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Sea Turtle Dissection and Sampling Sheet

Dissection Data				
Date of dissection:/// day month year	Locality:			
Dissected by:				
Storage prior to necropsy:				
Animal Data				
Species: □ Caretta caretta □ Chelonia mydas □ Dermochelys coriacea □ Other:				
Method of recovery:	Date of finding://// day month year			
dead stranded on the beach	day month year			
dead, floating in the sea	□ trawl □ bottom □ pelagic			
dead, from bycatch (mark fishing method):	□ set net/gillnet			
□ euthanized	□ longline			
□ other:				
Locality of finding:				
Recovered by:				
(first and last name of person w	who has founf the animal, address, phone number)			
Carcass disposition & remarks:				

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Body Condition, Morphology		
CCLmin _(n-n) cm	Animal Code:	
CCLn-t cm	Sex: 🗆 male	
CCLmax (t-t) cm	□ female	
CCW cm	 not determined 	
Body condition:	Nutritional condition (fat deposition):	
□ 1: Fresh caracass	□ 1: Excellent	
2: Moderately decompossed	□ 2: Very good	
3: Advanced decompossition	□ 3: Fair	
4: Mummified/partial caracass	□ 4: Scarce	
	5: Not applicable (mummified caracass)	
External lesions, haematomas, epibionts, ectoparasites		
Remarks:		

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Sampling			
Samples:		Animal Code:	
-	: 🗆 carapace scute	Sample code:	Storage:
	skin sample	Sample code:	Storage:
Genetic:	pectoral muscle:	Sample code:	Storage:
Dietary sample:	: 🗆 esophagus	Sample code:	Parasites:
	□ stomach	Sample code:	Parasites:
	□ intestines	Sample code:	Parasites:
Toxycology:	pectoral muscle	Sample code:	metals OCs
	□ adipose tissue	Sample code:	metals
		Sample code:	metals OCs
	🗆 heart	Sample code:	metals
	🗆 lung	Sample code:	metals
	🗆 kidney	Sample code:	🗆 metals 🛛 OCs
	🗆 brain	Sample code:	metals
Reproduction:	gonads	Sample code:	Storage:
Aging:	□ humerus	Sample code:	🗆 left 🛛 right
Head:	□ yes □ no	Carapace:	🗆 yes 🗆 no

Other samples & remarks: