

Departmental Seminar Marine Apex Predators' long-term ecological research from creation to conservation

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Apex Marine Predators

Bio-indicators of the ocean health



The Apex Marine Predator (AMP) Laboratory specializes in long-term ecological research of marine mammals (dolphins and whales), sharks, rays, and bony fishes (bluefin tuna and swordfish). Our research objectives are all aligned to promote the conservation status of those taxa along the coastal shelf of Israel and regionally. Apex predators are essential for maintaining the integrity of ecosystems. Yet, there is a considerable knowledge gap concerning their distribution and abundance throughout the eastern Mediterranean Sea. The presentation overviews the long-term research on coastal dolphins, offshore whales, coastal sharks, blackchin guitarfish, and bluefin tunas.



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