

**Developing a Method for Estimating Injury and Risk to a Major NOAA Trust Resource (Finfish) due to Persistent Bioaccumulative chemicals: Mercury**  
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Nancy and I (Tom Dillon) had a highly successfully and rewarding collaboration last week in Seattle.

We set for ourselves the following **goals** which were completed by the end of the week:

- Resolve 5 pages of detailed technical action items.
- Update and bring consistency to 20+ injury spreadsheets reporting mercury dose-response information in fish.
- Develop annotated outline for manuscript.
- Develop chronology of milestones and associated action items.
- Consider target journals for manuscript submittal.
- Assign writing tasks (We wrote the Introduction!)
- Have fun! (Goal assigned by Amy Merten!)

**Milestones:**

- Now to mid October: Complete the majority of our technical analysis for mercury dose-response and injury quantification.
- Mid October: Tom returns to Seattle to finalize technical analysis and begin writing Materials and Methods, Results and Discussion.
- Also that week we will work on the CRRC request to recommend how this work with mercury will improve modeling of oil and PAH impacts on fish species.
- December: Submit draft manuscript to CRRC