



Fish Health Section



The official link to the FHS website is: <https://units.fisheries.org/fhs/>

FHS NEWS

REMINDER!! - please bookmark the new FHS website! We still have not been able to take down the old FHS website which is outdated and inaccurate.

AFS Fish Health Section Facebook Site

The FHS now has a Facebook Page (<https://facebook.com/FishHealthSectionAFS>). Please 'Like' and follow us! Social media is expanding in the scientific arena, and we hope to expand our use for promoting meetings, sharing information, etc. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ben LaFrentz (benjamin.lafrentz@usda.gov).

2020 Membership Renewal

Thank you for your membership in 2019. Renewal season has begun, and you should be getting email notice in the near future. Thank you for supporting our section!

Please note a new member benefit: As of September, 2019 AFS members can enjoy free access to all AFS journals via our new mobile app, AFS Pubs (free in App store or Google Play).

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Website Editor

The Section Communications Committee is looking for a volunteer to serve as the website editor. The main duties of the website editor are to maintain and update the FHS website on a periodic basis. More specific information can be found in the FHS Procedural Manual: https://units.fisheries.org/fhs/wp-content/uploads/sites/30/2019/09/FHS_Procedures_Manual_2019_revised_final.pdf.

The parent AFS can provide training for updating the website through WordPress and has a number of tutorial videos for additional learning. This is a perfect position for anyone interested in becoming more involved with the FHS. If you are interested, please contact Ben LaFrentz via email at benjamin.lafrentz@usda.gov.

MEETINGS, WORKSHOPS AND COURSES

AFS-FHS and Northeast Fish Health Committee Joint Meeting

June 22-26, 2020

Burlington, VT

“Applying Research: Bridging the Gap Between Aquatic Animal Health Research and Inspections”

The 2020 Annual Meeting of the AFS Fish Health Section will be held jointly with the Northeast Fish Health Committee (NEFHC) for the first time on June 22-26, 2020 in Burlington, VT! The theme for the meeting is "Applying Research: Bridging the Gap Between Aquatic Animal Health Research and Inspections". The venue for the meeting is the [Hilton Burlington Lake Champlain](#) which has newly renovated guest rooms and meeting spaces. The Hilton is only one block from beautiful Lake Champlain and only three blocks from the Church Street Marketplace - Vermont's award-winning open-air mall featuring over 100 places to shop and dine.

The FHS looks forward to co-hosting this meeting with the NEFHC and provides a tremendous opportunity for learning more about fish health research and topics unique to the Northeast US and provides an opportunity to attract our Canadian colleagues to the meeting.

The meeting will begin on June 22-23 with the Northeast Fish Health Committee Meeting, a Continuing Education Course will be provided on June 23, and the FHS meeting will occur on June 24-26. We are planning at least two special sessions: (1) "Fish Health Research/Topics in the Northeast US, and (2) "Current Status of Fish Health Regulations and Testing Criteria for Aquatic Animal Movements in the Northeastern US & Canada". Additionally, a half to full day of Continuing Education is being planned for June 23rd and more details will be provided in the future.

For updates and more information please see the first [announcement](#), check the Meeting [Website](#) and like us on [Facebook](#)!

JOBS/GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

Assistant/Associate Professor – Aquatic Animal Health Auburn University

Link: <https://aufacultypositions.peopleadmin.com/postings/3861>

The School of Fisheries, Aquaculture and Aquatic Sciences (<http://www.sfaas.auburn.edu>) at Auburn University seeks a scientist in the field of aquatic animal health. The position is a tenure-track appointment (80% research, 20% teaching; nine months per year) and will be filled at the rank of assistant or associate professor. The successful candidate will build an externally funded research program, contribute to the instructional program, and participate as a collaborator in the Southeastern Cooperative Fish Disease Project. Salary and start-up funds are negotiable. The target start date is August 16, 2020.

Fisheries and Aquaculture Extension Educator

**Minnesota Sea Grant
Duluth, MN**

Link: <http://www.seagrant.umn.edu/news/2019/09/17>

Position Summary

The extension educator will be responsible for providing outreach and applied research on fisheries and aquaculture for the Minnesota Sea Grant Program. Preferred candidates will have experience and knowledge in fisheries and aquaculture. The educator will develop, conduct, and evaluate extension programming relevant to Sea Grant's mission and strategic plan. The educator will work closely with other Minnesota Sea Grant staff, University of Minnesota extension educators, and Sea Grant extension educators across the Great Lakes and nation who are involved in related issues. The educator will also work with appropriate state, federal and tribal agencies along with the commercial fishing and aquaculture industries. Supervision will come from Minnesota Sea Grant Associate Director for Outreach and the Minnesota Sea Grant Director.

Sr Technical Consultant

Lilly

Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island

Link: <https://careers.lilly.com/job/charlottetown/sr-technical-consultant/410/13220732>

Based in the Maritimes (PEI, NB, NS) or BC; supporting Maritimes, NL, BC, Maine and Washington State

Workplace scope: CAN/US/Virtual

Apply extensive technical expertise and industry knowledge to create value for Elanco Aqua customers in North America. Provide best-in-class support to customer operations, including technical services for Elanco Aqua portfolio (vaccines and pharmaceuticals), and knowledge in salmonid production and disease management. Inform and support Elanco's long-term business strategy to address unmet market needs, alongside Innovation, Research & Development (R&D) and Global Technical Services. Collaborate closely with Key Account Managers (KAM) and Marketing to meet Elanco's financial and strategic goals.

Fish Health Technician

Clear Springs Foods, Inc.

Link: <https://clearsprings.applicantpro.com/jobs/>

This is a full-time position located at a Clear Springs Foods, Inc. farm location. This person must have the demonstrated ability to supervise and lead while at the same time function as a member of the team. The successful applicant should possess exceptional communication skills and business acumen, be experienced in fish husbandry, and have good math, recordkeeping, and computer skills. An understanding of the principles of production-based health practices and quality assurance is beneficial. Clear Springs Foods, Inc. is an employee owned company that is fully vertically integrated, controlling all aspects of its food business from inception to market.

Research Microbiologist/Research Molecular Biologist
Department of Agriculture/Agricultural Research Service
Stuttgart, AR

Closes 10/25/19

Link: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/547398300>

Serves as a Research Microbiologist/Molecular Biologist with the Center. Research scientists have open-ended promotion potential. Research accomplishments and their impact on the duties and responsibilities of positions are evaluated periodically. The grade level is limited only by the individual's demonstrated ability to perform research of recognized importance to science and technology. *Final grade level may be determined by a peer review panel.

RESOURCES/NEWS

Dr. Jerri Bartholomew awarded American Fisheries Society Fellow



In recognition of her outstanding contributions to research, resource management & conservation, public outreach, teaching & mentoring, leadership, and advancement of the profession, Dr. Jerri L Bartholomew was designated a Fellow of the American Fisheries Society at their annual conference in Reno NV on October 1. Through her world-recognized research program, Jerri has substantially deepened our understanding of how infectious organisms drive disease in salmonids and developed risk assessments and predictive models to inform management of salmonid fisheries. Jerri has been an active member of the AFS Fish Health Section throughout her career, including roles as Secretary-Treasurer, Vice President and President. She has also served as associate editor for the Journal of Aquatic Animal Health. Jerri was awarded

an AFS Special Achievement Award in 2003 and the S.F. Snieszko Distinguished Service Award in 2016, both recognizing her dedication to, and outstanding accomplishments in, the field of aquatic animal health. Jerri is Chair of the Microbiology Department and Director of the J.L. Fryer Aquatic Animal Health Laboratory at Oregon State University.

Congratulations Jerri on this prestigious acknowledgement!