From acoustic recordings to predicting the probability of encountering odontocetes on Canada's East Coast

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Recording to Prediction

 Use the odontocete click detections from a year-long wide-area acoustic monitoring program to predict probabilities of encountering odontocetes on Canada's east coast.



Recordings



Odonotocetes on the east coast

Toothed whales							
Short-beaked common dolphin	Delphinus delphis	Not at risk	Not listed				
Striped dolphin	Stenella coeruleoalba	Not at risk	Not listed				
White-beaked dolphin	Lagenorhynchus albirostris	Not at risk	Not listed				
White-sided dolphin	Lagenorhynchus acutus	Not at risk	Not listed				
Bottlenose dolphin	Tursiops truncatus	Not at risk	Not listed				
Risso's dolphin	Grampus griseus	Not at risk	Not listed				
Killer whale	Orcinus orca	Special concern	Not listed				
Long-finned pilot whale	Globicephala melas	Not at risk	Not listed				
Harbour porpoise	Phocoena	Special concern	Threatened				
Sperm whale	Physeter macrocephalus	Not at risk	Not listed				
Cuvier's beaked whale	Ziphius cavirostris	Not at risk	Not listed				
Sowerby's beaked whale	Mesoplodon bidens	Special concern	Special concern				
Northern bottlenose whale	Hyperoodon ampullatus	Endangered ²	Endangered ²				
Blainville's beaked whale	Mesoplodon densirostris	Not at risk	Not listed				
Gervais beaked whale	Mesoplodon europaeus	Not assessed	Not listed				
True's beaked whale	Mesoplodon mirus	Not at risk	Not listed				

Detection



Validation I: manual review of 0.5% (N=2280)





Validation Results

Species/call	Poriginal	Roriginal	Classification threshold	Pthreshold	R ^{threshold}	Fthreshold
Cuvier's beaked whales	0.34	0.51	9	0.85	0.31	0.63
Northern bottlenose whales	0.85	0.73	1	0.85	0.73	0.82
Sowerby's beaked whales	1	0.94	2	1	0.94	0.99
Delphinid click	0.72	0.68	15	0.90	0.47	0.76
Porpoise	0.87	0.76	3	0.93	0.63	0.85
Sperm whales	0.59	0.51	4	0.67	0.41	0.60

- Determine P/A per file
- Collapse to P/A per day
- 6273 day-recorder combinations



Validation II – Inflection Points





Modeling Presence

- Co-variates:
 - Depth
 - Latitude
 - Distance to 1000 m isobath
 - Date, Month or Season
 - Sea surface temperature
 - CHL-A
 - Bottom current (m/s)
 - Noise in click band
 - Wind speed



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Cuvier's Beaked Whale





Cuvier's Beaked Whale



Northern Bottlenose Whales







Sowerby's Beaked Whale





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Dolphin & Pilot Whales

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Dolphin and Pilot Whale Clicks



Summary

 Provided flow charts that predict the daily probability of odontocete presence based on a wide-area, year-long PAM data.

- Next steps:
 - Incorporate whistles to separate dolphins and pilots in this analysis
 - Incorporate second year of monitoring
 - Incorporate results from collaborator recorders
 - Extend to mysticetes



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