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Advanced Health Management in Salmon Farming: Data, tools and economic impact

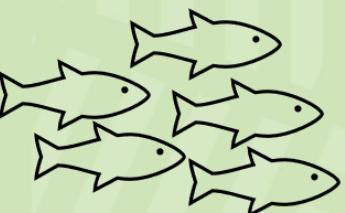
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Salmon aquaculture

Many types of data



Data tools





Using data to support day-to-day health management of farmed Atlantic salmon.

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<https://decideproject.eu/>



Salmon health: co-morbidity, environmental challenges

Management: lack of time, lack of treatment options, staff turn-over, standardization protocols, challenge balancing health-welfare-economics-interest

Main themes

Multifaceted challenges in salmon health management

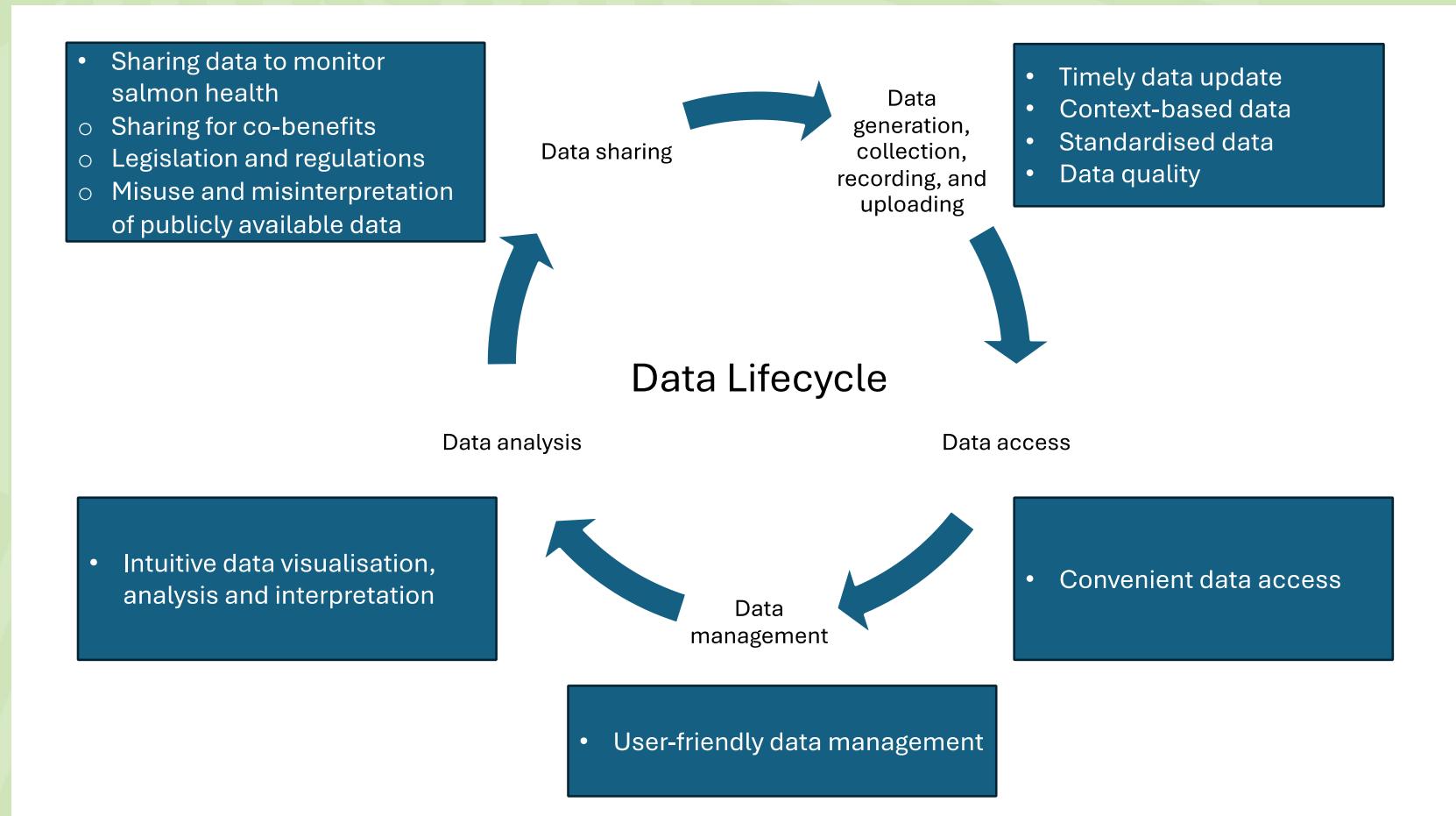
The essential role of data in health management

Data supporting/partially driving decision-making

Other factors: historical experience, clinical picture, economic and ethical considerations, legislation & regulation

Support: clinical presentation supported by effective and efficient data use
Resources: many different digital products

Data life cycle



Data quality is key



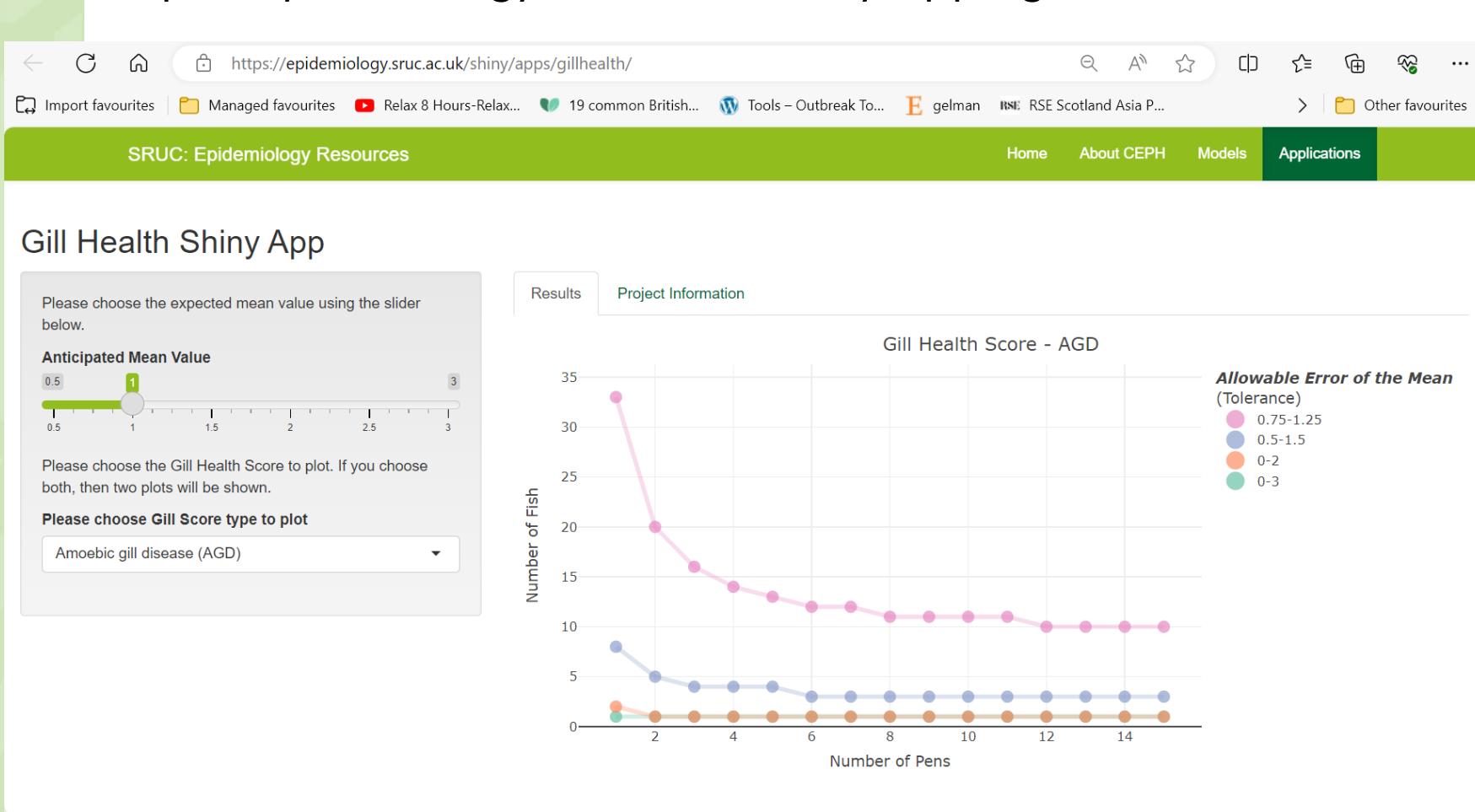
Data tool development

Data tools need to be:

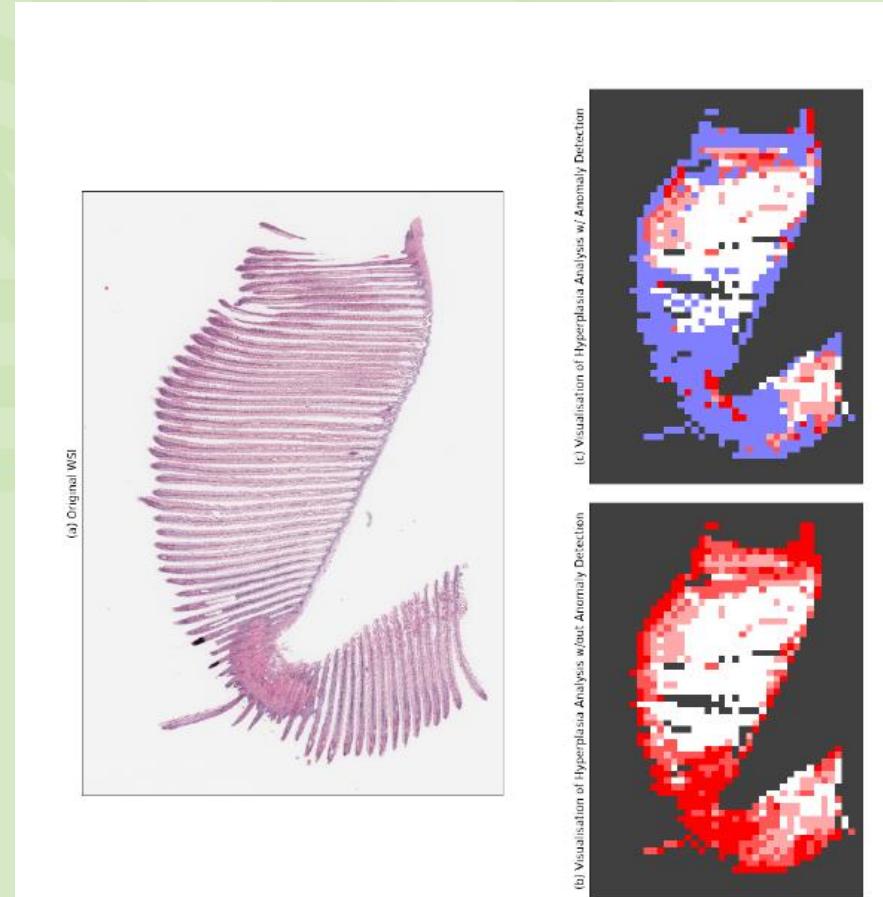
- Stakeholder specific
 - Health managers
 - Production managers
 - Inspectors (government, certification)
- Simple
- Integrated into existing software
- Timesaving
- Provide visual dashboards
- Include a selection of only relevant information

Understanding sample size

<https://epidemiology.sruc.ac.uk/shiny/apps/gillhealth/>



Using AI



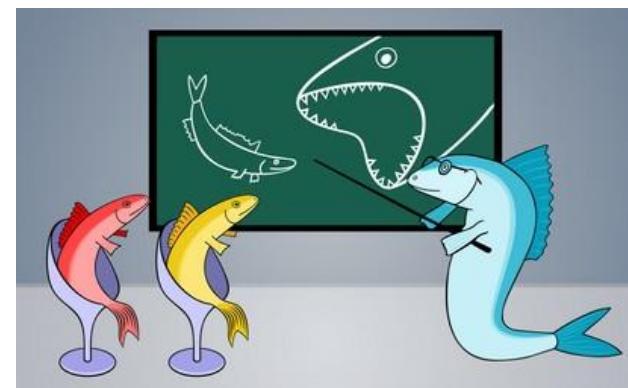
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SRUC CPD course



2-day in-person CPD course

- *2024 Epi concepts and data visualisation for fish technicians*
- Session 1: Basic epidemiology terminology
- Session 2: Diagnostic tests: understanding test characteristics, and interpreting test results
- Session 3: Data and data visualisation
- Session 4: Evaluating and utilising statistical evidence to inform clinical judgment and practice



Take home

- Data is important in aquaculture
- Data tools can help with health management
- Communication about tools is important





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