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**ACCRESIMENTO E ALIMENTAZIONE DEL LATTERINO
(*ATHERINA BOYERI* RISSO) DEL LAGO TRASIMENO**

SUMMARY

GROWTH AND NOURISHMENT OF THE SAND SMELT (" *ATHERINA BOYERI* " RISSO) OF LAKE TRASIMENO. — A sample consisting of 520 individuals was analyzed to evaluate their growth and to determine their diet. The samples were taken from Lake Trasimeno for a period of one year at a frequency of 15 days. The environmental status of the lake was also studied as well as its zooplanktonic community which constitutes the main food of the sand smelt.