

REPRODUCTIVE CYCLE OF *HALOTIS OVINA* GMELIN, 1791  
IN NHA TRANG BAY, SOUTH CENTRAL VIETNAM

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ABSTRACT

Abalone *Haliotis ovina* spawned all year round in Nha Trang Bay, but intensively from March/April to July/August. The spawning periodicity was confirmed by regular examination of histological sections of gonad material. The female of *H. ovina* was sexually mature at a size of 42 mm shell length. Fecundity of the female varied from 106,100 to 382,200 eggs. *H. ovina* had a sex ratio of 1 male to 1.2 female.