

Mind-Blowing Discovery in Dolphin Sexuality

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SAO PAOLO, Brazil: Scientists at the Sao Paolo Institute of Marine Research informed the international community yesterday that a huge breakthrough has been made in the burgeoning field of animal sexuality.

Dr. Bruce Bagemihl, a visiting professor from the University of British Columbia, made the discovery during late night research in the Boto dolphin tank. "I was swimming with the botos, making mental notes on their social norms for a forthcoming book, when I noticed some behavior that struck me as most unusual."

As he drifted in the warmth of the Botos' tank, he watched in surprise as two young male dolphins playfully chased each other furiously around the tank until the smaller of the two was exhausted. As the smaller dolphin slowed, the larger one performed an act that Dr. Bagemihl can only describe as, "mind-blowing."

"As Squeak slowed to a stop, the dominant male Bruno positioned himself above his exhausted partner and inserted his erect penis into Squeak's blow-hole. They continued in this position until Bruno released a thunderous chatter of pleasure, disengaged, and swam as far away as he could, a distance of 25 meters.

That the dolphins were homosexuals did not surprise Bagemihl, who has dedicated his life to studying alternative life-styles. According to Bagemihl, what is surprising is the circumstances that led to his startling discovery.

A couple for two years, in recent months the dolphins had become increasingly distant, rarely occupying the same side of the tank and only occasionally engaging in dolphin chatter. This act, Begmhil posits, was the couple's attempt to "put some passion back into their lives."