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Special interest in : Amberjack and
Tuna breeding



Personal Profile

Robert was born the youngest of three children to father Paul and mother Miriam. His older brother is called Joseph and his sister Suzanne. He attended secondary school, college and University in Malta and then went abroad to Japan for his master and doctoral studies in aquaculture.

During his studies, Robert was encouraged and enthused to follow his present line of aquaculture by Prof Carmelo Agius and Prof Takeshi Watanabe amongst others.

Robert enjoys being active and plays Hockey as a hobby. He is also a keen motor racing enthusiast as well as British premier league football fan.

Research Profile

Robert is particularly interested in Amberjack *Seriola dumerilii*, and Bluefin tuna *Thunnus thynnus* breeding and rearing in captivity.

Amberjacks



Bluefin tuna culture



In this regard, he and the Malta Centre for Fisheries Science is involved in a couple of research projects funded by different sources including the EU, such as the SELFDOTT project.

Relevant Links or info

Anyone who would like to find out more about the SELFDOTT tuna breeding project can go to the following website <http://www.selfdott.org/>

Information about the Amberjack breeding can go to this following site for more information <http://www.ebcon.com.mt/ebcon/content.aspx?id=76481>