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TITLE: A field effort to capture critically endangered vaquitas *Phocoena sinus* for protection from entanglement in illegal gillnets

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ABSTRACT:

Here we describe 'VaquitaCPR' (CPR: conservation, protection, recovery), a project intended to save the vaquita *Phocoena sinus* from extinction by temporarily removing individuals from adverse in situ conditions and placing them into emergency care. The vaquita, first described in 1958 (Norris & McFarland 1958), is a species of porpoise endemic to the Upper Gulf of California, México. Since its discovery, the population has declined at an increasing rate: estimated population size was 567 in 1997,

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