

25. 26. Marine Vertebrate Audition

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This lecture will discuss basic and applied issues concerning the bioacoustics of marine vertebrates, with an emphasis on fish. The lecture will first consider why vertebrates hear and how hearing may have evolved. Issues that will then be discussed include hearing capabilities of fish and marine mammals, sound detection mechanisms of fishes, and the extraordinary diversity of hearing systems and hearing capabilities found among fishes.

The second part of the talk will focus on recent concerns and issues that have arisen as a result of the increased level of human-generated noise in aquatic environments. After considering the sources of human-generated sound, there will be a discussion of possible effects on marine organism and a review of the current literature on the subject.

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