

Dr. Janet E. Stout



Dr. Janet E. Stout is the director of Special Pathogens Laboratory and research associate professional at the University of Pittsburgh Swanson School of Engineering in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

A clinical and environmental microbiologist, Dr. Stout is recognized worldwide for more than 30 years of pioneering research in Legionella. The author of more than 200 articles in peer-reviewed journals, as well as textbook chapters on Legionella and Legionnaires' disease, her expertise includes prevention and control strategies for Legionnaires' disease. Toward that end, Dr. Stout has evaluated all major Legionella disinfection technologies in use today and continues to explore new approaches for Legionella detection and control.

An advocate for prevention, Dr. Stout assisted in developing the first Legionella prevention guideline in the United States that has been modeled by national and global health agencies and organizations. Additionally, she serves on ASHRAE Legionella committees including Legionella Guideline 12 and the SPC 188 committee for ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 188-2015 Legionellosis: Risk management for Building Water Systems, the first U.S. standard for Legionella passed in June 2015. Dr. Stout is also a board member for the Cooling Technologies Institutes.