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## Conference told of way to curb jellyfish numbers

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An international authority on jellyfish says there would be fewer plagues of the creatures if there were bigger fish and turtle populations.

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University of British Columbia Professor Daniel Pauly has addressed an international conference on the Gold Coast.

He says large numbers of jellyfish have been known to tear fishing nets and clog water pipes at power stations.

Professor Pauly says there is a simple solution.

"If we fished less the population of fish that control, in part at least, jellyfish would be in better shape and turtles for example we need to protect them for their own benefit. They also help us in consuming jellyfish," he said.

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