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Diagnosis and Management of Small-Scale and Data-Limited Fisheries

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Small-scale and data-limited fisheries, often overlooked in global fisheries discussions, are crucial to the livelihoods of millions worldwide. These fisheries, characterized by their limited scale, reliance on local knowledge, and a lack of comprehensive biological and ecological information, face numerous challenges, including overfishing, climate change, habitat degradation, and market fluctuations. Their unique characteristics also pose significant management challenges.

To ensure the sustainability of these valuable fisheries resources, effective diagnosis and management strategies are essential. This Reprint aims to provide an overview of the key issues facing small-scale and data-limited fisheries and to offer practical solutions. By examining case studies from diverse regions, it provides practical guidance for researchers, policymakers, and fisheries managers, and equips them with the tools and knowledge needed to address these complex issues. The chapters delve into a range of methodologies that can be applied to promote sustainable resource use and address the unique challenges posed by these fisheries.

This reprint is intended to serve as a valuable reference resource for students, fisheries researchers, analysts, policymakers, and managers. We hope it will fulfill its intended purpose of providing insights into the challenges and opportunities associated with small-scale and data-limited fisheries.

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