

Guide to Identifying Fish That May Have Infectious Salmon Anemia (ISAv)

ISAv is an exotic and potentially lethal virus recently detected in British Columbia. In order to stop its spread, we need information on the distribution and species range ASAP. Look for pre-spawn salmon or those recently dead but still in good condition (eyes still present)

External signs of infection:



External hemorrhages

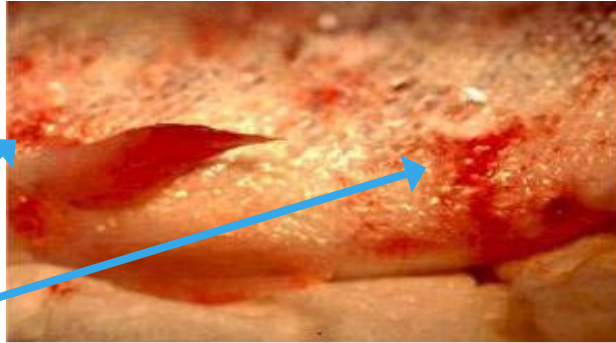
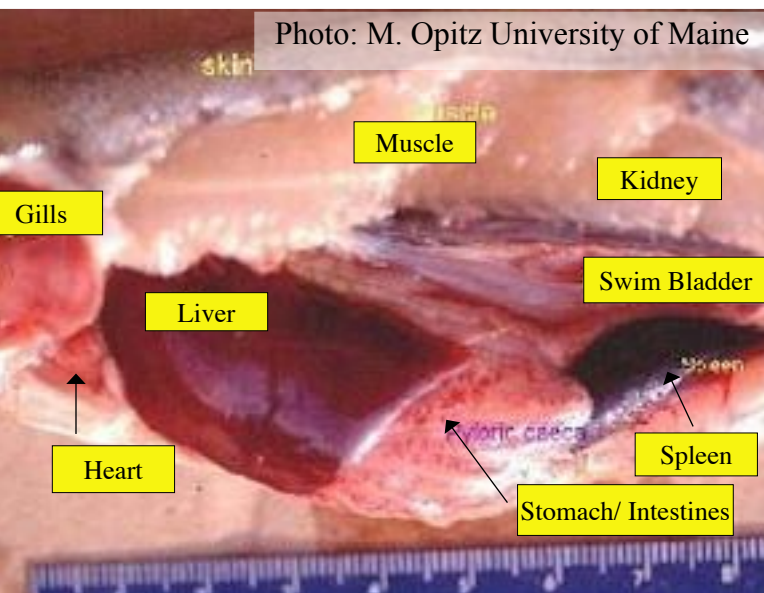


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Pale gills



Internal signs include darkened liver, hemorrhaging in the intestines and muscle, pale hearts, and fluid in the body cavity.



Marine Anemia: Jaundice (yellow) salmon may have ISAv – we'd like to sample them to find out!



To report infected fish, or if you'd like to help us sample, contact Todd Sandell at the Wild Fish Conservancy, todd@wildfishconservancy.org, 206-310-7910. www.wildfishconservancy.org.

Please email us pictures of infected fish!