

Figure 2. Detection functions fitted through distance sampling methodology for Megafauna (left) and Scans (right) platforms, for the four studied groups of cetaceans (A – marine mammals considered altogether; B – harbour porpoises; C – common/striped dolphins; D – bottlenose dolphins).

Table 1. CDS results by platform for harbour porpoise (A), common/striped dolphins (B) and bottlenose dolphin (C). The CV of encounter rates, group size, abundance and density estimates are provided in parenthesis. CDS was done over sightings made in good observation conditions (Beaufort sea state < 4 and moderate to excellent subjective conditions) for harbour porpoises and common/striped dolphins; all sightings were used for bottlenose dolphins. Half-normal key was used for the detection functions of the three groups.

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Platform	Sector	distance (km)	N obs	N obs N ind	encounter rate (N(ind)/km)	Estimated pod size (individuals)	Abundance (individuals)	Density (ind/km)	ESW (km)
A - Harbour	porpoises								
	Bay of Biscay		17	42	0.006 (0.343)	2.471 (0.218)	2080 (0.360)	0.018 (0.360)	
Megafauna	English Channel	0.28	44	84	0.044 (0.247)	1.909 (0.151)	10252 (0.269)	0.126 (0.269)	0.175 [0.137 ; 0.213]
	Total		61	126	0.014 (0.203)	1.985 (0.130)	12332 (0.240)	0.062 (0.240)	
	Bay of Biscay		10	24	0.004 (0.495)	2.400 (0.356)	1231 (0.513)	0.01 (0.513)	
Scans	English Channel	0.29	33	66	0.038 (0.275)	2 (0.158)	8015 (0.307)	0.099 (0.307)	0.192 [0.141 ; 0.240]
	Total		43	90	0.011 (0.242)	2.045 (0.144)	9247 (0.282)	0.046 (0.282)	
B - Small-siz	zed delphinids								
	Bay of Biscay		537	3096	0.447 (0.125)	5.765 (0.071)	134706 (0.130)	1.137 (0.130)	
Megafauna	English Channel	0.4	1	15	0.008 (0.998)	15 (0)	1608 (0.999)	0.020 (0.999)	0.197 [0.183 ; 0.211]
	Total		538	3111	0.352 (0.125)	5.808 (0.070)	136314 (0.129)	0.682 (0.129)	
	Bay of Biscay		372	2834	0.472 (0.155)	7.618 (0.117)	149848 (0.160)	1.265 (0.160)	
Scans	English Channel	0.4	2	24	0.014 (0.848)	12 (0.473)	3002 (0.849)	0.037 (0.849)	0.187 [0.171 ; 0.202]
	Total		374	2858	0.369 (0.155)	7.673 (0.115)	152850 (0.158)	0.765 (0.158)	
C - Bottleno	ose dolphins								
	Bay of Biscay		22	171	0.021 (0.337)	7.773 (0.194)	5988 (0.378)	0.051 (0.378)	
Megafauna	English Channel	0.34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.215 [0.141 ; 0.290]
	Total		22	171	0.016 (0.338)	7.773 (0.194)	5988 (0.378)	0.030 (0.378)	
	Bay of Biscay		22	158	0.020 (0.302)	7.182 (0.175)	5156 (0.343)	0.044 (0.343)	
Scans	English Channel	0.411	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.230 [0.153 ; 0.308]
	Total		22	158	0.015 (0.302)	7.182 (0.175)	5156 (0.343)	0.026 (0.343)	

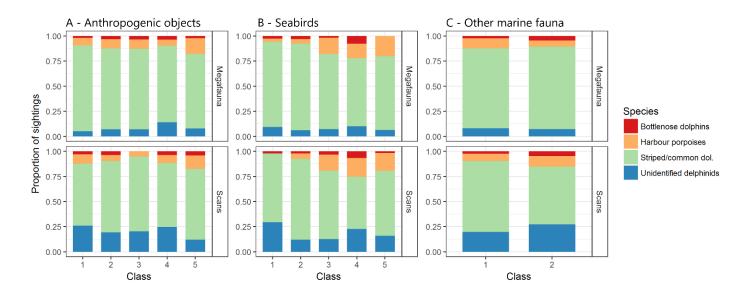


Figure 3. Cetacean species composition for each post-stratified class of anthropogenic objects (A), seabirds (B) and other marine fauna (C), for Megafauna (above) and Scans (below) platforms.

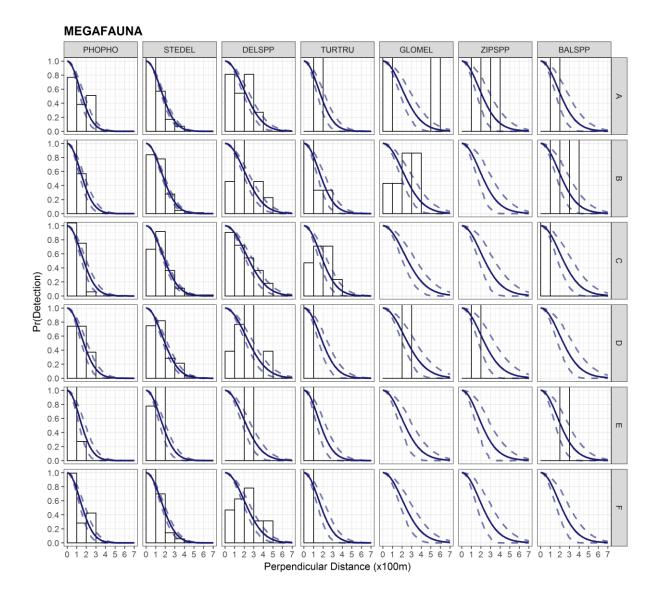


Figure 4. Distance histograms (in white), averaged detection functions (in blue) and associated uncertainty (in dashed blue) for each considered group of species and by observer (A-F), for the Megafauna platform.

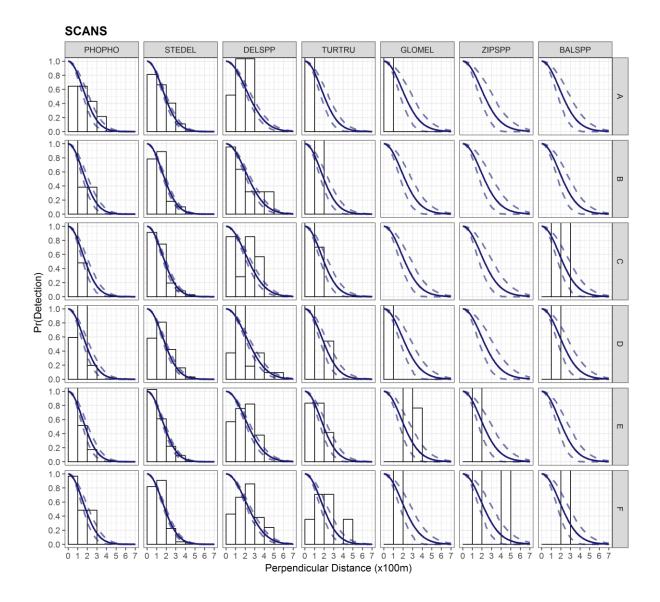


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