Abstract

The wide bandwidth EMR ultrasound, exploited in mosquito repellency, yielded wide bandwidth. only 20 % effectiveness. Due to this from Amolops tormotus and Coleura afra, mosquito predators, was investigated. The sound was recorded, filtered and analysed by Avisoft software; transmission parameters determined and compared with those of EMR. Spectrogram analysis showed harmonics, FM and CF components. The fundamental frequency of A. tormotus and C. afra sound was 5.371 kHz and 6.836 kHz respectively. The bandwidth of unfiltered sound of A. tormotus and C. afra was 10.98 kHz and 17.71 amplitude of unfiltered sound kHz respectively. The maximum peak of A. tormotus and C. afra was 135.19 dB SPL and 134.97 dB SPL; maximum acoustic energy was 19.57 Pa²s and 35.80 Pa²s respectively. Maximum acoustic energy of A. tormotus and C. afra sound was 10.843 Pa²s and 14.857 Pa²s recorded in 35-60 kHz and 10-34 kHz ranges respectively. Optimum acoustic parameters included 58.5 kHz peak frequency, 12.32-10.84 Pa²s acoustic energy, 19.40-19.85 kHz bandwidth, 55.13-55.48 kHz and 34.66-44.26 kHz as mean maximum and minimum frequency respectively, 134.08-134.28 dB SPL peak amplitude and 132.06-133.27 dB SPL minimum peak amplitude; bandwidth significantly narrowed from EMR. These parameters are critical in realizing effective EMR.