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SC5 update on research activities

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Abstract

The SC5 updated the activities and budget initially drafted during the 5th Scientific Committee (annex L of SC5 report). This is presented in the table next page.

REVISION ON ACTIVITY BUDGETS

2020 Activities	2020 Budget	Budget revised at SC5	Priority level at SC5		Comment
Otolith reading, alfonsino and orange roughy (MoP5 approved)	16,000				
Genetics work to provide equipment for SNP analyses to postgrad student (MoP5 approved)	5,000				
Stock Assessment consultant alfonsino work (MoP5 approved)	23,000				
Development of T + L Reference points and Harvest strategies Year 1 (2 years total 30,000) (MoP 6 approved)	15,000		High		
BFIA Trawl and Longline consultancy - [3 months trawl, 2 months longline]	100,467	57 000 (<u>montant à</u> <u>confirme</u> r)	High		MOP6 Budget (EURO 66900) + Australia contributionVoluntary contribution (EURO 33 567)
VME Habitat Mapping	12000		High	Total Cost EURO96000	Funds budgeted as a first matching participation to a EU Grant Agreement for a total amount of EURO 96 000

2021-2022 Activities	2021 budget	planned for budget 2022	Priority (SC5)	Decision from MoP 7	Comment
1.VME Habitat Mapping (12 month)	5620		High (6) Medium (1) Low (1)		Funds budgeted as a second matching participation to a EU Grant Agreement : EU 78380 +SIOFA 12 000 + SIOFA 5620 = 96 000
2. Orange roughy acoustic data process (2018-2020) [Consultant	20000		High (5) Medium		
3.Orange roughy stosk assessement	25000		High (6) Medium (1) Medium/Low (1)		
4. Alfonsino Investigation of the acoustic data	5000*		High (7) Medium (1)		If the accoustic data is found to be useful or the stock assessment (SA) in 2021, then the data will be processed and applied for the SA in 2022
5 <u>- EU Voluntary fund (60k limit) match funding for additional work contributing to SC work plan</u>	12000				Secretariat suggestion at SCS Committed to match future EU Grant Agreements
6. Alfonsino Accoustic data process		15000			
7. Additional ageing by otolith for more accurate growth equation for all ages especialy female (>50cm)		15000			
8. Age validation using bomb calorimetry		15000			
9. Stock Assessment with more size, other biological data and accoustic data if useful		25000			
Balance suggested	55620	70,000			



for 2022