



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

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Salmon aquaculture

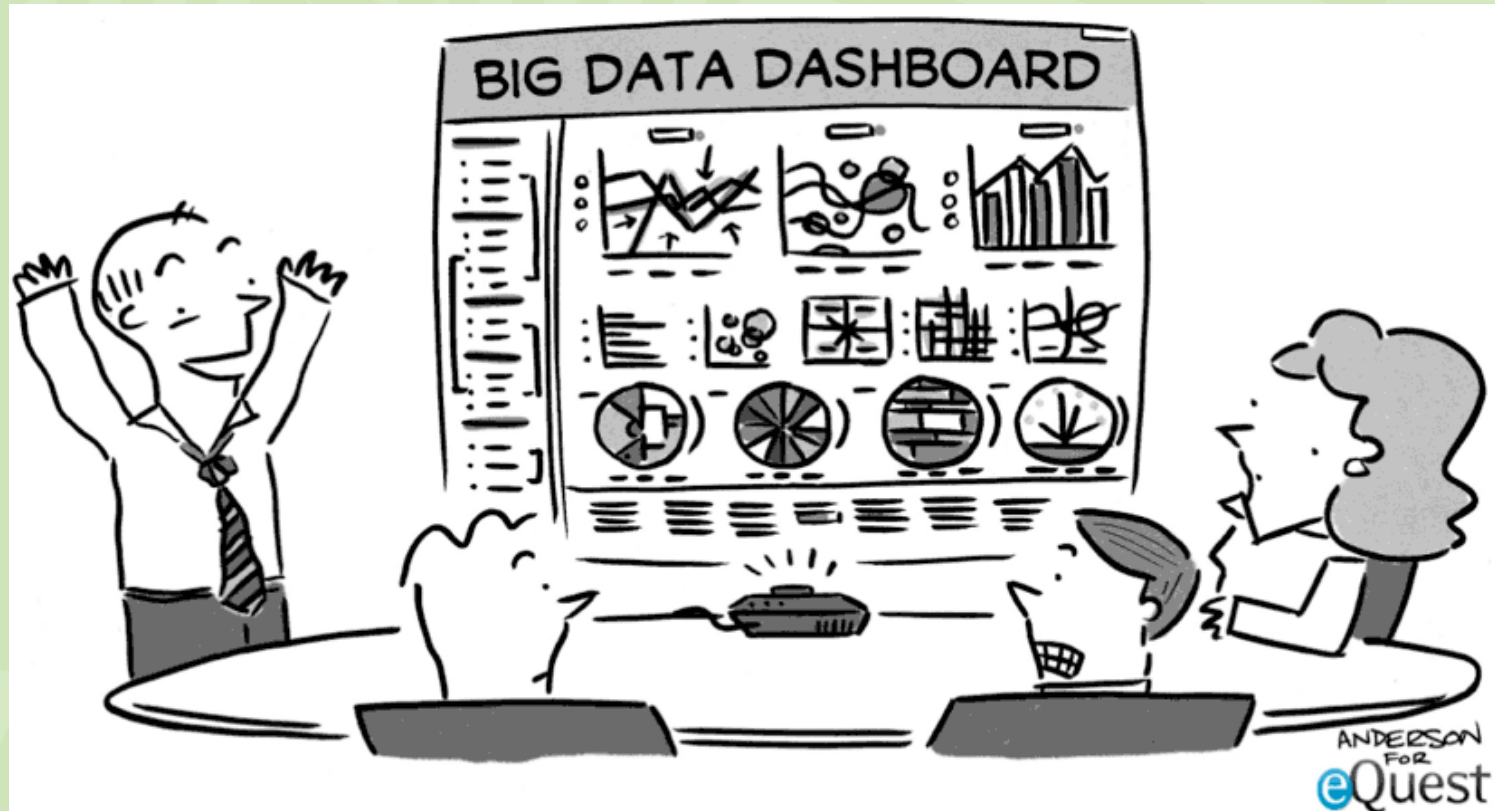
Many types of data



<https://www.foodbeast.com/news/salmon-lice>



Data tools



"After careful consideration of all 437 charts, graphs, and metrics, I've decided to throw up my hands, hit the liquor store, and get snockered. Who's with me?!"



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

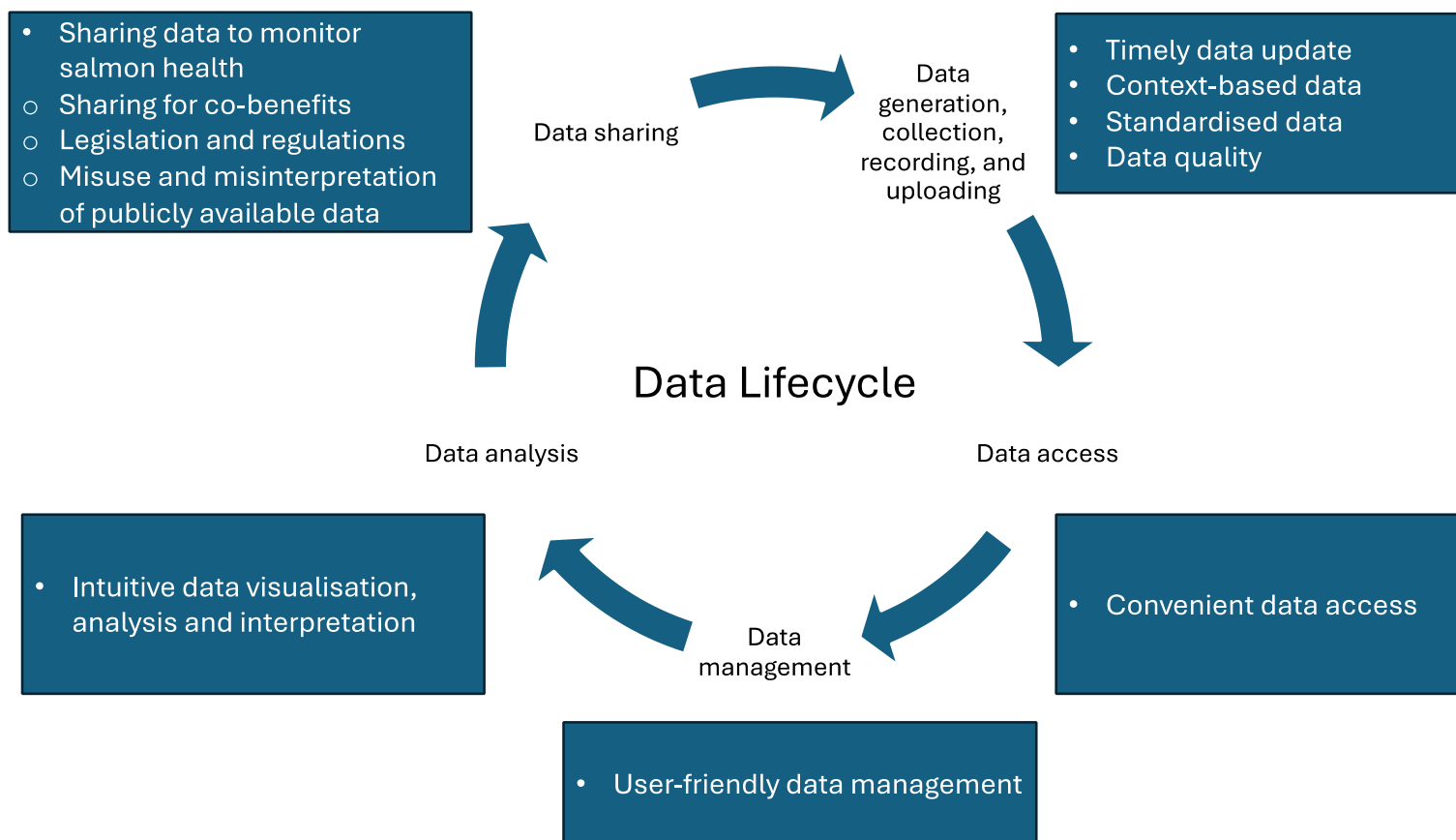
Data supporting/partially driving decision-making

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

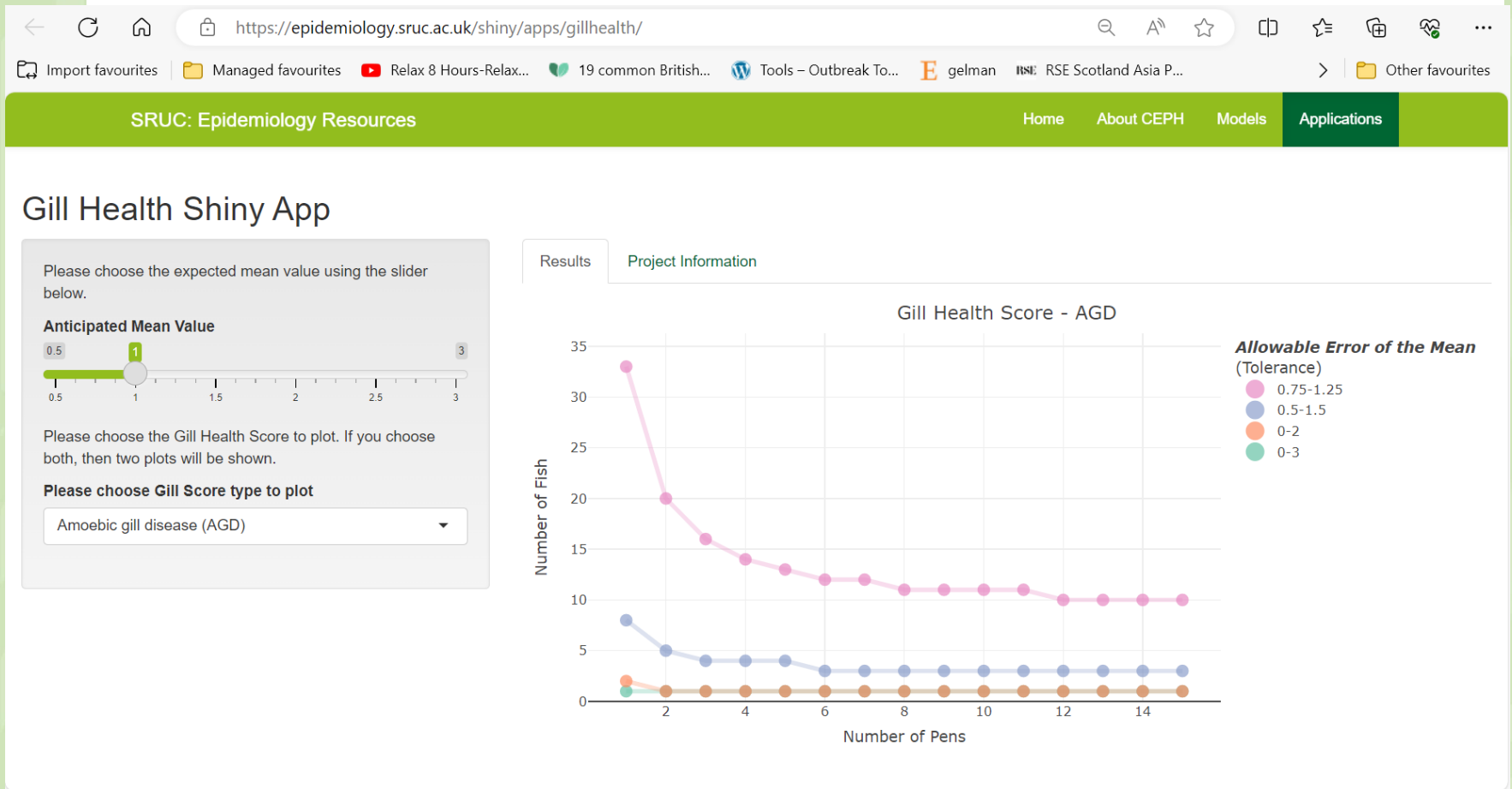


Data tools need to be:

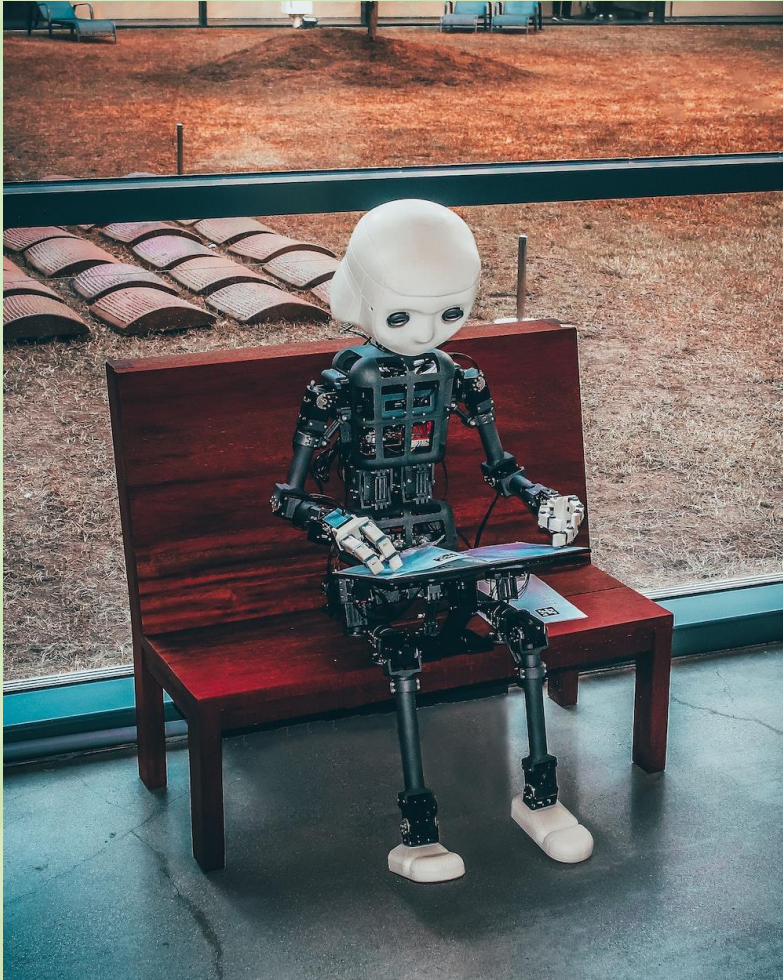
- Stakeholder specific
 - Health managers
 - Production managers
 - Inspectors (government, certification)
- Simple
- Integrated into existing software
- Timesaving
- Provide visual dashboards
- Include a selection of only relevant information

Understanding sample size

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



Using AI



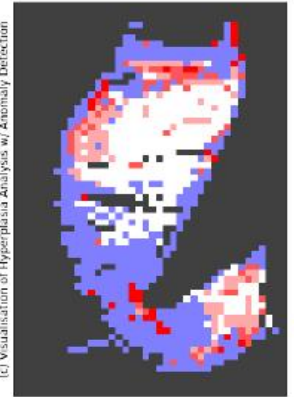
(a) Original WSI



(b) Visualisation of Hyperplasia Analysis without Anomaly Detection



(c) Visualisation of Hyperplasia Analysis with Anomaly Detection



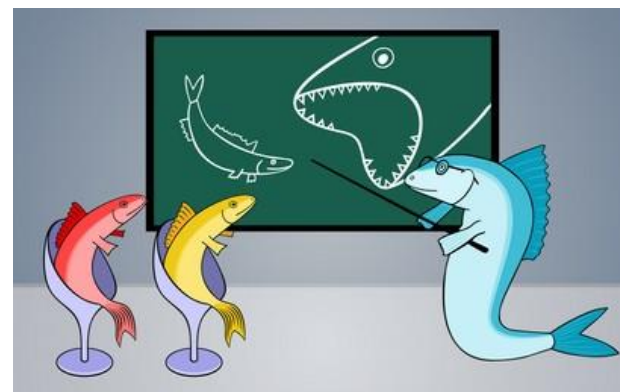
Sandy Carmichael

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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