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# *Artemia Resources and International Cooperation*

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ARTEMIA

male brine shrimp

female brine shrimp

1 cm



solar saltwork (salina)  
Port Araya, Venezuela



Urmia Salt Lake  
Iran



biomass



cysts



Asian sea bass larva feeding on *Artemia*



shrimp postlarva feeding on *Artemia*

# Natural distribution of *Artemia*



# Dispersion

birds  
wind  
man





Commercial availability of Artemia cysts

# Varying characteristics of Artemia strains



Hatching: H%, HEff, biomass



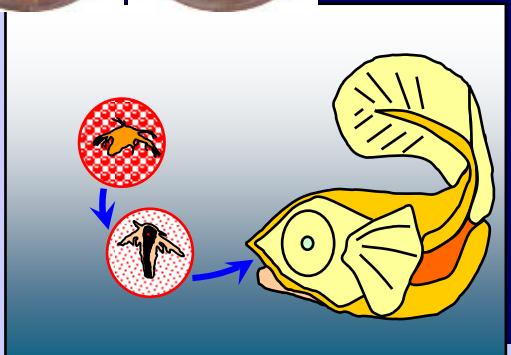
nutritional value



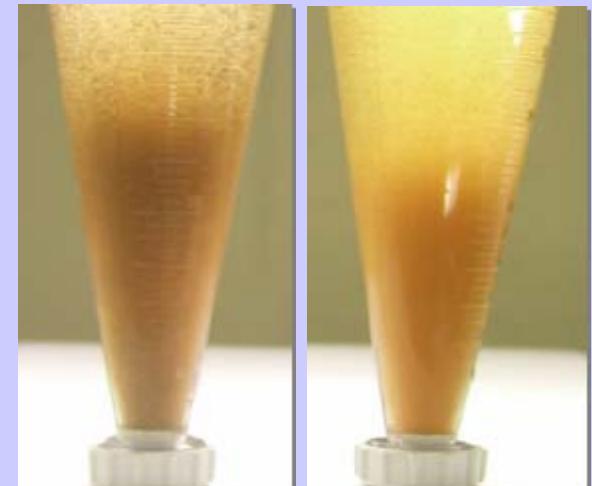
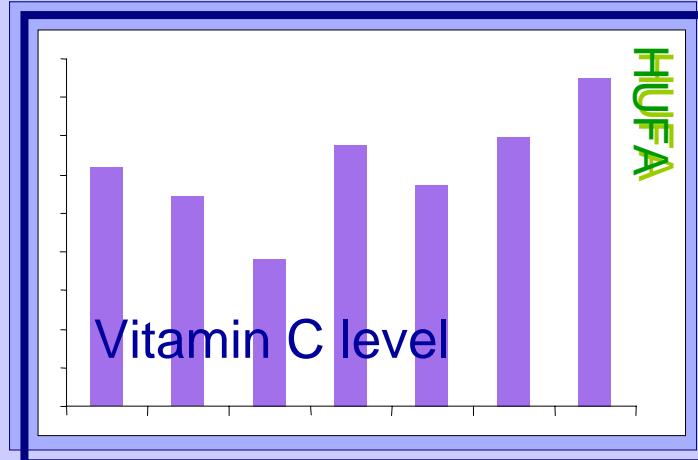
Decapsulation features



Enrichment



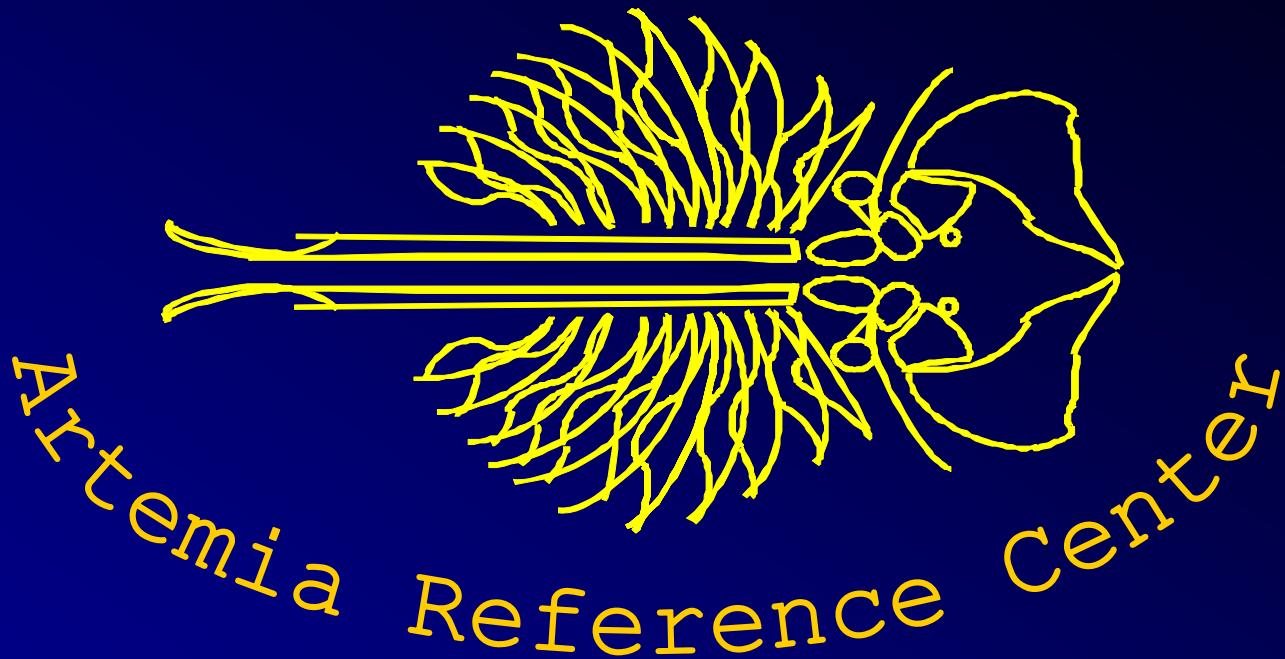
separation of nauplii and unhatched cysts



# Fluctuations in lake cyst production



- Artemia life history characteristics
- population density & mode of reproduction
- harvest period:
  - weather conditions
  - policy restrictions
- harvesting problems:
  - sinking
  - contamination with biomass
  - accessibility



established in 1978 upon suggestion of the FAO

# ***INTERNATIONAL STUDY ON ARTEMIA - ISA***

international interdisciplinary study of *Artemia* strains

# INVE Artemia Task Force



## Tasks

- Site surveys & explorations worldwide → identification
- Ecological studies
  - population dynamics
  - contaminants → sustainability
- Technical and economical studies
  - accessibility, sustainability, quality, ...
  - characteristics of the resource relevant to larviculture, ... → feasibility
- Exploitation of the resource (harvest, processing, ...) → production

**diversification & stabilization  
of the Artemia supply**

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## Artemia Task Force

Diversification & stabilization of  
the Artemia supply



multi-disciplinary  
approach

### Tasks

- Site surveys & explorations worldwide
- Ecological studies
- Technical & economical studies
- Exploitation

- in-house expertise
- universities, specialized laboratories
- local partners: public & private institutes, companies, ...

# INVE's Artemia production & exploration sites





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