

**CARANGIDAE**

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**Selene dorsalis**

Gill, 1862



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**HABITAT AND ECOLOGY**

Usually swims near the bottom in coastal waters to depth of 100 m. Schooling species, young individuals are found near the surface occasionally entering estuaries. Feeds on invertebrates, mainly crustaceans, and small fish.

**DISTRIBUTION**

**Mediterranean record:** a single record from Malta in 2007 (Vella and Deidun, 2008).

**Original distribution:** eastern Atlantic from Portugal to South Africa.

**KEY REFERENCE**

- Vella P. and Deidun A. 2009. First record of *Selene dorsalis* (Osteichthyes: Carangidae) in the Mediterranean Sea, from coastal waters off the Maltese Islands. *Marine Biodiversity Records*, 2: e125.

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**Trachurus indicus**

Nekrasov, 1966

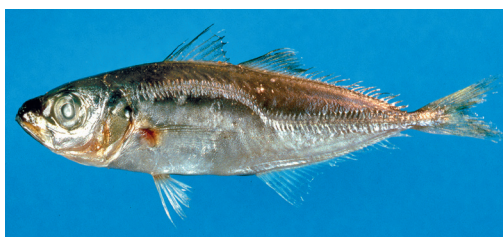


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**HABITAT AND ECOLOGY**

Benthopelagic species, occurs over rocky bottoms up to depths of 100 m or more. Reaches the length of 35 cm. Feeds mainly on zooplankton and small fishes.

**DISTRIBUTION**

**Mediterranean record:** only two individuals were recorded from Iskenderun Bay, Turkey in 2004 (Dalyan and Eryilmaz, 2009).

**Original distribution:** Red Sea, Arabian Gulf and east Africa.

Note: further taxonomical analyses are needed to confirm the record of Dalyan and Eryilmaz (2009).

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- Dalyan C. and Eryilmaz L. 2009. The Arabian scad *Trachurus indicus*, a new Indo-Pacific species in the Mediterranean Sea. *Journal of Fish Biology*, 74(7): 1615-1619.