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Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Research
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Title of the Manuscript:	OTOLITH SHAPE INDICES OF JAPANESE THREADFIN BREEM (<i>Nemipterus japonicus</i> , Bloch 1791) FROM THE MAKASSAR STRAIT, INDONESIA
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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p>Compulsory REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is the manuscript important for scientific community? (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</p> <p>2. Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p> <p>3. Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</p> <p>4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p> <p>5. Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</p> <p>6. Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</p> <p><u>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</u></p>	<p>1. Yes</p> <p>2. Yes</p> <p>3. Yes but last sentence incomplete</p> <p>4. Yes</p> <p>5. Yes</p> <p>6. Yes but some more references for otoliths usage in integrative taxonomy for nemipteridae family can be added if possible, to draw a better discussion in the matter.</p> <p>7. In discussion, the shape index is dependent on several factors and therefore some questions needs to be answered in this regard in the discussion section</p> <p>1. Is the shape index calculated for this species is only observed in case of the Japanese threadfin or it can be observed in other species also? Discuss this</p> <p>2. The specific shape index values are obtained due to what reason, any probable analysis by the authors regarding this should be added.</p>	
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