

Dedication

Dr. Mia J. Tegner

California's Living Marine Resources: A Status Report is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Mia J. Tegner, a loved and respected colleague, who died in a scuba diving accident in January 2001. As a researcher at the University of California's Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Dr. Tegner was an expert in kelp forest ecology and was recognized as one of the leading scientists in the world regarding California's abalone and sea urchin resources. She cared deeply about the marine environment and became an effective spokesperson for science-based marine conservation. She firmly believed that a system of marine protected areas is critical to restoration of fisheries and the protection of biodiversity and worked with others to ensure the enactment of both the Marine Life Management Act of 1998 and the Marine Life Protection Act of 1999, and the appropriation of funds for their implementation.

Dr. Tegner's presence as a scientist and concerned citizen will be sadly missed.

