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Dr Geoff Grossel has worked in the field of aquatic animal health in aquaculture since receiving an aquaculture degree in 1986 from the University of Tasmania. Since completing his PhD in aquatic animal health in 2005 he has worked for Biosecurity Australia doing import risk analysis; advising the Australian government on aquatic animal health issues relating to import and export; implementing pre-border and border-based quarantine management systems; competent authority assessment; and developing comprehensive national health management systems for aquatic animals.

Dr Geoff sits on the Australian government committee for aquatic animal health and the Australian aquatic animal disease emergency response committee, which provide national direction and coordination on all nationally significant aquatic animal health issues.

Dr Geoff is the recipient of the Australia Day Achievement Medal for his active role in these services and recently received a major public service innovation award for developing the aquatic animal health intelligence gathering and analysis tool that will soon be launched globally as a fully functional open-access website.