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My research seeks to understand environmental trade-offs and complementarities among activities related to energy production (hydropower, bioenergy, gas & oil). My research goal is to quantify ecological benefits of energy alternatives so that they can be brought into the decision-making arena. This goal has been advanced for hydropower by modeling responses of riverine fishes to modifications to flow, temperature, and connectivity. My research in conservation biology has focused on understanding effects of energy activities on small, fragmented populations and how risk is influenced by life history. The quantitative tools applied to these problems include ecological statistics, regional-scale empirical models, population models, and optimization heuristics.

**CURRENT RESEARCH QUESTIONS**

- How will introducing bioenergy crops into the agricultural landscape will influence water quality and aquatic biodiversity on a large regional-scale? (Sponsor: DOE-OBP)
- Under what circumstances would there be a benefit to adding a new population of the threatened Snake River Fall Chinook salmon above the Hell’s Canyon complex? (Idaho Power Co.)
- How can we time pulse flows to maximize fish production and minimize loss of energy to spill? (DOE-EERE)

**INVITED PRESENTATIONS, SYMPOSIA ORGANIZED**

- Local organizing committee, Annual Meeting of the Society of Mathematical Biology, Knoxville, TN. (2012)
- Great Lakes Fishery Trust Workshop, “Enhancing Lake Sturgeon Passage at Hydroelectric Facilities,” Detroit, MI (2011)
- NMFS Sturgeon workshop - Recovery measures for Atlantic and shortnose sturgeon in Alexandria, VA (2011)
- Symposium “Shifting Landscapes: Biomass and Biodiversity” 2010 Intern’l Assoc. Landscape Ecologists, Athens, GA [www.esd.ornl.gov/~zij/IALE\\_symposium/](http://www.esd.ornl.gov/~zij/IALE_symposium/)
- EPA-DOE Joint workshop “A Watershed Perspective on Bioenergy Sustainability” (2010)
- Gulf Sturgeon Modeling Review Panel (2009), Cedar Key, Florida
- NSF Workshop “Computational Science for Natural Resource Managers,” Keynote (2007)
- Scientific Committee, “Fish and Diadromy in Europe,” Conference, Bordeaux, France (2005)
- Invited Panel, Hydropower Relicensing and the Environment, WaterPower , Orlando, FL (1998)

**EDUCATION**

PhD 2000, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Tennessee  
MS 1984, Ecology University of Tennessee  
BA 1979, Biology Franklin Pierce College (SUNY ESF)

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

1988-Present Research scientist Environmental Sciences Division, Oak Ridge National Laboratory  
2003-Present Adjunct faculty, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology, University of Tennessee

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## AWARDS, REVIEW PANELS, EDITORIAL POSITIONS

Scientific Achievement Award, Environmental Sciences Div., Oak Ridge National Laboratory (2006)  
 DOE Outstanding Mentor Award (2006)  
 San Joaquin River Fall Chinook Salmon Modeling Review (2006), California Dept of Fish & Game.  
 Pallid Sturgeon Review Panel for the US Army Corps of Engineers (2004-2005)  
 Ecological Society of America, Southeast Chapter Secretary-Treasurer (2002—2004)  
 Everglades Model Review Team for the US Geologic Service, Miami, FL (2002-2003)  
 Associate Editor for the North American Journal of Fisheries Management (2001-2002)  
 ORNL Technical Publication Award (2001) for Jager et al. 2000. *Ecosystems* 3: 396-411

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

### Book Chapters

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Cook, RB & **HI Jager**. 1991. Upper Midwest: The effects of hydrologic lake type and acidic deposition on lakewater chemistry. Chapter 13 *IN* D.F. Charles (ed.). *Acidic Deposition and Aquatic Ecosystems: Regional Case Studies*. Springer-Verlag, New York.

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**Jager HI**, KB Lepla, W Van Winkle, BA James, & SO McAdams. 2010. The elusive minimum viable population size for white sturgeon. *Transactions of the American Fisheries Society* 139: 1551-1565.

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