		45448	43025	54363	25737
AUSTRALIA	57		0	1080	---	---
AREA TOTAL	57		0	1080	---	---
JAPAN	61		294714	327309	306251	245473
KOREA REP	61		156435	190884	229349	184919
AREA TOTAL	61		451149	518193	535600	430392
USA	67		462	250	200	200
AREA TOTAL	67		462	250	200	200
AUSTRALIA	71		0	0	---	---
AREA TOTAL	71		0	0	---	---
MEXICO	77		27480	41570	41746	30049
USA	77		155670	155726	159662	160000
AREA TOTAL	77		183150	197296	201408	190049
AUSTRALIA	81		0	0	---	---
AREA TOTAL	81		0	0	---	---
ITEM TOTAL	5		786022	967852	892110	782573
GROUP TOTAL	5		786022	967852	892110	782573

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 CUADRO B-92

RED SEAWEEDS
 ALGUES ROUGES
 ALGAS ROJAS

SPECIES ESPECIE ESPECIE	COUNTRY PAIS PAIS	AREA ZONE AREA	1975 MT	1976 MT	1977 MT	1978 MT
CANADA	21		36130	24396	22202	32051
USA	21		1692	1814	938	551
AREA TOTAL	21		37822	26210	23140	32602
FRANCE	27		2813	3180	1336	2008
SPAIN	27		5180	5180	4959	6745
AREA TOTAL	27		7993	8360	6295	8753
MOROCCO	34		5005	5005	5005	5005
AREA TOTAL	34		5005	5005	5005	5005
ARGENTINA	41		16700	14946	20683	20683
URUGUAY	41		85	200	100	76
AREA TOTAL	41		16785	15146	20783	20759
SOUTH AFRICA	47		179	181	89	170
AREA TOTAL	47		179	181	89	170
MADAGASCAR	51		200	0	0	0
AREA TOTAL	51		200	0	0	0
INDONESIA	57		12	273	301	309
AREA TOTAL	57		12	273	301	309
JAPAN	61		290231	301804	290665	361763
KOREA REP	61		53153	54987	64920	34677
OTHER NEI	61		5749F	6940F	7449F	7449F
AREA TOTAL	61		349133F	363731F	363034F	403889F
USA	67		---	0	0	---
AREA TOTAL	67		---	0	0	---
INDONESIA	71		8414	3477	3797	3938
PHILIPPINES	71		73	59	150	33938
AREA TOTAL	71		9487	3536	3947	37876
MEXICO	77		4361	4377	17584	6490
USA	77		29	0	10	10
AREA TOTAL	77		4390	4377	17594	6500
NEW ZEALAND	81		0	0	0	0
AREA TOTAL	81		0	0	0	0
CHILE	87		30000	30000	30000	30000
AREA TOTAL	87		30000	30000	30000	30000
ITEM TOTAL	5		460006F	456819F	470188F	545863F
GROUP TOTAL	5		460006F	456819F	470188F	545863F

SPECIES ESPECIE ESPECIE	COUNTRY PAIS PAIS	AREA ZONE AREA	1975 MT	1976 MT	1977 MT	1978 MT
FRANCE	27		11706	25772	15878	44287
ICELAND	27		4423	8732	3240	7759
NORWAY	27		126873	148765	142702	172559
SPAIN	27		287	495	572	127
UK SCOTLAND	27		1709	2018	1952	2447
AREA TOTAL	27		130298	146882	136554	164779
ARGENTINA	41		655	342	796	35
AREA TOTAL	41		655	342	796	35
SOUTH AFRICA	47		10376	7927	1778	12227
AREA TOTAL	47		10376	7927	1778	12227
AUSTRALIA	57		17824	17824	10824	10824
AREA TOTAL	57		17824	17824	10824	10824
CHINA	61		1517422	1317716	1151544	1287716
JAPAN	61		232694	247994	174637	124229
KOREA REP	61		225545	155517	253418	272229
OTHER NEI	61		652	813	1164	1021
AREA TOTAL	61		2316768	1915170	1481563	1487295
USA	67		---	---	---	---
AREA TOTAL	67		---	---	---	---
MEXICO	77		24219	23421	27341	122224
USA	77		162711	68735	78425	4787
AREA TOTAL	77		186930	92156	105766	129811
CHILE	87		---	---	---	15209
AREA TOTAL	87		---	---	---	15209
ITEM TOTAL	5		2473218F	2187930F	2276561F	2207526F
GROUP TOTAL	5		2473218F	2187930F	2276561F	2207526F

TABLEAU B-93 ALGUES VERTES ET AUTRES ALGUES
CUADRO B-93 ALGAS VERDES Y OTRAS ALGAS

SPECIES ESPECE ESPECIE	COUNTRY PAYS PAIS	AREA ZONE AREA	1975 MT	1976 MT	1977 MT	1978 MT
GREEN SEaweEDS ALGUES VERTES ALGAS VERDES			CHLOROPHYCEAE 7,01 SMG			
MEXICO	02		-	7	-	200
AREA TOTAL	02		-	7	-	200
JAPAN	04		633	566	363	495
AREA TOTAL	04		633	566	363	495
ARGENTINA	41		10	2	5	5
AREA TOTAL	41		10	2	5	5
KOREA REP	61		1844	2763	2112	2107
AREA TOTAL	61		1844	2763	2112	2107
FIJI	71		5	5	7	7
AREA TOTAL	71		5	5	7	7
ITEM TOTAL	5		2492	3343	2487	2814
GROUP TOTAL	5		2492	3343	2487	2814

ALGAS VERDES Y OTRAS ALGAS
ALGUES VERTES ET AUTRES ALGUES
ALGAS VERDES Y OTRAS ALGAS

SPECIES ESPECE ESPECIE	COUNTRY PAYS PAIS	AREA ZONE AREA	1981 MT	1982 MT	1983 MT	1984 MT
GREEN SEaweEDS ALGUES VERTES ALGAS VERDES			CHLOROPHYCEAE 7,01 SMG			
MEXICO	02		137	-	-	-
AREA TOTAL	02		137	-	-	-
JAPAN	04		963	763	574	603
AREA TOTAL	04		963	763	574	603
ARGENTINA	41		-	-	-	2
AREA TOTAL	41		-	-	-	2
KOREA REP	61		830	411	826	1310
AREA TOTAL	61		830	411	826	1310
FIJI	71		13	7	10	7
AREA TOTAL	71		13	7	10	7
ITEM TOTAL	5		1913	1487	882	1376
GROUP TOTAL	5		1913	1487	882	1376

TABLE B-94 MISCELLANEOUS AQUATIC PLANTS
TABLEAU B-94 PLANTES AQUATIQUES DIVERSES
CUADRO B-94 DIVERSAS PLANTAS ACUATICAS

SPECIES ESPECE ESPECIE	COUNTRY PAYS PAIS	AREA ZONE AREA	1975 MT	1976 MT	1977 MT	1978 MT
SEaweEDS NEI ALGUES NCA ALGAS NEP			ALGAE 7,00 SMG			
CANADA	21		3953	6398	12451	3258
AREA TOTAL	21		3953	6398	12451	3258
FRANCE USSR	27 27		2534 4526	1069 1960	770 1520	2115 1574
AREA TOTAL	27		7060	3029	2290	3689
ITEM TOTAL	5		11013	9427	14741	6947
AQUATIC PLANTS NEI PLANTES AQUATIQUES NCA PLANTAS ACUATICAS NEP			ALGAE 7,99 APL			
KOREA REP	04		93	79	110	58
AREA TOTAL	04		93	79	110	58
USSR	07		-	-	-	1974
AREA TOTAL	07		-	-	-	1974
GERMANY FR	27		-	-	-	-
AREA TOTAL	27		-	-	-	-
MOROCCO SENEGAL	34 34		122 360	122	122	122 51
AREA TOTAL	34		482	122	122	173
USSR	37		-	-	-	8996
AREA TOTAL	37		-	-	-	8996
ARGENTINA	41		-	-	-	-
AREA TOTAL	41		-	-	-	-
USSR	47		-	-	1	-
AREA TOTAL	47		-	-	1	-
TANZANIA	51		50	81	100	110
AREA TOTAL	51		50	81	100	110
THAILAND	57		-	-	8	8
AREA TOTAL	57		-	-	8	8
JAPAN KOREA REP USSR OTHER NEI	61 61 61 61		41955 35071 - 3280F	36323 38745 - 1440F	41291 37102 - 1632F	30889 37096 2534 1632F
AREA TOTAL	61		80306F	76508F	80025F	72151F
THAILAND	71		148	608	1407	1439
AREA TOTAL	71		148	608	1407	1439
ITEM TOTAL	5		61079F	77398F	81773F	84809F
GROUP TOTAL	5		92092F	86825F	96514F	91756F

MISCELLANEOUS AQUATIC PLANTS
PLANTES AQUATIQUES DIVERSES
DIVERSAS PLANTAS ACUATICAS

SPECIES ESPECE ESPECIE	FISHING AREA ZONE DE PECHE AREA DE PESCA	1981 MT	1982 MT	1983 MT	1984 MT	
AQUATIC PLANTS NEI PLANTES AQUATIQUES NCA PLANTAS ACUATICAS NEP			ALGAE 7,99 APL			
KOREA REP	04	115	70	72	96	
AREA TOTAL	04	115	70	72	96	
CANADA	21	859F	5306	3474	5900	
AREA TOTAL	21	859F	5306	3474	5900	
FRANCE USSR	27 27	1672 1273	1167 1701	3265 753	821 485	
AREA TOTAL	27	2945	2868	4018	1306	
MOROCCO SENEGAL	34 34	122F 57F	122F 57F	122F 57F	122F 57F	
AREA TOTAL	34	179F	179F	179F	179F	
ITALY USSR	37 37	2583 1250F	2670 11904	2753 9649	2853 8649	
AREA TOTAL	37	15089	14574	12399	11499	
ARGENTINA	41	-	-	-	-	
AREA TOTAL	41	-	-	-	-	
HONG KONG JAPAN KOREA D P REP KOREA REP USSR OTHER NEI A	61 61 61 61 61 61	12 35153 - 16957 - 863F	5 36885 - 16419 - 310F	5 38413 - 5334 - 564F	6 4040F - 12464 - 600F	
AREA TOTAL	61	52985F	5319F	44316F	51481F	
COOK ISLANDS	77	24F	24F	24F	24F	
AREA TOTAL	77	24F	24F	24F	24F	
ITEM TOTAL	5	79930F	7634F	54416F	70461F	
GROUP TOTAL	5	79930	7634	64416	70468	