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**Area of Expertise:** Currently my active area of experience is developing and applying quantitative methods to determine nutrients, organic and inorganic carbon and total suspended solids in estuarine seawater systems. In the past, I have developed and applied experimental designs and statistical analyses, using Primer and SAS, to the study of benthic communities as indicators of estuarine health in several New England estuarine systems.

**Select Publications (Several links exit this site):**

- Hanson, A., R. L. Johnson, C. Wigand, A. Oczkowski, E. W. Davey, and E. Markham. 2016. [Responses of Spartina alterniflora to Multiple Stressors: Changing Precipitation Patterns, Accelerated Sea Level Rise, and Nutrient Enrichment. Estuaries and Coasts. 39\(5\):1376-1385.](#)
- Wigand, C., E. Davey, R. L. Johnson, K. Sundberg, J. Morris, P. Kenny, E. Smith, and M. Holt. 2015. [Nutrient Effects on Belowground Organic Matter in a Minerogenic Salt Marsh, North Inlet, SC. Estuaries and Coasts. 38\(6\):1838-1853.](#)
- Wigand, C., C. T. Roman, E. Davey, M. Stolt, R. L. Johnson, A. Hanson, E. B. Watson, S. B. Moran, D. R. Cahoon, J. C. Lynch, and P. Rafferty. 2014. [Below the disappearing marshes of an urban estuary: historic nitrogen trends and soil structure. CT image ON COVER. Ecological Applications. 24\(4\):633-649.](#)
- Ho, K. T., M. Pelletier, D. Campbell, R. Burgess, R. L. Johnson, and K. Rocha. 2012. [Diagnosis of Potential Stressors Adversely Affecting Benthic Communities in New Bedford Harbor, MA \(USA\). Integrated Environmental Assessment and Management. 8\(4\):685-702.](#)
- Davey, E., C. Wigand, R. L. Johnson, K. Sundberg, J. Morris, and C. T. Roman. 2011. [Use of computed tomography imaging for quantifying coarse roots, rhizomes, peat, and particle densities in marsh soils. Ecological Applications. 21\(6\):2156-2171.](#)
- Johnson, R. L., K. Perez, K. J. Rocha, E. W. Davey, and J. A. Cardin. 2008. [Detecting benthic community differences: Influence of statistical index and season. Ecological Indicators. 8:582-58](#)

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**Education:**

- M.S., University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI; Statistics, 1997

- B.A., Connecticut College, New London, CT; Chemical Science, 1965

**Professional Experience:**

- Johnson, R. L., C. Wigand, A. Hanson, E. W. Davey, A. Oczkowski, E. Markham. [Preliminary Results from a Mesocosm Marsh Experiment with Treatments Simulating Three Tidal Flooding and Precipitation Conditions](#). Presented at Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation (CERF) 21st Biennial Conference. Societies, Estuaries and Coasts: Adapting to Change, Daytona Beach, FL, November 06-10, 2011
- Chemist, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Atlantic Ecology Division, 1995-present
- Associate Chemist, Science Applications International Corporation, on contract to US Environmental Protection Agency Narragansett, RI, 1988-1995
- Marine Research Specialist, University of Rhode Island, on contract to US Environmental Protection Agency, 1982-1988
- Research Assistant, Biochemistry Department, University of Rhode Island, Kingston RI, 1978-1982