

**MASS TRANSPORTATION OF LIVE MARINE MOLLUSCS:  
CASE STORIES ON SUCCESS AND FAILURE**

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**ABSTRACT**

Mass transportation of live marine molluscs are considered a necessity for marine mollusc hatcheries because, in general, natural beds and culture areas are often located in remote places far away from hatcheries. Suitable methods of transportation of live broodstock to the hatcheries or hatchery-produced seeds to culture sites must be applied to obtain high survival rates. Transportation experiments were performed with the giant clam *Tridacna squamosa* and the abalone *Haliotis asinina*. Trials were done both in experimental and real situations in the field. Suitability of the methods is examined via the survival rates achieved. Additional information on other species of marine molluscs is also included.