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iTAG holiday newsletter

Integrated tracking of aquatic animals in the Gulf of Mexico

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iTAG by the numbers:
 > 200 members, > 4,000 tags,
 and > 7,000,000 detections
 shared between members!

Member news:

***Tis the season for DATA NEEDED**

Have your receiver or array locations changed since the last map? Ours have!

We are asking everyone to log on to the website and click on [UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION](#) which takes you to the spread sheet for the interactive map. Even if your array has not changed please access this spreadsheet and put in the Dec 2020 so we now the data is correct; otherwise please update the numbers and the date they were updated or write "remove" in the date updated column, if the array has been removed

It is also that time of year...when we ask for purchase estimates



The same spreadsheet for updating arrays has tabs at the bottom for estimated purchases in 2021 and 2020 for 180 khz tags and sensors and 69 khz v7, v9, v13, and v16, as well as receivers.

Such a great membership perk to get a discount on our vemco/innovasea equipment and you don't even have membership fees. Just send us expected purchases!

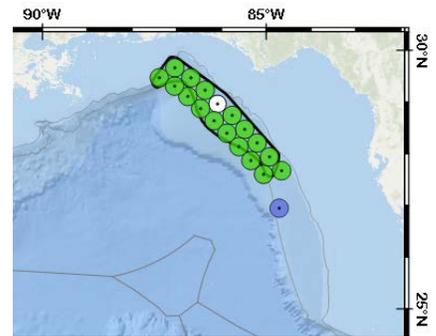
MEMBERS DOING AMAZING THINGS!

One of the cool things about iTAG is learning about the incredible things which members are doing. In that vein, we wanted to highlight MISS,



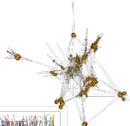
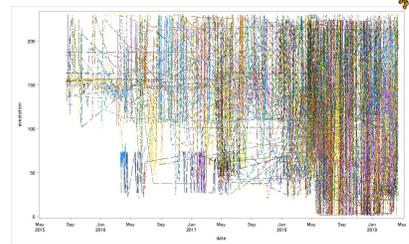
founded by four Black female shark researchers, including Jasmine Graham (who tracked sawfish for her Masters). MISS strives to ensure women of color are seen and take up space in a discipline which has been largely inaccessible to them. It strives to create positive role models for the next generation and to promote diversity and inclusion in shark science. It encourages women of color to overcome obstacles and contribute knowledge in marine science. It is working to change the system that historically excluded women of color. MISS believes diversity in scientists creates diversity in thought, which leads to innovation.

Networking with great people. One of our most recent members comes from the the marine mammal group at NMFS Miami



Because she is planning on putting out passive recorders with acoustic releases, she decided to go ahead and buy acoustic release receivers to help monitor the area above for tagged fish. We will keep you updated when these receivers go out!

Art? or synthesis (chaos) papers?

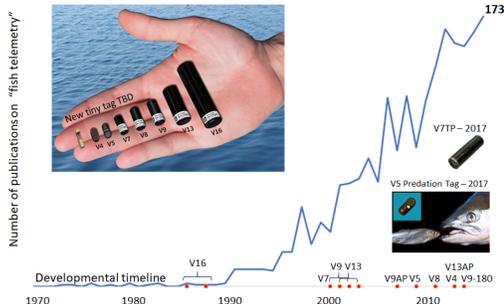


The Pub Report from the workshop



Graham, J., et al. (*In press*). Large-scale space use of smalltooth sawfish *Pristis pectinata*: implications for establishing large juvenile and adult critical habitat. *Endangered Species Research*.

Friess, C. et al. (just accepted with minor revisions) Regional scale variability in the movement ecology of marine fishes revealed by an integrative acoustic tracking network. *Marine Ecology Progress Series*



A special thanks to all who shared their stories on the web!