EQUIPMENT AND PROCEDURES

Acoustics

The goal of the acoustics program for the CSCAPE 2005 was to record vocalizations of killer whales, beaked whales, and baleen whales, especially those photographed and/or biopsied for genetic studies. Recordings were made using Navy surplus sonobuoys and a hull-mounted hydrophone.

Navy surplus sonobuoys were typically deployed within ½ nmi of a cetacean that had been sighted by the visual team. Type-53 and type-77 'DIrection Fixing And Ranging' (DIFAR) sonobuoys had a frequency response of 10 Hz to 2.5 kHz and were deployed on baleen whales. High-frequency type-57 sonobuoys had a frequency response of 10 Hz to 20 kHz and were occasionally deployed in the proximity of killer whales or other small cetaceans. Signals from the sonobuoys were transmitted to the ship via radio frequency and were picked up by a modified ICOM radio receiver in the acoustics lab. Sonobuoy recordings were made using a portable Sony digital audio tape (DAT) recorder (Sony TCD-8).

A small array of three hydrophones was installed on the bow hydrophone of the *Jordan*; this unit consisted of three closely spaced hydrophones. The bow hydrophones had a small range and were occasionally monitored when animals were near the bow. Recordings were made using a portable Sony DAT recorder (Sony TCD-8).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Acoustics

Recordings from killer whales (4), Baird's beaked whales (1), and a mixed school of northern right whale dolphins with Pacific white-sided dolphins (1) were obtained from the high-frequency type-57 sonobuoys (6 functional sonobuoys of a total 6 deployed). Preliminary examination of the recordings found vocalizations from one of the killer whale sightings and from the Baird's beaked whales. Recordings of minke, fin, blue and sei whales were obtained from the low-frequency sonobuoys (19 functional sonobuoys of a total 26 deployed). Preliminary examination of the recordings found vocalizations from two of the minke whale sightings and one of the blue whale sightings.

Additionally, a sonobuoy was deployed on a blue whale (S#1165), but there was no recording made. No vocals were detected during real-time monitoring of signal.

Forty-one recordings of cetaceans were made from the bow hydrophone. Vocalizations from Baird's beaked whales, killer whales, common dolphins, and northern-right whale dolphins were detected during preliminary examination of the recordings. Recordings of mixed species schools with recordings (from one or more of the species present) include Northern right whale dolphin and Pacific white-sided dolphins and a mixed group of common dolphins and striped dolphins. Vocalizations were not detected in a recording of a group of pilot whales as well as a mixed group of Risso's dolphins with Dall's porpoise.

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Thanks to Liz Zele and Laura Morse for the assistance in the field with sonobuoy and bow hydrophone recordings. Sonobuoys were provided by Bill Gaines, John Hildebrand, and Erin Oleson of Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

Table X. Date, location, species and sighting number for which sonobuoys were deployed during CSCAPE 2005 aboard NOAA Ship *David Starr Jordan*. Not all recordings contained vocalizations; preliminary detection of the presence of vocalizations is noted.

Sighting					
#	Date	Latitude	Longitude	Species	Vocalizations
1049	8/12/2005	43.0797	-129.886	Baleanoptera musculus	None
1060	8/16/2005	45.3253	126.2038	Baleanoptera musculus	None
1100	8/22/2005	43.5802	124.9493	Orcinus orca	None
1112	8/23/2005	43.7238	-128.388	Berardius bairdii	Yes
1119	8/26/2005	43.4588	130.1502	Baleanoptera musculus	None
1121	8/27/2005	40.71	130.9795	Baleanoptera musculus	None
1160	9/4/2005	36.4743	-125.874	Baleanoptera musculus	None
1214	9/17/2005	41.1282	-129.258	Baleanoptera musculus, Balaenoptera physalus	None
1257	9/22/2005	36.1095	-124.295	Orcinus orca, Balaenoptera physalus	None
1258	9/29/2005	31.7733	-119.218	Balaenoptera musculus, Balaenoptera physalus	None
1273	9/29/2005	32.2153	-119.149	Balaenoptera acutorostrata	Yes
1284	9/30/2005	33.0618	-118.226	Balaenoptera acutorostrata	None
1309	10/9/2005	34.3558	-123.26	Balaenoptera musculus	Yes
1316	10/10/2005	35.5057	-122.948	Balaenoptera musculus	None
1430	10/21/2005	43.5115	-126.683	Balaenoptera borealis	None
1433	10/21/2005	43.6008	-126.668	Balaenoptera borealis	None
1442	10/23/2005	45.6738	-124.426	Balaenoptera musculus	Yes
1451	10/29/2005			Orcinus orca	Yes
1503	11/10/2005	32.935	120.465	Balaenoptera musculus	Yes
1513	11/11/2005	33.8293	121.925	Orcinus orca	None
1528	11/19/2005	37.3972	123.9237	Balaenoptera acutorostrata	Yes
1560	11/22/2005	35.5743	122.9187	Lissodelphis borealis, Lagenorhynchus obliquidens	None
1579	11/27/2005	34.1408	124.993	Balaenoptera physalus	None

Table X. Date, species and sighting number for which bow hydrophone recordings were made during CSCAPE 2005 aboard NOAA Ship *David Starr Jordan*. Not all recordings contained vocalizations; preliminary detection of the presence of vocalizations is noted.

Sighting			
#	Date	Species	Vocalizations
1058	8/15/2005	Berardius bairdii	Yes
1065	8/16/2005	Lagenorhynchus obliquidens, Lissodelphis borealis	Yes
1068	8/17/2005	Grampus griseus, Phocoenoides dalli	No
1100	8/22/2005	Orcinus orca	No
1112	8/23/2005	Berardius bairdii	Yes
1132	8/29/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1133	8/30/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1136	9/2/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1144	9/2/2005	Delphinus delphis, Stenella coeruleoabla	Yes
1150	9/3/2005	Delphinus delphis, Stenella coeruleoabla	Yes
1159	9/4/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1184	9/7/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1211	9/16/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1222	9/17/2005	Delphinus delphis, Stenella coeruleoabla	Yes
1228	9/18/2005	Delphinus delphis, Stenella coeruleoabla	Yes
1234	9/18/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1263	9/26/2005	Globicephala macrorhynchus	No
1267	9/29/2005	Berardius bairdii	Yes
1272	9/29/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1296	10/6/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1298	10/6/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1307	10/6/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1449	10/23/2005	Orcinus orca	Yes
1451	10/29/2005	Orcinus orca	Yes
1479	11/4/2005	Orcinus orca	Yes
1481	11/4/2005	Delphinus delphis, Stenella coeruleoabla	Yes
1485	11/4/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1526	11/18/2005	Grampus griseus	Yes
1530	11/19/2005	Berardius bairdii	No
1537	11/20/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1539	11/20/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1551	11/22/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1554	11/22/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1559	11/22/2005	Lissodelphis borealis	Yes
1560	11/22/2005	Lissodelphis borealis. Lagenorhynchus obliquidens	No

1568	11/24/2005	Delphinus delphis, Stenella coeruleoabla	Yes
1569	11/24/2005	Delphinus delphis, Stenella coeruleoabla	Yes
1571	11/24/2005	Grampus griseus	Yes
1580	11/27/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes
1582	11/27/2005	Delphinus delphis	Yes