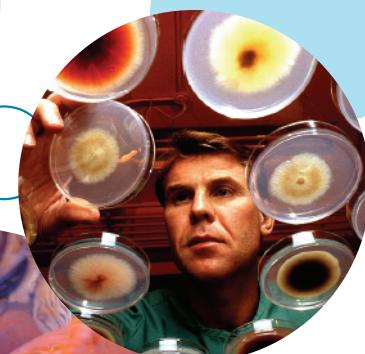
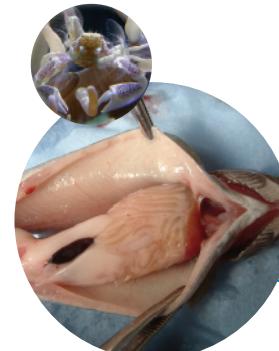
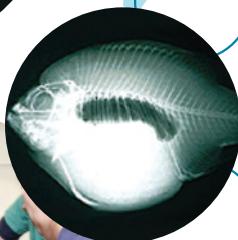


# Explore New Avenues for Incorporating Aquatic Veterinary Medicine



## The Growing Need for an International Resource

The international trade in live aquatic animals and their products is extensive, and transnational diseases can be distributed around the world within 24 hours through air freight. This means the aquatic veterinarian requires an international perspective and with the many issues facing aquatic animal health there is an increasing need to combine and facilitate information flow among countries. This is an area that the World Aquatic Veterinary Medical Association can influence by bringing together veterinarians from numerous countries and through the development of local chapters, provide relevant national outlooks.

With these issues in mind the WAVMA was formed.

## Expanding Practice Opportunities

Aquatic animal ownership, exhibition and production for food have burgeoned internationally like few other areas of veterinary medicine in the last several decades. Terrestrial farmed animal health and welfare are areas in which veterinarians have excelled for more than 100 years. Veterinarians are equally suited by training to transfer their skills to the paradigm of aquaculture in its many forms. Along with the increasing expectations of the pet-owning public and other opportunities for veterinary oversight of aquatic animal health, the discipline of aquatic animal medicine is still rapidly expanding.

# WAVMA

## Mission



### Enjoy the Benefits of Membership

Serve as an Officer, Director, Committee Member

Participate in Veterinary and Client Surveys

Develop Veterinary Programs/Services

Directories Listings

Web Based Clinic/Hospital Listings

List-Servers and Discussion Forums

Scientific and Clinical Publications

Journal and Meeting Discounts

Continuing Education/Professional Development Programs

Certified Clinical Competency Programs

### Membership Opportunities

Full (Graduate Veterinarians)

Allied Veterinary Organizations

Veterinary Students, Interns and Residents

Veterinary Technicians/Nurses

Affiliate (Paraveterinary Professionals)

Sustaining Members

### Membership Applications

Available at:

[WWW.WAVMA.ORG](http://WWW.WAVMA.ORG)

Or contact:

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To serve the discipline of aquatic veterinary medicine in enhancing aquatic animal health and welfare, public health and seafood safety, in support of the veterinary profession, aquatic animal owners and industries and other stakeholders

### Goals

- Develop programs to support and sustain aquatic veterinarians in diverse disciplines, fields and services to aquatic species industries and clients.
- Identify, foster and strengthen professional interactions among aquatic veterinarians and other organizations around the world.
- Advocate, develop guidance and promote the advancement of the art and science, ethics and professional aspects of aquatic animal medicine within the veterinary profession and wider audiences.
- Optimally position and advance the discipline of aquatic veterinary medicine and support the practice of aquatic veterinary medicine in all countries.

### Serving Global Members

### Supporting Clients, Industries and Governments

### Protecting the Health and Welfare of Aquatic Animals

### Ensuring Public Health and Seafood Safety

### World Aquatic Veterinary Medical Association

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