Sound Production (Bioacoustic) and Behaviour of Male Fish-Black Tilapia (*Oreochromis mossambicus*) Against Salinity Changes

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Abstract

Sound production of male fish-black Tilapia (*Oreochromis mossambicus*) used bioacoustic method where this method can be analyze behavior and characteristics of the sound production bubbles of tilapia fish swimming in freshwaters with different salinity. Research activities conducted in June 2013, fish were reared in our Institute’s laboratory (Marine Acoustic) as much as 65 males fish-black Tilapia (*Oreochromis mossambicus*). Sounds were recorded with a High Tech SQ 03 hydrophone (sensitivity -162 dB re 1 VµPa⁻¹ @20°C, frequency response within ± 1 dB from 7 Hz to 22 kHz) placed just above the rim of a territorial in aquarium with connected to sea phone sensor (Dolphin Ear), with recording software is Wavelab 6, and analysis software of Source Level, and Power Spectral Density (PSD) is Matlab R2008 b. Source level (SL) value is highest on first day after adding saline to 39.11 dB, while the lowest values were also in first day after adding salt levels are 38.72 dB, it clearly proves that the addition of salt levels can affect the value of source level (SL). Highest of PSD in after adding salt in first day with ~30.03 dB/Hz, and the lowest value of the PSD which in adding to the salt levels in second day is ~49.04 dB/Hz. The results shown prove the effect of salinity on the value of the PSD and also SL. Addition of salt levels greatly affect the value of the intensity, frequency, source level (SL), and power spectral density (PSD) of male fish-black Tilapia (*Oreochromis mossambicus*).

Keywords: Male fish-black Tilapia; Bioacoustic; Intensity; Source level; Power spectral density

Introduction

The fish have a special sound-producing organs that can emit a signal low frequencies as part of their social behavior. Many species of fish that produce certain sounds even though the mechanism of sound emissions and noise generated in the context of a very different behavior [1]. The fish-black (*Oreochromis mossambicus*), is a lek-breeding mouth brooding in African cichlid fish. Males of fish-black (*Oreochromis mossambicus*) form dense nest aggregations in shallow water during breeding season, where they have display to attract mating for females [2]. Study of sound production during courtship and spawning of *Oreochromis mossambicus*: male–female and male–male interactions, where sounds of Courtship this species may also advertise spawning readiness, sound production rate is positively correlated in courtship rate [3]. Males of territorial also produce with low-frequency pulsed in acoustic signals during spawning and courtship, probably to attract synchronize to females gamete release have suggested that male–male court ship in fish-black (*Oreochromis mossambicus*) may be a by-product of a high sexual motivation level, resulting in sex discrimination loss by the courting in male [4]. Conversely in courted males could gain prolonged presence reduced level of attacks in the arenas by the territorial males.

Science of sound production is science in which there are bioacoustic method, Previous research bioacoustics in freshwater fish accordingly [5,6], but in research about against salinity change used freshwater fish accordingly [7-9]. Although interrelationships between behaviour of social (not directly reproduction in involved) and physiology have been extensively studied in several species of teleost [10-13], the role of pheromones in the regulation of social behaviour has received attention of little. The goal of the current study was to determine sound production (bioacoustic) and behaviour of fish-black tilapia (*Oreochromis mossambicus*) against salinity changes. Bioacoustics research may help in understanding the language of communication on fish and fish behavior. Sound recording made widely observed on the condition of artificial environment such as an aquarium. Tilapia fish behavior studies using bioacoustics analysis is required to determine the pattern of change in the sound of fish to the treatment given, so with this interpretation voting results, we can know the behavior of tilapia fish in waters with high salinity.

Methods

Study fish

The research activities conducted in June 2013, fish were reared in our Institute’s laboratory (Marine Acoustic–Watertank-ITK-IPB) as much as 65 males fish-black Tilapia (*Oreochromis mossambicus*). Fish were kept in mixed-sex groups in 200 l stock aerated aquaria. Water was kept at 26 with a range of ±1°C, and photoperiod was 14 L: 14 D.

Recording and sound analysis

Sounds were recorded with a High Tech SQ 03 hydrophone (sensitivity -162 dB re 1 VµPa⁻¹ @20°C, frequency response within ± 1 dB from 7 Hz to 22 kHz) placed just above the rim of a territorial in aquarium with connected to Sea Phone Sensor (Dolphin Ear), with recording software is Wavelab 6. Sounds were digitized at a rate of 22 kHz (16 bit resolution) and analysed with Raven Pro 1.5 with sound duration at rate of 500 ms (Cornell Lab of Ornithology).

Aquarium preparing

Aquarium used to study a length of 50 cm, width 35 cm high and...
60 cm which serves as a place of observation. Styrofoam glued outside of the aquarium as a noise reducer. Modification of the aquarium lid 4 is done with the vent cap aquarium with a size of 5 cm x 5 cm to observation and entry of cable hydrophones. Recently enter the water into the aquarium observations. Aquarium is left aerated during the day so that the water be clean and contain enough oxygen. Cleaning the aquarium during the observation made by the method of chiffon, which suck up dirt in the bottom of the aquarium and then throw it away. Aquarium conditions with 65 tail 65 tail of male fish-black tilapia and illustration of aquarium observations that will be used is shown in Figure 1.

Result and Discussion

Sound of male fish-black Tilapia (Oreochromis mossambicus)

The intensity of the sound produced tilapia fish (Table 1) is influenced by the behavior of tilapia fish because of the influence of the contraction of the muscles of the swim bladder on tilapia fish [14]. High salt content causes swim bladder to contract with large amplitude and health of the fish [17-23].

Sonograms and power spectra were produced using the following parameters: filter with band pass filter cut off 1-5 kHz, FFT size 1024 points, time grid resolution 5-8 ms, 50% overlap, analysis block size 512 and smoothing window is Gaussian, this result can be seen in Figures 2-9. First day to third day of tilapia fish swim bladder sound is detected and smooting window is Gaussian, this result can be seen in Figures 1.

With increasing levels of salt each day 175 grams to day-to-4700 grams, show sounds velocity have declining voice and sound intensity of the object has risen 2 dB increase in the intensity of the highs and lows of 1.5 dB. It can show the correlation value of the intensity of the object has risen 2 dB increase in the intensity of the highs and showing sounds velocity have declining voice and sound intensity normally [15] in Table 1.

Source level (SL) and power spectral density (PSD) of male fish-black Tilapia (Oreochromis mossambicus)

Source Level (SL) obtained by Extraction of data to tx using appropriate algorithms within [3,18,19] and SL results showed that before and after adding salinity have a different value although the use of the object and the same amount of fish. SL value is highest on first day after adding saline to 38.72 dB, while the lowest values were also in first day after adding salt levels are 38.72 dB, it clearly proves that the addition of salt levels can affect the value of source level (SL). SL of male fish-black Tilapia (Oreochromis mossambicus) before and after adding salt day 1-4 can be seen in Figures 10 and 11.
Figure 3: Acoustic parameter measured a) 3D of intensity, frequency, and time duration, b) Pulse, sonogram, and oscillogram before adding salt in second day.

Figure 4: Acoustic parameter measured a) 3D of intensity, frequency, and time duration, b) Pulse, sonogram, and oscillogram before adding salt in third day.

Figure 5: Acoustic parameter measured a) 3D of intensity, frequency, and time duration, b) Pulse, sonogram, and oscillogram before adding salt in fourth day.
Figure 6: Acoustic parameter measured a) 3D of Intensity, Frequency, and Time duration, b) Pulse, sonogram, and oscillogram after adding salt in first day.

Figure 7: Acoustic parameter measured a) 3D of Intensity, Frequency, and Time duration, b) Pulse, sonogram, and oscillogram after adding salt in second day.

Figure 8: Acoustic parameter measured a) 3D of Intensity, Frequency, and Time duration, b) Pulse, sonogram, and oscillogram after adding in third day.
Table 1: Sound production of male Fish-Black Tilapia.

| Day | Adding Salt Content (gr) | Sound Velocity (m/s) | Sound Intensity Before Adding Salt | Sound Intensity After Adding Salt |
|-----|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|     |                          |                       | Highest Intensity (dB)   | Lowest Intensity (dB)   | Highest Intensity (dB)   | Lowest Intensity (dB)   |
| 1   | 175                      | 1546.1250             | -38.79                     | -50.71                      | -37.33                     | -50.82                     |
| 2   | 350                      | 1545.0850             | -36.61                     | -50.18                      | -43.29                     | -51.16                     |
| 3   | 525                      | 1545.0850             | -36.61                     | -50.18                      | -43.29                     | -51.16                     |
| 4   | 700                      | 1544.0450             | -39.30                     | -47.23                      | -37.71                     | -46.25                     |

In Figures 12 and 13 showed Power Spectral Density (PSD) of male fish-black Tilapia (*Oreochromis mossambicus*) before and after adding salt day 1-4. Power Spectral Density (PSD) of function to equalize the number of rows and columns of data matrix m-file of the results of the voice recording process. Power spectral density is a useful concept to determine the optimum frequency band of the signal transmission system. PSD is a variation of power (energy) as a function of frequency spectrum in the form of density estimated using FFT processed using Matlab R2008 b. Highest of PSD are in after adding salinity first day with -39.03 dB/Hz, and the lowest value of the PSD which is in adding to the salt levels - 2 is -49.04 dB/Hz. The results shown prove the effect of salinity on the value of the PSD and also SL. Gender greatly, and
acoustic modification method affect the frequency of the sound, SL, and the intensity of the sound [18,20-24].

Conclusion
The results showed that the behavior and characteristics of the sound production of male fish-black tilapia experience the difference in line with the change in salinity on aquatic habitat environment. Fluctuations occur because tilapia fish experience stress syndrome in swim bladder. Addition of salt levels greatly affect the value of the intensity, frequency, Source Level (SL), and Power Spectral Density (PSD) of male fish-black Tilapia (Oreochromis mossambicus).

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