

SHEILA STILES

EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

B.S. Xavier University, Biology

M.S. University of Connecticut, Zoology/Ecology

Ph.D. University of Massachusetts, Fish Genetics

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Research Geneticist. Sheila is a research geneticist. She currently is conducting research on genetics and breeding of the mussel. Previously, as a Team Leader in the Biotechnology Branch, Aquaculture and Enhancement Division, Sheila was responsible for initiating and developing a multigenerational genetics and breeding program for bay scallops which investigated the use of genetic methods to improve growth and survival for increased production. She planned, directed, and conducted research in three main areas: 1) Breeding (selection, inbreeding and hybridization); 2) Population Genetics –conducted DNA studies with Yale University and with a colleague in Massachusetts on hybridization; conducted molecular analysis (allozyme) in a joint US-China cooperative research project, and DNA analysis and transgenic studies in collaboration with University of Connecticut, as well as a small-scale study on stock ID and genetic diversity of sea scallops; 3) Field evaluations for stock restoration or enhancement. Served as Acting Biotechnology Branch Chief (5/02-8/02, 4/03-7/03, 2/04-6/04).

In the past, she was Leader of the Genetics Unit in the Genetics and Life History Investigation, then in the Microbiology Investigation which was concerned primarily with evaluating genetic effects of pollution on the reproductive success of winter flounder, the hard clam, and the oyster. The main focus was on damage to chromosomes, nuclei and cells of organisms at various life history stages, with some development of DNA procedures to examine the relationship between genetic population structure of a fish and/or shellfish, its reproductive success and annual year-class strength (fisheries recruitment). As Unit Leader, she supervised geneticists and fishery biologists, coordinating diverse projects of the Unit. She initially assisted in aquaculture research on life history and ecology of various species of shellfish, then assisted with genetic applications in breeding and chromosome research.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS/HIGHLIGHTS:

- Provided scallops to industry, other researchers, schools, and to shellfish municipalities for stock enhancement and restoration
- Determined responses to selection for growth
- Estimated genetic diversity and identification of bay scallop populations
- Determined effects of inbreeding with self fertilization (scallops) and full-sib crosses (on oysters and scallops)
- Produced scallops with distinct shell markings (stripes), known as the “Milford Line” for the DNA Genbank, which assisted in identification for stock and habitat restoration efforts in the Niantic River and other places such as New York
- Developed a cytogenetic and cytological technique for shellfish larvae and other zooplankton from the field or in the laboratory
- Coordinated and led a team in a multidisciplinary study on reproductive success of hard clams.
- Conducted a multifaceted study that showed effects of PCBs and aromatic hydrocarbons on the early development of oysters.
- Previously planned and supervised genetic crosses for mutation (i.e., radiation), inbreeding and hybridization in commercially important shellfish as the oyster.
- Conducted experiments on chromosome manipulation and genetic engineering to understand mechanisms involved in obtaining polyploids and clones of shellfish.
- Preliminary collaborative work on fish identification was done with molecular analysis(allozymes)
- Determined meiotic and mitotic outcomes after polyploid induction.
- Was involved in initial mutagenesis projects to develop genetic methodology for winter flounder eggs and shellfish. Conducted a mutagenesis breeding test, called a dominant lethal.
- Collected on a research cruise, for cytogenetic use, finfish eggs from Deepwater Dumpsite I06.
- *Under a joint US-China agreement, a cooperative research project was initiated on population genetics of commercial bay scallops. This allozyme analysis successfully demonstrated the degree of genetic diversity in various wild and cultured scallop populations from Canada to Florida, as well as the extent and loss of genetic diversity with inbreeding, which subsequently served as a basis for selecting a new supply of scallops to improve the genetic integrity of broodstock. Genetic lines developed for selection were available as reference stocks to estimate genetic diversity for hatchery vs. wild and homozygous vs. heterozygous populations. Moreover, this research enabled the demonstration of a difference in genetic variation for comparisons of a wild population with progeny derived from it.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Best Poster Paper Award - World Mariculture Society, 1982. Stiles, S., and J. Choromanski, “Crossability and genetic experiments on Long Island Sound and other oyster populations: Implications for transplantation”.
- National Technical Association Achievement Award, 1996, 1997 and 2012.
- Co-author - Best Poster Paper Award, Southworth, J., M. Brown, S. Stiles and L. Strausbaugh. 1999. “Methodology for the generation of polymorphic molecular tags in the bay scallop, Argopecten irradians”. NOAA/UMES Conference.
- NOAA unit citation, Environmental Studies, 1974.
- Award-Chair, Poster Session/UMES Conference
- Various Sustained Superior (1987) and Outstanding (1974, 1985) Performance and QSI (1985,1995) Awards

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES/AFFILIATIONS

Genetics Society of America, , American Men and Women of Science, Sigma Xi-Membership Committee, National Technical Association, National Shellfisheries Association, East Coast Shellfish Growers Association, American Association for the Advancement of Science. Previously served on the ICES (International Council for the Exploration of the Sea) Genetics Working Group Committee.

Special Activities/Special Assignments

- Co-convenor of Genetics Theme Session at 2003 ICES 100 Anniversary Conference. Denmark. Also served on committee as a judge for best presentation at the Conference.
- Mussel Research - In collaboration with a population geneticist, used cytogenetic and cytological techniques to investigate population differences based on chromosome number and gross morphology of mussels from Georges Bank and Martha's Vineyard.
- Isoelectric focusing (electrophoresis) - in collaboration with NEFSC scientists, participated in (2) interlaboratory calibration projects.
- Consulting - Responded in person, by mail, or by telephone, to many requests for assistance/information/reprints. For example, provided fish genetics input for a letter to a Congressman in response to a constituent concerning the cross-breeding potential of cultured and wild stocks of clams.
- Served as one of the consultants for and appeared in a school science textbook, Science, Addison-Wesley, Published 1988.
- Editorial and Technical Reviews – Several, including review of the book, "Population Genetics and Fishery Management" for the Genetics Society of Canada.

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- Aquacultural Genetics of Bay Scallops, Jackson State University, 1994
- Genetics, Biotechnology and Marine Science, Jackson State University, 1995
- Aquatic Toxicology, Jackson State University, 1995
- Genetic Applications to Marine Science, Jackson State University, 1996
- Investigations on Aquacultural Genetics of Bay Scallops, Qingdao, China 1998
- Aquacultural Genetics, Qingdao, China, 2006
- Aquaculture Genetics and the Domestication of Commercial Bivalves. University of Bridgeport. Marine Biology Symposium Series. 2008

SELECTED ORAL PRESENTATIONS (S. Stiles)

- Genetic abnormalities in eggs from mass spawnings of *Crassostrea virginica* Gmelin, the American oyster, from commercial beds. American Fisheries Society, New England Division Meeting, New Haven, Connecticut. 1975.
- Experimental inbreeding in the American oyster, *Crassostrea virginica*. American Fisheries Society, Southern New England Chapter, Kingston, Rhode Island. 1978.
- Approaches to inbreeding in the commercial American oyster, *Crassostrea virginica*. Genetics Society of Canada, University of Dalhousie, Halifax, Nova Scotia. 1978.

- Recent progress on directed breeding experiments with Long Island Sound oysters. Mariculture Committee, ICES, Statutory Meeting, Woods Hole, Massachusetts. 1981.
- Use of a cytogenetic technique as a tool for assessing the condition of oyster larvae. Proc. Natl. Shellfish. Assoc. Baltimore, MD. 1982.
- Rapid cytological examination of bivalve larvae of commercial marine mollusks: potential for genetic toxicology and aquatic bioassays. 53rd Annual Meeting Genetics Society of America, Vancouver, B.C., Canada. 1984.
- Hard clam reproductive success. EPA Review Workshop, University of Bridgeport, CT. 1987.
- Hard clam reproductive success: Genetic and viability studies. 8th Annual Shellfish Biology Seminar. Milford, CT. 1988.
- Cytogenetic and Viability Effects of PCB and Petroleum Aromatic Hydrocarbon Compounds on Early Development of Oysters, National Technical Association Meeting, July, Washington, DC. 1994.
- Preliminary Investigation of Genetics of Bay Scallops, Aquaculture Seminar 1996.
- Gloucester Fishermen's Forum Panel Presenter, Aquaculture Genetics of Bay Scallops, Gloucester, MA, September, 1996.
- Trends in Genetics of Bivalve Mollusks: A Review, ICES Conference 2003, Denmark
- Genetic strategies for culturing and stock enhancement of bivalve mollusks. Milford Aquaculture Seminar, 2003.
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- An Overview of Genetic Studies on Commercial Species of Bivalves. UJNR Aquaculture Panel, 36th Scientific Symposium. Aquaculture Technologies for Invertebrates. 2007
- Aquaculture Genetics and the Domestication Potential of Bivalve Mollusks. Oral presentation and abstract for The National Technical Association (NTA) annual meeting. June. Fullerton, California. 2008
- DNA-Based Research With Bay Scallops: A Collaboration Between NOAA and Yale University With An Outreach Component NTA oral presentation. 2009
- Recent Progress in Selective Breeding of the Bay Scallop, *Argopecten irradians*. NTA (Session Chair and Organizer)
- An Update on Selective Breeding of the Bay Scallop, *Argopecten irradians*. NTA Conference 2010. (Session Chair)
- Continuing Studies on Selective Breeding and Population. 2011. NTA Conference. (Session Chair and Organizer)
- Genetics in a Bivalve: the Bay Scallop, *Argopecten irradians*, NTAConference.
- Studies on mitochondrial DNA, phenotypic and morphological markers for bayscallop identification and diversity in enhancement and restoration efforts. NTA Conference. 2010 (Session Chair and Organizer)
- Studies on Breeding and Molecular Genetics. 2012. NTA Conference.
- Introductory remarks on climate change. 2013. NTA conference. (Session Chair and Organizer).

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Service

- Served as co-facilitator of a Stakeholders Meeting on Aquaculture in the EEZ. Massachusetts
- NEFSC Stock ID Committee, 1997
- NEFSC Factor IV Committee ~ 5 years
- NEFC CSSP (Committee on Scientific Standing and Publications), 1998 –2001
- Special Assistant to Center Directorate NEFC: January - May 1987. Arranged and coordinated meetings; attended and participated in Staff and Technical meetings; Commented on aspects of policies that affected NEFC research operations and personnel matters. Worked on MOA/MOU with UMASS as a foundation for the CMER Program.
- Chaired the poster session for the NOAA/JSU Conference, 2001, (Received an award) and for the NOAA/UMES Conference, 1999 - organized and coordinated the poster session
- Was local contact person for NEFC Research Meeting; Chairperson for a session at the meeting, 1988
- Administered Summer HUROC (Howard University-Rockefeller Foundation) Program (including budget) at the laboratory for 2 student trainees, 1987, 1988 and 1989
- Was rapporteur for NEFSC Division Workshop on Fish Genetics/Stock ID, Sept. 9-10, 1987, Milford
- Technical Monitor for S-K projects such as DNA/molecular tagging of fish and polyploidy.
- Panelist-reviewed proposals on oyster disease research in 1994 and 1995 and for University of New Hampshire Sea Grant in 2002.
- Reviewer of ~ 100 proposals, journal articles over the years, including several Sea Grant, S-K and FIG proposals.
- Research Council, 1986 - 1987 Member of first group to serve on the Northeast NEFSC Research Council. Represented laboratory-attended meetings, and reviewed and evaluated proposals and documents that dealt with NEFC research. Made presentation on the research activities of the branch, including a large historical database on shellfish and environmental studies in LIS which stimulated interest in an updated re-analysis concerning shellfish recruitment
- Reviewed a publication upon request by a researcher in China, 1984 - "The Genetics and Breeding of Oysters" by Wu Rong, Journal of Fisheries of China, which included a table from our Hybridization and Inbreeding Paper
- Served as Northeast Region Director of the National Technical Association and on the Conference Planning committee for 2 years.

Mentor/Advisor/Outreach

- Served as a mentor in the New England Board of Higher Education (NEBHE)-MIT science and engineering mentoring program; was moderator for a panel discussion on entering and staying in college.
- Served as President, Yale Peabody Museum of Natural History Associates Board
- Mentored/advised/provided training and projects for several students over the years.

- Provided training for about 15-20 scientists; in addition to international activities such as collaboration with a visiting scientist and the ICES (International Council for the Exploration of the Sea) Genetics Working Group, assisted with hosting visiting scientists from Japan, Portugal, China.
- Served as Chairperson of the Advisory Board for the Hi-Tech Learning Center (New Haven -1990-1991).
- Served as Vice-President on the Sound (Aquaculture) High School Advisory Board, New Haven, CT
- Served on Agriculture School Advisory Board, Bloomfield, CT
- Conducted a genetics workshop twice for high school and junior high school students in the Agency's NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service Saturday Academy Program, Washington, D.C.
- Conducted workshops for female high school and college students at Norwalk Community and Technical College and Gateway Community Technical College.
- Panelist at a Science Career Program for students at Fairfield University.
- Received community service and leadership awards.