



Assessment of Marine Mammal Ecological Traits and Habitat Conservation

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

It is well known that cetaceans play a recognized important ecological role in the marine ecosystems contributing to their stability and resiliency and supporting several ecosystem services with positive reflection, even on climate change. Despite the importance of their role in the marine food web, their protection is still scarcely enforced, especially in basins such as the Mediterranean Sea, which are affected by several anthropogenic pressures. Thus, it is essential to fill the gaps in knowledge regarding cetaceans' ecology and habitat suitability, as well as the interaction with human activities to address effective strategies for the conservation of cetacean species.

The purpose of the invited Special Issue is to publish research focused on different bioecological traits of dolphins and whales, which will represent the baseline for more in-depth studies to assess the possible interactions between cetaceans and human pressures. Moreover, high-quality papers describing approaches and methodologies aiming to assess changes in vocal, behavioral, and distribution patterns of species in the presence of anthropogenic disturbance are strongly encouraged.





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