

Preface

The idea for this book was spawned by marine biology graduates at the School of Ocean Sciences, University of Wales Bangor, who proposed that A.R.B.'s Genetics in Aquaculture lecture course notes be packaged into a handbook. What seemed a relatively simple task has, of course, expanded into a larger enterprise. As with all spawnings in aquaculture, there are bound to be some instances of less than perfect development and for this we accept full responsibility. However, we hope that we have produced an introductory-level text which can explain to both students and professionals in fisheries and aquaculture what the new technologies in molecular biology and genetics have to offer.

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