

# ZEBRAFISH (*DANIO RERIO*)

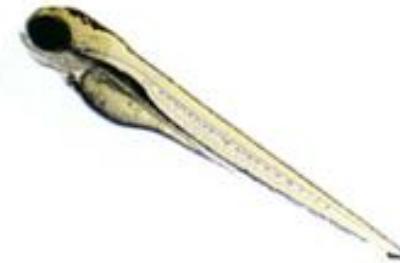


Fonte: Braunbeck *et al.* (2004)

# INTRODUZIONE



**Embryo**



**Larva**



**Adult**

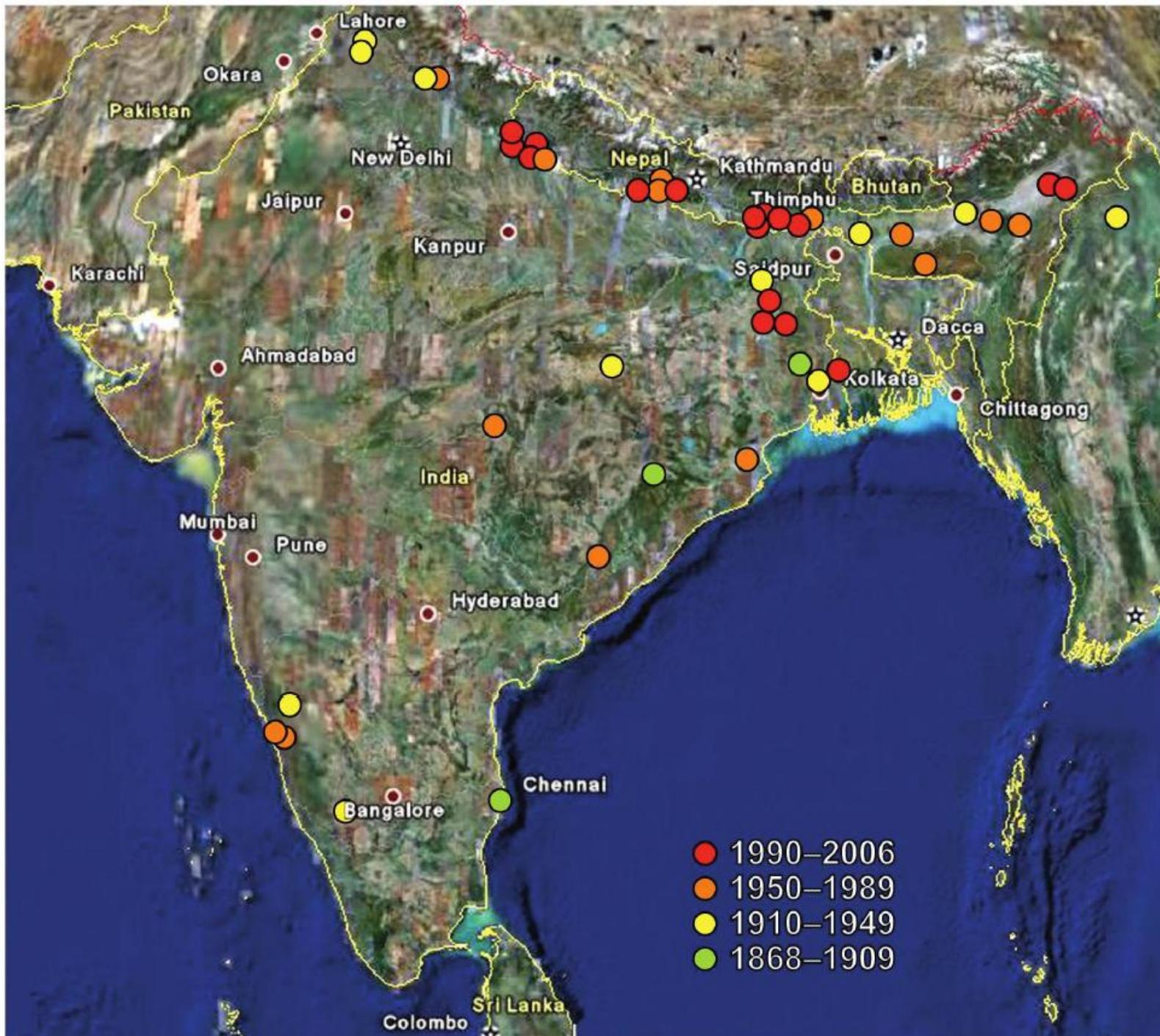


**Zebrafish (*Danio rerio*):**

- Famiglia *Cyprinidae*
- Acque dolci (Asia)
- Da adulto dimensioni fino a 4-5 centimetri
- Animale a sessi separati con lieve dimorfismo sessuale
- Livrea con dorso olivastro e ventre bianco argenteo, corpo con quattro linee orizzontali blu e quattro linee bianche



# Where is zebrafish in the world



# Natural habitats of zebrafish



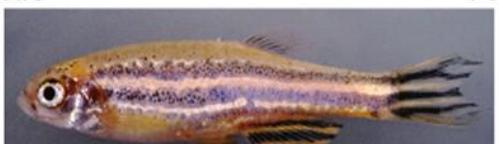
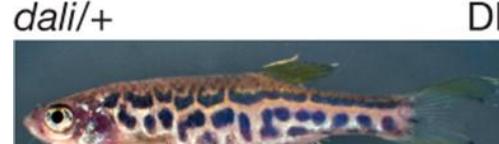
still water (currents, 0 m–sec to 0.1 m–sec) at 27° C to 34° C and pH 7.9–8.2; widths of water bodies ranged from 1 to 12 m, and depths ranged from 16 to 57 cm; water was relatively clear (transparent to 35 cm). 5–6 months for sexual maturation.



# Zebrafish strain

- ❖ Wild type
- ❖ Mutant
- ❖ Transgenic



wild-type	WT		<i>duchamp/+</i>	DU		<i>D. albolineatus</i>	Da
<i>albino</i>	A		<i>ednrb1</i>	E		<i>D. choprae</i>	Dc
<i>csf1r</i>	C		<i>kit</i>	K		<i>D. kyathit</i>	Dk
<i>csf1r; ednrb</i>	CE		<i>mitfa</i>	M		<i>D. nigrofasciatus</i>	Dn
<i>csf1r; kit</i>	CK		<i>oberon</i>	O		<i>De. shanensis</i>	Ds
<i>dali/+</i>	DI		<i>seurat</i>	S			

# Laboratory strains



AB

(pet shop derived)

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WIK

(Wild type India Kolkata)

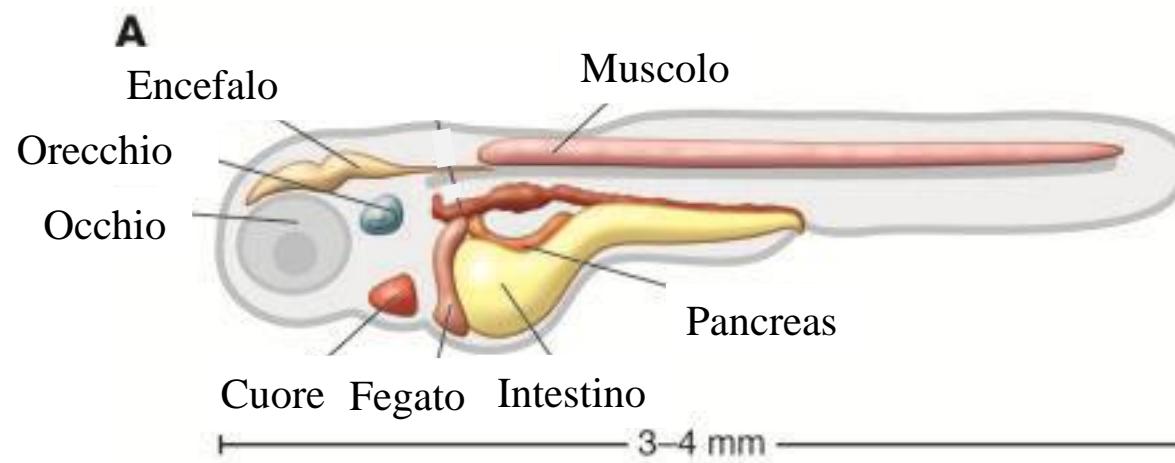
They may look the same, but are genetically different!

WIK was used for mapping mutations from the first mutagenesis screens

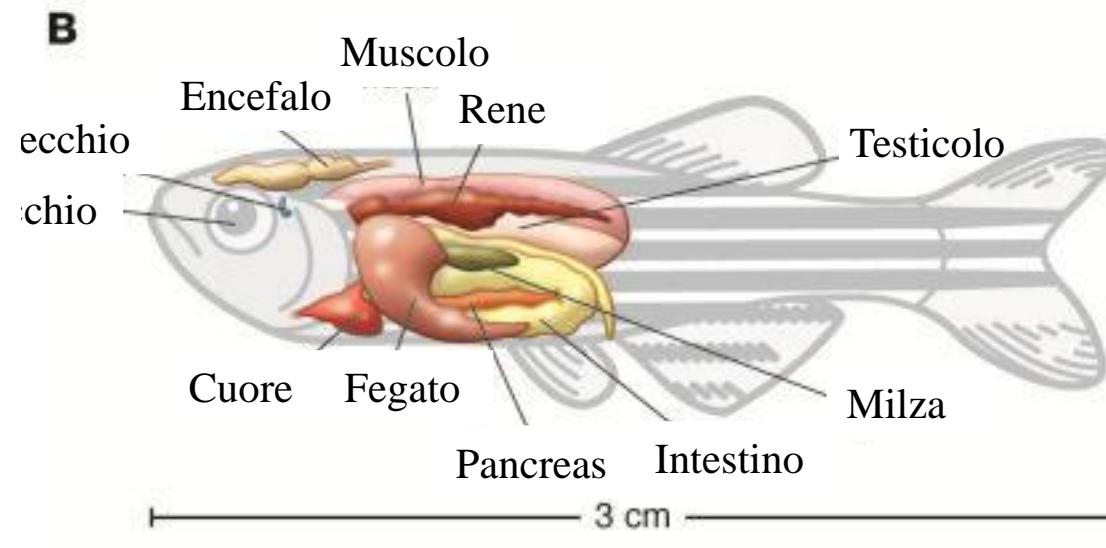
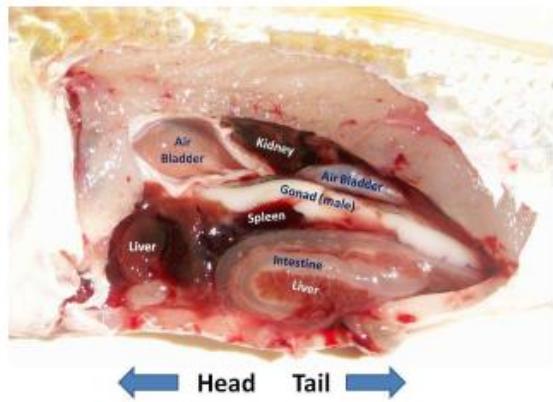
# General Features

General Features	Benefits
<b>Appearance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-Dimension ~4 cm</li><li>-Salient distinguishable features of male and female</li><li>-Often transparent adult bodies</li></ul>	Large number can be kept easily and cheaply in lab  Good model for visualization of cellular activity
<b>Habitat</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-Fresh water fish</li><li>- Tropical fish</li></ul>	Universally available
<b>Feeding</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-Omnivorous</li></ul>	Low cost of maintenance
<b>Reproduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-Female spawns every 2-3 days</li><li>-Breeds all year round</li><li>-Several hundreds of eggs produced in single clutch</li><li>-External fertilization</li></ul>	Large number of offspring- good for batch variation studies  Easy availability of eggs

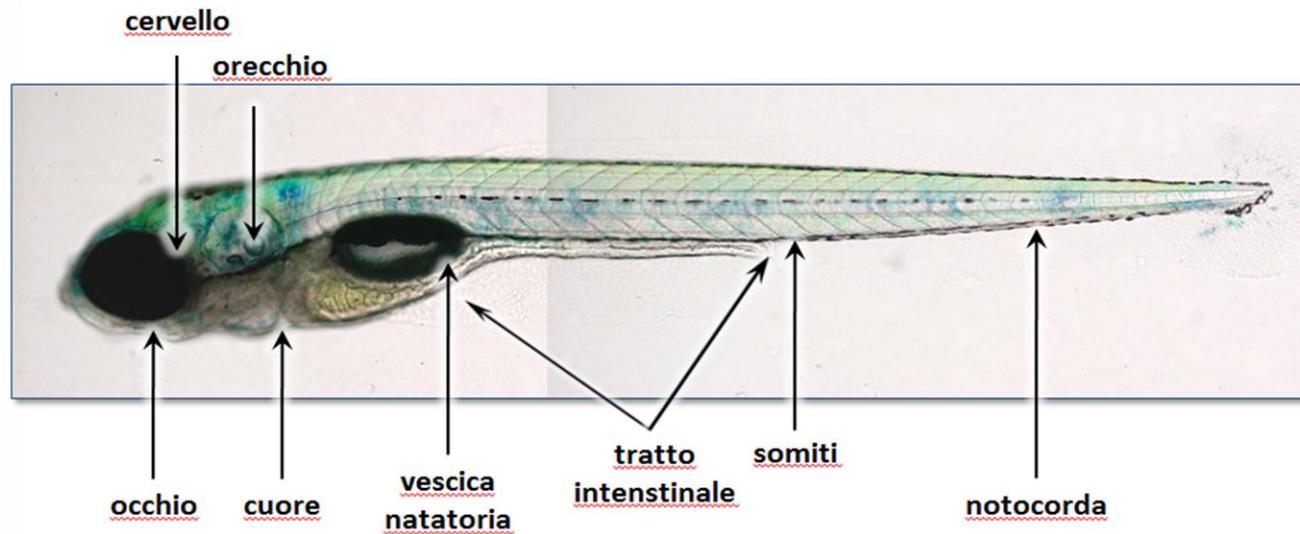
# ANATOMIA DELLO ZEBRAFISH



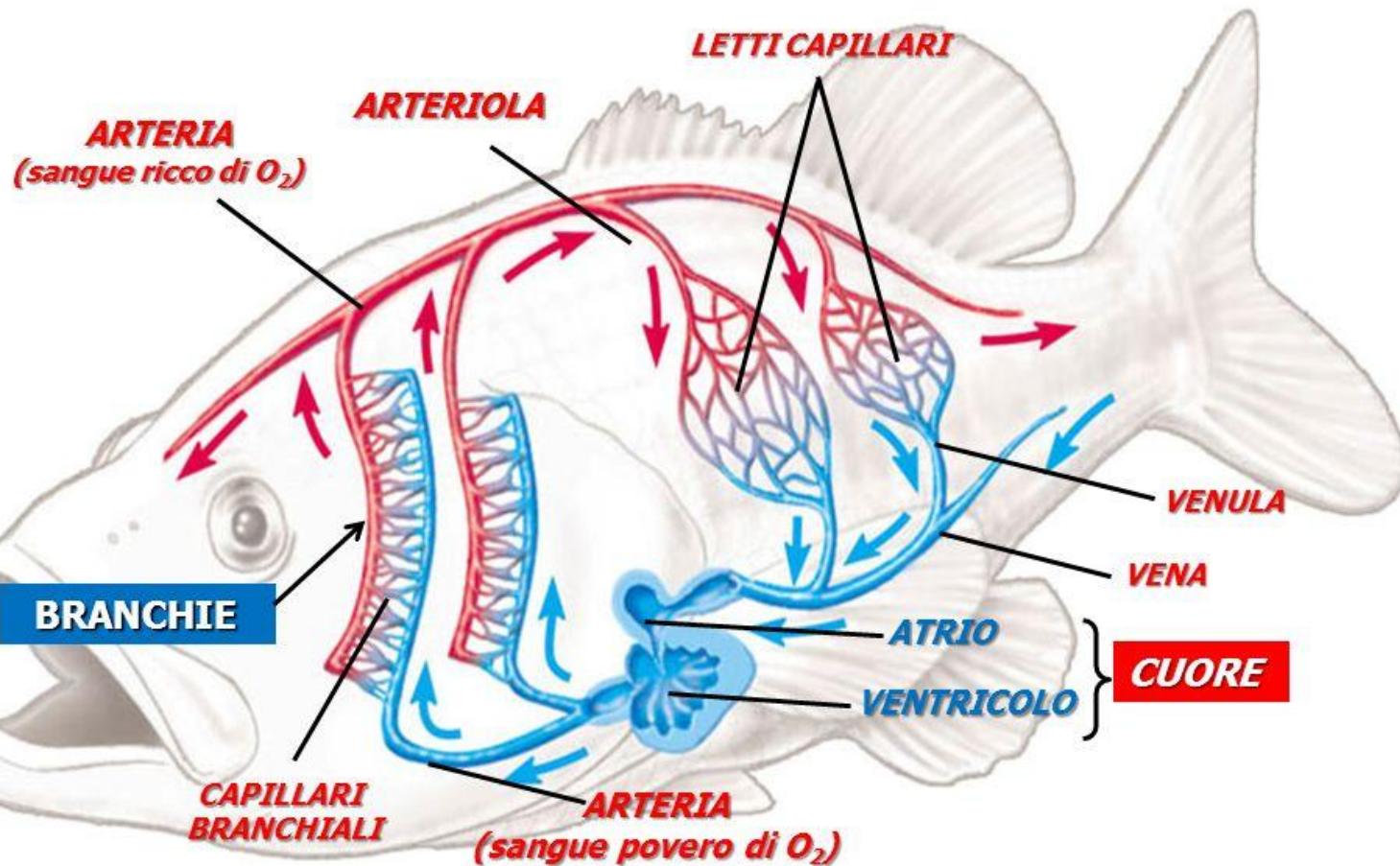
## B. CYPRINID FISH:



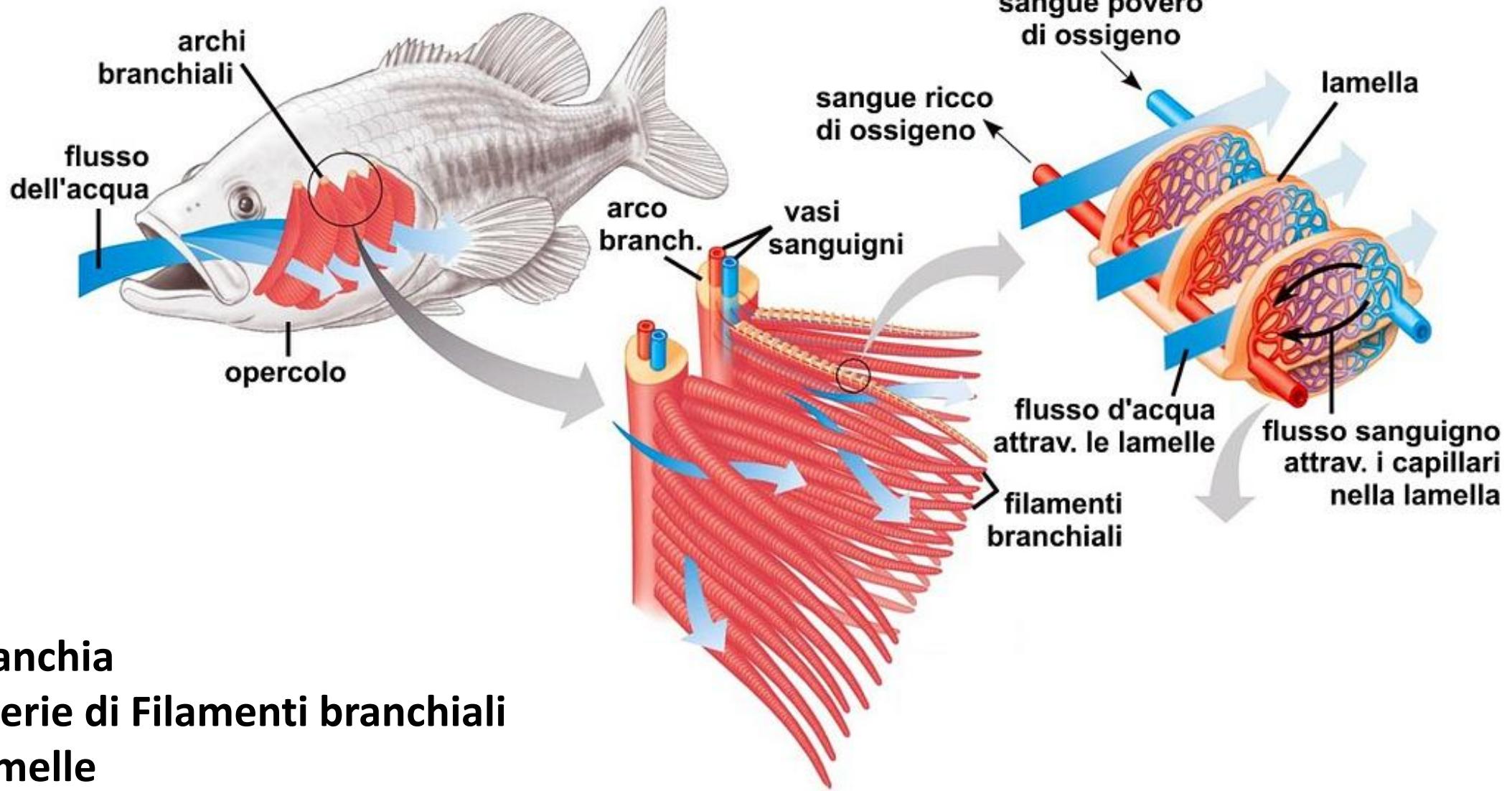
- Sistema circolatorio semplice, a ciclo chiuso
- Sistema digerente semplice (pesce agastrico)
- Sistema respiratorio archi branchiali (4 paia bilaterali)
- Orecchio interno (otoliti utili per l'orientamento)
- Vescica natatoria, dorsalmente all'intestino, organo idrostatico con miscela di gas ( $O_2$ ,  $CO_2$ ,  $N_2$ ) necessario per i movimenti del pesce in acqua

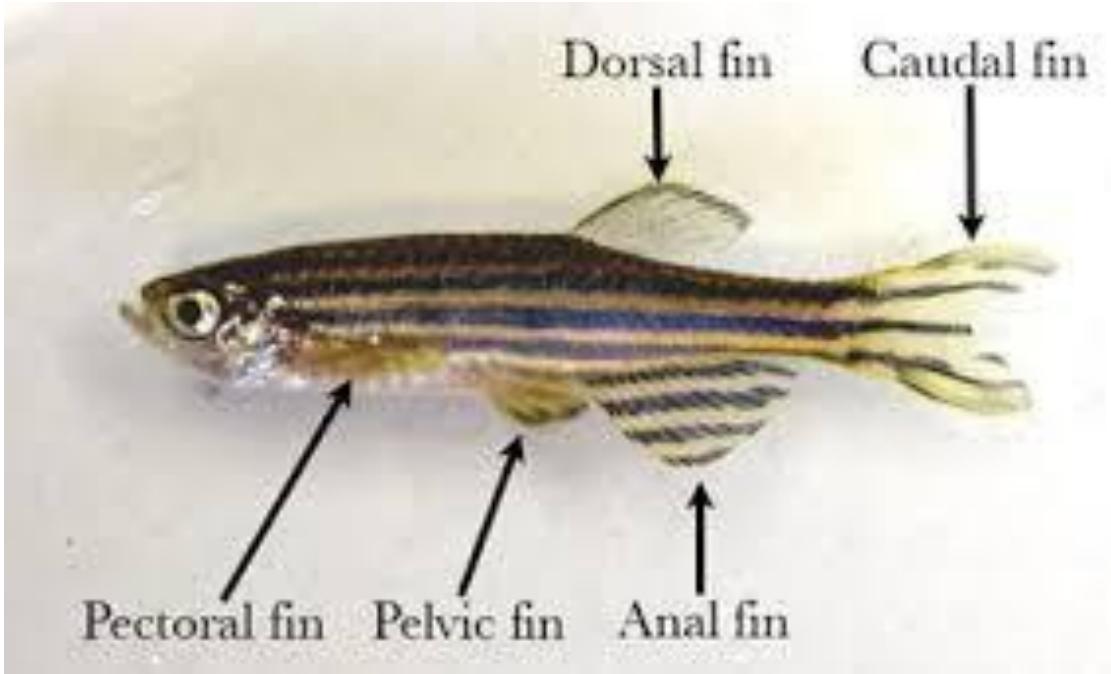


## PESCI: sistema circolatorio chiuso



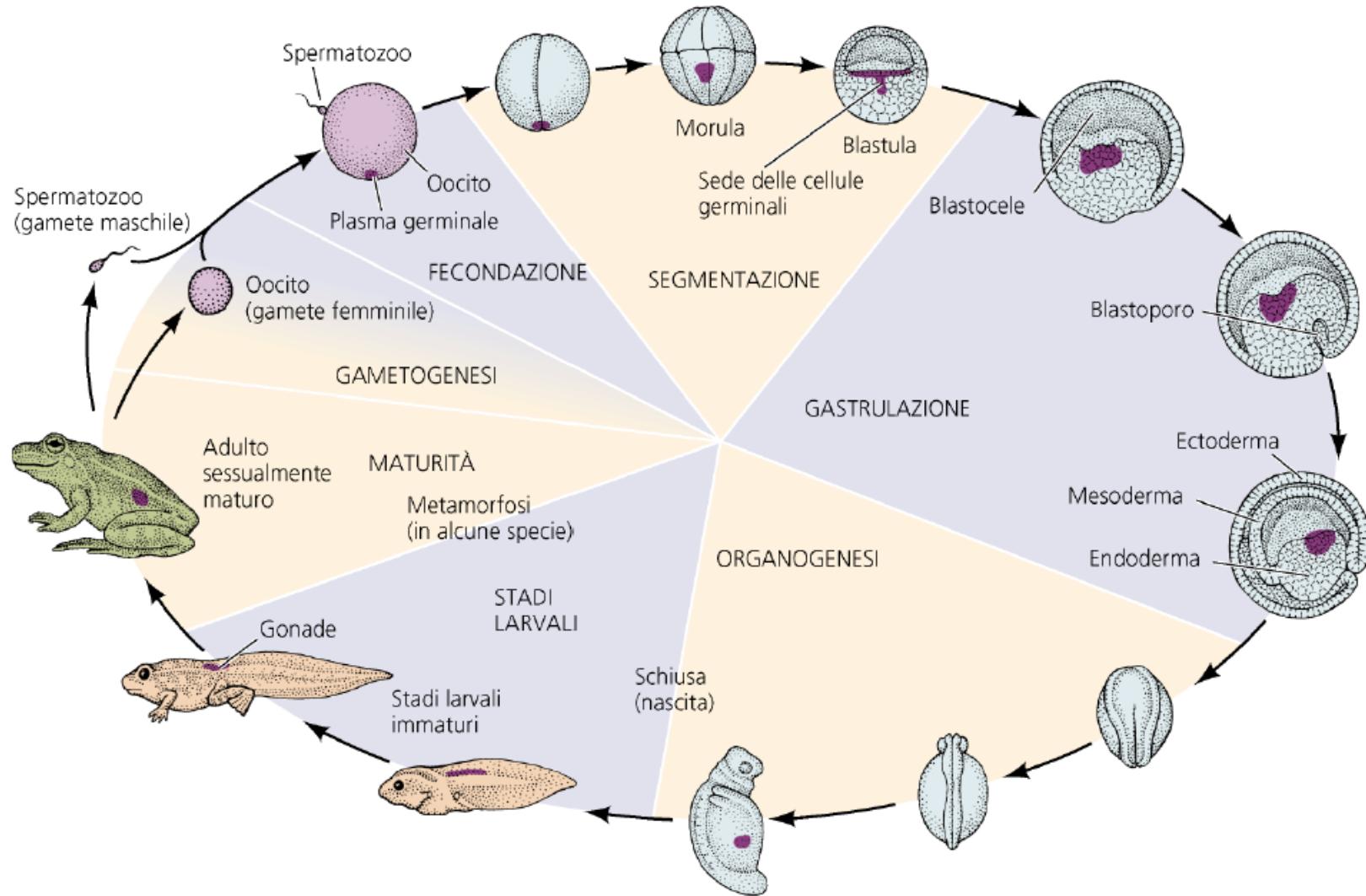




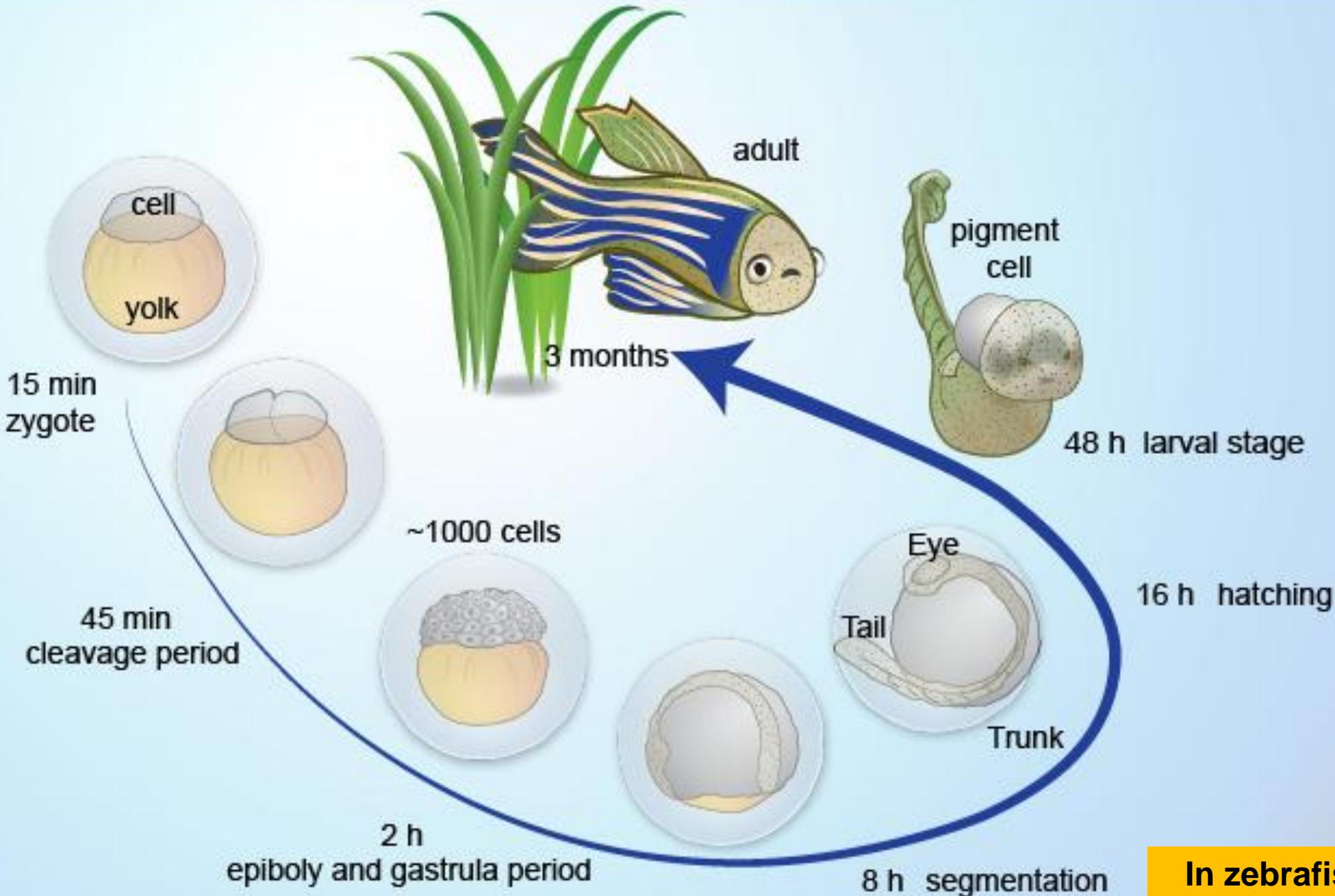


<https://www.jove.com/video/1717/dissezione-di-organi-dal-zebrafish-adulti?language=Italian>

# Il ciclo della vita: gli stadi dello sviluppo animale

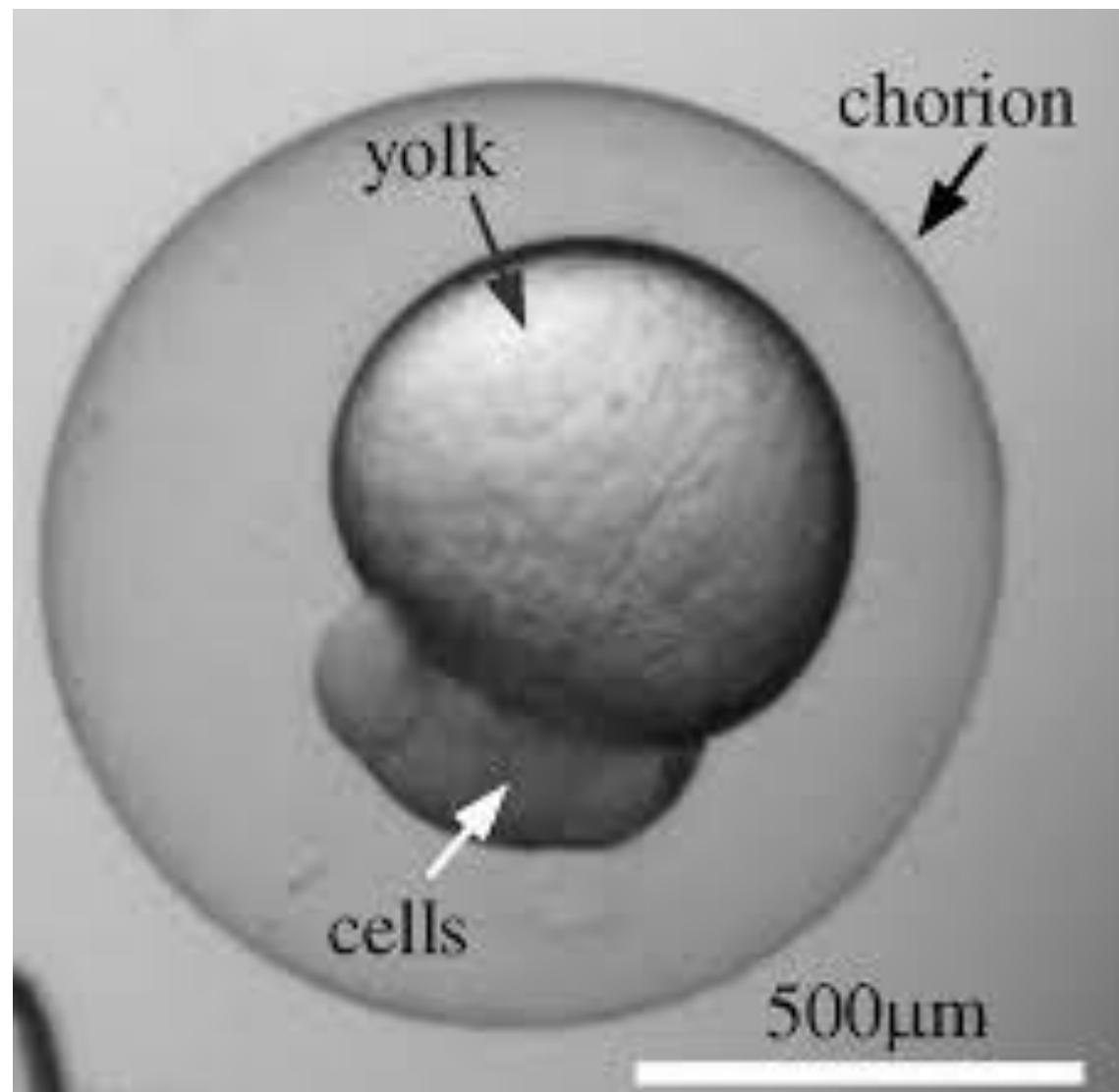


fertilization

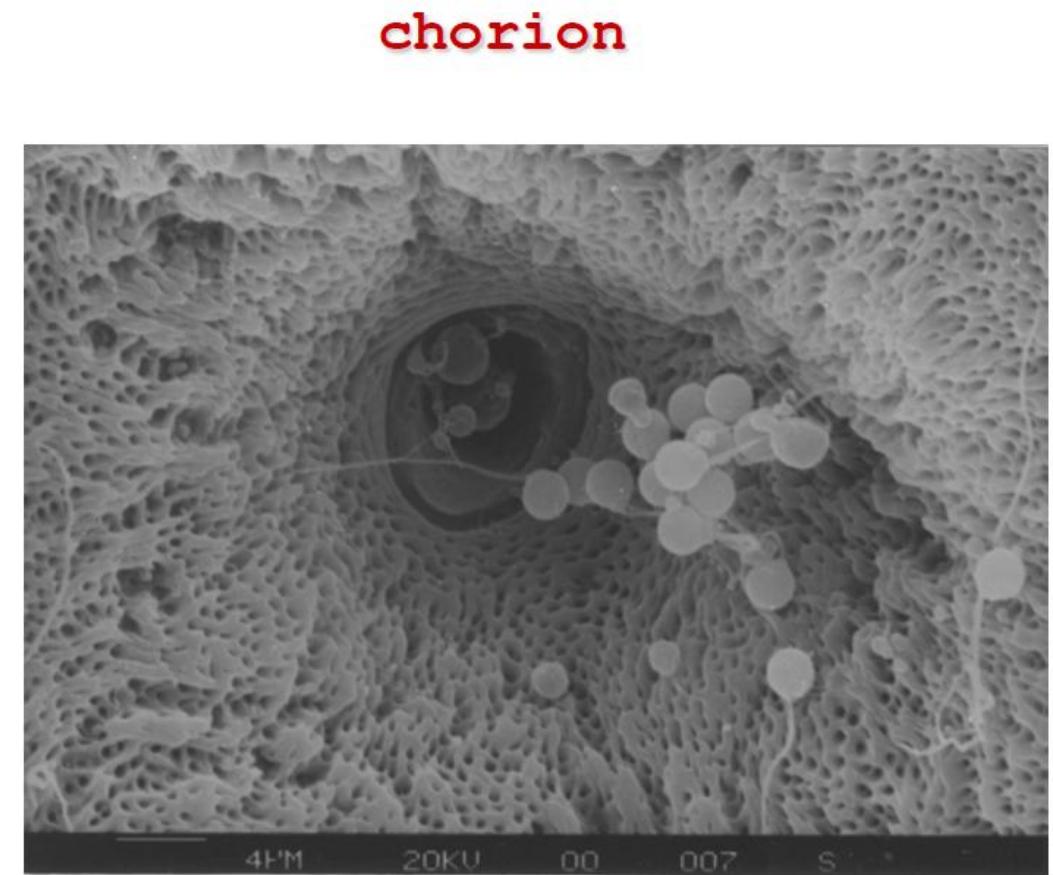


In zebrafish  
l'intero ciclo  
dura 90 gg

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# FECONDAZIONE

Dal singolo uovo fecondato (lo **zigote unicellulare**) si origina un n° enorme di diversi tipi cellulari con le più disparate funzioni. Tutte queste cellule contengono il medesimo patrimonio genetico.

Negli embrioni di zebrafish la prima divisione comincia 40 minuti dopo la fecondazione

## Fertilization

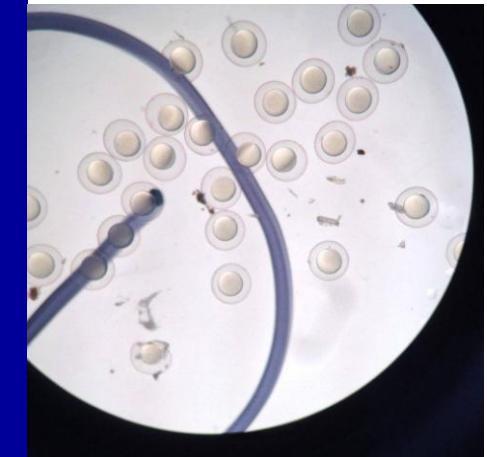
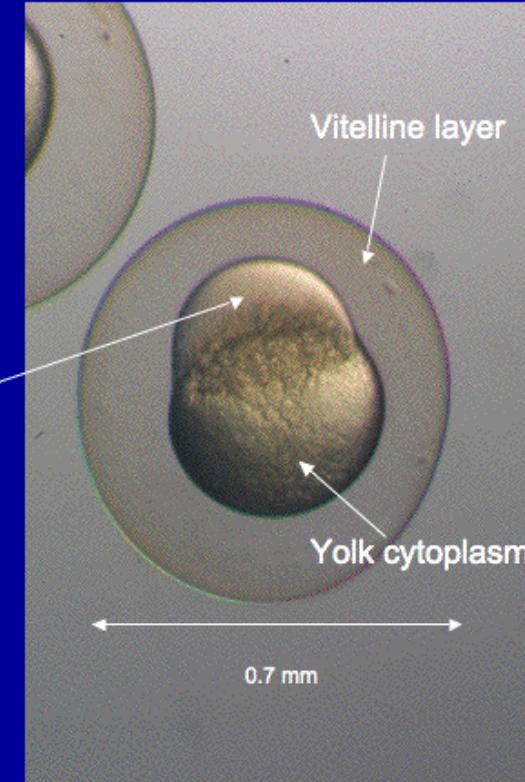
1 cell stage zygote

Blastodisk

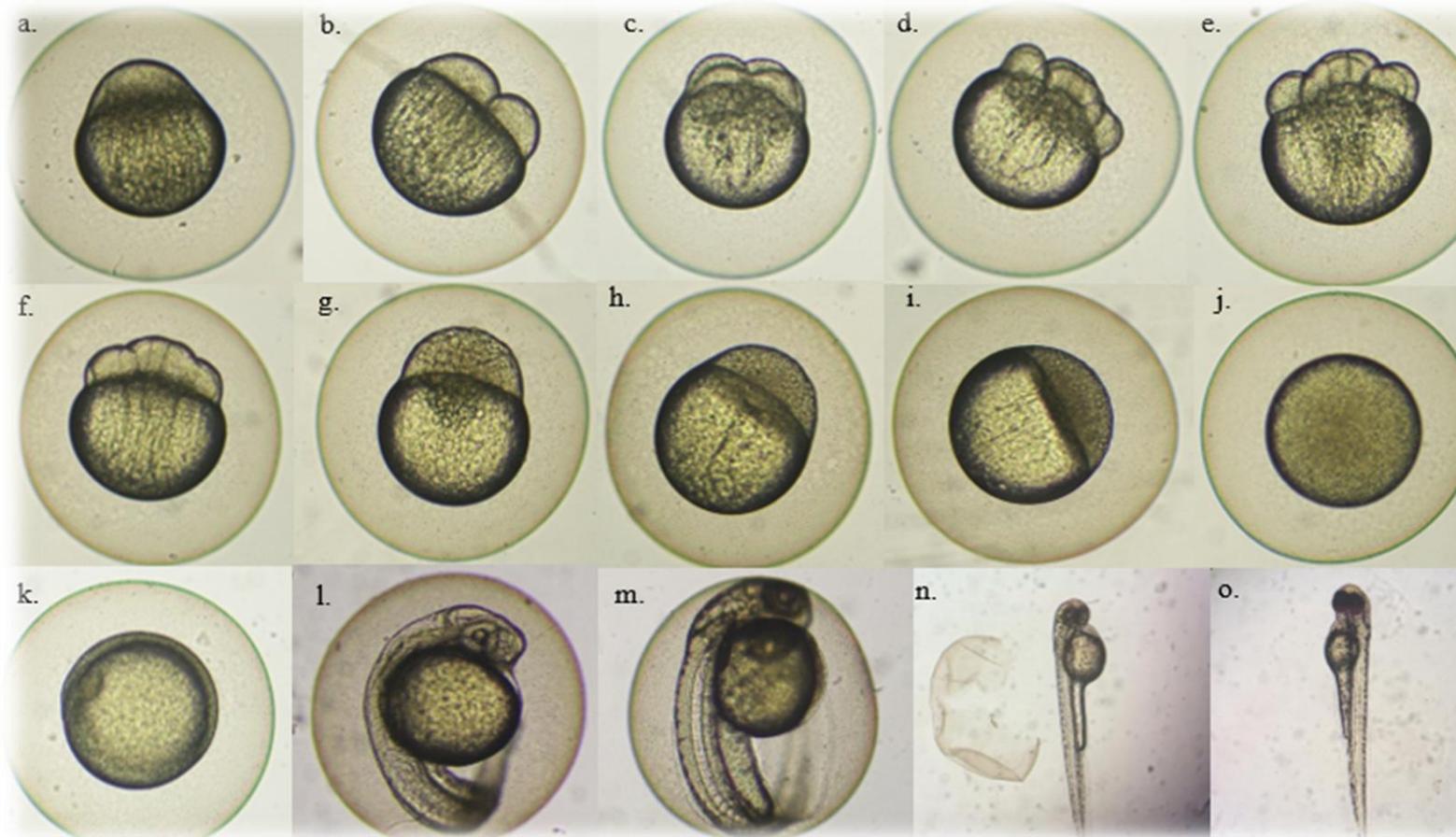
Vitelline layer

Yolk cytoplasm

0.7 mm



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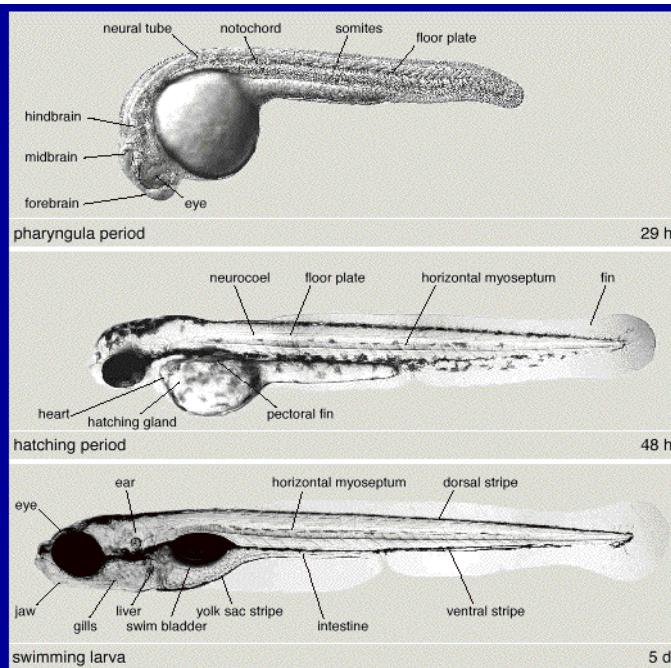


- a) 1-cell stage (0.2 hpf)
- b) 2-cell stage (0.75 hpf)
- c) 4-cell stage
- d) 8-cell stage (1.5 hpf)
- e) 32-cell stage (1.75 hpf)
- f) 64-cell stage (2 hpf)
- g) High stage (3 hpf)
- h) Oblong stage (3.5 hpf)
- i) Sphere stage (4 hpf)
- j) Germ ring stage (5.5 hpf)
- k) 70% epiboly stage (7.5 hpf)
- l) Prim-5 stage (24 hpf)
- m) Long-pec stage (48 hpf)
- n) Protruding-mouth stage (72 hpf)
- o) Early larval period (96 hpf)

# Developmental Timetable

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bEgygtbEo2A>

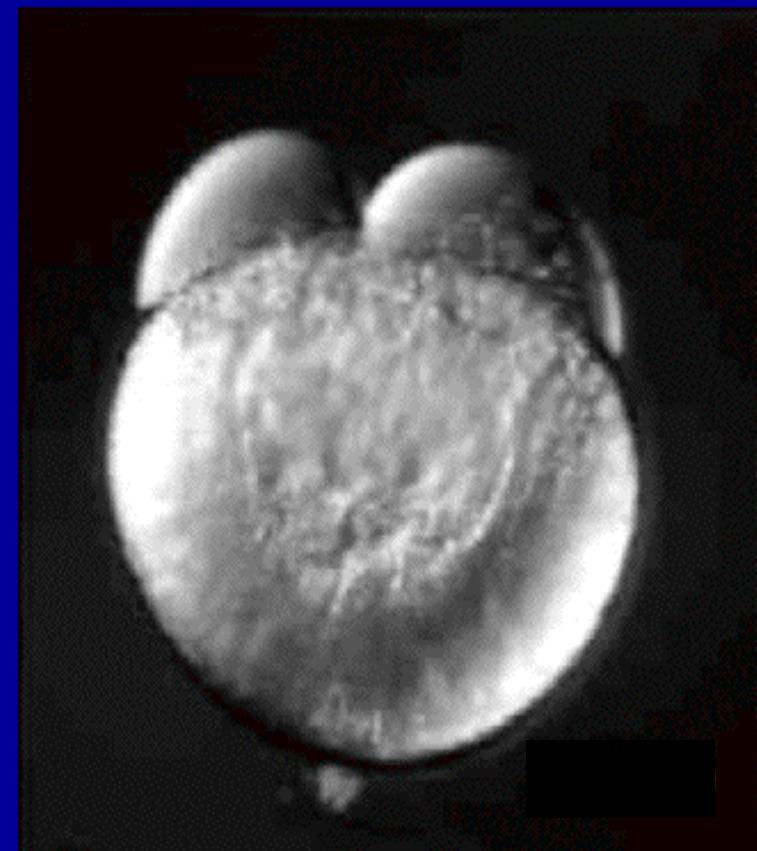
Pharyngula



Hatching

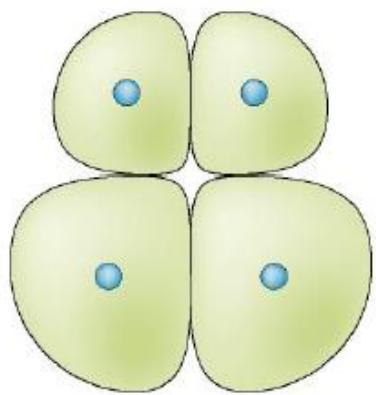
Zygote	0-0.75 hr
Cleavage	0.75-2.25 hr
Blastula	2.25-5.25 hr
Gastrula	5.25-10 hr
Segmentation	10-24 hr
Pharyngula	24-48 hr
Hatching	48-72 hr
Larval Fish	72 hr

Larva

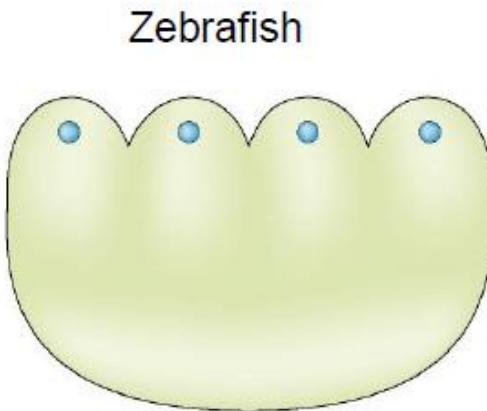


17 Hours of Development

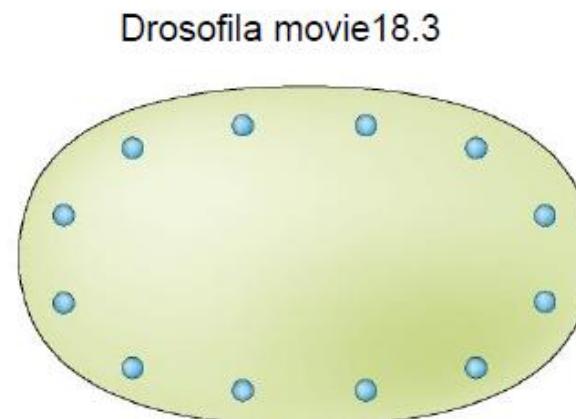
# Segmentazione



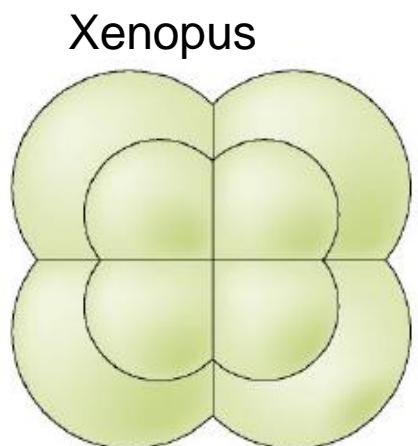
(a) Oloblastica



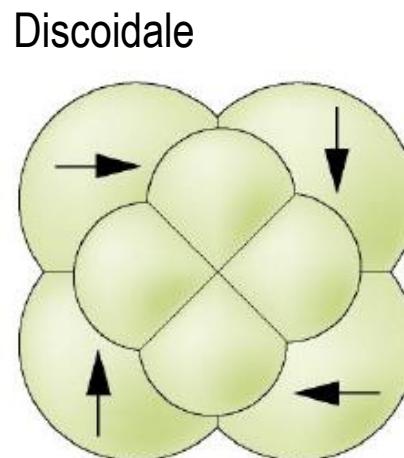
(b) Meroblastica



(c) Superficiale



(d) Radiale  
echinodermi



(e) Spirale  
molluschi



	Embryos (0 to 72 h.p.f.)
fry phase	Early larvae (72 h.p.f. to 13 d.p.f.)
	Mid larvae (14 d.p.f. to 29 d.p.f.)
juvenile phase	(30 d.p.f. to 90 d.p.f.)
adult phase	(> 90 d.p.f. up to 2 years)



Fasi dello sviluppo  
Classificare in modo univoco

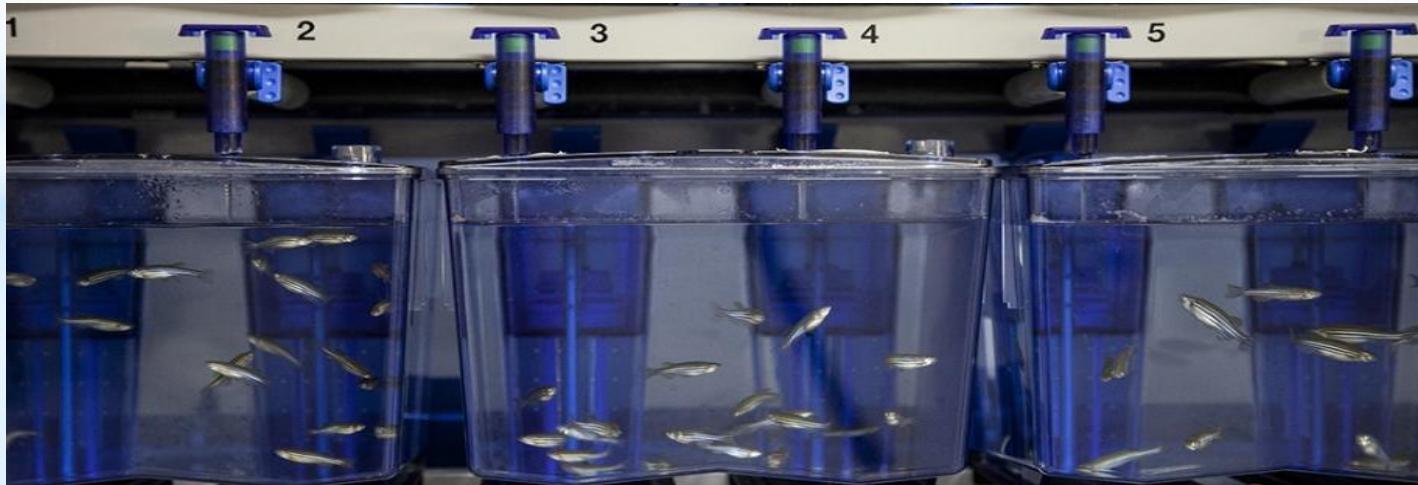
A partire dal 5° giorno dopo la schiusa  
è in grado di alimentarsi autonomamente

# \* GESTIONE E MANAGEMENT IN FACILITY

In Italia Dir. 2010/63/UE “sulla protezione degli animali utilizzati a fini scientifici” con **D.lgs 4 marzo 2014, n.26** (elenco animali art. 10 comma 1)

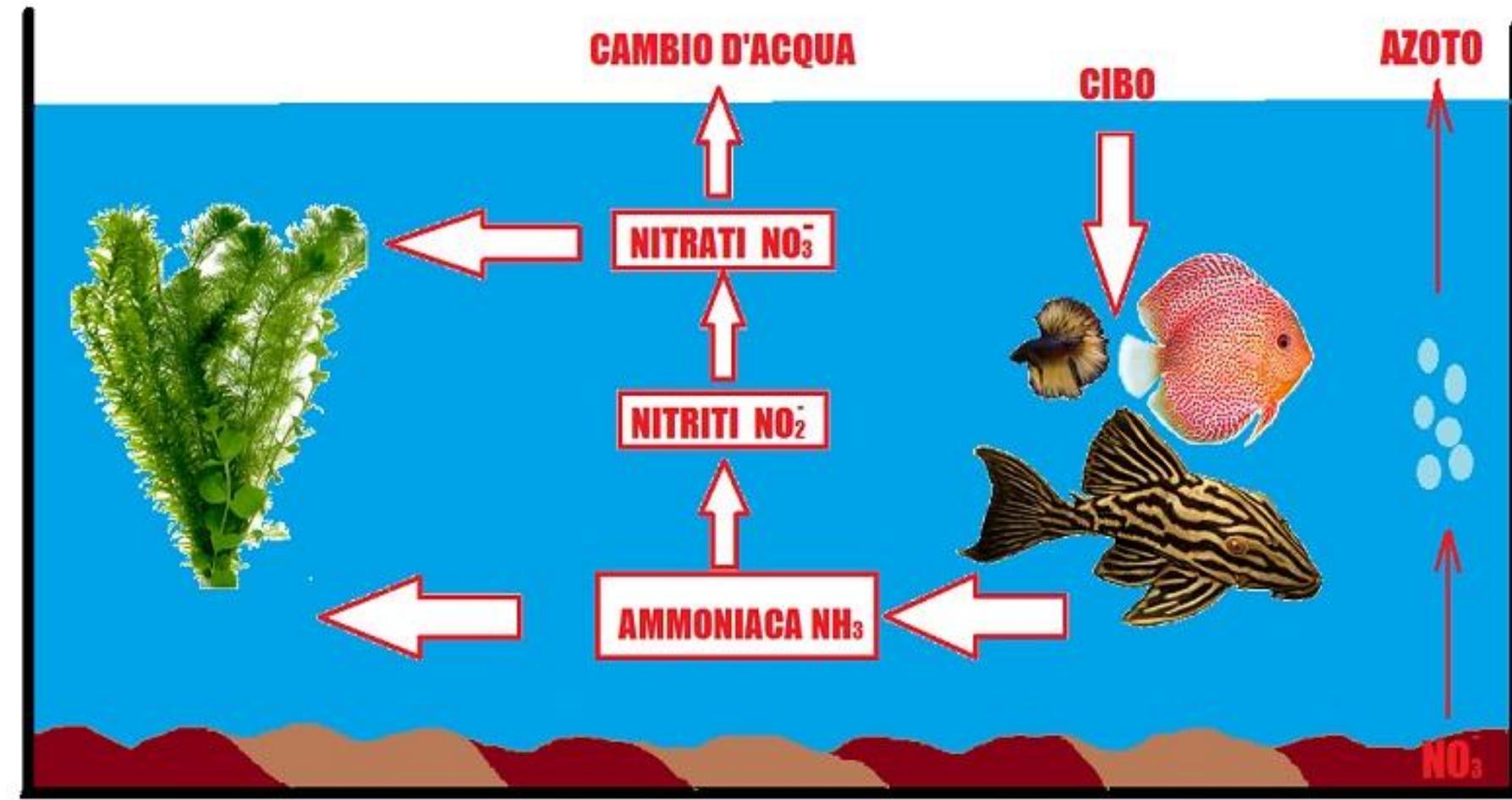
Allegato III «cura e management degli animali»

- colonie da 10-15 pesci in vaschette per assicurare il benessere animale
- sistema a gocciolamento per ricambio giornaliero continuo e lento dell’acqua





# Il ciclo dell'azoto



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PARAMETRI OTTIMALI	
Temperatura H <sub>2</sub> O	28±1°C
Ossigeno dissolto	~ 7.8 mg/L a 28 °C
Scorie azotate	NH <sub>3</sub> e NO <sub>2</sub> = 0 ppm, NO <sub>3</sub> =10 ppm
pH	tra 7.3 ed 8
Salinità	0,35 a 0,7 ppt di sali
Fosfati	0,02 e 0,50 mg/l
Fotoperiodo	12/12 o 14/10 luce/buio

sistema di filtri (meccanico, a carbone, microbiologico) e raggi per assicurare una buona qualità delle acque

(Zebtec, Tecniplast, Italy) sistema “stand alone”



## The habitat in the lab...





## Lab habitat: physico-chemical properties

Water Quality

Temperature

pH

Ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>)

/NH<sub>4</sub>)

Nitrite (NO<sub>2</sub>)

Nitrate (NO<sub>3</sub>)

Dissolved Oxygen

(DO)

Conductivity

Found in two recent studies:

*Temperature:* 12.3 - 38.6 °C

*pH:* 5.9 - 9.8

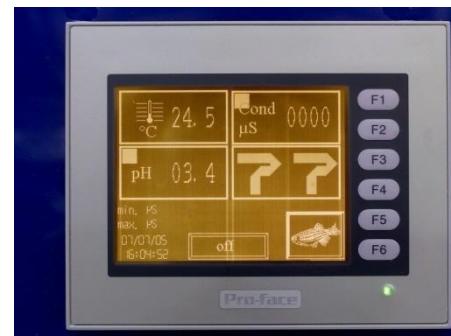
*Conductivity:* 10 - 271 µS

In the lab:

26-29 °C

6.5-8.0

250-600 µS



Quite tolerant – in line to what was observed in the laboratory

Targeted values: NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> < 2.5 mg/l, NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> < 0.025 mg/l

