**BONY FISHES**

### Pentheroscion mbizi (Poll, 1950)

**FAO names:** En - Blackmouth croaker; Fr - Courbine à bouche noire; Sp - Corvina bocanegra.

**Size:** 40 cm, common to 25 cm.

**Fishing gear:** bottom trawls.

**Habitat:** continental shelf and upper slope, from 50 to at least 350 m depth.

**Loc.name(s):**

### Pseudotolithus (Pseudotolithus) brachynathus Bleeker, 1863

**FAO names:** En - Law croaker; Fr - Otolithe gabo; Sp - Corvina reina.

**Size:** 230 cm, common to 85 cm.

**Fishing gear:** bottom trawls, bottom set nets, line gear.

**Habitat:** on sandy and muddy bottoms to about 75 m depth; also in estuaries.

**Remarks:** often confused with *Pseudotolithus Senegalensis*.

**Loc.name(s):**

### Pseudotolithus (Fonticus) elongatus (Bowdich, 1825)

**Synonyms:** Corvina nigrita Cuvier, 1830.

**FAO names:** En - Bobo croaker; Fr - Otolithe bobo; Sp - Corvina bobo.

**Size:** 45 cm, common to 30 cm.

**Fishing gear:** bottom trawls, set nets, beach seines, line gear.

**Habitat:** found in brackish waters and estuaries.

**Loc.name(s):**

### Pseudotolithus (Pinnacorvina) epipercus Bleeker, 1863

**FAO names:** En - Guinea croaker; Fr - Otolithe guinéen; Sp - Corvina de Guinea.

**Size:** 60 cm, common to 35 cm.

**Fishing gear:** bottom trawls, line gear.

**Habitat:** muddy bottoms, from the coastline to about 70 m depth.

**Loc.name(s):**
**Pseudotolithus (Hostia) moorii** (Günther, 1865)

FAO names: En - Cameroon croaker; Fr - Otolithe camerounais; Sp - Corvina de Camerún.
Size: 50 cm, common to 25 cm.
Fishing gear: bottom trawls, line gear.
Habitat: muddy bottoms from about 15 to 70 m depth.
Loc.name(s):

**Pseudotolithus (Pseudotolithus) senegalensis** (Valenciennes, 1833)

FAO names: En - Cassava croaker; Fr - Otolithe sénégalais; Sp - Corvina casava.
Size: 100 cm, common to 50 cm.
Fishing gear: bottom trawls, set nets, seines, line gear.
Habitat: in shallow waters, on muddy, sandy or rocky bottoms.
Loc.name(s):

**Pseudotolithus (Pseudotolithus) typus** Bleeker, 1863

FAO names: En - Longneck croaker; Fr - Otolithe nanka; Sp - Corvina bosoro.
Size: 100 cm, common to 70 cm.
Fishing gear:
Habitat: muddy and sandy bottoms, to about 150 m depth; often found in estuaries.
Loc.name(s):

**Pteroscion peli** (Bleeker, 1863)

FAO names: En - Boe drum; Fr - Courbine pélin; Sp - Bombache boé.
Size: 35 cm, common to 18 cm.
Fishing gear: bottom trawls, bottom set nets, line gear.
Habitat: coastal waters to about 200 m depth, but more common between 30 and 60 m.
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**Sciaena umbra** Linnaeus, 1758

FAO names: En - Brown meagre; Fr - Corb commun; Sp - Corvallo.

Size: 50 cm, common to 35 cm.

Fishing gear: bottom trawls, gill nets, beach seines.

Habitat: sandy and rocky bottoms from 20 to 180 m depth; very active at night.

Remarks: presence in the Gulf of Guinea to be confirmed.

Loc.name(s):

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**Umbrina canariensis** Valenciennes, 1843

FAO names: En - Canary drum; Fr - Ombrine bronze; b - Verrugato de Canarias.

Size: 63 cm, common to 35 cm.

Fishing gear: bottom trawls, artisanal fishing gear, mainly hook-and-line.

Habitat: sandy mud bottoms from 15 to 75 m depth.

Loc.name(s):

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**Umbrina cirrosa** (Linnaeus, 1758)

FAO names: En - Shi drum; Fr - Ombrine côtière; Sp - Verrugato común.

Size: 70 cm, common to 40 cm.

Fishing gear: bottom trawls, beach seines, set nets.

Habitat: sandy mud bottoms from 30 to 70 m depth.

Remarks: presence in the Gulf of Guinea to be confirmed.

Loc.name(s):

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**Umbrina ronchus** Valenciennes, 1843

Synonyms: *Umbrina fusca* Dardignac, 1961

FAO names: En - Fusca drum; Fr - Ombrine fusca; Sp - Verrugato fusco.

Size: about 80 cm, common to 40 cm.

Fishing gear: bottom trawls, line gear.

Habitat: on rocky and sandy bottoms, from 20 to 200 m depth.

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**Umbrina steindachneri** Cadenat, 1950

**Synonyms**: *Umbrina cirrosa* (non Linnaeus, 1758) [Bellemans et al., 1988];

**FAO names**: **En** - Steindachner’s drum; **Fr** - Ombrine de Steindachner, **Sp** - Verrugato de Steindachner.

**Size**: 45 cm.

**Fishing gear**: bottom trawls, gillnets and beach seines.

**Habitat**: sandy mud bottoms; caught at a depth of 30 m.

**Remarks**: obviously a rare species, often confused with *Umbrina cirrosa*.

**Loc.name(s)**:

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**Auxis rochei** (Rossi, 1810)

**Synonyms**: *Auxis thynnoides* Bleeker, 1855; *Auxis maru* Kishinouye, 1923.

**FAO names**: **En** - Bullet tuna; **Fr** - Bonitou; **Sp** - Melvera.

**Size**: to 40 cm fork length, common to 35 cm.

**Fishing gear**: beach seines, purse seines (poli), drift nets, trolling lines, lift nets.

**Habitat**: a cosmopolitan species, found in warm waters.

**Loc.name(s)**:

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**Auxis thazard** (Lacepède, 1800)

**Synonyms**: *Auxis tapeinosoma* Bleeker, 1854.

**FAO names**: **En** - Frigate tuna; **Fr** - Auxide; **Sp** - Melva.

**Size**: 55 cm, common to 40 cm.

**Fishing gear**: beach seines, purse seines, drift nets, trolling lines, lift nets.

**Habitat**: coastal waters.

**Loc.name(s)**: