

# Keep an eye out for tagged tope!

Working together with local fishers, the first tope sharks have been acoustically tagged in **Wales** to study movement of this endangered species in Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau Special Area of Conservation. The tagging was designed to ensure minimal impact to the shark and completed by a trained scientist under license\*.

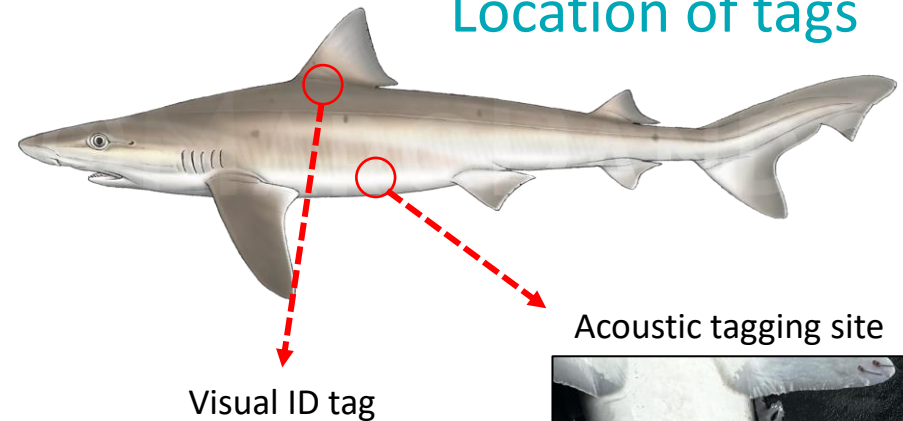
## We need your help:

- **Caught a tope?** Check for the presence of an ID tag and report the number to [siarc@zsl.org](mailto:siarc@zsl.org) along with the date, time, and catch location (latitude/longitude).
- If it is safe to do so, please take a photo of the acoustic tagging site so we can monitor healing of sharks after tagging.

Please follow [best practice guidance](#) to safely handle and release the shark and, if possible, avoid boarding

**Any Questions? Contact us at** [siarc@zsl.org](mailto:siarc@zsl.org) **or visit** [www.projectsiaarc.com](http://www.projectsiaarc.com)

## Location of tags



\* The tagging procedure was conducted by a competent, authorised and licenced person under an Animals (Scientific Procedure) Act Project Licence, authorised by the Home Office.

# Scientific moorings have been deployed in Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau Special Area of Conservation

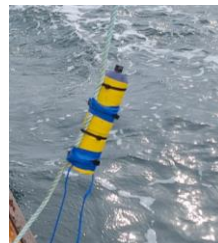
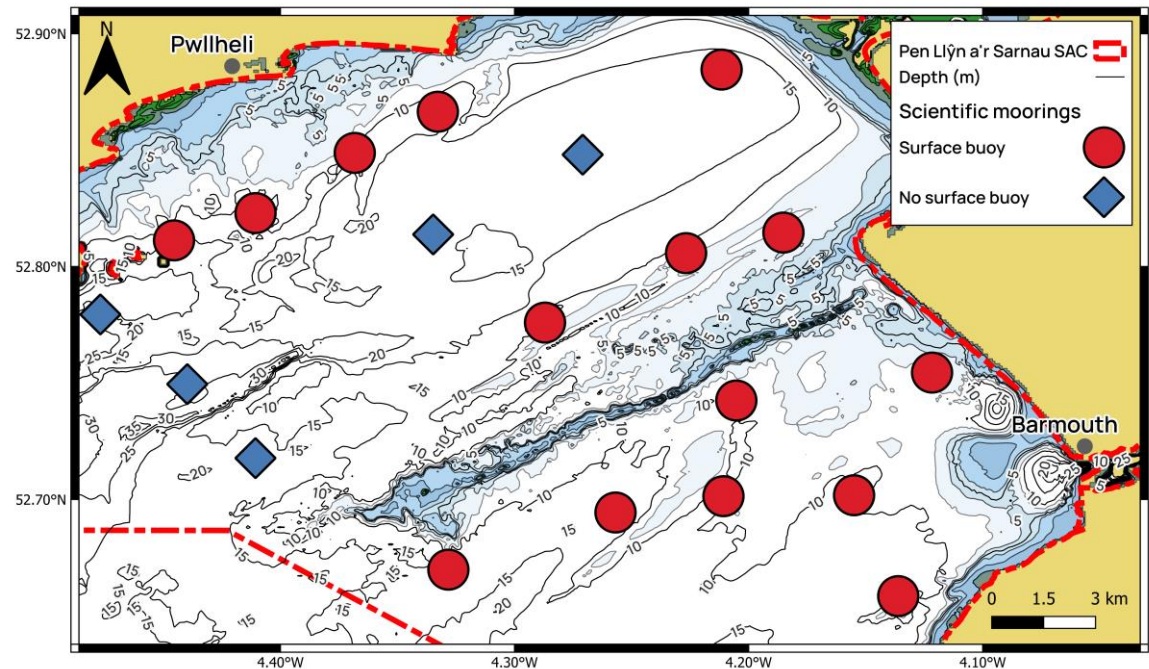
Project SIARC would like to alert water users of the deployment of a **new array of scientific moorings\*** in Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau Special Area of Conservation (PLAS SAC).

- 20 tracking sensors have been placed on moorings around Tremadog Bay and Sarn Badrig as part of new research to study movements of endangered sharks and rays in PLAS SAC.
- 15 moorings are marked by a 40 cm diameter orange surface marker buoy and 5 are bottom moorings with no associated surface marker.
- Moorings will remain in place for 1 year.

If you have any questions or concerns about the moorings or project, please email us at [siarc@zsl.org](mailto:siarc@zsl.org)

\*Moorings were deployed with permission from Natural Resources Wales and under license from the Crown Estate

Locations of scientific moorings



**Far Left:** Tracking sensor

**Left:** Surface buoys are marked 'Project SIARC Research'

**Right:** Bottom mooring with no surface buoy

