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University of Michigan, Department of Biostatistics, Ann Arbor, Michigan

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Eastern North American Region, International Biometric Society, 2009-present

Kentucky Chapter of the American Statistical Association, 2013-present

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Best First-Year Master's Student Award for 2006-2007 school year, Department of Biostatistics, University of Michigan

NIH Biostatistics Training Program in Research in the Biosciences, Ann Arbor, Michigan, September 2008 to August 2010

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Peer-Reviewed Publications

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Empowering Dentists to Reduce Opioid Prescriptions to Young People

The goals of this study are to test a new approach to manage acute pain following dental treatment, and to establish effectiveness of a novel approach using academic detailing, patient education, and blister-packaged non-opioid analgesics to reduce opioid prescriptions following tooth extraction among adolescents and young adults.

Role: Co-investigator

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Rapid Actionable Data for Opioid Response in Kentucky (RADOR-KY)

The goals of this study are to establish the Rapid Actionable Data for Opioid Response in Kentucky (RADOR-KY)— an integrated, population-based, near-real time statewide OUD surveillance system that will ingest data from multiple state agencies and implement advanced informatics algorithms for fast data processing, data linkage, machine learning and predictive analytics to shorten the time between data capture and when analytical results are available to support opioid overdose prevention and control.

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PRiMAL: Pragmatic Randomized Clinical Trial Comparing MTB Assisted Care to Usual Care

The goal of this study is to compare the effect of molecular tumor boards (MTB)-assisted care to usual care on 1-year overall survival for non-small cell lung cancer in a community-based cancer care setting and to compare patient-reported quality of life and treatment satisfaction between MTB-assisted care and standard care.

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The goal, as a Clinical and Translational Science Awards hub, is to continue to champion innovation in the full spectrum of clinical and translational research while educating the workforce of the future, engaging our communities in biomedical science and working with the national network to advance cohesive multi-center clinical trials, which will ultimately elevate the health and quality of life of the populace of Central Appalachia.

Role: Co-investigator

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Mechanisms for Activation of Beige Adipose Tissue in Humans

The goal of this study is to examine the effects of mirabegron on glucose metabolism.

Role: Co-investigator

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Mirabegron and Tadalafil Effectiveness for Treatment of Prediabetes

The goals of this study are to test if treatment of prediabetic subjects with mirabegron or tadalafil will improve glucose metabolism, and to test if combined treatment will have additive improvements.

Role: Co-investigator

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Integrated PrEP Interventions for People Who Inject Drugs in Rural Kentucky

The goal is to adapt and integrate a novel PrEP initiation intervention at point of care in rural SSPs, in two KY counties that are among the nation's top 10 most vulnerable to HIV among PWID, and conduct a preliminary test of its efficacy.

Role: Co-Investigator

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Communities Helping the Hearing of Infants by Reaching Parents: The CHHIRP Navigator

Trial

The goal of this study is to test if a patient navigator intervention decreases infant hearing diagnosis non-adherence after failed newborn hearing screening.

Role: Co-investigator

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Hearing Healthcare Assessment in Rural Communities (HHARC)

The goal of this study is to assess the utilization of hearing healthcare among rural adults through rural health clinics and then develop a culturally responsive rural health clinic patient navigation program to promote utilization of hearing healthcare.

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NIH / NIDCD

Behavioral Parent Training for Families with Deaf and Hard of Hearing Preschoolers

This study will simultaneously investigate effectiveness outcomes and implementation factors associated with delivery in state-funded clinics of a behavioral parent training intervention adapted for parents of deaf and hard of hearing children.

Role: Co-investigator

UM1DA049406 Walsh (PI)

04/19-03/24

NIH / NIDA

HEALing Communities Study - Kentucky

Kentucky CAN HEAL (Communities and Networks Helping End Addiction Long-term)

The University of Kentucky received this \$87 million grant as part of the HEALing Communities Study. The goal of this study is to reduce opioid overdose deaths by 40% within three years.

Role: Co-Director of Data-Informatics-Biostatistics Core, Lead for Biostatistics

<https://heal.nih.gov/research/research-to-practice/healing-communities>

<https://healingcommunitiesstudy.org/sites/kentucky.html>

R01AG026307 Segerstrom (PI)

09/17-03/24

NIH / NIA

Self-Regulation and Brain and Cognitive Health in Older Adults

The goal of this study is to measure individual differences and changes in self-regulation over time in older adults, and to link self-regulation to physical activity, inflammation, and trajectories of neurocognitive health.

Role: Co-investigator

R01DK112136 Schoenberg (PI)

09/18-07/23

NIH / NIDDK

Community to Clinic Navigation to Improve Diabetes Outcomes

The goal of this study is to determine via a cluster randomized trial whether the combination of a Diabetes Self-management Program and tailored Patient Navigation improves diabetes

outcomes relative to either of these programs individually.

Role: Co-investigator

Completed Funding

P20GM103538 Ebersole (PI) 08/13-07/14
NIH / NIGMS

Center for the Biological Basis of Oral/Systemic Disease (CBBOSD) - Year 10

The goal of this subproject grant is to provide a centralized, secure database and statistical consultation for study design and data analysis in relation to the center.

Role: Co-investigator

Merck and Company Inc 50154 Cohen (PI) 03/13-06/15
Project INSPIRE: Improving Adolescent Vaccination in Appalachian Kentucky

The goal of this study is to assess the efficacy of a health education intervention to increase adherence to adolescent vaccines among Appalachian Kentuckians.

Role: Co-investigator

UL1TR000117 Kern (PI) 01/14-07/15
NIH / NCATS

University of Kentucky CCTS Pilot Award, \$25,000, Westgate (PI)

Improving Statistical Inference and Power for the Analysis of Very Small Samples of Repeated Measurements Data

A pilot grant through the University of Kentucky's Center for Clinical and Translational Sciences, which is supported by the National Center for Research Resources and the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences, National Institutes of Health, through Grant UL1TR000117.

Role: Principal Investigator of Pilot Award

R01DA025605 Lile (PI) 08/13-07/15
NIH / NIDA

GABA Drugs for Cannabis-Use Disorders: Initial Mechanistic Studies in Humans

The goal of this study is to carry out the initial step of evaluating GABAergic drugs as potential pharmacological treatments for cannabis-use disorders.

Role: Co-investigator

P30GM110788 Huja (PI) 08/15-07/16
NIH / NIGMS

Center for the Biologic Basis of Oral/Systemic Diseases: Huja Pilot Project

The goal of this study is to define effects of antibodies to *P. gingivalis* on human peripheral blood derived osteoclast differentiation and function and to understand the effects of human antibody to *P. gingivalis* on molecular pattern receptor signaling in osteoclasts.

Role: Co-investigator

University of Kentucky, Gastroenterology, Division of Digestive Diseases and Nutrition.
09/2013 - 06/2017, 10% Effort.

Role: Statistical Consultant

University of Louisville Research Foundation, Inc. Devlin (PI) 04/17-12/17
Multicenter Cross Validation Study of a Simplified Finnegan Scoring System

The goal of this study is to assess the utility of a Simplified Finnegan Scoring System developed by the PI of subcontract and colleagues.

Role: PI of Subcontract

R01HD070792 Giannone, Bauer (PIs) 01/14-03/18
 NIH / NICHD

Indomethacin and Delayed Umbilical Cord Clamp for Preterm Infant IVH

The goal of this study is to determine if delayed umbilical cord-clamping (DCC) increases survival and decreases the incidence and severity of intraventricular hemorrhage and periventricular leukomalacia in preterm infants.

Role: Co-investigator

R01HL113494 Supinski (PI) 09/13-04/18
 NIH / NHLBI

Treatment of Skeletal Muscle Dysfunction in ICU Patients

The goal of this study is to determine if new treatments will improve muscle strength, increase muscle size, alter muscle biomarker levels, and reduce the duration of mechanical ventilation for MICU patients.

Role: Co-investigator

K23DC014074 Bush (PI) 03/15-07/18
 NIH / NIDCD

Promoting Early Diagnosis of Congenital Hearing Loss Through Patient Navigation

The goal of this study is to increase the likelihood that parents obtain recommended infant hearing testing within three months after birth.

Role: Co-investigator

Gerber Foundation 1822-3829 Jawdeh (PI) 09/14-06/19
Effect of Delayed Cord Clamping on Chronic Intermittent Hypoxia in Extremely Premature Infants

The goals of this study are to better define the mechanisms and consequences of chronic intermittent hypoxia in extremely premature infants, and to evaluate delayed cord clamping with respect to reducing its occurrence.

Role: Co-investigator

R01DK107646 Kern (PI) 09/15-07/19
 NIH / NIDDK

Cold Induced Change in Human Subcutaneous White Adipose

The goal of this study is to determine the impacts of cold and season on white adipose tissue.

Role: Co-investigator

University of Kentucky, Department of Pediatrics. 07/2013 - 06/2019

Role: Statistical Consultant

Kejner (PI) 08/18-07/19
Vioptix Incorporated

Non-Invasive Near Infrared Tissue Oximeter Monitoring for Free Flap Reconstruction of the Head and Neck: A Prospective Analysis

The goal of this study is to add to the literature by describing our successes and failures with the T.Ox intraoral paddle which has newly been incorporated into our practice.

Role: Co-investigator

R324A170021 Ruble (PI) 7/17-6/20

Department of Education

BREATHE: A Burnout Intervention for Special Education Teachers of Students with Autism Spectrum Disorders

The goal of this proposed study is to adapt, refine and test a burnout intervention for special education teachers in order to reduce teacher burnout and improve student educational outcomes.

Role: Co-investigator

University of Kentucky, Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Division of Research. 07/17 - 02/21

Role: Statistical Consultant

3R01DC016957-04S1 Studts (PI) 06/20-05/21

NIH / NIDCD

COVID-19 Effects on Children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing and their Families: Rapid and Rigorous Mixed-Methods Research to Inform Care

This supplement application proposes to assess the effects of COVID-19 on DHH children and families; identify characteristics of children/families most at risk for negative outcomes; assess service provider/administrator experiences providing services and support to families during COVID-19; and rapidly disseminate actionable results to a broad array of stakeholders positioned to influence practice and policy.

Role: Co-investigator

R01DA036550 Lile (PI) 09/14-06/21

NIH / NIDA

Human Laboratory Screening of Pregabalin and Tiagabine for Cannabis Dependence

The goal of this study is to evaluate the effectiveness of pregabalin and tiagabine as potential medications for cannabis-use disorders.

Role: Co-investigator

WFL-US-12/19 204 Sawaki, Salles (PIs) 07/19-06/21

Wings for Life Spinal Cord Research Foundation

Improving Hand Recovery with Neuromodulation in Tetraplegia (IGNITE trial)

The goal of this study is to test if participants with chronic cervical incomplete spinal cord injury receiving active transcranial direct current stimulation paired with motor training will have greater improvement in upper extremity motor function and quality of life compared with controls receiving sham transcranial direct current stimulation paired with identical

motor training.

Role: Co-investigator

R01DA043519 Bada (PI)

05/17-02/23

NIH / NIDA

Non-opiate treatment after prenatal opiate exposure to Prevent Postnatal Injury to the Young Brain (No-POPPY)

The goal of this study is to evaluate the effectiveness of clonidine as a treatment for neonates with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome in a randomized clinical trial.

Role: Co-investigator

Teaching Experience

University of Kentucky

Courses

CPH / BST 664 **Design and Analysis of Clinical Trials**

Semesters Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2021

Overview: Graduate-level course for biostatistics, statistics, and non-biostatistics students covering the design of clinical trials and the analysis of data arising from clinical trials

BST 762 / STA 632 **Longitudinal Data Analysis**

Semesters Taught: Spring 2014, Fall 2015, Spring 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2022

Overview: Graduate-level course for biostatistics and statistics students covering the analysis of longitudinal and correlated data

In Spring 2019 and Fall 2020, CPH 738 **Special Topics in Biostatistics: Longitudinal Data Analysis** was also taught

CPH 630 / STA 681 **Biostatistics II**

Semesters Taught: Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017

Overview: Graduate-level course for non-biostatistics PhD students covering linear regression, generalized linear modeling, and the analysis of time-to-event data

In the Spring semesters of 2015, 2016, and 2017, CPH 930 **Biostatistics Concepts for the Public Health Practitioner** was also taught

BST 639 / CPH 639 **Computing Tools**

Semesters Taught: Fall 2012

Overview: Graduate-level course for both biostatistics and non-biostatistics students covering linear regression and computing tools for linear regression

Lectures and Presentations

Substitute lecturer for STA 580 **Biostatistics I** (Fall 2011 - 4 lectures, 2013 - 1 lecture)
Graduate-level course for non-biostatistics students covering introductory statistical methods

Guest lecture presentation on my research interests for the Doctoral Seminar course (CPH 786), Spring 2012

Workshop Presentation on Power and Sample Size, Department of Communication, University of Kentucky, Spring 2012

Guest lecture presentation on small-sample inference for Longitudinal Data Analysis (BST762/STA632), Spring 2013

Workshop Presentation on Statistical Significance, Department of Pediatrics, University of Kentucky, Summer 2013

Workshop Presentation on Biostatistics in Clinical Research, Division of Digestive Diseases and Nutrition, University of Kentucky, Fall 2013

Workshop Presentation on Basic Statistical Concepts and Tools in Clinical Research, Division of Digestive Diseases and Nutrition, University of Kentucky, Fall 2015

Presentation on “Clustering: What is it, and how does it affect study design and statistical analysis?” for CCTS Pizza & Pilots series, University of Kentucky, Spring 2015

Workshop Presentation on Clinical Interpretation of Regression Analysis, Division of Digestive Diseases and Nutrition, University of Kentucky, Summer 2017

Presentation on “Clustering: What is it, and how does it affect study design and statistical analysis?” for CCTS Pizza & Pilots series, University of Kentucky, Spring 2018

Presentation on “Evaluating Interventions for Reducing Opioid Overdose Deaths with a Stepped Wedge Cluster Trial: A Proposed Study Design” for CCTS Pizza & Pilots series, University of Kentucky, Spring 2019

Presentation on “Design and Analysis Options for Cluster Randomized Trials” for CCTS BERD BITES series, University of Kentucky, Spring 2022

University of Michigan

Teaching Assistant for BIOSTAT 602 **Biostatistical Inference** (Winter 2009)
Course for Master’s level biostatistics and statistics students

Student Advising

Dissertation Advisor

I-Chen Chen (Ph.D., Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 2018)

Dissertation Title: Improved Methods and Selecting Classification Types for Time-Dependent Covariates in the Marginal Analysis of Longitudinal Data

https://uknowledge.uky.edu/epb_etds/19/

Whitney Ford (Ph.D., Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 2018)

Dissertation Title: Improved Standard Error Estimation for Maintaining the Validities of Inference in Small-Sample Cluster Randomized Trials and Longitudinal Studies

https://uknowledge.uky.edu/epb_etds/20/

Md Tofial Azam (Ph.D., Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 2021)

Dissertation Title: Design and Analyses of School-Based Violence Prevention Cluster Randomized Trials

https://uknowledge.uky.edu/epb_etds/32/

Shawn Nigam (Ph.D. Candidate, Epidemiology and Biostatistics)

Capstone Chair

Ryan Hickson (M.P.H., Biostatistics, 2015)

Capstone Title: Factors Predicting Beta-Blocker Treatment after Myocardial Infarction in Patients with Type 2 Diabetes

https://uknowledge.uky.edu/cph_etds/42/

Suzanne Segerstrom (M.P.H., Biostatistics, 2017)

Capstone Title: Resources and Well-Being in Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Patients and Caregivers: A Longitudinal, Dyadic Analysis

https://uknowledge.uky.edu/cph_etds/139/

Marcia Rojas-Ramirez (M.P.H., Biostatistics, 2017)

Capstone Title: Using Structural Equation Modeling to Predict Orofacial Pain-Related Outcomes

https://uknowledge.uky.edu/cph_etds/171/

Independent Studies

Natalie Myers (Ph.D., Athletic Training, 2017), Spring 2015

Suzanne Segerstrom (M.P.H., Biostatistics, 2017), Summer 2016

Radmila Choate (Ph.D., Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 2019), Summer 2017

Vira Pravosud (Ph.D., Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 2021), Spring 2018

Gaixin Du (Ph.D. Candidate, Epidemiology and Biostatistics), Summer 2019

Shawn Nigam (Ph.D. Candidate, Epidemiology and Biostatistics), Fall 2020

Madeline Dunfee (Ph.D. Candidate, Epidemiology and Biostatistics), Winter 2021

M.P.H., Dr.P.H., M.S., and Ph.D. Committees

Peter Rock (M.P.H., Health Behavior, 2012)

Kunthea Nhim (Dr.P.H., Health Management and Policy, 2014)

Enrique Gomez Pomar (M.S., Pediatrics, 2016)

Vanessa Concina (M.S., Pediatrics, 2016)

Virginia Valentin (Dr.P.H., Epidemiology, 2017)

Natalie Myers (Ph.D., Athletic Training, 2017)

Qingcong Yuan (Ph.D., Statistics, 2017)

Ryan McCann (Ph.D., Athletic Training, 2017)

Sudha Gudhimella (M.S., Orthodontics, 2017)

McKenzie Woods (M.S., Orthodontics, 2017)

Katherine Maddy (Ph.D., Rehabilitation Sciences, 2017)

Liangdong Fan (Ph.D., Statistics, 2018)

Hannah Bellamy (M.P.H., Biostatistics, 2018)

Sarah Campbell (Ph.D., Rehabilitation Sciences, 2018)

Ryan Husak (Ph.D., Rehabilitation Sciences, 2018)

Elie Abu Jawdeh (Ph.D., Clinical and Translational Science, 2018)

Radmila Choate (Ph.D., Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 2019)

Jennifer Mullins (Ph.D., Rehabilitation Sciences, 2020)

Nicole Cascia (Ph.D., Rehabilitation Sciences, 2020)

Kyle Matsel (Ph.D., Rehabilitation Sciences, 2021)

John Flunker (Ph.D., Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 2021)

Vira Pravosud (Ph.D., Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 2021)

Brian Kovacic (Ph.D., Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 2021)

Eric Wilson (Dr.P.H., Epidemiology, 2021)

Jade Singleton (Ph.D., Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 2021)

Cameron Bushling (Ph.D. Candidate, Epidemiology and Biostatistics)

Elana Gloger (Ph.D. Candidate, Psychology)

Kevin Xie (Ph.D. Candidate, Epidemiology and Biostatistics)

Service

University of Kentucky

University Level

Biostatistical Consultant for the University of Kentucky's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), 2011-2014

Outside Examiner for the Doctoral Final Examination of Rachel Stewart, June 2015

Letter of Intent Review Panel Member for Pilot Funding from the University of Kentucky Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS), 2018

Center for Health Equity Transformation (CHET), 2019-2021

<https://chet.med.uky.edu/>

CHET Associate Director for Biostatistics and Research Design

Personnel Committee

Research Committee

Outside Examiner for the Doctoral Final Examination of Shayan Mohammadmoradi, 2022

Faculty pilot grant reviewer for the University of Kentucky Cannabis Center, 2023

Data Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB) Member, University of Kentucky Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS), 2017-Present

Judge for the High School Poster Session at the 2023 CCTS Spring Conference

College of Public Health

Website Redesign Project, Biostatistics Liaison, 2012-2013

Interview Committee for Director of Strategic Financial Planning, 2014

Admissions and Student Affairs Committee, Fall 2014 to Summer 2016

Task Force on Peer Evaluation of Faculty Teaching, 2017

Academic Performance Committee, 2014-2018

Poster Judge at College of Public Health Research Day, 2016, 2018

Search Committee for Chair of the Department of Epidemiology, 2017-2018

Search Committee for Chair of the Department of Biostatistics, 2018

Grant Writing Workshop - Reviewer for Mock Study Section, 2018

Chair of Academic Affairs Committee, February-June 2018

Academic Affairs Committee, 2016-2019

Biostatistics Chair Review/Reappointment Committee, 2022

Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure Committee, Fall 2022 - Spring 2023

Program committee member for CPH Research Day, March 2023

Department of Biostatistics

Admissions Committee for Joint Doctoral Program in Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 2013-2016

Student Awards Committee, Department of Biostatistics, 2012-2017

Chair of the Faculty Search Committee, 2019

Faculty Search Committee, 2019-2020

Director of the Graduate Certificate in Biostatistics, 2015-2020

Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam Committee, 2013-Present

University of Michigan

President, STATCOM at the University of Michigan, 2009-2011

Member, STATCOM at the University of Michigan, 2007-2011

Grant Reviews

Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute

Cycle 2 2015 Merit Review, February, 2016

National Institutes of Health

NHLBI Special Emphasis Panel, December, 2021

NHLBI Special Emphasis Panel, November, 2022

Conference Service

Section Chair (Biomarkers I) at 2012 ENAR Annual Conference

Section Chair (ROC Curves) at 2015 ENAR Annual Conference

Judge for the Student Research Symposium at the KY-ASA Spring 2016 Chapter Meeting

Editorial Service

International Journal of Statistics and Probability, Editorial Board, 2012-Present

BMC Pulmonary Medicine, Editorial Board Statistical Adviser, 2016-2021

Journal Referee

American Journal of Biostatistics

Annals of Epidemiology

Applied Mathematics

Australian & New Zealand Journal of Statistics
Biometrical Journal
Biometrics
BMC Medical Research Methodology
BMC Public Health
BMC Pulmonary Medicine
BMJ Open
Circulation: Cardiovascular Quality and Outcomes
Children
Clinical Trials
Communications in Statistics - Simulation and Computation
Communications in Statistics - Theory and Methods
Computational Statistics and Data Analysis
Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine
Contemporary Clinical Trials Communications
Ecosphere
Epidemiology
European Journal of Neuroscience
International Journal of Obesity
International Journal of Epidemiology
Journal of the American Statistical Association
Journal of Appalachian Health
Journal of Applied Statistics
Journal of Athletic Training
Journal of Bioengineering & Biomedical Science
Journal of Biometrics & Biostatistics
Journal of Biopharmaceutical Statistics
Journal of Clinical Epidemiology
Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics
Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics
Journal of Nonparametric Statistics
Journal of the Operational Research Society

Journal of Spatial Science
Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation
Multivariate Behavioral Research
Open Access Journal of Clinical Trials
Pediatrics
Pharmaceutical Statistics
PLOS ONE
Postgraduate Medicine
Stat
Statistics in Biopharmaceutical Research
Statistics in Medicine
Statistical Methods in Medical Research
Structural Equation Modeling: A Multidisciplinary Journal
The American Statistician

Presentations

Poster Presentation, “Reconsidering Traditional Incomplete Stepped Wedge Community Randomized Trial Designs.” Spring 2023, University of Kentucky 2023 Public Health Showcase.

Invited Presentation, “Cluster Randomized Trials with Rare Events: Improved Study Design and the Application of Negative Binomial Regression.” Spring 2022, Survival, Longitudinal, And Multivariate (SLAM) Data Working Group, Department of Biostatistics, Johns Hopkins University.

Invited Presentation, “Community Randomized Trials with Rare Events: Negative Binomial Regression vs. Traditional Marginal Modeling Approaches.” Winter 2021, Australian Trials Methodology Conference.

Invited Keynote Speaker Presentation, “A Biostatistician’s Career Path: From Time as an Undergraduate All the Way to Developing Study Designs and Analytical Approaches for Improving Public Health in Kentucky.” Spring 2021, Eastern Kentucky University, Mu Sigma Rho (Statistics Club) Initiation.

Invited Presentation, “Study Design and Statistical Analysis Options for Cluster Randomized Trials: Examples Utilizing Stepped Wedge Designs and Generalized Estimating Equations.” Fall 2020, Georgetown University Department of Biostatistics, Bioinformatics & Biomathematics.

Invited Presentation, “Study Design and Statistical Analysis Options for Cluster Randomized Trials: Examples Based on the Proposed HEALing Communities Study - Ken-

tucky.” Winter 2020, The Ohio State University College of Public Health Division of Biostatistics.

Invited Presentation, “Study Design and Statistical Analysis Options for Cluster Randomized Trials: Examples Based on the Proposed HEALing Communities Study - Kentucky.” Fall 2019, University of Louisville Department of Bioinformatics and Biostatistics.

Invited Presentation, “Small-Sample Issues in Cluster Randomized Trials.” Fall 2018, University of Louisville Department of Bioinformatics and Biostatistics.

Contributed Presentation, “On the Use of Multiple Criteria to Select a Working Correlation Structure for Use Within Generalized Estimating Equations.” Summer 2017, JSM Annual Conference.

Contributed Presentation, “Approaches for Improved Power with Generalized Estimating Equations in Small-Sample Longitudinal Study Settings.” Summer 2016, JSM Annual Conference.

Contributed Presentation, “Improving Power with Generalized Estimating Equations in Small-Sample Longitudinal Study Settings.” Spring 2016, ENAR Annual Conference.

Contributed Presentation, “Choosing a Working Correlation Structure for GEE: Making Use of Selection Penalties.” Summer 2015, JSM Annual Conference.

Contributed Presentation, “Correlation Structure Selection Penalties for Improved Inference with Generalized Estimating Equations.” Spring 2015, ENAR Annual Conference.

Invited Presentation (for topic-contributed session), “Correlation Selection for Cluster Randomized Trials.” Summer 2014, JSM Annual Conference.

Invited Presentation, “An Improved Correlation Selection Approach for Generalized Estimating Equations.” Fall 2013, University of Louisville Department of Bioinformatics and Biostatistics.

Invited Presentation, “On the Marginal Analysis of Correlated Data with an Improved Quadratic Inference Function Approach.” Summer 2013, 2nd International Conference and Exhibition on Biometrics & Biostatistics.

Invited Presentation, “A Career Path in Statistics or Biostatistics.” Spring 2013, Central Michigan University Department of Mathematics.

Invited Presentation, “An Improved Quadratic Inference Function Approach for the Marginal Analysis of Correlated Data.” Spring 2013, ENAR Annual Conference.

Poster Presentation, “The Influences of Utilized and Theoretical Covariance Weighting Matrices on the Estimation Performance of QIF.” Spring 2012, ENAR Annual Conference.

Invited Presentation, “Improving Small-Sample Inference in Group Randomized Trials with Binary Outcomes.” Winter 2011, Vanderbilt University Department of Biostatistics.

Invited Presentation, “Improving Small-Sample Inference in Group Randomized Trials with Binary Outcomes.” Winter 2011, University of Kentucky Departments of Biostatistics

tics and Statistics.

Invited Presentation, “Improving Small-Sample Inference in Group Randomized Trials with Binary Outcomes.” Winter 2011, Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Division of Biostatistics and Epidemiology.

Invited Presentation, “Improving Small-Sample Inference in Group Randomized Trials with Binary Outcomes.” Winter 2011, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee School of Public Health.

Poster Presentation, “Improving Small-Sample Inference in Group Randomized Trials with Binary Outcomes.” Summer 2010, JSM Annual Conference.

Poster Presentation, “Improving Small-Sample Inference in Group Randomized Trials with Binary Outcomes.” Spring 2010, Michigan Student Symposium for Interdisciplinary Statistical Sciences (MSSIIS).

Poster Presentation, “Improving Small-Sample Inference in Group Randomized Trials with Binary Outcomes.” Spring 2010, ENAR Annual Conference.

Oral Presentation, “Improving Small-Sample Inference in Group Randomized Trials with Binary Outcomes.” February 2010, Training Grant Journal Club, University of Michigan Department of Biostatistics.

Poster Presentation, “Improving Small-Sample Inference in Group Randomized Trials with Binary Outcomes.” Fall 2009, University of Michigan Department of Biostatistics 50/60 Anniversary Conference.

Collaborative Presentations

Han MK, **Westgate P**, Zach J, Washko GR, Murray S, Martinez FJ, Kazerooni EA, Lynch DA, & COPDGene Investigators. “Radiologic variability in airway dimensions of the normal lung.” American Thoracic Society International Conference, Denver, CO, 2011.

Sword JL, Oz U, Callard J, Allen MJ, **Westgate P**, Edmonds K, Huja SS. “Zoledronic Acid Suppresses Trabecular Bone Remodeling in Rice Rats.” Original science abstract poster presentation at the American Association for Dental Research annual meeting 2014, Charlotte, NC.

Pittenger J, Bennett J, Seelbach E, **Westgate P**, Maul E. 2014. “High Flow Nasal Cannula for Bronchiolitis Outside the Intensive Care Unit.” Original science abstract oral presentation at Pediatric Academic Societies/Asian Society of Pediatric Research 2014, Vancouver BC, Canada.

Maul E, **Westgate P**, Latham B. 2014. “Saving Time Under Pressure: Effectiveness of Standardizing Pediatric Resuscitation Carts.” Original science abstract oral presentation at Pediatric Academic Societies/Asian Society of Pediatric Research 2014, Vancouver BC, Canada.

Nhim K, **Westgate PM**, Mays GP, Chesnut LW, Todd-Langston LS, McDonald DR. Comparative Effectiveness of the CenteringPregnancy Program and Traditional Prenatal Care on Adverse Birth Outcomes in Medicaid Enrollees in a Rural Western Kentucky Clinic. *Annals of Epidemiology* 2014; **24**(9):690.

Mardini H, Grigorian A, **Westgate P**, Aslam B, Fleming T. "Hepatitis A and B Immunization Status in the U.S. Population: Results From the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) 2003 to 2012." Original science abstract poster presentation at the American College of Gastroenterology annual meeting 2014, Philadelphia, PA.

Mardini H, Grigorian A, **Westgate P**. "Hepatitis B Serology in the U.S. Population: Results From the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) 2003 to 2012." Original science abstract poster presentation at the American College of Gastroenterology annual meeting 2014, Philadelphia, PA.

Grigorian A, Mardini H, Fleming T, Aslam B, **Westgate P**. "The Prevalence of Hepatitis D in the U.S. Population: Results From the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) 2003 to 2012." Original science abstract poster presentation at the American College of Gastroenterology annual meeting 2014, Philadelphia, PA.

Fleming T, Grigorian A, Aslam B, **Westgate P**, Mardini H. "Sex, Age and Race Are Associated With Increased Risk of Exposure to Hepatitis E in the U.S." Original science abstract oral presentation at the American College of Gastroenterology annual meeting 2014, Philadelphia, PA.

Aslam B, Fleming T, **Westgate P**, Grigorian A, Mardini H. "Hepatitis E Seropositivity in the U.S. Population: Results From the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) 2009 to 2012." Original science abstract poster presentation at the American College of Gastroenterology annual meeting 2014, Philadelphia, PA.

Fielding C, Frandah W, **Westgate P**, Nickl N. "Does BMI or Sedation Type Affect Adenoma Detection on Screening Colonoscopy?" Original science abstract poster presentation at the American College of Gastroenterology annual meeting 2014, Philadelphia, PA.

Frandah W, Fielding C, **Westgate P**, Nickl N. "Is Polypectomy Rate a Good Quality Metric Substitute for Adenoma Detection Rate During Screening Colonoscopy?" Original science abstract poster presentation at the American College of Gastroenterology annual meeting 2014, Philadelphia, PA.

Abu Jawdeh EG, Haynes SS, **Westgate PM**, Kinnard TB, Bhandary P. "Standardized Rounding Processes Improve Team Member and Parent Engagement on NICU Rounds: Results of the Multidisciplinary Rounding Group." Original science abstract for platform presentation at the Pediatric Academic Societies (PAS) annual meeting 2015, San Diego, CA.

Reuter NG, **Westgate P**, Miller CS. "Factors affecting the development of fatal outcomes in dentistry." American Association for Dental Research (AADR) Annual Meeting 2016, Los Angeles, CA.

Ibonia K, Bada H, Bhandary P, Gomez E, **Westgate P**, Patwardhan A, Shanbacher B, Abu Jawdeh E. Correlation of Changes In Perfusion Index and Intermittent Hypoxemia with Blood Transfusion In Preterm Infants. *Journal of Investigative Medicine* 2016; **64**: 610.

Christian A, Ibonia K, **Westgate P**, Gomez E, Bada H. “Variability of the Finnegan Scoring System in Monitoring Infants with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome.” American Federation for Medical Research (AFMR) 2016 Southern Regional Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

Rodrigues TA, Goroso DG, **Westgate PM**, Sawaki L. “Novel Locomotor Training with Robotic Gait Orthosis in Stroke: A Randomized Controlled Trial.” World Congress of Neurorehabilitation 2016, Philadelphia, PA.

Pomar EG, Finnegan LP, Ibonia KT, Concina VA, Bada H, **Westgate PM**. “Simplified Finnegan Neonatal Abstinence Score for Efficient Assessment.” Pediatric Academic Societies Annual Meeting 2016, Baltimore, MD.

Ibonia KT, Bada H, Pomar EG, Bhandary P, **Westgate PM**, Patwardhan AA, Schanbacher B, Abu Jawdeh EG. “Changes in Perfusion Index and Intermittent Hypoxemia Following Red Blood Cell Transfusion in Preterm Infants.” Pediatric Academic Societies Annual Meeting 2016, Baltimore, MD.

Concina VA, Schneider D, **Westgate PM**, Bada H, Khan S. “Predictive Factors in the Development of Moderate to Severe Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia (BPD) in Preterm Infants.” Pediatric Academic Societies Annual Meeting 2016, Baltimore, MD.

Pomar EG, Makhoul M, **Westgate PM**, Ibonia KT, Patwardhan AA, Schanbacher B, Bada H, Abu Jawdeh EG. “Perfusion Index Does Not Diagnose Hemodynamically Significant Patent Ductus Arteriosus in Preterm Infants.” Pediatric Academic Societies Annual Meeting 2016, Baltimore, MD.

Sithisarn T, Bada H, **Westgate PM**, Legan SJ. “Postnatal Treatment With Morphine Following Prenatal Opiate Exposure Increases Brain Cell Death Compared to Clonidine.” Pediatric Academic Societies Annual Meeting 2016, Baltimore, MD.

Subedi L, Huang H, Pant A, Bada H, Bauer JA, Giannone PJ, **Westgate PM**, Sithisarn T. “The Effect of Opiate Exposure on Plasma Brain Derived Neurotrophic Factor (BDNF) Levels in Newborn Infants Exposed to Opiates in Utero.” Pediatric Academic Societies Annual Meeting 2017, Toronto, Canada.

Subedi L, Palla M, Pant A, Bada H, **Westgate PM**, Cunningham MD. “Blood Lactate Levels as an Indication of Severity of Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy.” Pediatric Academic Societies Annual Meeting 2017, Toronto, Canada.

Radulescu A, Wallace C, **Westgate PM**, Bada HS. “Characteristics of Obese Pediatric Population from Urban and Rural Areas.” Pediatric Academic Societies Annual Meeting 2017, Toronto, Canada.

Giannone PJ, Pant A, **Westgate PM**, Abu Jawdeh EG, et al. “Extubation Failure in Preterm Infants: A Role for Monitoring Intermittent Hypoxemia.” Pediatric Academic

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