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Gathering information and ensuring evidence is robust is crucial for an effective management process. Gaps in data lead to increased uncertainty that can hinder the decision-making process.

Stakeholders have the potential to play a greater role in filling evidence gaps in various areas e.g.

- feature condition
- fishing activity distribution
- fishing impacts
- socio-economic impacts

Processes are required to ensure scientific evidence requirements do not become a barrier to provision of data. Adaptive Risk Management (ARM) provides a framework through which the fishing industry may collate and mobilise their information to contribute to future work. The provision of such evidence could help to inform the development of measures and to trigger periodic review.

