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Education

Ph.D. - Fisheries & Wildlife Science (05/2005)

Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University

Dissertation title: Evaluation of current management strategies for the New River, Virginia, muskellunge fishery: modeling the effect of alternative harvest regulations and habitat selection

M.S. - Statistics (12/2001)

Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University

M.S. - Fisheries & Wildlife Science (12/1999)

Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University

Thesis title: Competition between age-0 largemouth bass and juvenile bluegills in a Virginia pond.

B.S. with Highest Honors - Biological Science (Criminal Justice Minor) (12/1996) South Dakota State University

Professional Experience

Associate Professor (Fixed Term)/Associate Director, Quantitative Fisheries Center, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan (7/2012 – present)

- Assignment: 30% Research, 30% Administrative, 20% Outreach, 20% Teaching
- Responsible for day-to-day administration of the QFC, including staff supervision, finances, report writing, and point-of-contact for QFC contributing partners and Board of Advisors
- Conduct and direct research on the ecology and population dynamics of managed fish populations in the Great Lakes

Assistant Professor (Fixed Term)/Associate Director, Quantitative Fisheries Center, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan (2/2006 – 6/2012)

- Assignment: 30% Research, 30% Administrative, 20% Outreach, 20% Teaching
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Research Associate II, School of Natural Resources and Environment, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan (3/2004 – 1/2006)

- Collaborated on an EPA Star Grant project entitled "Development of river classification systems for diagnosing of biological impairment in watersheds"
- Developed and programmed a spatially-constrained clustering procedure for delineation of river valley segments for digital GIS river networks
- Collaborated in the development of a GIS data model for analyzing multi-scale landscape variables across spatially extensive areas for river conservation and management
- Developed a stream classification system for Michigan river valley segments based on fish and stream physical attributes

Graduate Research Assistant, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, Blacksburg, Virginia (1/1997 – 12/2003)

- Conducted dissertation research examining the effect of alternative harvest regulations on the New River muskellunge fishery and modeling muskellunge habitat selection through telemetry and hydroacoustic sampling of habitat availability
- Conducted thesis research examining competitive interactions between age-0 largemouth bass and juvenile bluegills

Teaching Experience

Michigan State University

- Basics of Statistically-Based Stock Assessments (Short Course Instructor)
- Introduction to AD Model Builder (Short Course Instructor)
- Resampling Approaches to Data Analysis in Natural Resources and Ecology (Center for Statistical Training and Consulting Workshop – Instructor)
- Resampling Approaches to Data Analysis in Natural Resources and Ecology (Online Course Course Developer)
- R Essentials for Natural Resource Professionals (Online Course Course Co-Developer)
- Maximum Likelihood Estimation for Natural Resources and Ecology (Online Course Course Co-Developer)
- Landscape Ecology (Guest Lecturer)

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

- Graduate Seminar: Statistical Issues in Fisheries & Wildlife Sciences (Instructor)
- Fisheries Techniques (Instructor/Guest Lecturer/Teaching Assistant)
- Fisheries Management (Instructor/Teaching Assistant)
- Introduction to Renewable Natural Resources (Instructor/Teaching Assistant)
- Principles of Fisheries and Wildlife Management (Teaching Assistant)
- Ichthyology (Guest Lecturer/Teaching Assistant)
- Statistics for Engineering Applications (Teaching Assistant)

Fellowships/Awards and Certifications

- AT&T Faculty-Staff Instructional Technology Award of Excellence for on-line course development (with Angie Leslie [lead developer], Jim Bence, Matt Catalano) (2011)
- IAGLR Appreciation Award for Journal of Great Lakes Research Special Issue Editing (2011)
- Associate Fisheries Professional, American Fisheries Society (2003)
- Georgia-Pacific Endowed Dean's Fellowship, College of Natural Resources, Virginia Tech (2001)
- Burd McGinnes Fellowship, Department of Fisheries & Wildlife Sciences, Virginia Tech (2000, 2003)
- Graduate Student Service Award, Virginia Tech (1999)
- Best Student Paper Award, Honorable Mention (1999) Virginia North Carolina Joint AFS Meeting
- Member-of-the-Year Award, Virginia Tech Chapter of the American Fisheries Society (1997-1998)
- Graduated with Highest Honor from South Dakota State University (1996)
- South Dakota Conservation Officer's Association Scholarship, South Dakota State University (1996)
- Wilbur Allen Scholarship, South Dakota State University (Spring & Fall 1995, Spring & Fall 1996)

Graduate Student Committee Service

Advisor

- Chris Vandergoot, PhD, Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Status: Advanced to candidacy
- Kyle Molton, MS, Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Status: Graduated 2011, Current Position: Knauss Marine Policy Fellow, National Sea Grant College Program.

Committee Member

- Chris Holbrook, PhD, Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Status: Advanced to candidacy
- Carolyn Schulz, PhD, Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Status: Advanced to candidacy
- Andrew Winters, PhD, Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Status: Advanced to candidacy
- Elena Millard, PhD, Michigan State University Department of Pathobiology and Diagnostic Investigation, Status: Advanced to candidacy
- Elizabeth Throckmorton, MS, Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Status: In progress
- Arthur Cooper, MS, Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Status: In progress
- Marty Williams, MS, Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Status: Graduated 2012
- Tom Loch, PhD, Michigan State University Department of Pathobiology and Diagnostic Investigation, Status: Graduated 2012
- Heidi Ziegenmeyer, MS, Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Status: Graduated 2011
- Brett Alger, MS, Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Status: Graduated 2009

Professional Service

- Member of Sea Lamprey Larval Assessment Task Force (2012 present)
- Associate Editor for Transactions of the American Fisheries Society (2012 present)
- Guest Editor for Special Issue in Journal of Great Lakes Research "Assessing the Health of Lake Whitefish Populations in the Laurentian Great Lakes" (2008 2010)
- Organized two workshops on early mortality of lake trout in the Great Lakes (2008 2010)
- Manuscript/book chapter peer review for
 - Advances in Fish Tagging and Marking Technology
 - Balancing Fisheries Management and Water Uses for Impounded River Systems
 - Ecology
 - Environmental Management
 - Environmental Modelling and Software
 - Fisheries
 - Fisheries Management and Ecology
 - Fisheries Research
 - Influences of Landscapes on Stream Habitats and Biological Assemblages
 - Journal of Fish Biology
 - Journal of Great Lakes Research
 - North American Journal of Fisheries Management
 - Proceedings of the Annual Conference Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
 - River Research and Applications
 - Status of Walleye in the Great Lakes: Proceedings of the 2006 Symposium
 - Transactions of the American Fisheries Society

Grants Awarded

Brenden, T.O., and J.R. Bence. 2012. Finding appropriate harvest policies for admixed fisheries to ensure long-term population sustainability of native Great Lake fishes. Funding Source: Great Lakes Fishery Trust, Amount: \$161,239.

Clark, R.D., Jr, J. R. Bence, T. Brenden, I. Tsehaye, and R. Claramunt. Determining the fisheries management significance of Chinook salmon movement between lakes Michigan and Huron.

- Funding Source: Great Lakes Fishery Trust, Amount: \$270,805.
- Faisal, M., and T. Brenden. 202. Elucidating the role of herd immunity in protecting Lake Michigan fish against the viral hemorrhagic septicemia virus (VHSV). Funding Source: Great Lakes Fishery Trust, Amount: \$341,844.
- Scribner, K., T. Brenden, J. Bence, and W. Stott. 2012. Joint analysis of genetic and age data to estimate trends in strain-specific recruitment of emerging wild lake trout populations in Lake Huron. Funding Source: Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Amount: \$169,890.
- Bence, J., S. Winterstein, T. Brenden, S. Mayhew, and D. Etter. 2011. Statistical catch-at-age assessment of Michigan black bear population dynamics. Funding Source: Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Amount: \$109,231.
- Jones, M.L., J.R. Bence, and T.O. Brenden. 2010. Great Lakes Fishery Commission support for the Quantitative Fisheries Center. Funding Source: Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Amount: up to \$135,000.
- Peters, A.K., T.O. Brenden, J. Tsao, and M. Faisal. 2010. Viral hemorrhagic septicemia: an understanding of the disease ecology and risks in the Great Lakes basin. Funding Source: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Amount: \$230,724.
- Bence, J.R., and T.O. Brenden. 2009. Enhancing fishery stock assessment modeling capacity in the Great Lakes. Funding Source: Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Amount: \$20,812.
- Brenden, T.O., J.R. Bence, and K.T. Scribner. 2009. Simultaneous analysis of genetic and age data to estimate stock contribution for mixed-stock and strain, open-water fisheries in the Great Lakes. Funding Source: Great Lakes Fishery Trust, Amount: \$338,424.
- Infante, D., A. Moerke, C. Huckins, and T. Brenden. 2009. Effects of temperature on functional relationships among Michigan's fluvial fish assemblages: identifying management opportunities in the face of environmental changes. Funding Source: Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Amount: \$46,899.
- Jones, M., J. Bence, T. Brenden, R. Claramunt, and D. Warner. 2008. Assessing Lake Michigan stocking policies using decision analysis. Funding Source: Great Lakes Fishery Trust, Amount: \$326,139.
- Brenden, T.O., and J. He. 2007. Coordination workshops concerning lake trout age-1 mortality in the Great Lakes. Funding Source: Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Amount: \$8,746.
- Brenden, T.O., J.R. Bence, and M.J. Jones. 2007. Development of an on-line course on resampling approaches to data analysis in natural resource sciences and an on-line module for data simulation and resampling programming using Microsoft Excel VBA. Funding Source: Michigan State University Graduate School, Amount: \$40,000.
- Bence, J.R., and T.O. Brenden. 2006. Estimating the relationship between sea lamprey-induced mortality on lake trout and observed marking rates. Funding Source: Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Amount: \$36,296.
- Wiley, M.J., C. Riseng, T.O. Brenden, L. Wang, E.S. Rutherford, and P.W. Webb. 2005. Evaluation and synthesis of methods for identifying and quantifying critical fisheries habitat for Great Lakes lower riverine and nearshore zones. Funding Source: Great Lakes Fishery Trust, Amount: \$94,631.
- Murphy, B.R., T.O. Brenden, and E.M. Hallerman. 2001. Assessment of Virginia's management of riverine muskellunge fisheries. Funding Source: Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, Amount: \$54,436.

Published Manuscripts

- Wang, L., T. Brenden, J. Lyons, and D. Infante. 2013. Predictability of in-stream physical habitat for Wisconsin and northern Michigan wadeable streams using GIS-derived landscape data. Riparian Ecology and Conservation 1:11-24.
- Brenden, T.O., and Y. Zhao. 2012. Simulation-based evaluation of the accuracy in estimating indirect gillnet selectivity. Fisheries Research 134-136:64-72.

- Brenden, T.O., J.R. Bence, and E.B. Szalai. 2012. An age-structured integrated assessment of Chinook salmon population dynamics in Lake Huron's main basin since 1968. Transactions of the American Fisheries Society 141:919-933.
- Brenden, T.O., R.W. Brown, M.P. Ebener, K. Reid, and T.J. Newcomb. 2012. Great Lakes commercial fisheries: historical overview and prognoses for the future. Pages 339-397 *in* W.W. Taylor, A.J. Lynch, and N.J. Leonard, editors. Great Lakes fisheries policy and management: a binational perspective, 2nd edition, Michigan State University Press, East Lansing, Michigan.
- Faisal, M., C. Schulz, A. Eissa, T. Brenden, A. Winters, G. Whelan, M. Wolmagood, E. Eisch, and J. VanAmber. 2012. Epidemiological investigation of *Renibacterium salmoninarum* in three *Oncorhynchus* spp. in Michigan from 2001–2010. Preventive Veterinary Medicine 107:260-274.
- Molton, K.J., T.O. Brenden, and J.R. Bence. 2012. Control rule performance for intermixing lake whitefish populations in the 1836 Treaty Waters of lakes Huron, Michigan, and Superior: a simulation-based evaluation. Journal of Great Lakes Research 38:686-698.
- Vandergoot, C.S., T.O. Brenden, M.V. Thomas, D.W. Einhouse, H.A. Cook, and M.W. Turner. 2012. Estimation of tag shedding and reporting rates for Lake Erie jaw tagged walleyes. North American Journal of Fisheries Management 32:211-223.
- Wang, L., T. Brenden, Y. Cao, and P. Seelbach. 2012. Delineation and validation of river network spatial scales for water resources and fisheries management. Environmental Management 50:875-887.
- Brenden, T.O., J.R. Bence, B.F. Lantry, J.R. Lantry, and T. Schaner. 2011. Population dynamics of Lake Ontario lake trout during 1985-2007. North American Journal of Fisheries Management 31:962-979
- Vandergoot, C.S., P.M. Kocovsky, T.O. Brenden, and W. Liu. 2011. Selectivity evaluation of two experimental gillnet configurations used to sample Lake Erie walleyes. North American Journal of Fisheries Management 31:832-842.
- Faisal, M., W. Fayed, A. Nour, and T. Brenden. 2011. Spatio-temporal dynamics of gastrointestinal helminths infecting four lake whitefish (*Coregonus clupeaformis*) stocks in northern lakes Michigan and Huron, USA. Journal of Parasitology 97:760-774.
- Brenden, T.O., M.P. Ebener, T.M. Sutton, M.L. Jones, M.T. Arts, T.B. Johnson, M.A. Koops, G.M. Wright, and M. Faisal. 2010. Assessing the health of lake whitefish populations in the Laurentian Great Lakes: lessons learned and research recommendations. Journal of Great Lakes Research 36(Suppl. 1):137-141.
- Brenden, T.O., M.P. Ebener, and T.M. Sutton. 2010. Assessing the health of lake whitefish populations in the Laurentian Great Lakes: foreword. Journal of Great Lakes Research 36(Suppl. 1):1-5.
- Ebener, M.P., T.O. Brenden, G.M. Wright, M.L. Jones, and M. Faisal. 2010. Spatial and temporal distributions of lake whitefish spawning stocks in northern lakes Michigan and Huron, 2003-2008. Journal of Great Lakes Research 36(Suppl. 1):38-51.
- Faisal, M., W. Fayed, T.O. Brenden, A. Noor, M.P. Ebener, G.M. Wright, and M.L. Jones. 2010. Widespread infection of lake whitefish *Coregonus clupeaformis* with the swimbladder nematode *Cystidicola farionis* in northern lakes Michigan and Huron. Journal of Great Lakes Research 36(Suppl. 1):18-28.
- Faisal, M., T.P. Loch, T.O. Brenden, A.A. Easa, M.P. Ebener, G.M. Wright, and M.L. Jones. 2010.

 Assessment of *Renibacterium salmoninarum* infection in four lake whitefish (*Coregonus clupeaformis*) stocks from northern lakes Huron and Michigan. Journal of Great Lakes Research 36(Suppl. 1):29-37.
- Wagner, T., M.L. Jones, M.P. Ebener, M.T. Arts, M. Faisal, T.O. Brenden, D. Honeyfield, and G. Wright. 2010. Spatial and temporal dynamics of lake whitefish health measures: linking individual-based indicators to a management-relevant endpoint. Journal of Great Lakes Research 36(Suppl. 1):123-136.
- Brenden, T.O., M.L. Jones, and M.P. Ebener. 2010. Sensitivity of tag recovery mortality estimates to tag shedding, handling mortality, and reporting rate inaccuracies. Journal of Great Lakes Research 36(Suppl. 1):102-111.

- Ebener, M.P., T.O. Brenden, and M.L. Jones. 2010. Estimates of fishing and natural mortality rates for four lake whitefish stocks in northern lakes Huron and Michigan. Journal of Great Lakes Research 36(Suppl. 1):112-122.
- Wehrly, K.E., T.O. Brenden, and L. Wang. 2009. A comparison of statistical approaches for predicting stream temperatures across heterogeneous landscapes. Journal of the American Water Resources Association 45:986-997.
- Brenden, T.O., L. Wang, and P.W. Seelbach. 2008. A river valley segment classification of Michigan streams based on fish and physical attributes. Transactions of the American Fisheries Society 137:1621-1636.
- Brenden, T.O., L. Wang, and Z. Su. 2008. Quantitative identification of disturbance thresholds in support of aquatic resource management. Environmental Management 42:821-832.
- Wagner, T., M.E. Benbow, T.O. Brenden, J. Qi, and R.C. Johnson. 2008. *Buruli ulcer* disease prevalence in Benin, West Africa: associations with land use/cover and the identification of disease clusters. International Journal of Health Geographics 7:25. (Available at http://www.ij-healthgeographics.com/content/7/1/25)
- Brenden, T.O., T. Wagner, and B.R. Murphy. 2008. Novel tools for analyzing proportional size distribution (PSD) index data. North American Journal of Fisheries Management 28:1233-1242.
- Brenden, T.O., and J.R. Bence. 2008. Comment: use of piecewise regression models to estimate changing relationships in fisheries. North American Journal of Fisheries Management 28:844-846.
- Wang, L., T. Brenden, P. Seelbach, A. Cooper, D. Allan, R. Clark, Jr., and M. Wiley. 2008. Landscape based identification of human disturbance gradients and reference conditions for Michigan streams. Environmental Monitoring and Assessment 141:1-17.
- Brenden, T.O., L. Wang, P.W. Seelbach, R.D. Clark, Jr., M.J. Wiley, and B.L. Sparks-Jackson. 2008. A spatially-constrained clustering program for river valley segment delineation from GIS digital river networks. Environmental Modelling and Software 23:638-649.
- Brenden, T.O., E.M. Hallerman, B.R. Murphy, J.R. Copeland, and J.A. Williams. 2007. The New River, Virginia, muskellunge fishery: population dynamics, harvest regulation modeling, and angler attitudes. Environmental Biology of Fishes 79:11-25.
- Brenden, T. O., L. Wang, P.W. Seelbach, R.D. Clark, Jr., and J. Lyons. 2007. Comparison between model-predicted and field-measured stream habitat features for evaluating fish assemblage-habitat relationships. Transactions of the American Fisheries Society 136:580-592.
- Brenden, T.O., B.R. Murphy, and E.M. Hallerman. 2006. The effect of discharge on daytime habitat use and selection of muskellunge in the New River, Virginia. Transactions of the American Fisheries Society 135:1546-1558.
- Brenden, T.O., R.D. Clark, Jr., A.R. Cooper, P.W. Seelbach, L. Wang, S.S. Aichele, E.G. Bissell, and J.S. Stewart. 2006. A GIS framework for collecting, managing, and analyzing multi-scale landscape variables across large regions for river conservation and management. Pages 49-74 *in* R.M. Hughes, L. Wang, and P.W. Seelbach, editors. Influences of landscapes on stream habitats and biological assemblages. American Fisheries Society, Symposium 48, Bethesda, Maryland.
- Brenden, T.O., E.M. Hallerman, and B.R. Murphy. 2006. Sectioned pelvic fin ray ageing of muskellunge Esox masquinongy from a Virginia river: comparisons among readers, with cleithrum estimates, and with tag-recapture growth data. Fisheries Management and Ecology 13:31-37.
- Brenden, T.O., and B.R. Murphy. 2006. Variance-covariance estimation of standard weight equation coefficients. Journal of Freshwater Ecology 21:1-7.
- Brenden, T.O., B.R. Murphy, and E.M. Hallerman. 2005. Predatory impact of muskellunge on New River, Virginia, smallmouth bass. Proceedings of the Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies 58(2004):12-22.
- Lindell, S., B. Delbos, R. Perham, J. Goldman, E.M. Hallerman, T.O. Brenden. 2004. Hatchery and growout performance of sunshine bass and backcross hybrid striped bass in recirculating aquaculture systems. International Journal of Recirculating Aquaculture 5:43-54.

- Brenden, T.O., and B.R. Murphy. 2004. Experimental assessment of age-0 largemouth bass and juvenile bluegill competition in a small impoundment in Virginia. North American Journal of Fisheries Management 24:1058-1070.
- Brenden, T.O., B.R. Murphy, and E.M. Hallerman. 2004. Estimating total error in locating radiotelemetry transmitters by homing in a riverine environment. Journal of Freshwater Ecology 19:295-304.
- Brenden, T.O., B.R. Murphy, and J.B. Birch. 2003. Statistical properties of the relative weight (W_r) index and an alternative procedure for testing W_r differences between groups. North American Journal of Fisheries Management 23:1136-1151.
- Brenden, T.O., and B.R. Murphy. 2002. Trophic dynamics of a slow growing age-0 largemouth bass cohort from a Virginia small impoundment. Journal of Freshwater Ecology 17:609-619.
- Brenden, T.O., and J.A. Williams. 2001. New records of *Esox niger* Lesueur, 1818 and *Lepisosteus osseus* (Linnaeus, 1758) in the New River, Virginia. Banisteria (Journal of the Virginia Natural History Society) 18:44.
- Brenden, T.O., B.R. Murphy, S. Manos, C.S. Vandergoot. 1999. A submerged cage designed for aquatic research. North American Journal of Aquaculture 61:359-362.

Completion and Technical Reports

- Jones, M.L, T.O. Brenden, and B.J. Irwin. 2012. Evaluating integrated pest management in the St. Marys River. Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Project Completion Report, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Bence, J.R., and T. O. Brenden. 2011. Enhancing fishery stock assessment modeling capacity in the Great Lakes. Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Project Completion Report, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Brenden, T.O., and J.X. He. 2010. Coordination workshops concerning early mortality of lake trout in the Great Lakes. Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Project Completion Report, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Brenden, T.O., and W. Liu. 2010. Evaluation of regression approaches for predicting yellow perch (*Perca flavescens*) recreational harvest in Ohio Waters of Lake Erie. Quantitative Fisheries Center Technical Report T2010-01, East Lansing, Michigan.
- Brenden, T.O., and J.R. Bence. 2009. A model-based evaluation of how stocking Pacific salmonids influences the fish communities of lakes Huron and Ontario. Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Project Completion Report, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Irwin, B.J., T.O. Brenden, W. Liu, and J.R. Bence. 2009. Estimating the relationship between sea lamprey-induced mortality on lake trout and observed marking rates. Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Project Completion Report, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Jones, M.L., M.P. Ebener, M.T. Arts, M. Faisal, T. Wagner, T.O. Brenden, D. Honeyfield, and G. Wright. 2008. Magnitude and potential causes of mortality in four lake whitefish populations in Lakes Michigan and Huron: a multidisciplinary approach. Great Lakes Fishery Trust, Project Completion Report, Lansing, Michigan.
- Riseng, C., L. Wang, M. Wiley, E. Rutherford, and T. Brenden. 2008. State-of-the-art approaches for assessment of Great Lakes nearshore and large river fish habitat. Great Lakes Fishery Trust, Project Completion Report. Lansing, Michigan.
- Murphy, B.R., T.O. Brenden, and E.M. Hallerman. 2003. Assessment of Virginia's management of riverine muskellunge fisheries. Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration, Project Number F-122-R, Project Completion Report, Richmond, Virginia.

Presentations (*Presenter)

- Li*, Y., J.R. Bence, and T.O. Brenden. 2013. Addressing intermixing of lake whitefish populations comparing fishery management and assessment performance based on alternative assessment approaches. Oral Presentation: 2013 Canadian Conference for Fisheries Research, Windsor, Ontario.
- Vandergoot*, C.S., and T.O. Brenden. 2013. Spatially varying population demographics and fishery characteristics of Lake Erie walleye estimated from a long-term tag-recovery study. Oral Presentation: 2013 Canadian Conference for Fisheries Research, Windsor, Ontario.

- Brenden*, T., W. Liu, J. Bence, and K. Scribner. 2012. Simultaneous analysis of genetic and age data to estimate spawning population contribution to admixed fisheries in the Great Lakes. Invited Presentation: 2012 AFS Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- Throckmorton*, E., A. Peters, M. Faisal, and T. Brenden. Disease ecology of viral hemorrhagic septicemia in an inland Michigan lake. Oral Presentation: 2012 AFS Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- Vandergoot*, C.S., T.O. Brenden, M.V. Thomas, D.W. Einhouse, H.A. Cook, and M.W. Turner. 2012. Estimation of tag shedding and reporting rates for Lake Erie jaw tagged walleyes. Oral Presentation: 2012 AFS Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- Brenden*, T., W. Liu, J. Bence, and K. Scribner. 2012. Simultaneous analysis of genetic and age/length data to estimate spawning population contribution to mixed-stock or strain, open water fisheries in the Great Lakes. Oral Presentation: Lake Huron Technical Committee Meeting, Port Huron, Michigan.
- Brenden*, T.O. 2011. Stock intermixing in the Great Lakes: challenges and solutions for fisheries management. Invited Presentation: College of Marine Science, Shanghai Ocean University.
- Brenden*, T.O., and J.R. Bence. 2011. Model-based evaluation of how stocking *Oncorhynchus* influences the fish community of lakes Huron and Ontario. Invited Presentation: 2011 AFS Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington.
- Molton*, K., T. Brenden, and J. Bence. 2011. Influences of stock intermixing and productivity on harvest policy performance: a simulation-based evaluation of lake whitefish management in the upper Great Lakes. Oral Presentation: 2011 AFS Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington.
- Newcomb*, T., T. Brenden, R. Brown, M. Ebener, and K. Reid. 2011. Great Lakes commercial fisheries: historical overview and prognoses for the future. Invited Presentation: 2011 AFS Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington.
- Wang*, L., Y. Cao, and T. Brenden. 2011. Validation of river valley segments delineated for bioassessment and fisheries management using fish assemblages. Poster Presentation: 2011 AFS Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington.
- Molton*, K., T. Brenden, and J. Bence. 2011. Assessing the effects of stock intermixing on harvest policy performance for lake whitefish in the Upper Great Lakes. Oral Presentation: 2011 Michigan AFS Annual Meeting, Petoskey, Michigan.
- Vandergoot, C.S.*, T.O. Brenden, P. Kocovsky, and W. Liu. 2010. Comparison of biological characteristics and mortality rates of walleye captured in two different types of experimental gill nets in Lake Erie. Oral Presentation: Annual Ohio State University and Ohio Division of Wildlife Research Review Meeting, Columbus, Ohio.
- Brenden*, T.O., and J.R. Bence. 2010. Population dynamics of Lake Ontario lake trout during 1985-2007. Oral Presentation: Lake Ontario Sea Lamprey Damage Analysis Workgroup, Picton, Ontario.
- Brenden*, T.O., and J.R. Bence. 2010. A model-based evaluation of how stocking *Oncorhynchus* influences the fish community of Lake Huron. Oral Presentation: Lake Huron Technical Committee Meeting, Port Huron, Michigan.
- Brenden*, T.O., and J.R. Bence. 2009. Influence of *Oncorhynchus* stocking on fish communities in lakes Huron and Ontario. Oral Presentation: Council of Lake Committees Bi-Annual Meeting, Romulus, Michigan.
- Brenden*, T.O., and J.R. Bence. 2009. Influence of *Oncorhynchus* stocking on fish communities in lakes Huron and Ontario. Oral Presentation: Michigan DNR Fisheries Division, Research Section Annual Meeting, Roscommon, Michigan.
- Vandergoot, C. *, T. Brenden, P. Kocovsky, and W. Liu. 2009. Comparison of biological characteristics and mortality rates of walleye captured in two different types of experimental gill nets in Lake Erie. Oral Presentation: 2009 AFS Annual Meeting, Nashville, Tennessee.
- Brenden*, T.O., and J.R. Bence. 2009. Update on the Lake Huron salmonid stocking decision analysis project. Oral Presentation: Lake Huron Technical Committee Bi-Annual Meeting, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

- Brenden, T.O., L. Wang, and P. Seelbach*. 2009. An ecological river segment classification of Michigan rivers based on statistical analyses of fish and physical attributes. Oral Presentation: 2009 North American Benthological Society Annual Meeting, Grand Rapids, Michigan.
- Brenden*, T.O. 2009. Statistical considerations for implementing marking projects. Oral Presentation: Lake Ontario Mass Marking and Tagging Workshop, Pulaski, New York.
- Brenden*, T.O., M.L. Jones, and M. Ebener. 2008. Sensitivity of tag recovery mortality estimates to tag shedding, handling mortality, and reporting rate inaccuracies. Oral Presentation: 2008 AFS Annual Meeting, Ottawa, Ontario.
- Wagner*, T., M.L. Jones, M.P. Ebener, M.P. Arts, T.O. Brenden, D.C. Honeyfield, G.M. Wright, and M. Faisal, M. 2008. Spatial and temporal dynamics of lake whitefish health indicators: linking individual-based indicators to a management-relevant endpoint. 69th Midwest Fisheries and Wildlife Conference, Columbus, Ohio.
- Brenden*, T.O., J.R. Bence, and M.L. Jones. 2006. Proposed QFC projects for 2007/2008 fiscal year. Oral Presentation: Council of Lake Committees Bi-Annual Meeting, Romulus, Michigan.
- Wang, L.*, J. Stewart, P. Seelbach, and T. Brenden. 2007. Landscape based identification of human disturbance gradients and references for streams in Michigan and Wisconsin. Oral Presentation: 2007 AFS Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California.
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