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Maine DMR needs your help  
contributing to a worldwide study of  
bluefish genetics.

Contributing fin-clips from bluefish in ME will  
help create a genetic library and establish  
distribution information for populations all over  
the world

**JOIN THE RESEARCH**  
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Contact to contribute fin-clips



Please see the updated instructions below:

The Maine Department of Marine Resources is contributing to a genetics study of global bluefish populations. Distributed throughout the world's oceans, including the Gulf of Maine, bluefish likely comprise multiple genetically different populations. Understanding these distinct populations will support improved management here in the Gulf of Maine and throughout the world. The approach is to collect DNA samples from the fins of bluefish caught or harvested by recreational fishermen in Maine. Those samples will contribute to a genetic library from bluefish from around the globe. If you catch a bluefish, please clip a small piece about the size of a large fingernail clipping from the dorsal (top) or tail fin before release, store it in your

cooler, and call our sampler Addie to collect it for the study. To contribute a sample or learn more, contact Addie Binstock at [addie.l.binstock@maine.gov](mailto:addie.l.binstock@maine.gov) or 207-707-2498.

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