ANALYSIS OF GROWTH PATTERNS AND CONDITION FACTORS OF ENDEMIC BETTA FISH (Betta cf raja) IN SUMATRA

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| Keywords: | Abstract: One of the wild betta endemic to the |
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| Betta cf raja, condition factors, length-weight | island of Sumatra is Betta cf raja. Currently, it |
| relationship | is difficult to find populations in the wild. |
| | Overfishing and habitat degradation are |
| *Correspondence Address: | suspected to be the triggers. Based on field |
| khairulbiologi75@gmail.com | observations, natural habitats are still found in |
| | Jambi, Riau and North Sumatra Provinces. The |
| | study of bioecological aspects is important, |
| | considering that Betta cf raja has been included |
| | in the IUCN redlist. The study aimed to |
| | analyse the growth patterns and condition |
| | factors of Betta cf raja fish in Sumatra. The |
| | number of fish measured at each location was |
| | 15 individuals. Analysis of growth patterns |
| | using Linear Allometric Model (LAM). The |
| | results of statistical analysis of Betta cf raja are |
| | negative allometric. The results of the analysis |
| | of condition factors are still favourable for the |
| | life of Betta cf raja. |