

CRABS ARE HELD IN LIVE WELLS  
AND MONITORED FOR MOLTING



















**PAOLO WORKING WITH US IN MAINE, 2016.**

**OUR DECISION WAS TO USE EQUIPMENT  
AND GEAR ALREADY AVAILABLE.**

**WE USE LOBSTER CARS AS LIVE WELLS.**





**PAOLO'S FATHER HARVESTING SOFT SHELL CRABS**







**PAOLO'S FATHER  
ANGELO TAGLIAPIETRA --  
KNOWN TO HIS FRIENDS AS "RE"  
("RAY"), WHICH MEANS KING  
IN ITALIAN.**

**ANGELO IS KING OF THE  
*MOECHANTE* (SOFT SHELL  
CRAB FISHERMEN)**







**GREEN CRABS IN MAINE**



**GROUP HOUSING  
MOLTING CAGES  
MADE OF 9MM  
OYSTER BAGS WITH  
¼ IN. WIRE LIDS:**

**WOODEN RAILS  
PREVENT LOSS OF  
LEGS (RESULTING IN  
A POOR QUALITY  
PRODUCT)**



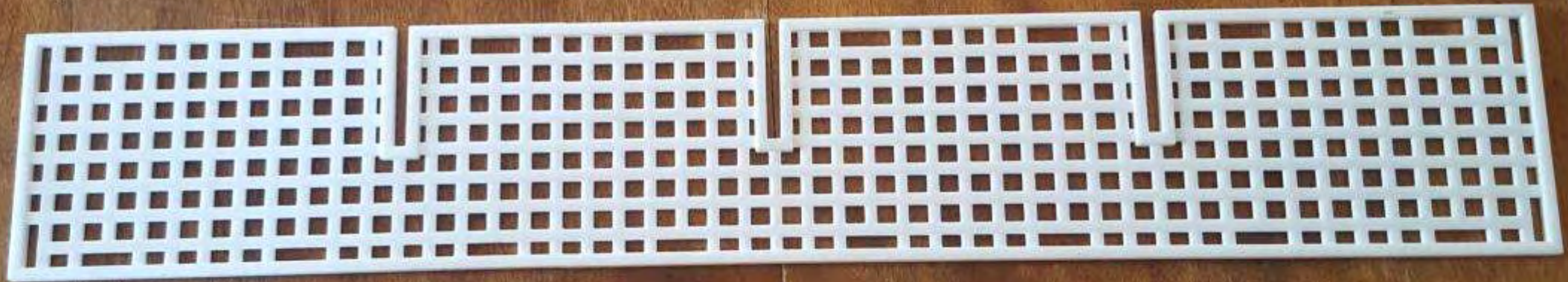


**CRABS READY TO MOLT ARE HOUSED INDIVIDUALLY IN CELLS  
MADE OF 4 MM OYSTER WIRE. THIS PREVENTS  
CANNIBALISM AND LEGS BEING EATEN OFF BY OTHER CRA**





**PROTOTYPE OF A 3D PRINTED DIVIDER THAT COULD BE MASS  
PRODUCED ONCE THE INDUSTRY IS DEVELOPED TO USE IN  
MOLTING CAGES**





**OUR WORK  
FLOAT**





**IMMINENT MOLT**

**IN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY  
BLUE CRAB INDUSTRY  
THIS WOULD BE CALLED  
A “BUSTER.”**

**THE VENETIANS CALL IT  
“SPIANTINO”**

