



Introducing the Office of Partnership and Collaboration

BUILDING CANADA'S SCIENTIFIC EXCELLENCE TOGETHER

Working with Canada's scientific community to:

- create new partnerships and collaborations
- connect Canada's ocean and freshwater science communities
- increase research and monitoring
- support the health of fish stocks
- improve understanding of climate change impacts on marine ecosystems
- monitor ocean contaminants and pollutants
- support sustainable aquaculture

COLLABORATION

By working on common research priorities, Fisheries and Oceans Canada can build on the knowledge generated by our partners so that, together, we can help ensure our oceans and freshwater stay healthy and sustainable for future generations.



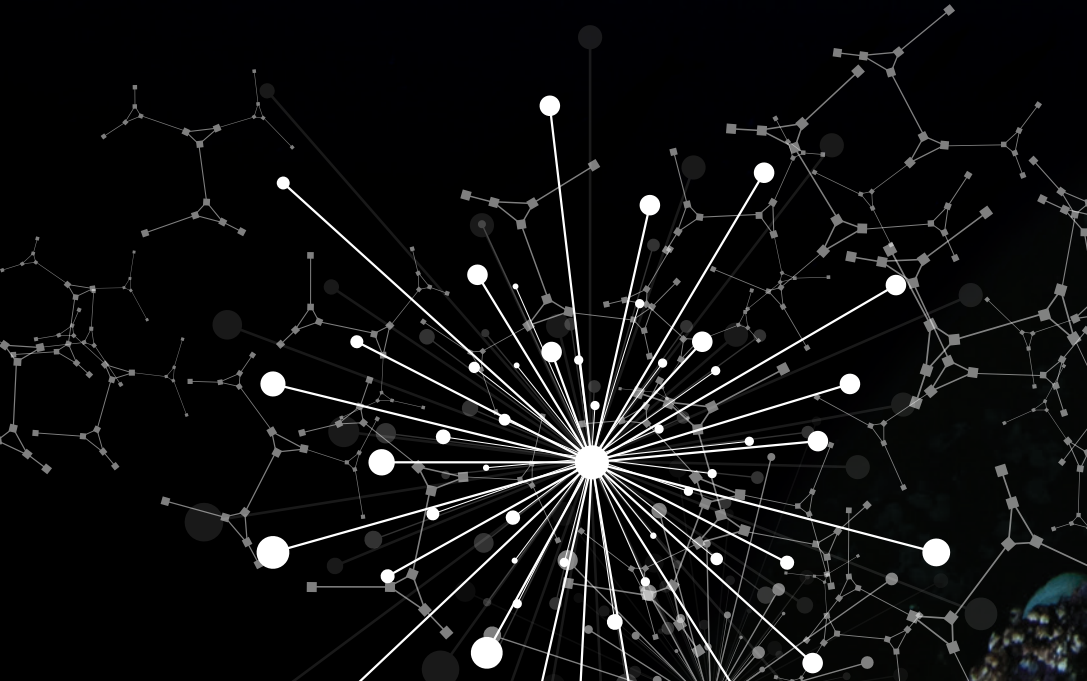
Better decision-making through science

To support regulatory and policy decisions that will ensure our oceans, coasts, waterways and fisheries are healthy and sustainable for future generations, the Government of Canada is investing \$197.1 million over five years to **increase and strengthen** Canada's scientific capacity. This investment will enable Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) to:

- foster new partnerships and multidisciplinary collaborations with universities, environmental organizations, Indigenous groups and other stakeholders both in Canada and abroad; and
- increase its scientific research capacity.

With more scientists, more collaboration and more technology, we will do:

- more research and monitoring to support healthy fish stocks;
- more research and monitoring of environmental stressors, such as contaminants, pollution and underwater noise;
- more research to support sustainable aquaculture; and
- more freshwater research.





Better science through collaboration

DFO's new **Office of Partnership and Collaboration (OPC)** works with Canada's scientific community to:

- improve the development and application of science-based information and advice;
- strengthen Canada's leadership standing in terms of ocean and freshwater science; and
- build networks for partnering and collaboration.

Part of the OPC's role is to manage a new \$5 million **Partnership Fund** that supports collaborative scientific initiatives undertaken with partner organizations. Currently, the OPC is engaging with members of the larger scientific community and other aquatic science stakeholders to explore ways to **share knowledge, expertise and infrastructure** in support of:

- science data collection, integration, and access;
- ocean and freshwater monitoring;
- science that furthers ocean literacy; and
- managing, conserving and promoting our ocean and freshwater resources.



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