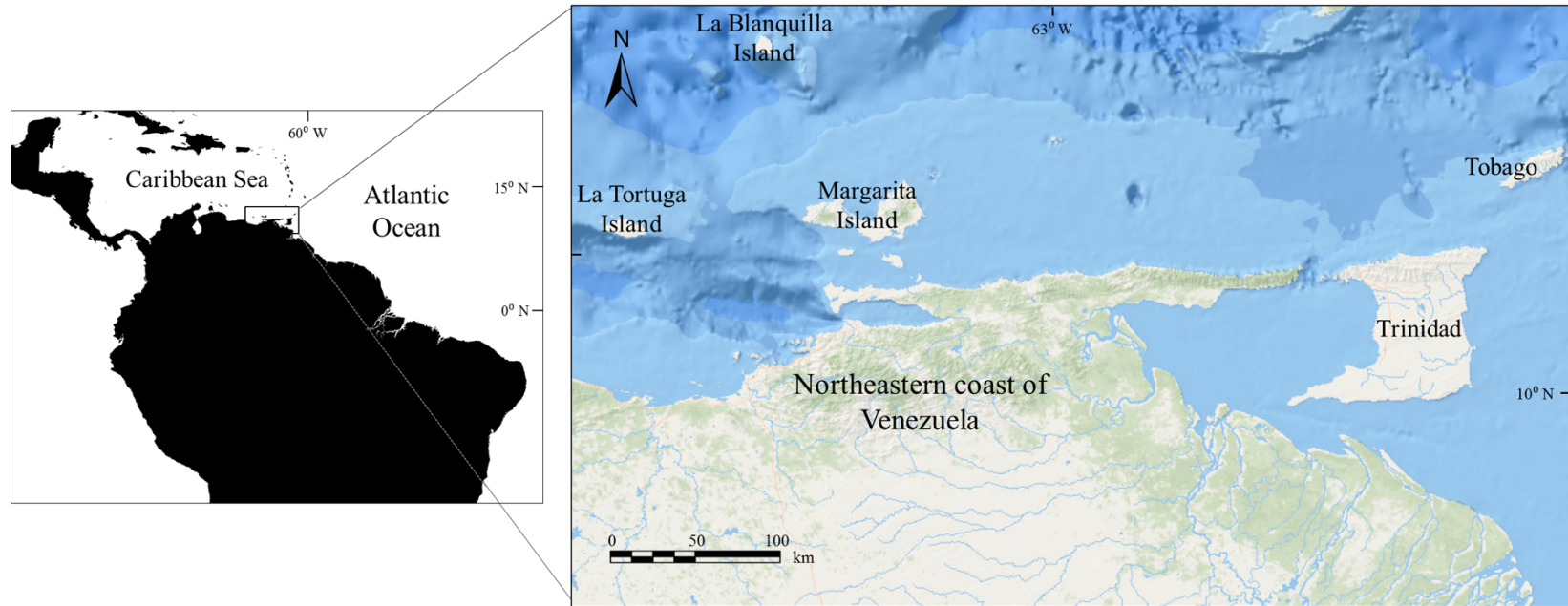


DIGITAL APPENDIX 1

Study area: Northeastern region of Venezuela



DIGITAL APPENDIX 2

Comparative information of growth parameters estimated for species of the genus *Mustelus*

Species	Sex	Max. size (cm TL)	Growth parameters			Study area	Authors
			L_{∞}	k	t_0		
<i>Mustelus californicus</i>	Males	93.0	101.8	0.35	-1.00	West coast, USA	Yudin & Cailliet (1990)
	Females	125.0	142.4	0.22	-1.03		
<i>Mustelus henlei</i>	Males	79.5	86.1	0.29	-1.09		
	Females	100.0	97.6	0.23	-1.38		
<i>Mustelus mustelus</i>	Males	112.0	105.2	0.44	-1.52	Northwestern Atlantic	Conrath et al. (2002)
	Females	132.0	123.6	0.29	-1.94		
<i>Mustelus asterias</i>	Males	104.0	103.7	0.20	—	Northeastern Atlantic	Farrell et al. (2010)
	Females	112.0	123.5	0.15	—		
<i>Mustelus higmani</i>	Males	61.0	60.4	0.53	-1.02	Caribbean, Vzla.	Present study
	Females	71.6	71.1	0.38	-1.17		