Live sea urchins; holding and transport and export



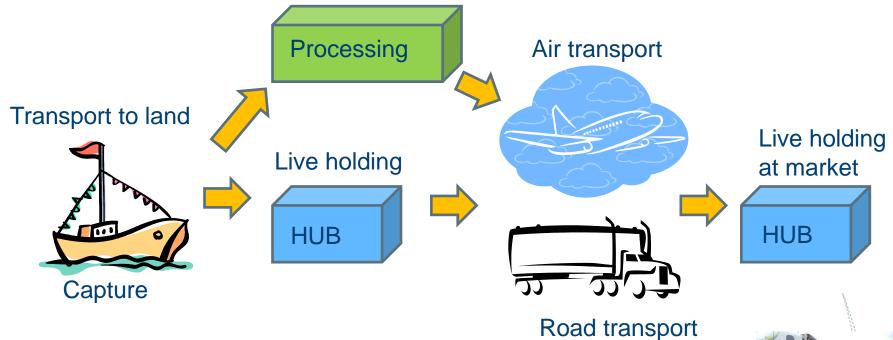
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Live seafood chain for urchins











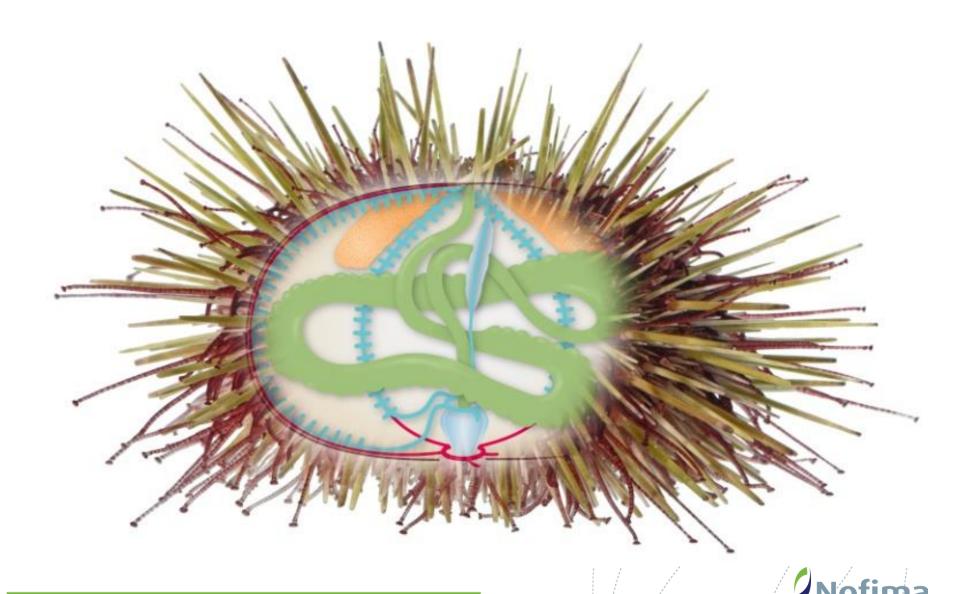








Sea urchins: ideal for live transport



Sea urchin industry in Norway









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"Norwegian Green" sea urchins, found off the coast of Arctic Norway, are considered by many to be the finest on Earth. Yet the locals weren't interested until "Mad Soto" Roderick Sioan started diving for them 10 years ago

The urchin man







(Strongylocentrotus droebachiensis)









Sea urchin research in Norway

Innovation Norway





• FHF; ROV, passive trapping, Live seafood project







Processing sea urchins



European live sea urchin markets

(Sardinia, Italy)





(Grüne Woche, Berlin)





Sea urchin holding and transport research

Holding conditions:

•Effects of varying water quality (nitrite, nitrate, CO₂, oxygen, temperature)

Stocking density

Feeding regimes

Parametre	Optimale	Normale	Kritiske
Vanntemperatur °C	4.0 – 12.0	1.5 – 16.0	< 1.5 > 16.0
Salinitet ‰	30 - 35	34	Ukjent
Oksygenmetning %	> 80	> 80	Ukjent
рН	7.8 - 8.2	7.8 - 8.2	Ukjent
Total ammoniakk mg/l	< 0.2	< 0.2	

Transport:

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 (e.g. effects of chilling/wind)



- Transport between HUB's (road transport)
- Landing urchins in arctic conditions
- Length of transport/quality on arrival/packing temperatures





The challenges:

- Legislation (Norwegian Food Health Authority)
 categorised as a shellfish (EU standards)
 (Northern Periphery project, efforts by
 Arctic Cavier)
- Urchin supply (particularly in the far north)
- Transfer of urchins by road
- Packing and transport technology for export
- Quality control at market
- Measuring stress in urchins (ceolomic fluid)
- Optimising marketing strategies (supply at maximum value)
- FUNDING of research?





