

MEDACES

The Mediterranean Database of Cetacean Strandings

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THE DATABASE

<http://medaces.uv.es/>

15598 stranding records

22 species

29 countries

North Mediterranean Countries (NMC) – 12275

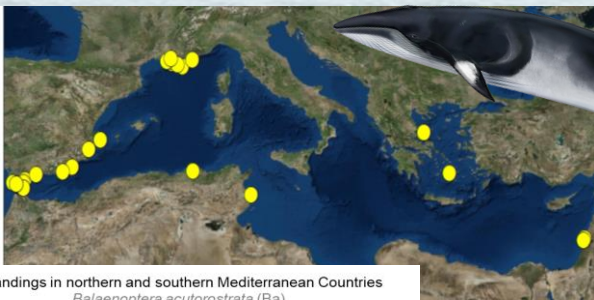
South Mediterranean Countries (SMC) - 870

Black Sea Countries - 2453

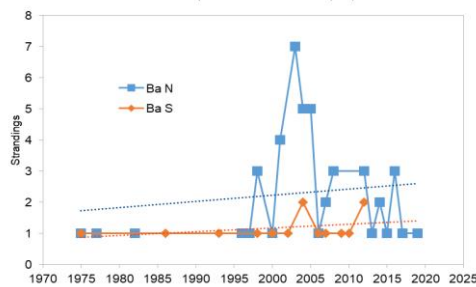


BIOGEOGRAPHIC APPROACHES

Balaenoptera acutorostrata



Strandings in northern and southern Mediterranean Countries *Balaenoptera acutorostrata* (Ba)



Increasing trends of this visitor species
62 records in total

Steno bredanensis

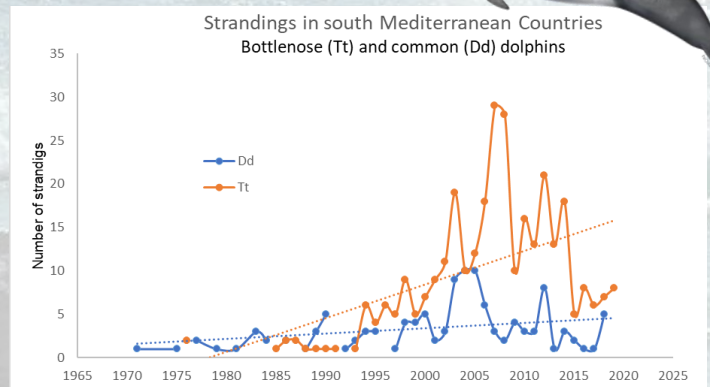


Relict species (Kerem *et al.*, 2016) 17 records in total

CONSERVATION APPROACHES

Tursiops truncatus and *Delphinus delphis*

ACCOBAMS developed in 2004 a Conservation Plan for the long-beaked Common Dolphin of the Mediterranean and the bottlenose dolphin is listed in several conservation plans as a protected species



2047 records of *T. truncatus* of which 317 are from SMC, with the major part of them in Israel (176) and Tunisia (102)

1130 records of *D. delphis* of which 122 are from SMC, with a peak of 59 from Algeria

FINAL CONSIDERATIONS

The contribution with new stranding records from SMC would help achieve one of the principal purposes of this database: to get a global view of the information and trends of Mediterranean cetacean species and in this way be able to apply efficient management strategies in the ACCOBAMS Area.

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