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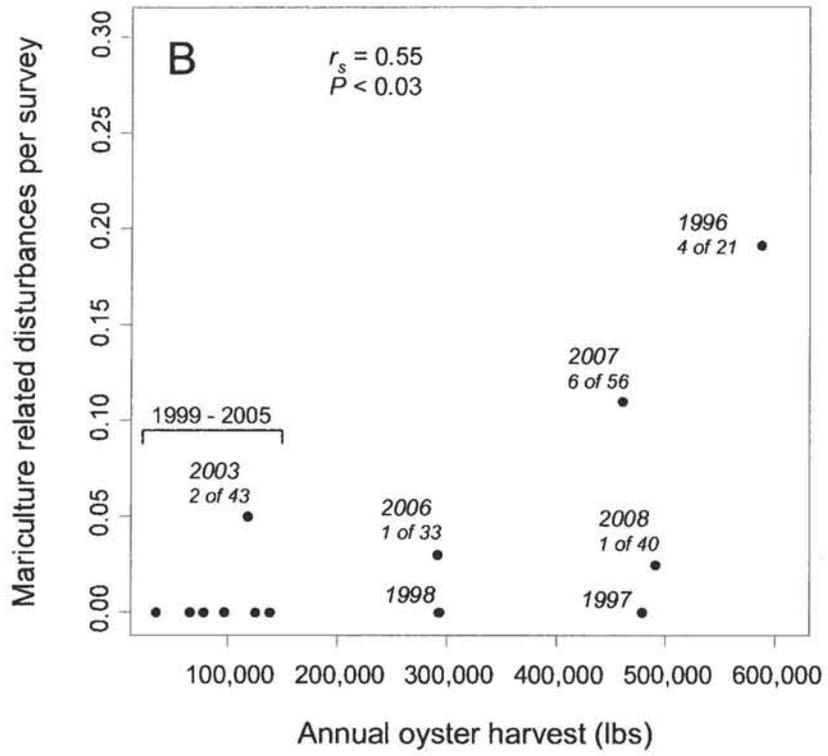
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Erratum Statement for mms_234, Becker et al. 2009: 1-18.

In our recent article "Modeling the effects of El Niño, density-dependence, and disturbance on harbor seal (*Phoca vitulina*) counts in Drakes Estero, California: 1997–2007", Marine Mammal Science 25:1-18, we have become aware of one minor enumeration error. The error was due to accidentally classifying two *potential* seal disturbances as *actual* disturbances. This error does not affect our statistics, results, or conclusions. We present an updated Figure 2B that reflects four disturbances in 1996, rather than six as reported in the original article. The statistical results are unchanged since 1996 is still the year with the highest overall disturbance rate. This error also requires a correction in the Results (p. 8), middle of the second paragraph (lines 6-7) which should read: "...and two of the 1996 disturbances (seven total) from the analysis".

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Page corrections for MMS_318

Parul,

Please insert the following as new paragraph after line 45. The existing graph can be made smaller if this helps to keep it on one page:

Additionally, on page 15, the California Coastal Commission "reaffirmed (with some modifications)" rather than "imposed" a seal protection zone in 2008.

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Dr. Boness,

Thanks for the reply. In looking through the paper, there would only be one place in the text that required a change (in addition to the replacement of Figure 2B):

in the RESULTS section, middle of the second paragraph now reads:

"four of the 1996 disturbances (nine total)..."

and would be changed to:

"two of the 1996 disturbances (seven total)..."

Thanks for your help with this. Please let me know how to proceed with submitting an erratum.

Sincerely,

-Ben Becker

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Appendix D. (A) Original plot used in MMS paper with 6 disturbances in 1996 and (B) corrected plot with 4 disturbances in 1996. Note that 1996 is still by far the highest point, which is why the statistics have *no difference* between datasets. Note that the y-axis scale changes between plots. In the first version (MMS paper), we accidentally counted two *potential* disturbances as *actual* disturbances. "Oyst" is annual lbs. oysters harvested $\times 10^{-6}$. See text for details.

