

The effects of diet and habitat on the coloration of juvenile red king crab



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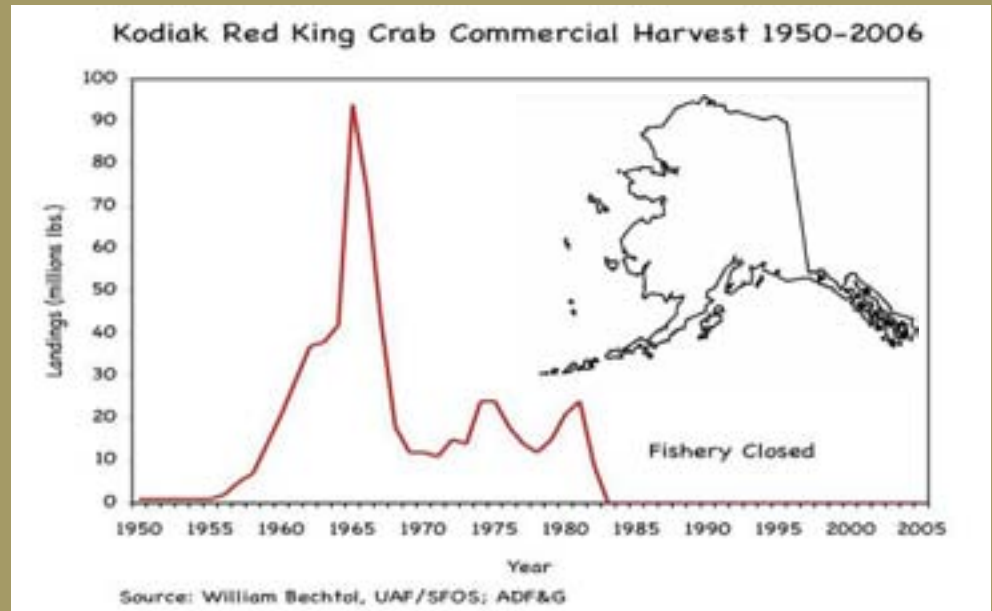
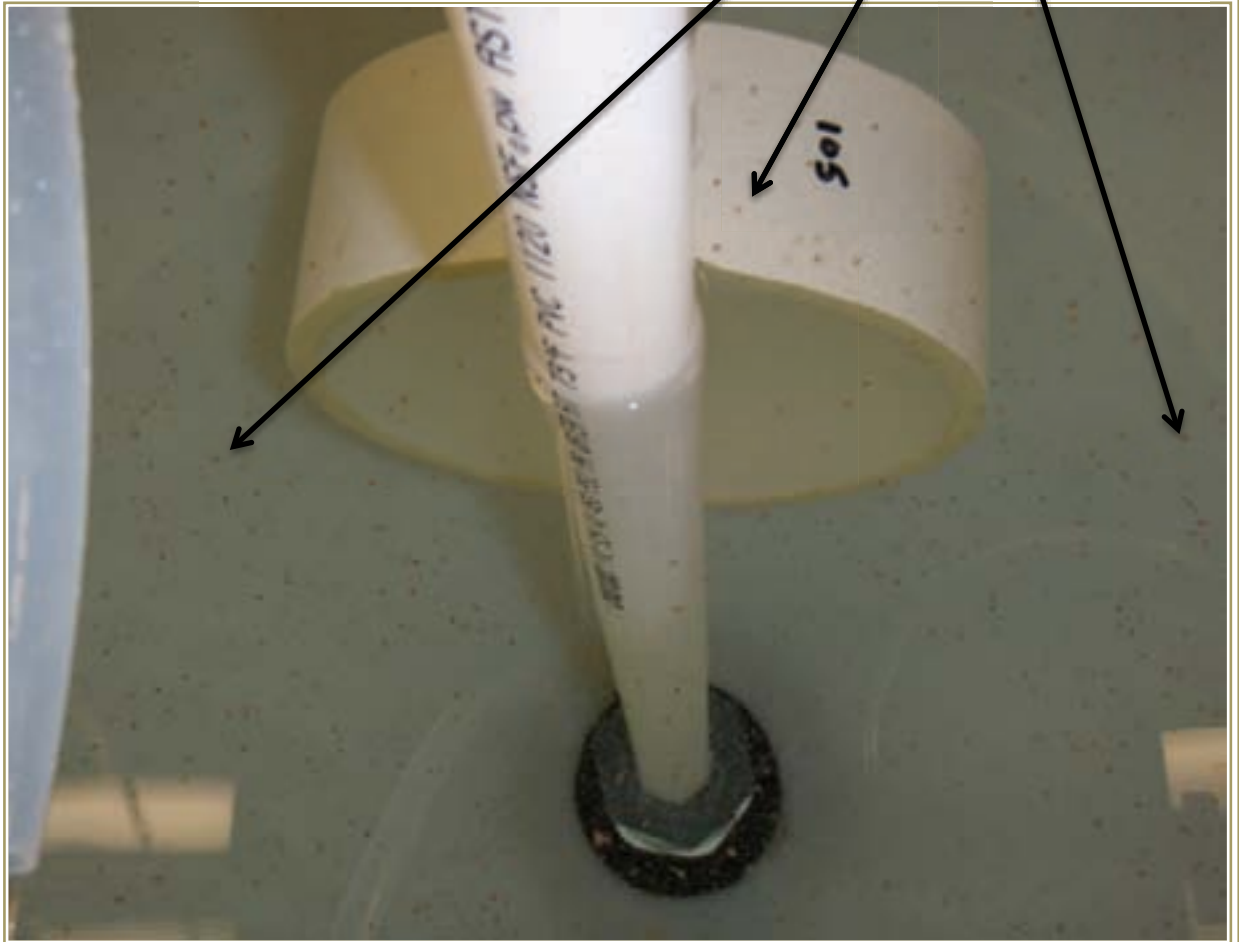


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Stock Enhancement





WILD

HATCHERY

Cryptic Behavior



Objective

To determine the effects of habitat and diet on the coloration of hatchery-reared juvenile red king crab

The Treatments



Natural



Artificial





Diets



Standard

- Calcium Tablets
 - Water
 - Brine Shrimp
 - Cyclop-eeze®
 - White Shrimp
 - Gelatin
- Otohime® Marine Fish Feed

Krill Based

- Calcium Tablets
 - Water
 - Frozen Krill
 - Gelatin
- Otohime® Marine Fish Feed

Krill

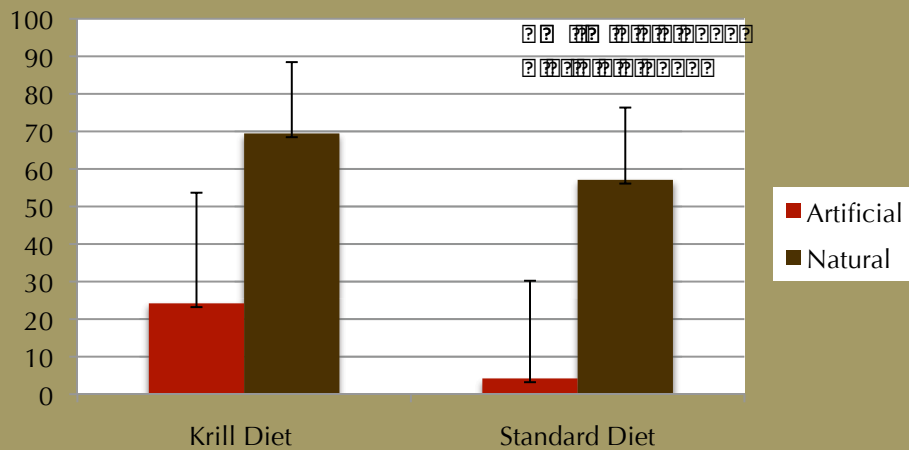


Measured Area

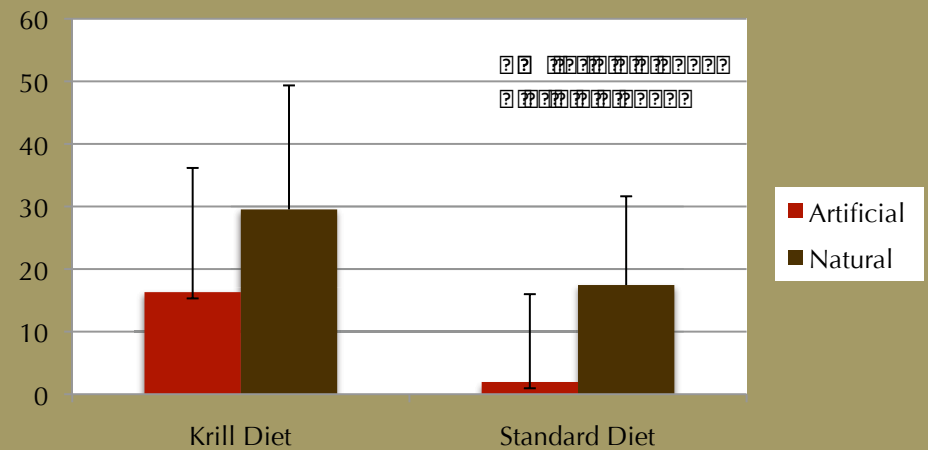


Results

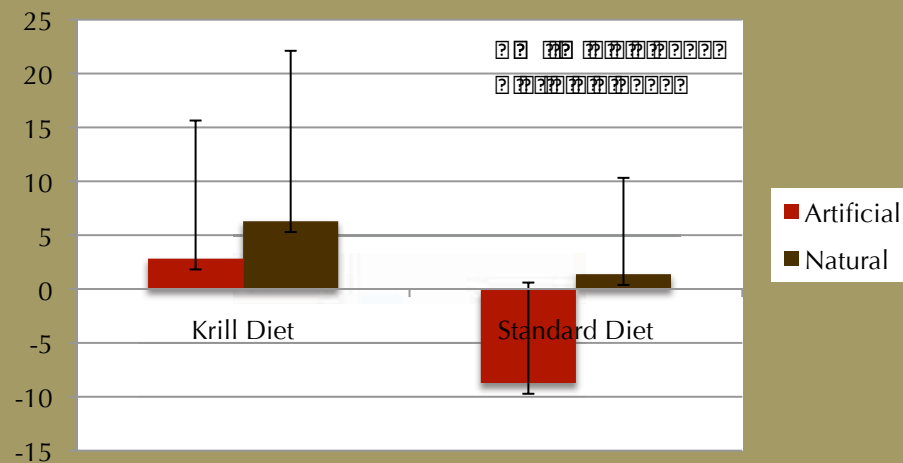
Differences In RED Values



Differences In GREEN Values



Differences In BLUE Values



Artificial



Natural



I would like to thank.....



Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Anderson pose with a 20-lb. king crab. Mr. Anderson was a director and commissioner for ADF&G from 1949 – 1961.

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