

Agenda Item 14.3.3

Implementation of the ASCOBANS Triennial
Work Plan (2007-2009)

Review of New Information on Bycatch and
Other Causes of Mortality

Post-mortem and Stranding Schemes

Document 18

**Information Submitted by Parties in
Response to the Post-Mortem
Research Questionnaire
e) France**

Action Requested

- take note of the information submitted
- comment
- decide on the reporting format and frequency
for future meetings

Submitted by

Parties



**NOTE:
IN THE INTERESTS OF ECONOMY, DELEGATES ARE KINDLY REMINDED TO BRING THEIR OWN
COPIES OF DOCUMENTS TO THE MEETING**

Secretariat's Note

Attached are, as separate documents in order to minimise the need for revisions, the responses received on the Post-Mortem Research Questionnaire, as submitted by the ASCOBANS Parties.

	FRANCE
Institution	Marine Mammal Research Centre (CRMM) - La Rochelle
Respondent	O. Van Canneyt - V. Ridoux
Which data are recorded routinely?	Species, location, discover date, condition of carcass, probable cause of death, by catch sign or not, body measurements, sex... All coasts of France : English Channel, Atlantic and Mediterranean
Methods and units used	Stranding Network - S.I units (metric units) - geographic data (latxlong, WGS 84)
What tissue samples are taken ?	Teeth, skin, blubber, muscle, kidney, liver, gonads, stomach, spleen, parasites.
How are these preserved ?	Teeth (alcohol), blubber (frozen), kidney (frozen/alcohol), liver (frozen), to show trends or events
Carcass disposal	to show trends or events
Computer database	to show trends or events
Number of data sets	to show trends or events
Software used	to show trends or events
Problem with common database ?	to show trends or events
Advantage of common database ?	to show trends or events
	to show trends or events