Current WGSA Membership and Stock Assessment Expertise/Interests

Country	Individual	Stock Assessment Expertise/Interests
Canada	Jim Irvine	Research Scientist, Pacific Biological Station, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Nanaimo, B.C., Canada. Interested in factors controlling recruitment variability in Pacific salmon, including interactions between density dependent factors and climate variability.
Canada	Arlene Tompkins	Head of the Salmon Assessment Section, Pacific Biological Station, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Nanaimo, B.C., Canada. Her research has focused on assessing trends in status of salmon stocks and evaluation of fishery impacts. She also serves on multiple technical committees providing scientific analysis related to implementation of the Pacific Salmon Treaty.
Canada	Sue Grant	Program Head for the State of the Salmon Program, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Vancouver, B.C., Canada. Her work is focused on assessing variation in salmon population productivity, abundance and biological characteristics. It also includes relating variability in the state of the salmon to mechanisms in both the freshwater and marine ecosystems.
Japan	Toshihiko Saito	Stock Assessment Group Head, Salmon Resources Research Department, Hokkaido National Fisheries Research Institute, Hokkaido, Japan. He has studied the variability in return rates of Japanese chum stocks, the growth and survival of juvenile chum in coastal waters, use of chum scales for growth and stock identification, and the recent decline of Japanese pink salmon. He is now interested in the reasons why Japanese chum and pink have declined since mid-2000s (especially since 2010).
Japan	Yasuyuki Miyakoshi	Manager of Salmon Resources Division, Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Research Institute, Hokkaido Research Organization, Japan. He has evaluated the success of hatchery programs in Hokkaido. He is now interested in the factors affecting the survival of chum and pink salmon in Okhotsk Sea and Pacific Ocean, naturally spawning populations, and early marine life of chum, pink and cherry salmon.
Korea	Do Hyun Lee	Scientist, Yangyang Salmon Station, East Sea Branch, Korea Fisheries Resources Agency (FIRA), Republic of Korea. Responsible for releases of hatchery chum salmon fry the effects of different strategies. Interested in world salmon resources and opportunities to create natural spawning sites (e.g. spawning channels) as an enhancement approach for Korean chum salmon.
Russia	Nataliya Klovach	Head of Laboratory, Russian Federal Research Institute of Fisheries and Oceanography (VNIRO), Moscow. Interested in relationships between temperature in coastal areas and winter habitat of Asian pink salmon and catches in various regions of the Russian Far East.

USA	Andrew Munro	Fisheries Scientist, Commercial Fisheries Division, Alaska Department of Fish and Game. As statewide stock assessment scientist, his primary duties and interests are salmon stock assessment and escapement goal development in Alaska. He is also interested in the development of a fully documented Pacific salmon escapement database that is publicly accessible.
USA	Erik Neatherlin	Science Director, Fish Program, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. Erik's interest is in the conservation and recovery of salmon and steelhead in Washington State. This includes increasing the accuracy and precision of stock assessment methods and tools; improving forecasting tools, technologies, and models; and building collaborative, strategic partnerships.
USA	Rich Lincoln	Founder and Senior Advisor for Ocean Outcomes, Rich has 40 years of experience in fisheries research, management, and policy in the North Pacific, and global fisheries sustainability. He is interested in the quality of stock assessment information and in making this information widely available for use in fisheries management and policy.