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**The Cruise plans of Japanese research vessels involving
incidental takes of anadromous fish in the North Pacific
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Five Japanese research vessels are scheduled to conduct the following scientific research for pelagic fishes in the North Pacific in 2009/2010 fiscal year (Table 1). There are some possibilities of incidental catch of salmon during these cruises. In case of gillnet operation, lengths of gillnets will be less than 2.5 km at sea.

Table 1. Research cruise plans for pelagic fishes in the North Pacific Ocean in 2009/2010 fiscal year.

Vessel	Period	Survey area	Research objects	Gear equipped
<i>Oumi maru</i>	May 31(Hachinohe) – July 7 (Honolulu)	30°00'N – 50°00'N, 140°00'E' – 160°00'W excluding Russian and USA 200 NMZ	Abundance of Pacific saury	Mid-water trawl
<i>Hokuho maru</i>	June 7 (Hachinohe) – July 16(Hachinohe)	30°00'N – 50°00'N, 14°00'E – 180°00' excluding Russian and USA 200 NMZ	Abundance of Pacific saury	Mid-water trawl Gillnets
<i>Hokushin maru</i>	July 8– July22	40°00' - 47°00'N, 149°00' - 163°00'E excluding Russian 200 NMZ	Abundance of Pacific saury	Gillnets
<i>TBA</i>	May 20–July31	30°00' - 50°00'N, 145°00' E- 180°00' excluding Russian 200 NMZ	Technical experiment for saury fishing	Saury dip-net
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Appendix Table. List of Research Vessels (Scheduled for pelagic fishes survey with possibilities of incidental catch of salmon) in North Pacific Ocean for 2009 by Japanese Party

Party	Vessel's Name	Call Sign	Gear Equipped	Other Available Information
FRA Hachinohe	Oumi maru	JMID	Mid-water trawl	INMARSAT telephone: +872-3431-478-40 Length (m): 49.60, Gross Ton: 403
FRA Hachinohe	Hokuho maru	JLRE	Mid-water trawl	INMARSAT telephone: +872-3431-028-10, Length (m):63.60, Gross Ton: 664
Hokkaido Kushiro Fish. Exp. St..	Hokushin maru	7LQV	Gill nets	INMARSAT telephone: +872-6431-610-10, Length (m): 43.81, Gross Ton: 216
FRA (JAMARC) Yokohama	TBA	TBA	Saury dip-net	TBA
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