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ABSTRACT

After a short introduction describing the environmental status of the Black Sea, information is presented on the marine algae, and the phytoplankton and zooplankton, including the events following the introduction of the predatory ctenophore, *Mnemiopsis leydei*. The existing historical information available on the resources of more than 14 commercial fish in the Black Sea is summarized, and placed in context with information on the marine environment together with an evaluation of the impact of environment changes.

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