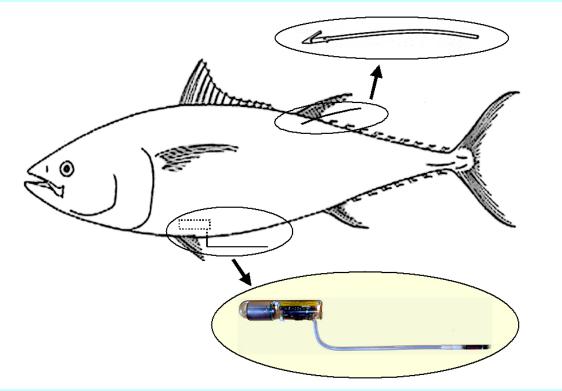
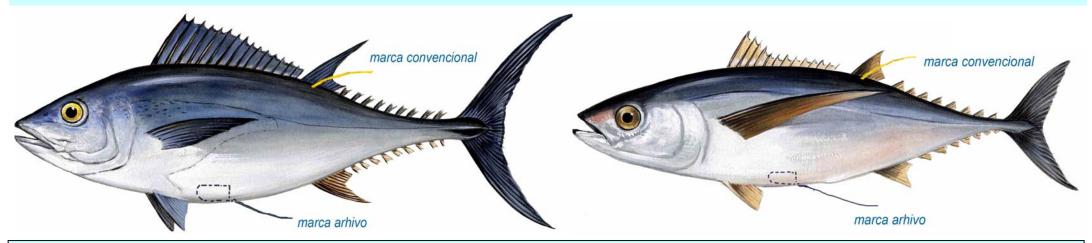
200 € REWARD for an internal archival tag from tuna



How do you know that a tuna is carrying an internal tag? Tags are implanted inside the abdomen and only the sensor can be seen coming out from the belly cavity. Tuna are also carrying a *conventional tag* on their back.

Archival tags are electronic data-logging devices that provide location estimates by measuring light intensity through a light sensor. They also provide data on swimming depth, water temperature, and body temperature of the fish. This information is collected on a daily basis and stored in the tag for several years until the fish is recovered.



TO OBTAIN THE REWARD, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION NEEDS TO BE REPORTED: <u>1. At sea</u>:

Keep the tuna UNGUTTED with the archival tag inside. ¡Do not take out the tag by pulling out from the sensor! Indispensable NOTE DOWN: (1) Tag number. (2) Place and date of recapture.

2. When arriving at port:

NOTIFY previous information and (3) **name of the vessel**, (4) **fishing gear used**, (5) your **name** and **address**. Please contact with any of the following:

- AZTI. Tlf: (+34) 943 004 800 , FAX: (+34) 943 004 801, e-mail: tag@pas.azti.es
- IEO. Tlf: (+34) 942 291 060 , FAX: (+34) 942 275 072, e-mail: tunidos.santander@st.ieo.es
- ICCAT. International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic tuna, Madrid, Tlf: (+34) 91 416 5600.
- Closest Local Fishing Agency.

Later the specimen will be collected and paid.

Any question consult with Igor Arregi (AZTI) or tuna department (IEO).

To remove the archival tag, make a carefully placed 15 cm (6") incision in the belly cavity, in front of the area where the sensor enters into the fish. Remove the tag with light sensor by hand, wash with water and keep it safe at room temperature together with streamer tag. As archival tags tend to attach to internal viscera over time, many of these tags are discarded when the fish is dressed and viscera are thrown away. If dressing the fish first is a high priority, place the viscera in a bucket along with the streamer tag. When time allows, closely examine the viscera for the tag. In rare instances the tag can also be found attached to the inside lining of the stomach cavity.







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