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## EDUCATION

- 2007    **Ph.D. in Wildlife Biology** Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO  
Advisor: Dr. Gary C. White  
Dissertation: Bayesian analysis of age-at-harvest data, with focus on wildlife monitoring programs
- 2001    **Master of Biomathematics** North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC  
Advisor: Dr. Kenneth H. Pollock
- 1998    **B. A., Mathematics** Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2011-present    **Research Mathematical Statistician**  
Marine Mammal Laboratory, NOAA/NMFS Alaska Fisheries Science Center, Seattle, WA  
Starting pay band ZPIII-3 (GS12 equiv); current pay band ZPIV-3 (GS-14 equiv)
- 2017-present    **Affiliate Associate Professor**  
School of Environmental and Forest Sciences, University of Washington, Seattle, WA
- 2007-2011    **Research Mathematical Statistician**  
NOAA/NMFS Southeast Fisheries Science Center, Beaufort, NC  
Starting pay band ZPIII-1 (GS11 equiv); ending pay band ZPIII-3 (GS-12 equiv)
- 2007    **Postdoctoral Associate**  
Laboratory of Ornithology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
- 2003-2007    **Doctoral Research Assistant**  
Department of Fish, Wildlife & Conservation Biology, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO
- 2001-2002    **Research Associate**  
Department of Statistics, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC  
Stationed at USGS Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, Laurel, MD
- 2000    **Mathematician**  
USGS Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, Laurel, MD

## CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

- 2015-2016    **Founding partner and statistical consultant**  
Martingale analytics LLC, Bothell, WA  
Statistical consulting services for the natural resources

## PEER-REVIEWED RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

48. Christman, C. L., J. M. London, **P. B. Conn**, et al. Accepted. Evaluating thermal imagery from aerial surveys for counts of harbor seals in the Aleutian Islands of Alaska. *Mammalian Biology*.
47. McClintock, B.T., B. Abrams, R. Chandler, **P.B. Conn**, et al. 2021. An integrated path for spatial capture-recapture and animal movement modeling. *Ecology*  
<https://doi.org/10.1002/ecy.3473>
46. Lindsay, J. M., K. Laidre, **P.B. Conn**, P. Boveng. 2021. Quantifying ringed seal (*Phoca hispida*) habitat and emergence timing in the Bering and Chukchi Seas. *Endangered Species Research* 46: 1-17.
45. **Conn, P.B.**, V.I. Chernook, E. E. Moreland, I. S. Trukhanova, E. V. Regehr, A. N. Vasiliev, R. R. Wilson, S. E. Belikov, and P. L. Boveng. 2021. Aerial survey estimates of polar bears and their tracks in the Chukchi Sea. *PLOS ONE* 16: e0251130.
44. **Conn, P.B.**, M. Bravington, S. Baylis, and J.M. Ver Hoef. 2020. Robustness of close-kin mark-recapture estimators to dispersal limitation and spatially varying sampling probabilities. *Ecology and Evolution* 10:5558-5569,
43. Sigourney, D.B., S. Chavez-Rosales, **P.B. Conn**, L. Garrison, E. Josephson, and D. Palka. 2020. Development of a species distribution model for fin whales (*Balaenoptera physalus*) within a Bayesian Hierarchical Framework: Implications for uncertainty. *PeerJ* 7:e8226
42. Alisauskas, R. and **P.B. Conn**. 2019. Effects of distance on detectability of Arctic waterfowl using double-observer sampling during helicopter surveys. *Ecology and Evolution* 10.1002/ece3.4824
41. Trukhanova, I.S., **P.B. Conn**, and P.L. Boveng. 2018. Taxonomy-based hierarchical analysis of natural mortality: polar and sub-polar phocid seals. *Ecology and Evolution* 8: 10530:10541.
40. **Conn, P.B.**, D.S. Johnson, P. Williams, S. Melin, and M. Hooten. 2018. A guide to Bayesian model checking for ecologists. *Ecological Monographs* 88:526-542.
39. **Conn, P.B.** and R. Alisauskas. 2018. Simultaneous modelling of movement, measurement error, and observer dependence in double observer distance sampling surveys. *Annals of Applied Statistics* 12: 96-122.
38. **Conn, P.B.**, D.S. Johnson, J.T. Thorson. 2017. Confronting preferential sampling when analyzing population distributions: diagnosis and model-based triage. *Methods in Ecology and Evolution* 8: 1535-1546.
37. **Conn, P. B.**, E.E. Moreland, E. Regehr, E.L. Richmond, M.F. Cameron, and P. L. Boveng. 2016. Using simulation to evaluate wildlife survey designs: polar bears and seals in the Chukchi Sea. *Royal Society Open Science* 3:150561.
36. **Conn, P. B.**, D. S. Johnson, and P. L. Boveng. 2015. On extrapolating past the range of observed data when making statistical predictions in ecology. *PLoS ONE* 10:e0141416.
35. MacIntyre, K., K. M. Stafford, **P.B. Conn**, and P. L. Boveng. 2015. The relationship between sea ice concentration and the spatio-temporal distribution of vocalizing bearded seals (*Erignathus barbatus*) in the Bering, Chukchi, and Beaufort Seas from 2008-2011. *Progress in Oceanography* 136:241-249.
34. **Conn, P.B.**, D.S. Johnson, J. M. Ver Hoef, M.B. Hooten, J.L. London, and P.L. Boveng. 2015. Using spatio-temporal statistical models to estimate animal abundance and infer ecological dynamics from survey counts. *Ecological Monographs* 85: 235-252.

33. **Conn, P.B.**, D.S. Johnson, L. Fritz, and B. Fadely. 2014. Examining the utility of survey data to detect prey removal effects on Steller sea lions (*Eumetopias jubatus*). *Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences* 71:1229-1242.
32. Fieberg, J. R. and **Conn, P.B.** 2014. Using telemetry and a hidden Markov model to identify mixed migration strategies while accounting for sample selection bias. *Ecology and Evolution* 4: 1903-1912.
31. **Conn, P.B.**, J. M. Ver Hoef, B.T. McClintock, E.E. Moreland, J.L. London, M.F. Cameron, S. Dahle, and P.L. Boveng. 2014. Estimating multi-species abundance using automated detection systems: ice-associated seals in the eastern Bering Sea. *Methods in Ecology and Evolution* 5: 1280-1293.
30. Schobernd, Z., N. Bacheler, and **P.B. Conn**. 2014. Evaluating the utility of alternative video monitoring metrics for indexing reef fish abundance. *Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences* 71: 464-471.
29. Goodman, M. A., J. Braun-McNeill , **P.B. Conn** , E. Davenport, and A.A. Hohn. 2013. Seasonal co-occurrence of sea turtles, bottlenose dolphins, and commercial gill net occurrence in southern Pamlico and northern Core Sounds and adjacent coastal waters of North Carolina, USA. *Endangered Species Research* 22:235-249.
28. **Conn, P.B.**, B.T. McClintock, M.F. Cameron, D.S. Johnson, E.E. Moreland, and P.L. Boveng. 2013. Accommodating species identification errors in transect surveys. *Ecology* 94:2607-2618.
27. Laake J.L., D.S. Johnson, and **P.B. Conn**. 2013. *marked*: An R package for maximum-likelihood and MCMC analysis of capture-recapture data. *Methods in Ecology and Evolution* 4:885-890.
26. McClintock, B.T., **P.B. Conn**, R.S. Alonso, and K.R. Crooks. 2013. Integrated modeling of bilateral photo-identification data in mark-recapture analyses. *Ecology* 94:1464-1471.
25. Meixell, B.W., M.S. Lindberg, **P.B. Conn**, C.P. Dau, J.E. Sarvis, and K.M. Sowl. 2013. Age-specific survival of tundra swans on the lower Alaska Peninsula. *Condor* 115:280-289.
24. Johnson, D.S., **P.B. Conn**, M. Hooten, J. Ray, and B. Pond. 2013. Spatial occupancy models for large data sets. *Ecology* 94: 801-808.
23. **Conn, P.B.** and Silber GK. 2013. Vessel speed restrictions reduce risk of collision-related mortality for North Atlantic right whales. *Ecosphere* 4: Article 43 (open access)
22. **Conn, P.B.**, D.S. Johnson, J.M. London, and P.L. Boveng. 2012. Accounting for missing data when assessing availability in animal population surveys: an application to ice-associated seals in the Bering Sea. *Methods in Ecology and Evolution* 3:1039-1046.
21. **Conn, P.B.**, J.L. Laake, and D.S. Johnson. 2012. A hierarchical modeling framework for multiple observer transect surveys. *PLoS ONE* 7:e42294.
20. Rudershausen, P. J., J. A. Buckel, G. E. Bolten, R. Gregory, T. W. Averett, and **P.B. Conn**. 2012. A comparison between circle hook and J hook performance in the dolphinfish, yellowfin tuna, and wahoo bluewater troll fishery off North Carolina. *Fisheries Bulletin* 110:1156-175.
19. Shertzer, K.W. and **P.B. Conn**. 2012. Spawner-recruit relationships of demersal marine fishes: prior distribution of steepness. *Bulletin of Marine Science*, 88:29-50.
18. **Conn, P.B.**, A.M. Gorgone, A.R. Jugovich, B.L. Byrd, and L.J. Hansen. 2011. Accounting for transients when estimating abundance: a case study of bottlenose dolphins in Choctawhatchee Bay, Florida. *Journal of Wildlife Management* 75:569-579.
17. Goodman, M. A., **P. B. Conn**, and E. Fitzpatrick. 2011. Seasonal occurrence of cownose rays (*Rhinoptera bonasus*) in North Carolina's estuarine and coastal waters. *Estuaries and Coasts* 34:640-651.

16. **Conn, P.B.**, E.G. Cooch, and P. Caley. 2011. Accounting for detection probability when estimating force-of-infection from animal encounter data. *Journal of Ornithology* 152:511-520.
15. Cooch, E.G., **P.B. Conn**, S.P. Ellner, A. Dobson, and K.H. Pollock. 2011. Disease dynamics in wild populations: modeling and estimation (a review). *Journal of Ornithology* 152: 485-509.
14. **Conn, P.B.** 2010. Hierarchical analysis of multiple noisy abundance indices. *Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences* 67: 108-120.
13. **Conn, P.B.**, K.W. Shertzer, and E.H. Williams. 2010. When can we reliably estimate the productivity of fish stocks? *Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences* 67:511-523.
12. Fieberg, J.R., K.W. Shertzer, **P.B. Conn.**, K. Noyce, and D. Garshelis. 2010. Integrated population modeling of black bears in Minnesota: Implications for monitoring and management. *PLoS-ONE* 5(8):e12114. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0012114
11. **Conn, P.B.** and E.G. Cooch. 2009. Multistate capture-recapture analysis under imperfect state observation: an application to disease models. *Journal of Applied Ecology* 46: 486-492.
10. **Conn, P.B.**, J.L. Laake, and G.C. White. 2009. Simulation performance of Bayesian estimators of abundance employing age-at-harvest and mark-recovery data. Pages 965-986 in "Modeling Demographic Processes in Marked Populations", *Environmental and Ecological Statistics Series: Volume 3*, D. L. Thomson, E. G. Cooch, and M. J. Conroy (Eds). Springer, New York.
9. Thorup, K. and **P. B. Conn**. 2009. Estimating the seasonal distribution of migrant bird species: Can standard ringing data be used? Pages 1107-1118 in "Modeling Demographic Processes in Marked Populations", *Environmental and Ecological Statistics Series: Volume 3*, D. L. Thomson, E. G. Cooch, and M. J. Conroy (Eds). Springer, New York.
8. Nichols, J.D., L. Thomas, and **P.B. Conn**. 2009. Inferences about landbird abundance from count data: recent advances and future directions. 2009. Pages 201-236 in "Modeling Demographic Processes in Marked Populations", *Environmental and Ecological Statistics Series: Volume 3*, D. L. Thomson, E. G. Cooch, and M. J. Conroy (Eds). Springer, New York.
7. **Conn, P.B.**, D.R. Diefenbach, J.L. Laake, M.A. Terner, and G.C. White. 2008. Bayesian analysis of wildlife age-at-harvest data. *Biometrics* 64: 1170-1177.
6. **Conn, P.B.** and D.R. Diefenbach. 2007. Adjusting age and stage distributions for misclassification errors. *Ecology* 88: 1977-1983.
5. **Conn, P.B.**, A.D. Arthur, L.L. Bailey, and G.R. Singleton. 2006. Estimating the abundance of mouse populations of known size: promises and pitfalls of new methods. *Ecological Applications* 16:829-837.
4. Kendall, W.L, **P.B. Conn**, and J.E. Hines. 2006. Combining multi-state capture-recapture data with tag recoveries to estimate demographic parameters. *Ecology* 87: 169-177.
3. **Conn, P.B.**, P.F. Doherty Jr., and J.D. Nichols. 2005. Comparative demography of new world populations of thrushes (*Turdus* spp.): Comment. *Ecology* 86:2536-2541.
2. **Conn, P.B.**, and W.L. Kendall. 2004. Evaluating mallard adaptive management models with time series. *Journal of Wildlife Management* 68:1065-1081.
1. **Conn, P.B.**, W.L. Kendall, and M.D. Samuel. 2004. A general model for the analysis of mark-resight, mark-recapture, and band recovery data under tag loss. *Biometrics* 60: 900-909.

## TECHNICAL REPORTS, BOOK CHAPTERS, THESES

- Trukhanova I.S., **Conn P.B.**, Moreland E.E., Burkanov V.N., Regehr E.V., Wilson R. R., Chernook V.I., Vasiliev A.N., Belikov S.E., and Boveng P.L. 2021. Distribution and Abundance of Polar Bears and Ice-Associated Seals from a U.S. - Russia Multispecies, Instrument-Based Aerial Survey in the Chukchi Sea. NPRB Project 1813-90. Final report. 23 pp.
- Boveng, P. L., M. F. Cameron, **P. B. Conn**, and E. E. Moreland. Abundance Estimates of Ice-Associated Seals: Bering Sea Populations that Inhabit the Chukchi Sea During the Open-Water Period. 2016. Final Report to U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, 52pp. Available at <http://www.boem.gov/Environmental-Stewardship/Environmental-Studies/Alaska-Region/Index.aspx>.
- McCandless, C.T., **P.B. Conn**, P. Cooper, E. Cortes, S.W. Laporte, and M. Nammack. 2014. Status Review Report: Northwest Atlantic Dusky Shark (*Carcharhinus obscurus*), Report to National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Protected Resources. August 2014.
- Conn, P.B.** 2013. Power Analysis, in *Encyclopedia of Environmetrics*, A.-H. El-Shaarawi and W. Piegorisch (eds), John Wiley & Sons Ltd: Chichester, UK. DOI:10.1002/9780470057339.vnn167. Published online 1/15/2013.
- Conn, P. B.** 2011. An evaluation and power analysis of fishery independent reef fish sampling in the Gulf of Mexico and U.S. south Atlantic. *NOAA Technical Memorandum NMFS-SEFSC-610*, 38 pp.
- Rosel, P. E., K.D. Mullin, L. Garrison, J. Adams, B. Balmer, **P. B. Conn**, et al. 2011. Photo-identification Capture-Mark-Recapture Techniques for Estimating Abundance of Bay, Sound and Estuary Populations of Bottlenose Dolphins along the U.S. East Coast and Gulf of Mexico: A Workshop Report. *NOAA Technical Memorandum NMFS-SEFSC-621*.
- Conn, P.B.** 2007. Bayesian analysis of age-at-harvest data, with focus on wildlife monitoring programs. PhD Dissertation, Colorado State University.
- Conn, P.B.**, L.L. Bailey, and J.R. Sauer. 2004. Indexes as surrogates of abundance for low-abundance species. In W. L. Thompson, editor. *Sampling rare or elusive species*. Island Press, Covelo, California and Washington, D.C.

## PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 **Conn, P.B.** Estimating Arctic seal abundance from aerial surveys employing infrared and color imagery. National Centre for Statistical Ecology (UK) virtual meeting. **Contributed oral presentation** (online)
- 2021 **Conn, P.B.**, Vladimir I. Chernook, Erin E. Moreland, Irina S. Trukhanova, Eric V. Regehr, Alexander N. Vasiliev, Ryan R. Wilson, Stanislav E. Belikov, Peter L. Boveng. 3/3/2021. Modeling Chukchi Sea polar bear abundance from joint U.S.-Russia aerial surveys. Holarctic conference, **Contributed oral presentation** (online).
- 2021 **Conn, P. B.** Aerial surveys of Chukchi Sea polar bears. Alaska Nanuut Co-Management Council meeting, **Invited oral presentation**.
- 2020 **Conn, P.B.**, Peter L. Boveng, Erin E. Moreland, et al. Abundance of bearded and ringed seals in the Chukchi Sea, April-May 2016. Alaska Marine Science Symposium, Anchorage, Alaska. **Contributed poster presentation**.
- 2020 **Conn, P.B.** Close-kin mark-recapture (CKMR): estimating abundance and vital rates from

- frequencies of genetically related individuals. AFSC seminar series, Seattle, WA. **Invited oral presentation.**
- 2019 **Conn, P.B.** Close-kin mark-recapture (CKMR): estimating abundance and vital rates from frequencies of genetically related individuals. SEFS Fish and Wildlife Ecology Seminar, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. **Invited oral presentation.**
- 2019 **Conn, P.B.** 2019. Close-kin mark-recapture in dispersal limited populations. Close-kin mark-recapture in dispersal limited populations. Wildlife Society / American Fisheries Society combined annual meeting, Reno, NV. **Invited oral presentation.**
- 2019 **Conn, P.B.** 2019. Close-kin mark-recapture in dispersal limited populations. WNAR Conference, Portland, OR.
- 2019 **Conn, P.B.** 2019. Confronting preferential sampling in species distribution models. NOAA Protected Resources Assessment Workshop, La Jolla, CA. Contributed oral presentation.
- 2018 **Conn, P. B.** Modeling the distribution and abundance of ice-associated seals in the Alaskan Arctic. September 4, 2018. CSIRO seminar, Hobart, Tasmania. **Invited oral presentation.**
- 2018 **Conn, P. B.** Aerial survey estimates of polar bears and their tracks in the eastern Chukchi Sea. July 3, 2018. International Statistical Ecology Conference, St. Andrews, Scotland. **Contributed oral presentation.**
- 2018 **Conn, P. B.** Spatio-temporal models for Arctic seal abundance: successes and computational challenges. March 1, 2018. CAPAM workshop on spatio-temporal modeling, San Diego, CA. **Contributed oral presentation.**
- 2017 **Conn, P.B.** Modeling the distribution and abundance of ice-associated seals in the Arctic. November 2, 2017. SAFS Departmental Seminar, University of Washington. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2016 **Conn, P.B.,** E. E. Moreland, E. V. Regehr, E. L. Richmond, M. F. Cameron, and P. L. Boveng. November 1, 2016. Designing a large-scale aerial survey for polar bears and ice-associated seals in the Chukchi Sea. Marine Mammals of the Holarctic Conference, Astrakhan, Russia. **Plenary Presentation.**
- 2016 **Conn, P.B.,** J.T. Thorson, and D.S. Johnson. June 27, 2016. Confronting preferential sampling in wildlife surveys. International Statistical Ecology Conference, Seattle, WA. **Contributed Oral Presentation.**
- 2015 **Conn, P.B.** and Moreland, E.E. Aug 11, 2015. Using automated aerial imaging to estimate Arctic seal abundance: the devil is in the details. ESA Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD. **Invited Oral Presentation** (Ignite session).
- 2015 **Conn, P.B.,** D.S. Johnson, J. M. Ver Hoef, M.B. Hooten, J.L. London, and P.L. Boveng. Aug 10, 2015. Spatiotemporal models for aerial survey counts: An application to ice-associated seals in the Bering Sea. ESA Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2015 **Conn, P.B.,** D.S. Johnson, J.M. London, B.T. McClintock. Statistical model for marine mammal biologging data. Presented at the Peter Wall International Research Roundtable, "Building a bioanalytical theory for analysis of marine mammal movements." University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2014 **Conn, P. B.** Using spatio-temporal statistical models to estimate animal abundance from transect counts. International Statistical Ecology Conference, Montpellier, France. **Contributed Oral Presentation.**

- 2013 **Conn, P. B.** Estimating animal abundance using an automated detection system: Ice-associated seals in the Bering Sea. Quantitative Seminar, School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2013 **Conn, P.B.** Incorporating spatial ICAR effects into ecological models. Euring 2013 Technical Conference, Athens, GA. **Invited Oral Presentation (substitute plenary).**
- 2013 **Conn, P.B.,** J. Ver Hoef, B. McClintock, E. Moreland, M. Cameron, and P. Boveng. Model-based methods for monitoring Arctic seal populations. Euring 2013 Technical Conference, Athens, GA. **Contributed Oral Presentation.**
- 2012 **Conn, P.B.** Hierarchical models for wildlife transect surveys. Wildlife Society Annual Meeting, Portland, OR. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2012 **Conn, P.B.** Abundance estimation plan for Bering-Okhotsk Seal Surveys (BOSS). Russian-American meeting on the development of coordinated instrumental survey of ice-breeding seals in Northern Pacific in 2012-2013. Moscow, Russia.
- 2012 **Conn, P.B.** Hierarchical models for multiple observer animal transect surveys. International Statistical Ecology Conference, Sundvolden, Norway. **Contributed Oral Presentation.**
- 2012 **Conn, P.B.** Hierarchical models for multiple observer animal transect surveys. Quantitative Seminar, School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2011 **Conn, P. B.** Accounting for transients when estimating abundance of dolphins in Choctawhatchee Bay, FL. Wildlife Society annual meeting, Kona, HI. **Contributed Oral Presentation.**
- 2011 Brady, M., **P. B. Conn**, et al. Why Did the Eel Cross the Creek: Understanding American Eel Behavior in an Estuarine Setting. American Fisheries Society annual meeting, Seattle, WA. **Contributed oral presentation.**
- 2011 **Conn, P. B.** Accounting for transients when estimating abundance of dolphins in Choctawhatchee Bay, FL. NMFS Workshop on Estimating Abundance of Bottlenose Dolphins in Bays and Estuaries, Atlanta, GA. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2010 **Conn, P. B.** Using fisheries models to assess harvested populations: a review of models, data, and assumptions. Wildlife Society annual meeting, Snowbird, UT. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2010 **Conn, P. B.** Coping with transients and bilateral photographs in marine mammal mark-recapture studies. NMFS National Marine Mammal Laboratory, Seattle, WA. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2009 **Conn, P.B.,** E.G. Cooch, and P. Caley. Accounting for detection probability in force-of-infection models. Euring 2009 Technical Conference, Pescara, Italy. **Contributed oral presentation.**
- 2009 **Conn, P.B.,** E.H. Williams, and K.W. Shertzer. When can we reliably estimate the productivity of fish stocks? NMFS Northeast Fisheries Science Center, Woods Hole, MA. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2009 **Conn, P.B.,** E.H. Williams, and K.W. Shertzer. When can we estimate steepness? Southeast Stock Assessment Workshop, Miami, FL. **Contributed oral presentation.**
- 2009 **Conn, P.B.** Population dynamics under the hood: hidden process models for animal encounter data. Biomathematics Seminar, NC State University, Raleigh NC. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2008 **Conn, P.B.,** D. Vaughan, and J. Hoenig. Tagging and its use in stock assessments. American Fisheries Society Annual Conference, Ottawa, Canada. **Invited oral Presentation.**

- 2008 **Conn, P.B.** Population dynamics under the hood: hidden process models for animal encounter data. Center for Marine Sciences and Technology, North Carolina State University, Morehead City, NC. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2008 **Conn, P. B.** Principles of adaptive management. USFWS Workshop, Parker River NWR, 1/9/08-1/10/08. **Invited Oral Presentation.**
- 2007 **Conn, P.B.,** D.R. Diefenbach, J.L. Laake, M.A. Ternent, and G.C. White. Using age-at-harvest and mark-recovery data to quantify black bear population dynamics in Pennsylvania. The Wildlife Society annual conference, Tucson, AZ. **Contributed oral Presentation.**
- 2007 **Conn, P.B.** Bayesian analysis of wildlife age-at-harvest data. NOAA Center for Coastal Fisheries and Habitat Research, Beaufort, NC. **Invited Oral presentation.**
- 2007 **Conn, P.B.,** D.R. Diefenbach, and E.G. Cooch. Adjusting age- and stage-distributions for misclassification errors. Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Disease Conference, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. **Poster Presentation.**
- 2007 **Conn, P.B.** Bayesian analysis of wildlife age-at-harvest data. National Centre for Statistical Ecology seminar series, Universities of Kent and St. Andrews, U. K. **Invited oral presentation.**
- 2007 **Conn, P.B.** Bayesian analysis of age-at-harvest data with focus on wildlife monitoring programs. Department of Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Biology seminar, Colorado State University. **Oral Presentation.**
- 2007 **Conn, P.B.,** D.R. Diefenbach, J.L. Laake, G.C. White, and M.A. Ternent. Demographic analysis of a black bear population using mark-recovery and age-at-harvest data. EURING Technical Meeting, Dunedin, New Zealand. **Poster Presentation.**
- 2006 **Conn, P.B.,** J.L. Laake, G.C. White, D.R. Diefenbach, and M.A. Ternent. Combining mark-recovery and age-at-harvest data to estimate demographic parameters. Colorado Chapter of the Wildlife Society Annual Meeting, Fort Collins, CO. **Oral Presentation.**
- 2005 **Conn, P.B.,** J.L. Laake, G.C. White, D.R. Diefenbach, and M.A. Ternent. Joint analysis of marking and age-at-harvest data with focus on carnivore monitoring programs. Annual Meeting of the Wildlife Society, Madison, Wisconsin. **Oral Presentation.**
- 2005 **Conn, P.B.,** J.L. Laake, G.C. White, D.R. Diefenbach, and M.A. Ternent. Combining mark-recovery and age-at-harvest data to estimate demographic parameters. International Biometrics Society WNAR Conference, Fairbanks, Alaska. **Oral Presentation.**
- 2004 **Conn, P.B.,** W.L. Kendall, and M.D. Samuel. A general model for the analysis of mark-resight, mark-recapture, and band recovery data under tag loss. International Arctic Goose Conference, Reno, Nevada. **Oral Presentation.**
- 2004 **Conn, P.B.,** W.L. Kendall, and M.D. Samuel. A general model for the analysis of mark-resight, mark-recapture, and band recovery data under tag loss. Annual Meeting of The Wildlife Society, Calgary, Alberta. **Oral Presentation.**
- 2002 **Conn, P.B.,** W.L. Kendall, and M.D. Samuel. A general model for the analysis of mark-resight, mark-recapture, and band recovery data under tag loss. Exit Seminar, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, Laurel, Maryland. **Oral Presentation.**
- 2002 **Conn, P.B.,** and W.L. Kendall. Evaluating mallard adaptive management models with time series. Adaptive Management Meeting, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, Laurel, Maryland. **Oral Presentation.**
- 2002 **Conn, P.B.,** and W.L. Kendall. Evaluating mallard adaptive management models with time series. Biomathematics Seminar, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, N. C. **Oral Presentation.**



## SOFTWARE

- Conn, P.B.**, D.S. Johnson, and P.J. Williams. 2018. HierarchicalGOF 1.0.1. Zenodo. <http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1231501> (accompanies 2018 Ecological Monographs paper). Latest release at <https://github.com/pconn/HierarchicalGOF/releases>
- Conn, P.B.**, Thorson, J.T, & Johnson, D.S. 2017. PrefSampling v0.3. Zenodo. <http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.569035>. (accompanies 2017 MEE paper).
- Conn, P.B.** 2015. ChukchiPower. figshare. <http://dx.doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.1619963> (accompanies Conn et al. 2016 Royal Society Open Science paper). Latest release at <https://github.com/pconn/ChukchiPower/releases>
- Conn, P.B.** 2015. SpatPred. figshare. <http://dx.doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.1381915> (accompanies Conn et al. 2015 PloS One paper). Latest release at <https://github.com/pconn/SpatPred/releases>
- Conn P.B.** 2014. STabundance: An R package for spatio-temporal abundance estimation. figshare. <http://dx.doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.1209622>. (accompanies Conn et al. Ecological Monographs paper). Latest release at <https://github.com/pconn/STabundance/releases>
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- Hines, J.E. and **P.B. Conn**. 2002. MSSRVCV User's Manual (FORTRAN source and executable accompanying 2006 Ecology paper; <http://www.mbr-pwrc.usgs.gov/software/>)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Teaching Assistant**, Program MARK workshops 6/2004, 6/2005, 6/2006, 6/2007

**Guest Lecturer** (3 classes) Spring 2006

Department of Fishery and Wildlife Biology, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO

**Teaching Assistant**, FW663, Spring 2006

Department of Fishery and Wildlife Biology, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO

**Masters Graduate Teaching Assistant** 1999-2000

Department of Statistics, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC

## STUDENT SUPERVISION

### GRADUATE COMMITTEES

*Emily Susko, MS Fisheries and Wildlife, Virginia Tech*                      Defended 2012  
Thesis topic: "Using simulation models to evaluate the effects of probability-based control rules on stocks of different life history strategies." (Supported by NMFS RTR Program).

*Marissa Brady, MS Fisheries, Delaware State University*                      Defended 2011  
Thesis topic: "Environmental parameters affecting American eel (*Anguilla rostrata*) behavior and habitat use in the St. Jones River, DE" (Supported by NOAA Living Marine Resources grant)

### EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS

*Robert Rankin, PhD Statistics, Murdoch University*                      Defended 2017  
*Audrey Béliveau, PhD Statistics, Simon Fraser University*                      Defended 2015

### UNDERGRADUATE EXTERNS

*Carolyn Lorch, Grinnell College*                      March, 2016

## EXTERNAL FUNDING

- 2021    Co-PI, NMFS Office of Science and Technology, National Protected Species Toolbox Initiative FY21-23, \$300,000  
          "Integrating diverse data sets to understand the seasonal distribution and densities of marine mammals"
- 2018    Co-investigator, North Pacific Research Board grant, \$207,579  
          Distribution and abundance of polar bears and ice-associated seals from a U.S.-Russia multispecies, instrument-based survey in the Chukchi Sea
- 2009    Co-PI, NOAA Living Resources Cooperative Science Center, \$42,650  
          Estimation of survival, emigration, and fishing mortality rates for American eel through a combined use of acoustic telemetry and mark-recapture (Year 2).
- 2007    Co-PI, NOAA Living Resources Cooperative Science Center, \$47,974  
          Estimation of survival, emigration, and fishing mortality rates for American eel through a combined use of acoustic telemetry and mark-recapture.
- 2003-2004 PRIMES / NSF-IGERT Graduate Traineeship, \$22,000

## AWARDS

- 2018    NOAA Alaska Fisheries Science Ctr. Special Recognition Award, \$500
- 2014    U.S. Department of Commerce Bronze Medal Award "*For designing and conducting the first comprehensive surveys for the abundance and distribution of ice seals in the Bering Sea and Sea of Okhotsk.*"
- 2008    NOAA Southeast Fisheries Science Ctr. Special Recognition Award, \$5,000
- 2005    Student Travel Grant, International Biometric Society WNAR Conference
- 2004    Student Travel Grant, International Arctic Goose Conference
- 2004    Student Travel Grant, TWS Conference, Biometrics Working Group
- 2003-2004 Oscar and Isabelle Anderson Graduate Scholarship, \$3,000

1995-1998 Grinnell College Trustee Honor Grant \$4,800 / year

## PAST & PRESENT PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS (\*=Current)

American Fisheries Society  
Ecological Society of America  
International Biometric Society  
UK Centre for Statistical Ecology (International Member)\*  
The Wildlife Society (Biometrics Working Group)

## SERVICE

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| 2016-2022 | Subject Matter Editor, <i>Ecology</i>   |
| 2020-2021 | International Whaling Commission blue whale review panel  |
| 2021      | Session chair, speed talk session, vNCSE conference   |
| 2019      | Co-chair, "Close-kin mark-recapture" symposium at the joint AFS/TWS annual conference, Reno, NV.  |
| 2018      | Session chair, multi-species modelling & fisheries research paper session, International Statistical Ecology Conference, St. Andrews, Scotland. |
| 2015-2016 | Local organizing committee, 2016 International Statistical Ecology Conference, Seattle, WA  |
| 2014      | Session chair, abundance estimation paper session, International Statistical Ecology Conference, Montpellier, France                            |
| 2013      | Guest subject matter editor, <i>Ecological Applications</i>   |
| 2012-2013 | Past Chair (advisory), Wildlife Society's Biometrics Working Group  |
| 2012      | Co-chair, "Hierarchical models for wildlife surveys over time and space" symposium, The Wildlife Society annual conference, Portland, OR        |
| 2012      | Session chair, Spatial modeling section, International Statistical Ecology Conference, Sundvolden, Norway.                                      |
| 2011-2012 | Chair, The Wildlife Society's Biometrics Working Group  |
| 2010-2011 | Chair-Elect, The Wildlife Society's Biometrics Working Group (newsletter editor)  |
| 2008-2009 | Coordinator, NOAA Beaufort lab seminar series   |
| 2008      | Facilitator, USFWS adaptive management workshop, Parker River NWR   |
| 2008      | Co-chair, "Tagging and Stock Assessments" symposium, American Fisheries Society annual conference, Ottawa, Canada.                              |
| 2007      | Co-chair, abundance estimation paper session, EURING technical conference, Dunedin, New Zealand   |
| 2006-2007 | Board member, The Wildlife Society, Biometrics Working Group  |
| 2005-2006 | Webmaster, Colloquium in the Life Sciences, Colorado State University   |
| 2004-2005 | President, Colloquium in the Life Sciences, CSU   |
| 2003-2004 | Student-Faculty Representative, CSU Dept of Fishery and Wildlife Biology  |
| 2000-2001 | Vice President, NCSU Statistics and Biomathematics Graduate Student Assoc   |
| 1997-1998 | Chair, Grinnell College Concerts Committee  |

Additionally, I have performed scientific peer reviews for the following 58 journals:

- Acta Theriologica
- Arctic

- AstA Advances in Statistical Analysis
- Animal Conservation
- Annals of Applied Statistics
- Aquatic Living Resources
- The Auk
- Australian & New Zealand Journal of Statistics
- Avian Conservation and Ecology
- Biological Conservation
- Biology Letters
- Biometrical Journal
- Biometrics
- Bulletin of Marine Science
- Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences
- Communications in Statistics – Theory and Methods
- Conservation Biology
- Ecological Applications
- Ecological Modelling
- Ecology
- Ecology and Evolution
- Ecology Letters
- Ecosphere
- Endangered Species Research
- Environmetrics
- Environmental and Ecological Statistics
- Evolutionary Applications
- Fish and Fisheries
- Fisheries Research
- General and Comparative Endocrinology
- Global Ecology and Biogeography
- Israel Journal of Ecology & Evolution
- Journal of Agricultural, Biological, and Environmental Statistics
- Journal of Animal Ecology
- Journal of Applied Ecology
- Journal of Fish & Wildlife Management
- Journal of Mammalogy
- Journal of Theoretical Biology
- Journal of Wildlife Management
- Marine Ecology Progress Series
- Marine Environmental Research
- Marine Mammal Science
- Methods in Ecology and Evolution
- Nature
- North American Journal of Fisheries Management
- Oikos
- Pacific Conservation Biology
- PLoS ONE

- Polar Biology
- Population Ecology
- Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences
- Proceedings of the Royal Society A: Mathematical, Physical and Engineering Sciences
- R Journal
- Rangeland Ecology and Management
- Remote Sensing in Ecology and Conservation
- Science
- Thalassas
- Transactions of the American Fisheries Society
- Ursus
- Wildlife Biology

## **NMFS FISHERIES STOCK ASSESSMENT ACTIVITIES**

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| 2015-2017 | Member, NMFS Management Strategy Evaluation Working Group       |
| 2013-2014 | Member, Dusky shark SRT team                                    |
| 2013      | Reviewer, TRAC benchmark model review, Eastern Georges Bank cod |
| 2010-2011 | Lead programmer, SEDAR 21 HMS Dusky shark assessment            |
| 2009-2010 | Supporting analyst, SEDAR 19 Red & black grouper assessment     |
| 2008-2009 | Lead analyst, SEDAR 17 Spanish mackerel assessment              |
| 2007      | Supporting analyst, SEDAR 15 Red snapper assessment             |

## **NMFS FISHERIES STOCK ASSESSMENT WORKING PAPERS\***

|      |               |  |
|------|---------------|--|
| 2010 | SEDAR21-AW-02 | Computer code for the SEDAR 21 age-structured catch-free model for dusky sharks                                |
| 2010 | SEDAR21-AW-01 | Hierarchical analysis of blacknose, sandbar, and dusky shark CPUE indices                                      |
| 2009 | SEDAR19-AW-07 | A statistical catch-age model for red grouper: model structure and simulation testing                          |
| 2009 | SEDAR19-AW-01 | Hierarchical analysis of south Atlantic red grouper indices  |
| 2009 | SEDAR19-DW-04 | Construction of a headboat index for south Atlantic and Gulf black grouper (U.S.)                              |
| 2009 | SEDAR19-DW-03 | Construction of a headboat index for south Atlantic red grouper (U.S.)   |
| 2008 | SEDAR17-AW-12 | AD Model Builder code to implement catch-age assessment model of Spanish mackerel                              |
| 2008 | SEDAR17-AW-08 | Methods for combining multiple indices into one, with application to south Atlantic (U.S.) Spanish mackerel    |
| 2008 | SEDAR17-AW-07 | Extrapolation of Spanish mackerel bycatch by shrimp trawl fisheries  |
| 2008 | SEDAR17-AW-06 | A Bayesian approach to stochastic stock reduction analysis with application to south Atlantic Spanish mackerel |
| 2007 | SEDAR15-AW-2  | Surplus production models for south Atlantic red snapper   |
| 2007 | SEDAR15-AW-1  | Stock assessment model for south Atlantic red snapper  |

\*available at <http://www.sefsc.noaa.gov/sedar/Index.jsp>