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Dr. Wendy Watson-Wright is the Assistant Deputy Minister of Science for Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO). In this role, she is responsible for all science conducted in the Department in support of sustainable fisheries and aquaculture, healthy and productive aquatic ecosystems and safe and accessible waterways.

Dr. Watson-Wright began her career with the Canadian federal public service in 1989 as Head of the Shellfish Toxin Detection Section in the Inspection Services Branch of Fisheries and Oceans Canada in Nova Scotia.

In 1992, she was appointed Director of the Fisheries and Oceans' St. Andrews Biological Station in New Brunswick. She remained there until 1997 when she became Director General of the DFO Review, Evaluation and Audit Directorate in Ottawa.

Dr. Watson-Wright joined Health Canada in August of 1999 as Director General of the Strategic Policy Directorate and was appointed Associate Assistant Deputy Minister of the Population and Public Health Branch in June 2001. Dr. Watson-Wright returned to Fisheries and Oceans to take up her current position in December of 2001.

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