#### DAMARA Overview of modelling progress

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# FLBEIA

- Fisheries Library Bio-Economic Impact Assessment
- Chosen because:
  - Multiple stocks, multiple fleets, seasons
  - Selectivity
  - Includes uncertainty
  - Space to be captured by suitable fleet segment designation and area definitions
  - Flexibility (Framework written in R)



## Work to date: selectivity

- Selectivity team (DMD, CM) met with Barry O'Neill and Rob Fryer at Marine Scotland 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> March
  - Purpose: to work up square mesh panel selectivity trials conducted by BIM in the Celtic Sea
  - DAMARA selectivity model: bring all data together (for adequately sampled species )in a model (meta-analysis) that can predict changes in L50 and selectivity range by gear configuration
  - Assist stakeholder decisions on where gaps occur in our understanding of the effect of gear specifications
  - Input scenarios into bioeconomic model (e.g., fleet segment gear configuration changes)



# Selectivity modelling progress

- Code for separate and pooled haul analysis written
  - Includes covered and twin-trawl trials
- Fits to haddock, whiting, hake, megrim, and some plaice conducted
- Next step is fitting the meta-analytical model to bring all parameters together
- Preliminary meta-analytical fits: First week in July.

### Work to date: bioeconomic

- Modelling team met developers of FLBEIA at AZTI Sukarrieta April 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>
  - Overview from the developers
  - Applications to other areas (e.g., Iberian Sea)
  - Data input/requirements
  - Work on simplified examples (2 stock, 2 fleet)
  - Commence initial prototype development (a work in progress)

## Prototype goals

- 1. Facilitate meaningful collaboration with stakeholder team in designing a Celtic Sea decision support tool that is fit for purpose
  - Overarching modelling team motivation is that we want to develop a useful, collaborative and informative tool grounded to stakeholder realities, not an abstract modelling exercise
- 2. Understanding the capabilities, limitations and where are our efforts are best focussed
- 3. Iron out the modelling creases

## Prototype development to date

- Work in progress but based on:
  - Cod, haddock, whiting (ICES WGCSE 2013)
    - Extend to Nephrops and monk as examples of coping with differing levels of assessment (e.g., trends based)
  - Fleets and metiers: based on:
    - Country
    - Gear type: from cod LTMP, e.g., TR1
    - 22 fleets defined
    - Area: for prototype only VIIfg and VIIbceh-k but to be extended to higher spatial resolution
    - Example prototype métier: BEL\_TBB\_o10m\_VIIfg
  - Cost parameters (fixed and variable): AER
  - Price information: constant
- If/when higher resolution is required/possible, setup can be expanded according to data availability

#### Prototype development



# Model planning

- Coding of prototype is partially complete
- Now need to work with stakeholder team in deciding (amongst others):
  - Where the modellers should focus their efforts:
    - There's always baseline setup tasks for the bio-economic system but perhaps there are areas of particular concern (second stakeholders meeting question)?
  - Resolution in time: prototype is yearly, quarterly possible from STECF data. Important to note that STECF is quality controlled but has its limitations.
  - Resolution in space, we need to think of facilitating annual updates while keeping actual utility
  - Scenarios most pertinent <u>for prototype runs</u>
  - Timeline to coincide with next stakeholder's meeting