Roger L. Vallejo Biographical Sketch

Roger L. Vallejo is a computational biologist and geneticist at USDA-ARS-NCCCWA, Leetown, WV. He earned an MS degree in plant breeding and statistics from Universidad Nacional Agraria La Molina, Lima, Peru in 1983; and a PhD degree in plant breeding and genetics from North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC in 1993. He was an associate geneticist at the International Potato Center, Lima, Peru from 1983-90. He also was a research geneticist at the USDA-ARS-ADOL, East Lansing, MI from 1995-97. He served as a senior research fellow in population and statistical genetics at the National Institutes of Health, NIAAA, Bethesda, MD from 1997-2000. He was an assistant professor of genomics and bioinformatics at Penn State University, Department of Animal and Dairy Science, State College, PA from 2000-04. His research interest is on Bayesian methods of complex segregation analysis of complex traits in rainbow trout; design and simulation-based power analysis of QTL mapping experiments for complex traits in outbred populations; genome linkage and association scan for QTL affecting complex traits in rainbow trout; genetic characterization of rainbow trout populations using molecular and pedigree data; development and implementation of strategies for marker/geneassisted and genomic selection in rainbow trout breeding programs; and microarray study design and statistical analysis of gene expression data. He is proficient in the use of statistical packages and programming including SAS, R and C++. He has been a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Genetics Society of America, and ISAG member since 2006. Since 2000, he has served as editorial board member of the Journal of Dairy Science. He has served as an ad hoc reviewer for Journal of Animal Science; Journal of Animal Breeding and Genetics; Marine Biotechnology; Israeli Journal of Aquaculture; and Genetic Epidemiology. He has served as grant panel reviewer for USDA-NRICGP and USDA-NIFA-AFRI. He has also served as Ad hoc grant reviewer for NSF, Israel Science Foundation and US-Israel Binational Agric. Res. & Develop. Since 2009 he has served as an Adjunct Professor at Universidad Nacional Agraria La Molina, Department of Aquaculture and Fisheries, Lima, Peru. He has lately published a number of peer-reviewed articles in animal genetics and genomics (http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed?term=Vallejo+RL%5Bauthor%5D&cmd=detailssearch).