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## EDUCATION

2013 – PhD candidate, Marine Biology  
Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla, CA  
Advisor: Dr. Brice Semmens

“Improving process-based models for management of exploited species”

1. Bayesian mixing models, open-source software for isotope analysis (MixSIAR)
2. Spatial prediction of fisheries bycatch
3. Using in situ length data to determine stock status of protected aggregating fish species
4. Fine-scale ecology of Nassau grouper ichthyoplankton

2005 – 2009 B.S., Mathematical Biology (with distinction)  
Harvey Mudd College, Claremont, CA

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2017 Upadhayay HR, Bodé S, Griepentrog M, Huygens D, Bajracharya RM, Blake WH, Dercon G, Mabit L, Gibbs M, Semmens BX, **Stock BC**, Cornelis W, Boeckx P. Methodological perspectives on the application of compound-specific stable isotope fingerprinting for sediment source apportionment. *Journal of Soils and Sediments* 17(6):1537-1553.
- 2016 **Stock BC** and Semmens BX. Unifying error structures in commonly used biotracer mixing models. *Ecology* 97(10): 2562-2569.
- 2016 deVries MS, **Stock BC**, Christy JH, Goldsmith GR, and Dawson TE. Specialized morphology corresponds to a generalist diet: linking form and function in smashing mantis shrimp crustaceans. *Oecologia* 128(2): 429–442.
- 2010 Lewallen S, Williams TD, Dray A, **Stock BC**, Mathenge W, Oye J, Nkurikiye J, Kimani K, Müller A, and Courtright P. Estimating incidence of vision-reducing cataract in Africa. *Archives of Ophthalmology* 128(12):1584-1589.

*In review:*

- Stock BC**, Jackson A, Ward EJ, Parnell A, Phillips DL, and Semmens BX. “Analyzing mixing systems using a new generation of Bayesian tracer mixing models.”
- Blake W, Boeckx P, **Stock BC**, Smith H, Navas A, Bodé S, Goddard R, Kuzyk ZZ, Lennard A, Lobb D, Owens P, Palazon L, Petticrew E, Gaspar L, and Semmens BX. “Application of ecological hierarchical Bayesian unmixing models to river basin source apportionment”.
- Stock BC**, Ward EJ, Eguchi T, Jannot JE, Thorson JT, Feist BE, and Semmens BX. “Predicting spatiotemporal fisheries bycatch risk with species distribution models.”
- Stock BC**, Ward EJ, Jannot JE, Thorson JT, and Semmens BX. “The utility of spatial model-based estimators of unobserved bycatch: future or folly?”

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (\* = MENTORED UNDERGRAD STUDENT)

**Stock BC**, Mullen A, Roberts P, Jaffe JS, Pattengill-Semmens C, McCoy C, and Semmens BX. Mapping fine-scale dispersal of Nassau Grouper (*Epinephelus striatus*) eggs from a spawning aggregation with

a novel plankton imaging system. Paper presented at the 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Institute, Merida, Mexico, Nov 2017.

\*Dove IC, **Stock BC**, Waterhouse L, Heppell S, McCoy CM, Pattengill-Semmens C, and Semmens BX. Assessing the recovery of Nassau Grouper via length-frequency analysis from underwater laser caliper video. Poster presented at the 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Research Institute, Merida, Mexico, Nov 2017.

**Stock BC**, Mullen A, Roberts P, Jaffe JS, Pattengill-Semmens C, McCoy C, and Semmens BX. Fine-scale dispersal of eggs from a Nassau grouper (*Epinephelus striatus*) spawning aggregation. Poster presented at the ICES Annual Science Conference, Fort Lauderdale, FL, Sept 2017.

**Stock BC**, Mullen A, Roberts P, Jaffe JS, Waterhouse L, Pattengill-Semmens C, McCoy C, and Semmens BX. Fine-scale dispersal of eggs from a Nassau grouper (*Epinephelus striatus*) spawning aggregation. Poster presented at the 147<sup>th</sup> American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting, Tampa, FL, Aug 2017.

**Stock BC**, Mullen A, Roberts P, Jaffe JS, Waterhouse L, Pattengill-Semmens C, McCoy C, and Semmens BX. Fine-scale dispersal of eggs from a Nassau grouper (*Epinephelus striatus*) spawning aggregation. Paper presented at the 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Research Institute, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Nov 2016.

\*Arnold L, **Stock BC**, Waterhouse L, Burton R, McCoy C, Pattengill-Semmens CV, and Semmens BX. Identification of Nassau grouper eggs in the plankton: is size a valid metric? Poster presented at the 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Research Institute, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Nov 2016.

\*Cohn BC, **Stock BC**, Waterhouse L, Heppell S, Pattengill-Semmens CV, Bush PG, McCoy CM, Johnson BC, and Semmens BX. Using in-situ length data to test a data-poor stock assessment model and assess stock status of protected aggregating fish species *Epinephelus striatus*. Poster presented at the 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Research Institute, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Nov 2016.

Candelmo A, Pattengill-Semmens CV, McCoy CM, Waterhouse L, **Stock B**, Sparke T, Semmens BX. Survival of Nassau and tiger grouper early life stages from a Little Cayman spawning aggregation. Poster presented at the 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Research Institute, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Nov 2016.

**Stock BC**, Ward EJ, Eguchi T, and Semmens BX. "Predicting fisheries bycatch risk for dynamic spatial management." Presented at 3<sup>rd</sup> Scripps Student Symposium, La Jolla, CA, Sept 2016.

deVries MS, **Stock BC**, and Christy JH. "A vicious coral reef predator: morphological specialization broadens the diet of a mantis shrimp." Presented at 13<sup>th</sup> International Coral Reef Symposium, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 2016.

Blake W, Smith H, Navas A, Bodé S, Goddard R, Kuzyk ZZ, Lennard A, Lobb D, Owens P, Palazon L, Petticrew E, Gaspar L, **Stock B**, Boeckx P, and Semmens B. "Application of hierarchical Bayesian unmixing models in river sediment source apportionment." Poster presented at the European Geosciences Union (EGU) General Assembly 2016, Vienna, Austria, April 2016.

**Stock BC**, Ward EJ, Eguchi T, and Semmens BX. "Spatial prediction of fisheries bycatch." Presented at the National Protected Species Toolbox Mini-Symposium, NOAA Science Center, Silver Spring, MD, Nov 2015.

**Stock BC**, Waterhouse L, Heppell S, Pattengill-Semmens C, Semmens BX, Bush P, and McCoy C. "Using *in situ* length data to determine stock status of protected aggregating fish species: a case study

of Nassau grouper (*Epinephelus striatus*).” Paper presented at the 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Research Institute, Panama City, Panama, Nov 2015.

**Stock BC**, Ward EJ, Eguchi T, Jannot JE, Forney E, and Semmens BX. “Predicting Bycatch in Space: Comparison of Different Approaches.” Paper presented at the 145<sup>th</sup> American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting, Portland, OR, Aug 2015.

**Stock BC**, Semmens BX, Ward EJ, Parnell A, Jackson AL, Phillips DL, Bearhop S, and Inger R. “Use and Abuse of Mixing Models (MixSIAR).” Paper presented at the 100<sup>th</sup> ESA Annual Convention, Baltimore, MD, Aug 2015.

**Stock BC**, Semmens BX, Ward EJ, Moore JW, Parnell A, Jackson AL, Phillips DL, Bearhop S, and Inger R. “MixSIAR: advanced stable isotope mixing models in R.” Paper presented at the 99<sup>th</sup> ESA Annual Convention, Sacramento, CA, Aug 2014.

Siders, ZA, Freedman R, Kuriyama P, Li D, Olson E, Scholten G, Stachura M, and **Stock B**. “Considering the future of Gulf of Mexico sturgeon management in the Apalachicola and Suwannee Rivers.” Paper presented at the 143<sup>rd</sup> American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting, Little Rock, AR, Sept 2013.

Semmens BX, **Stock BC**, Ward EJ, Moore JW, Parnell A, Jackson AL, Phillips DL, Bearhop S, and Inger R. “MixSIAR: A Bayesian stable isotope mixing model for characterizing intrapopulation niche variation.” Paper presented at the 98<sup>th</sup> ESA Annual Convention, Minneapolis, CA, Aug 2013.

## PATENTS

Butterfield RD, **Stock B**, Strait M, Dudley H, and Rosenthal S. 2010. Model-Based Infusion Site Monitor. WO/2010/129720. Filed May 5, 2010 and issued Nov 11, 2010.

## PUBLISHED SOFTWARE

2016            **Stock BC** and Semmens BX. MixSIAR GUI User Manual, version 3.1, 2016.  
<https://github.com/brianstock/MixSIAR>

*MixSIAR*, an R/JAGS package to run Bayesian mixing models:

- Estimates diet—the proportions of source (prey) contributions to a mixture (consumer)
- 6593 CRAN downloads as of May 2018

## FELLOWSHIPS AND FUNDING

2017            *UCSD Frontiers of Innovation Scholars Program* (\$25,000)

*NSF Graduate Research Internship Program* (\$5,000)

2014            *NSF Graduate Research Fellowship* (\$132,000)

*NMFS-Sea Grant Fellowship in Population and Ecosystem Dynamics* (\$96,249-declined)

*Contract with Ocean Associates (NMFS)* (\$37,617)

## WORKSHOPS AND TRAININGS (LED/HOSTED)

2017            *Intro to R for marine ecology*, UC San Diego, Aug 1-3

*Ecological data analysis*, Yelapa, Mexico, Mar 23-Apr 2

Content at: [https://github.com/brianstock/StatsClass\\_public](https://github.com/brianstock/StatsClass_public)

2015            *Bayesian mixing models (MixSIAR)*, UC San Diego, July 27-31

2014            *The guts of MixSIAR*, Northwest Fisheries Science Center, Seattle, Aug 29

## WORKSHOPS AND TRAININGS (ATTENDED)

- 2017      *Template Model Builder (TMB)*, SWFSC, La Jolla, Oct 10-12
- 2015      *Decision Analysis in Natural Resource Management*, UW Friday Harbor Lab, Sept 25-30
- 2014      *Motorboat Operator*, UC San Diego, Dec 4-9  
            *Numerical Computing for Natural Resources*, Hatfield Marine Science Center, Sept 26-30  
            *Open Science for Synthesis*, NCEAS, Santa Barbara, July 21-Aug 8
- 2013      *Introduction to Fisheries Stock Assessment*, CAPAM/SIO, Dec 9-13  
            *NMFS RTR: Marine Resources Population Dynamics*, Univ. of Florida, June 8-22  
            *Scientific Diver*, UC San Diego, Sept 7-20

## UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT MENTORING

- 2017    India Dove              “Assessing the recovery of Nassau Grouper via length-frequency analysis from underwater laser caliper video,” June-Aug  
            Kayla Martinez-Soto “Egg morphometrics and fertilization rates of Nassau Grouper and Tiger Grouper in the Cayman Islands,” June-Aug
- 2016    Lauren Arnold              “Plankton near a spawn cloud of Nassau grouper eggs,” June-Aug  
            Brian Cohn              “Tag counts on a Nassau grouper spawning aggregation,” June-Aug
- 2015    Bethany Fowler              “Passive acoustic monitoring of grouper in the Cayman Islands,” June-Aug  
            Jarvon Stout              “Fingerprinting fish: Computer-aided pattern matching of the Nassau Grouper (*Epinephelus striatus*),” June-Aug  
            Patricia Villalobos      “Length distribution analysis of a Nassau grouper (*Epinephelus striatus*) spawning aggregation in the Cayman Islands,” June-Aug

## GRADUATE STUDENT MENTORING

- 2016    Gwendal Le Fol              “Finfish bycatch in the California large mesh drift gillnet fishery”

## CLASSROOM TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2017      *Guest Lecturer* (1 lecture), SIO 187: Statistical Methods in Marine Biology
- 2014      *Guest Lecturer* (2 lectures), SIO 187: Statistical Methods in Marine Biology
- 2013      *Teaching Assistant*, SIO 187: Statistical Methods in Marine Biology
- 2010 – 2012    *Secondary Math/Computer Teacher*, U.S. Peace Corps, Uganda

## REVIEWER

Ecography, Ecological Applications, Methods in Ecology and Evolution, Fish and Fisheries, Limnology and Oceanography: Methods, Functional Ecology, Marine Ecology Progress Series, Oregon Sea Grant

## RELEVANT FIELD SKILLS

AAUS Science Diver, 215 dives primarily on:

- Nassau Grouper spawning aggregation, Cayman Islands, 90-100 feet
- Hydrophone array, San Diego, CA, 45-75 feet

Underwater fish length measurement (diver-operated laser calipers and stereo video)

Plankton sampling (boat- and diver-towed nets, underwater microscopy)

Coastal oceanography (satellite-tracked drifter deployments, CTD casts)

Proficiency in spoken and written Spanish

Extensive international travel experience