**CURRICULUM VITAE**

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**EDUCATION**

2008 Ph.D. Biostatistics, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC, USA

2004 M.S. Mathematics, University of North Carolina at Wilmington, Wilmington, NC, USA

1998 B.S. Bioengineering National Huaqiao University, Fujian, China

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT**

2024 – Faculty Consultant for Biostatistics and Study Design in the Winship Cancer for Cancer Health Equity Research (WCCHER)

2022 – Director of the Biostatistics and Bioinformatics Core, Emory Lung P01

2020 – Research Associate Professor, Department of Biostatistics, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, Atlanta, GA

2010 –2020 Research Assistant Professor, Department of Biostatistics, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, Atlanta, GA

2008 –2010 Post-Doctoral Trainee, Division of Biostatistics and Epidemiology, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC

2006 –2008 Research Assistant, Department of Family and Preventive Medicine, School of Medicine, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC

2004 –2006 Research Assistant, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC

2002 – 2004 Teaching Assistant, Department of Mathematics, University of North Carolina at Wilmington, Wilmington, NC

**RESEARCH INTEREST**

* Cancer comparative effectiveness research by observational database.
* Causal inference by generalized propensity score approaches.
* Cancer Prognostic and Predictive biomarkers development and validation.
* Biomarker-based clinical trial design.
* Application areas: prostate cancer, breast cancer, lung cancer, head and neck cancer, radiation oncology, surgical oncology, immunotherapy therapy, dermatology.

**LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

* Faculty Consultant for Biostatistics and Study Design in the Winship Cancer for Cancer Health Equity Research (WCCHER)
* Director of the Biostatistics and Bioinformatics Core in Emory Lung P01 (2022-2027)
* Senior faculty in Biostatistics Shared Resource at Winship Cancer Insititute take the leading effort in system optimization with streamlined workflow and enhanced communication and collaborations with other shared resources (e.g., centralized documentation system, clinical trial data processing workflow, NCDB research workflow, staff/RA mentorship/training, SAS macros development/updates). (2020 -)

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

***Extramural – Statistical Reviewer for NIH and DoD***

2019 Reviewer for the DoD, CDMRP Prostate Cancer Research Program (PCRP).

2020 Reviewer for the DoD, CDMRP Prostate Cancer Research Program (PCRP).

2021 Reviewer for the DoD, CDMRP Prostate Cancer Research Program (PCRP).

2022 Referee to the Medical Research Council’s Clinical Academic Research Partnerships Panel in UK Research and Innovation (UKRI)

2022 Statistical Reviewer for the Cancer Biotherapeutics Development (CBD) SBIR/STTR at NIH

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2023 Statistical Reviewer for the Exploratory Clinical Trials of Mind and Body Interventions (MB) at NIH

2023 Scientific Reviewer for Ovarian Cancer Research Program (OCRP) for the Department of Defense (DOD) Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP).

2023 Statistical Reviewer for Prostate Cancer Research Program (PRCRP) for the Department of Defense (DOD) Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP).

2024 Statistical Reviewer for the Cancer Biotherapeutics Development (CBD) SBIR/STTR at NIH

2024 Statistical Reviewer for the DoD, CDMRP Breast Cancer Research Program – Biomarker panel (BCRP).

2024 Statistical Reviewer for Centers of Biomedical Research Excellence (COBRE) Phase I (P20) at NIH

***Extramural – Journal reviewer and Editorial Board***

2024 -Editorial Board Member (Biostatistician) for the Journal of the American Society of Cytopathology (JASC)

2010- External Reviewer for journals - Statistics in Medicine; International Journal of Biostatistics; Spatial and Spatial-temporal Epidemiology; Cancer; BMC Medical Research Methodology; BMC Health Services Research; IEEE Journal of Biomedical and Health Informatics; Cancer Investigation; *Nature Cancer*; Frontier in Public Health;

***Intramural***

2011- Independent Biostatistics Reviewer for Clinical Trail Review Committee board at Winship Cancer Institute, Emory University (reviewed over **495** research protocols as of June 2024)

2013 Independent Reviewer for University Research Committee at Emory (responsible for awarding small, short-term research grants available to regular, full-time faculty of Emory University through a competitive selection process. )

2014 Independent Reviewer for the University Research Committee at Emory.

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\* Students advised/mentored

**✪** Contributed as the lead biostatistician (role: study design, data analysis, writing the manuscript, and addressing journal review)

**✩** Contributed as the senior biostatistician (role: same role as in lead biostatistician except data analysis was done by staff or student under my close guidance).

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* **Book Chapters**
1. Harvey, R. D., **Liu, Y.**, Owonikoko, T. K., & Ramalingam, S. S. (2023) Biomarker Based Clinical Trial Design in the Era of Genomic Medicine. In *Holland‐Frei Cancer Medicine* (pp. 1-7). <https://doi.org/10.1002/9781119000822.hfcm021.pub2>
* **Patent**
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* **Statistical Methodology: Peer-reviewed**
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3. **Liu, Y.,** & Bottai, M. (**2009**). Mixed-effects models for conditional quantiles with longitudinal data. Int J Biostat, 5(1), Article 28. [PMID: 26204606]
4. **Liu, Y.**, Lawson, A. B., Ma, B., & Bottai, M. (**2009**). Evaluation of Putative Hazard Tests under Background Risk Heterogeneity. *Environmetrics, 20*(3), 260-274.
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10. Kulkarni, S. E., Patel, S. A., Sun, Y., Jani, A. B., Gillespie, T. W., McDonald, M. W., & **Liu, Y**. **§** (**2024**). Secondary Cancer in Prostate Cancer Patients Treated With Advanced External Beam Radiation Therapy. *International Journal of Particle Therapy, 13*, 100627. PMID: 39296493
* **Collaborative Research – Large-Scale Observational Database: NCDB, SEER, and Others.**
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2. Kooby, D. A., Gillespie, T. W., **Liu, Y.** ✪, Byrd-Sellers, J., Landry, J., Bian, J., & Lipscomb, J. (**2013**). Impact of adjuvant radiotherapy on survival after pancreatic cancer resection: an appraisal of data from the national cancer data base. *Ann Surg Oncol, 20*(11), 3634-3642. PMID: 23771249
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Source of Funding: NIH: 1R37CA276317 (PI: Guan)

Period of Activity: 07/2023-04/2028

Title: **Evaluating an evidence-based family history screening program adapted to increase reach and uptake of screening for BRCA-associated cancers in rural public health clinics**

Role: Co-investigator (10% effort)

Source of Funding: NIH: 1R01CA287866 (PI: Lesinski)

Period of Activity: 02/2024-01/2029

Title: **Leveraging CD26high Meso-CAR T cells in patients with advanced pancreatic cancer**

Role: Co-investigator (5% effort)

* Completed Support

Source of Funding: NIH: AR076089-01A1 (PI: Feldman)

Period of Activity: 07/01/20-06/30/23

Title: Improving Clinical Trial Recruitment and Outcome Measures in Bullous Pemphigoid

Role: Co-investigator (5% effort)

Source of Funding: NIH/NCI: 1U54CA260563 (I. Sanz)

Period of Activity: 9/30/2020 – 8/31/2023

Title: Immune Regulation of COVID-19 Infection in Cancer and Autoimmunity

Role: Co-investigator (10% effort)

Source of Funding: DoD: W81XWH2110213 (S. Kang)

Period of Activity: 09/01/2021-08/31/2023

Title: Krebs Cycle Signaling for Therapy of Metastatic Lung Cancer

Role: Co-investigator (3.6% effort)

Period of Activity: 08/01/2021-07/31/2023

Title: Investigation of Circulation Tumor Cell Clusters as Potential Biomarkers for Aggressive

Role: Co-investigator (10% effort)

Source of Funding: DoD: W81XWH1910840 (B. Olson)

Period of Activity: 09/30/2019-09/29/2022

Total Direct Cost: $384,615

Title: Targeting Rb loss using BET inhibition to reprogram the prostate tumor Microenvironment

Role: Co-investigator (2.3% effort)

Source of Funding: DoD (PI: Master)

Period of Activity: 06/01/20-05/31/23

Title: CD8 T-cell Infiltration as a Predictor of Renal Cancer Progression after Surgery

Role: Co-investigator (10% effort)

Source of Funding: NIH/NCI: 1R01CA245386-01A1 (S. Sun)

Period of Activity: 07/07/2020-06/30/2025

Title: c-Myc modulation and its implications in EGFR-targeted cancer therapy

Role: Co-investigator (3% effort)

Source of Funding: NIH: 1R01CA203928-01(PI: Wei Zhou)

Period of Activity: 04/01/17-03/31/22

Total Direct Cost: $228,750

Title: Targeted Inhibition of Ribosomal RNA Synthesis in LKB1-deficient Cancers

Role: Co-investigator (5% effort)

Source of Funding: US DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (PI: Jin-Tang, Dong)

Period of Activity: 08/15/2018-08/14/2021

Total Direct Cost: $922,183

Title: A novel regulator of cancer stem cell plasticity and its roles in prostate cancer

Role: Co-investigator (4% effort)

Source of Funding: NIH - NIAID (PI: Edmund K. Waller)

Period of Activity: 05/01/2019-04/30/2020

Total Direct Cost: $242,748

Title: A novel regulator of cancer stem cell plasticity and its roles in prostate cancer

Role: Co-investigator (3% effort)

Source of Funding: V Foundation for Cancer Research-V2015-005 (PI: Lauren McCullough)

Period of Activity: 11/1/2017-10/31/2019

Total Direct Cost: $200,000

Title: Breast adipose inflammation: epidemiology and outcomes in Black and White women diagnosed with breast cancer

Role: Co-investigator (4% effort)

Source of Funding: NIH: 5 R01 CA142858-04 (PI: A. Marcus)

Period of Activity: 03/01/11-02/29/16

Total Direct Cost: $201,275

Title: Control of Lung Cancer Invasion and Metastasis by Vimentin

Role: Co-investigator (3.7% effort)

Source of Funding: NIH: 1 R01 CA180805-01 (PI: Van Meir)

Period of Activity: 09/01/13-08/31/16

Total Direct Cost: $323,672

Title: Discovery of Chemical Probes for Uveal Melanoma

Role: Co-investigator (5.6% effort)

Source of Funding: PCORI: AD-12-11-4532(PI: M. Goodman)

Period of Activity: 07/01/13-12/31/17

Total Direct Cost: $2,154,946

 Title: Targeted Inhibition of Ribosomal RNA Synthesis in LKB1-deficient Cancers

Role: Co-investigator (10% effort)

Source of Funding: Emory Health Sciences Center SYNERGY Award (PI: T. Gillespie)

Period of Activity: 10/1/16-9/30/17

Total Direct Cost: $100,000

Title: Advancing Cancer Screening and Early Detection among People Living with HIV (PLWH)

Role: Co-investigator (5% effort)

Source of Funding: Movember Foundation (PI: T. Gillespie)

Period of Activity: 03/01/16-02/28/19

Total Direct Cost: $1,200,000

Title: Prostate Survivorship Research Network – True NTH

Role: Co-investigator (10% effort)

Source of Funding: Pfizer (PI: Ron Feldman)

Period of Activity: 11/01/17-12/30/19

Total Direct Cost: $58,959

Title: Impact of Pruritus on Clinical and Biological Outcomes in Atopic Dermatitis

Role: Co-investigator (5% effort)

Source of Funding: Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association (PI: Harvey III)

Period of Activity: 01/01/19-12/31/20

Total Direct Cost: $49,312

Title: Phase II Evaluation of the Effect of 2 Versus 6 Hour Oxaliplatin Infusions on Neuropathy

Role: Co-investigator (5% effort)

Source of Funding: NIH/AID: 1R56AI145231-01 (PI: Waller)

Period of Activity: 05/01/19-04/30/21

Total Direct Cost: $242,750

Title: Using donor dendritic cells to optimize GvHD and GvL in allogeneic stem cell trans

Role: Co-investigator (3% effort)

Source of Funding: NIH/NCI: 5R01CA140515-10 (PI: Chen)

Period of Activity: 08/01/19-07/31/20

Total Direct Cost: $244,535

Title: Metabolic rewiring by oncogenic BRAF V600E links ketogenesis pathway to BRAF-MEK1

Role: Co-investigator (5% effort)

Source of Funding: (PI: Rosen)

Period of Activity: 01/01/20-12/31/20

Total Direct Cost: $50,000

Title: Analysis of objective performance metrics during robotic-assisted colon and rectal surgery

Role: Co-investigator (5% effort)

**TEACHING/MENTORING ACTIVITIES**

* Course Instructor:

 2017 Fall - **BIOS 500 Lab** – *Introduction to SAS programming*

 2018 Spring- **BIOS 560R** - *Applied and Advanced Statistical Techniques in Observational Studies*

 2020 Spring- **BIOS 560R** - *Applied and Advanced Statistical Techniques in Observational Studies* (Average score of evaluation: 4.5/5 for a class size of 33, response rate: 79% )

 2022 Spring- **BIOS 530** - *Applied and Advanced Statistical Techniques in Observational Studies* (Average score of evaluation: 4.4/5 for a class size of 27, response rate 85%)

 2024 Spring- **BIOS 530** - *Applied and Advanced Statistical Techniques in Observational Studies* (Average score of evaluation: **4.7/5** for a class size of 18, response rate 50%)

This BIOS 530 is driven by real-world experience and designed to cover the concepts and implementations of modern analytic methodologies and strategies in observational studies and to equip the students with essential tools and mindset to conduct an observational study for causal inference and prediction. Propensity score methods, modeling for prediction, risk stratification/validation, and the guidance of Good Research Practice will be illustrated along with real-life projects based on the National Cancer Database (NCDB) and backed up by the recent literature.

* Faculties Mentored:

Ma Tianwen – Research Assistant Professor (2022 -): Meet monthly to address any issues related to service core development.

Tarrant McPherson – Research Assistant Professor (2023 -): Meet every other two weeks to follow up on project progress and share ongoing thoughts and ideas in cancer collaborations.

* MPH/MSPH/MS Thesis Committee Chair:

Name: Kelli O’Connell

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2016

Thesis: Propensity Score Matched Analysis to Compare the Effectiveness of Proton Therapy versus Photon-Based Radiation for Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer Patients Based on National Cancer Database (Peer-Reviewed Publication #22, 26; Conference Abstract #54, 58, 67)

Name: Yaqi Jia

Program: MPH in Global Environmental Health 2016

Thesis: Stereotactic body radiotherapy (SBRT) vs. surgery in elderly early stage non-small Cell lung cancer patients (Conference Abstract #63, 69)

Name: Wendi Liang

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2016

Thesis: Analysis of Socioeconomic Disparities in Receipt of Adjuvant Chemotherapy in Stage II Colon Cancer: An Inquiry Based on National Cancer Database (Peer-Reviewed Publication #54; Conference Abstract #79)

Name: Sun Qin

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2017

Thesis: Apocrine Carcinoma of the Breast: Treatment Patterns and Outcomes (Conference Abstract #78)

Name: Alexandra Aiello

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2017

Thesis:  The Application of Generalized Propensity Score Approaches on Dichotomous, Continuous, and Ordinal Treatment to Analyze the Effect of Total Radiation Dose on Cervical Esophageal Cancer Survival (Conference Abstract #73).

Name: Ao Jingning

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2017

Thesis: A Propensity Score Analysis Exploring the Effect of Adjuvant Chemotherapeutic Agent with Radiation Therapy and Androgen Deprivation Therapy in Patients with High Risk Prostate Cancer (Peer-Reviewed Publication #37; Conference Abstract #76).

Name: Lael Rayfield

Program: MS in Biostatistics 2017

Thesis: Prognostic Relevance of HPV Infection in Cases of Anal Squamous Cell Carcinoma: A Weighted Propensity Score Analysis See (Peer-Reviewed Publication #31, 38, Conference Abstract #88)

Name: Xiting Zhu

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2017

Thesis: Propensity Score Matched Analysis on Survival Profile of Head and Neck Cancer in the U.S. Hispanic Population (Conference Abstract #72)

Name: Yizhao Xi

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2018

Thesis: Assess Balance of Covariates after Propensity Score as Covariate Adjustment: SAS® macro Development and Application (Peer-Reviewed Publication #49, Conference Abstract #85, 91).

Name: Haocan Song

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2018

Thesis: [Assess Improvement of Balancing Covariates by Propensity Score approach using Generalized Boosted Model (GBM) and Application Based on National Cancer Database](https://etd.library.emory.edu/concern/etds/k3569441r?locale=en).

Practicum: Comparison of the seventh and eighth editions of the American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC) staging for oropharyngeal squamous cell carcinomas (OPSCC): A Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results Program (SEER) database analysis. (Conference Abstract #99 112)

Name: Ruizhe Wu

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2018

Thesis: Risk Stratification by Nomogram for Stage II Colon Cancer Patients and Impacts from Adjuvant Chemotherapy on Overall Survival Based on NCDB.

Name: Yiman Li

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2019

Thesis: The impact of concurrent radiotherapy on overall survival among late-stage melanoma patients treated with immunotherapy.

Name: Mengyu Di

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2019

Thesis: The predictors for overall survival for small-cell lung cancer patients who treated by immunotherapy.

Name: Chen Jiang

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2019

Thesis: The role of adjuvant chest wall irradiation in intermediate risk breast cancer following mastectomy based on NCDB. (Peer-Reviewed Publication #115; Conference Abstract #10)

Name: Yuxian Sun

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2020

Thesis: Whether the proton beam radiation leads to lesssecondary malignancies among localized prostate cancer patients.

Name: Yuhan Ji

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2020

Thesis: Development and validation of risk stratification for metastasis prostate cancer patients.

Name: Ruowen Qi

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2020

Thesis: The impact of radiation to the primary tumor for newly diagnosed metastatic prostate cancer.

Name: Xueying Lyu

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2020

Thesis: Identify optimum subgroup who would benefit androgen blockade after salvage radiation therapy in prostate cancer.

Name: Xingyu Gao

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2021

Thesis: Explore the optimal condition of using propensity score method using the overlap coefficient of covariates.

Name: Mian Guo

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2021

Thesis: Using Machine Learning approach to identify the optimal treatment subgroup for breast cancer patient in receiving radiation.

Name: Feifei Geng

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2021

Thesis: Evaluation the OS difference among breast cancer patients who received SLND vs. ALND.

Name: Shirley Li

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2021

Thesis: The Log Odds of Positive Lymph Nodes (LODDS) Predicts Survival of Cervical cancer

Name: Sihong Li

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2022

Capstone: Comparing survival outcomes in men with localized prostate cancer who undergo radiation therapy with versus without treatment dela

Name: Chenbo Sun

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2022

Capstone: Overall Survival of Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer Patients Receiving Immunotherapy in Different Radiation Subgroups

Name: Zelin Wang

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2022

Capstone: Evaluating the use of the surgery as primary recommended treatment for localized, high-risk prostate cancer before and after 2012

* MPH/MSPH/MS Thesis Committee Member:

Name: Juhee Lee

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2010

Chair: Limin Peng

Thesis: Application of Competing Risks Quantile Regression for the Warfarin Aspirin Symptomatic Intracranial Disease (WASID) Study.

Name: Wei Li

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2014

Chair: Limin Peng

Thesis: Exploring Risk Factors for Vitamin D Deficiency in Cystic Fibrosis Patients and Generally healthy Population

Name: Benjamin J. Flink

Program: MPH in Global Health 2015

Chair: Roger Rochat

Thesis: Disparities in Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma Care Using the National Cancer Data Base

Name: Samuel M. Hyde

Program: MMS in Human Genetics & Genetic Counseling 2015

Advisor: Theresa Gillespie

Thesis: From Mendel’s Peas to Applications-Based Genetics: A Novel High School Education Intervention Aimed at Increasing Understanding of Health-Related Genetics and Genomics

Name: Kushal Naik

Program: MPH in Epidemiology 2016

Chair: Michael Goodman

Thesis: Chemo-Radiation With or Without Surgery for Resectable Esophageal Cancer: An Analysis of Survival among 11,122 Patients in the National Cancer Data Base (NCDB) (Peer-Reviewed Publication #29, Conference Abstract #61)

Name: Hiba Z. Ahmed

Program: MPH in Global Epidemiology 2017

Chair: Kristin Higgins, Michael Goodman

Thesis: Guideline Concordant Care Improve Overall Survival for Locally Advanced Non-Small Cell Lung Carcinoma Patients: A National Cancer Data Base Analysis (Peer-Reviewed Publication #26, Conference Abstact #67)

Name: Shuo Wang

Program: MPH in Epidemiology 2018

Chair: Theresa Gillespie

Thesis: [Effect of Surgical Margins on Overall Survival in Resectable Pancreatic Cancer](https://etd.library.emory.edu/concern/etds/3484zg951?locale=en).

* MPH/MSPH/PHD Student Practicum Supervisor

Name: Priti Shah

Program: MPH in Epidemiology 2017

Chair: Michael Goodman

Thesis: Follow up Imagine and Survival in Head and Neck Cancer Patients

Name: Fu Chao

Program: MPH in Epidemiology 2015

Projects: Pulmonary Sarcomatoid Carcinoma: An Analysis of the National Cancer Data Base (Peer-Reviewed Publication #28, 55, Conference Abstract #44, 80)

Name: Michael Mengyeh Yuan

Program: MPH in Epidemiology 2016

Projects: Squamous Cell Carcinoma of Lung in the United States: Analysis of the National Cancer Database (NCDB) (Conference Abstract #45)

Name: Xi Liu

Program: MPH in Epidemiology 2016

Projects: The role of postmastectomy radiotherapy in women with pathologic T3N0M0 breast cancer (Peer-Reviewed Publication #25; Conference Abstract # 51, 66)

Name: Chuqing Chen

Program: MPH in Epidemiology 2016

Projects: Adenosquamous Carcinoma of the Esophagus: An NCDB-Based Investigation on Comparative Features and Overall Survival in a Rare Tumor (Peer-Reviewed Publication #30; Conference Abstract #52)

Name: Zixun Ye

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2017

Projects: Cognitive Impairment and Overall Survival in Frail Surgical Patients (Peer-Reviewed Publication #95)

Name: Na Bo

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2017

Projects: Developing biomarkers for predicting clinical relapse in pemphigus patients treated with rituximab (Peer-Reviewed Publication #96)

Name: En Cheng

Program: MPH in Epidemiology 2017

Projects: Proton vs. Photon Radiation Therapy for Primary Gliomas: An Analysis of the National Cancer Data Base (Peer-Reviewed Publication #40; Conference Abstract #70)

Name: Xi Sheng

Program: MPH in Epidemiology 2017

Projects: The Utilization and Overall Survival of Transanal Local Excision for Stage I Rectal Cancer Persist Compared to Standard Resection: A Retrospective Study Based on the National Cancer Database (Peer-Reviewed Publication #47; Conference Abstract #77)

Name: Minxuan Huang

Program: PhD in Epidemiology 2017

Projects: Epidemiology and Prognosis of Gallbladder Cancer: an Analysis of the National Cancer Data (Manuscript submitted).

Name: Alyssa Nicole Troeschel

Program: PhD in Epidemiology 2017

Projects: Racial/ethnic differences in all-cause and cause-specific mortality patterns among a cohort of invasive US breast cancer patients. (Peer-Reviewed Publication #43).

Name: Julian Zhao

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2018

Projects: Defining Clinical Severity and Treatment Responses in a Historical Cohort of Patients with Bullous Pemphigoid. (Peer-Reviewed Publication #96).

Name: Chen Jiang

Program: MPH in Biostatistics 2019

Projects: New or Worsening Immune-Related Adverse Events with Long-Term Use of

 PD-1 and PD-L1 Checkpoint Inhibitors.

Name: Niya Xiong

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2019

Projects: Early Post-Treatment Mortality after Surgery and SBRT for Early-Stage NSCL

Name: Tao Liang

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2019

Projects: The impact of Proton Therapy on Overall Survival among Breast Cancer Patients: A NCDB

 Based Study.

Name: He Jinjing

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2020

Projects: Breast adipose inflammation: epidemiology and outcomes in Black and White women diagnosed with breast cancer

Name: Yuxian Sun

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2020

Projects: Impact of Pruritus on Clinical and Biological Outcomes in Atopic Dermatitis

Name: Mingrui Zhang

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2020

Projects: Matching generalized propensity score software development

Name: Feng Tian

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2020

Projects: SAS Macro Development for Propensity Score Balance Check

Name: Limeng Wan

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2021

Projects: Outcomes in docetaxel (DOC) vs. abiraterone (ABI) in castration sensitive prostate cancer

Name: Xiaobo Yan

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2021

Projects: Impact of Pruritus on Clinical and Biological Outcomes in Atopic Dermatitis

Name: Kexin Guan

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2022

Projects: Second Tumor in Prostate Cancer among Patients who received Radiation

Name: Anyue Ruan

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2023

Projects: Mimic clinical trial using Large scale of observational database in lung cancer

Name: Han Xu

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2023

Projects: Mimic clinical trial using Large scale of observational database in breast cancer

Name: Shannon Lu

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2023

Projects: Mimic clinical trial using Large scale of observational database in prostate cancer

Name: Weiding Fang

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2023

Projects: SAS macro development for streamlined data analyses with a professional report.

Name: Sarah Kulkarni

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2024

Projects: 1. Post-radiation Secondary Tumor rate by different radiation modalities – an NCDB-based investigation. 2. Post-Mastectomy Radiation Therapy for Intermediate-Risk Breast Cancer Patients with 0-3 Positive Axillary Lymph Nodes: Emulating the SUPREMO Trial Using Real-World Data

Name: Mengting Wei

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2024

Projects: 1. Risk Stratification by Common Lab Values for Overall Survival in Metastatic Renal Cell Carcinoma Patients Treated by Immunotherapy. 2. Association of Baseline Inflammatory Biomarkers and Clinical Outcomes in Patients with Advanced Renal Cell Carcinoma Treated with Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors

Name: Shuyang Yue

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2024

Projects: SAS Macro Development for GEE modeling and Application on Clinical Trial Data

Name: Yixin Chen

Program: MSPH in Biostatistics 2024

Projects: 1. Emulate Z0011 Clinical Trial Using Large Scale of Observational Databases: Opportunities and Challenges. 2. Clinical observational study utilizing teledermatology in bullous pemphigoid; 3. Increasing trends in morbidity, mortality, and hospitalizations in African American patients in the Southeast: a descriptive retrospective chart review

* National Cancer Data Base Training Workshop: Course Director

**Aug - Nov 2015** at Emory University - This short course was designed to help clinical PIs get familiar with the National Cancer Database, know its advantages and limitations, and provide a step-by-step guide to starting the research by following a collaborative workflow. The second part of the workshop focused on the analytic workflow by using SAS@ macros and report template, which was aimed at students/trainees who need to conduct their own data analysis based on NCDB. There were a total of **50** participants. A new session will be planned in the near future.

* Other Teaching

2015-2017 served as speaker for the topic “Observational Study Designs in Medical Research.” at the oncology reviews journal club at Winship Cancer Institute.

2017-2019 lecture to undergraduate students from the Summer Institute for Training in Biostatistics (SIBS)

2020-2023 Speaker of Statistics for Cancer Biomarker at Winship K12 Intensive Skill Building and Orientation Workshop.

* Other Mentorship

2016-2017 served as a mentor for Dr. Youxi Luo, a visiting professor from Hubei University of Technology, Wuhan, China.

2016 -2016 served as a mentor for Da Feng, a visiting Ph.D. student from Huazhong University of Science and Technology, Wuhan, China.

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

2018 – Committee member in MSPH/MPH admission committee, diversity committee, and curriculum committee in the Department of Biostatistics and Bioinformatics at Emory University.

2021- 2024 Department Representative to Research Advisory Committee at Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University.

**SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT**

SAS Macros for routine data analyses with the professional report (2011 ~ current): Served as the leading effort for developments and updates. These are a series of high-performance tools that cover the entire analytic streamline of data analysis and produce journal-quality summary tables, including descriptive statistics, univariate associations, multivariable models, subgroup analyses, and data visualization. Those macros have significantly increased our core capabilities and are routinely used in our daily data analysis projects. See publication PMID: [31231506](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/31231506) for more details.

SAS Macros for propensity score-related implementation (2011 ~ current): Served as the leading effort for developments and updates. Three SAS macros were developed to calculate the propensity score (PS) for binary or categorical treatment comparison groups, to match or weight the treatments by PS, and to examine the covariate balance after PS implementation. The macros carry out essential steps during the execution of a PS approach and generate professional summary reports and plots to be used in the manuscript directly.

SAS Macros for clinical trial data analyses (2020 ~ Current): Served as the senior mentor for validating sequential SAS Macro tools for commonly requested analyses: adverse events summary table, swimming plot, waterfall plot, spider plots, and forest plots.

R Function/Package for Propensity Score Matching for multiple treatments: To conduct propensity score matching for more than two treatment options using generalized propensity scores. It carries a locally optimal matching in the high-dimensional space formed by GPS with a bounded computational burden (See Bibliography #8). In a recent development, an R package has been underway.

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

2004 – Present Member of the American Statistical Association

2009 – Present Member of the Society for Clinical Trials

2013 – Present Member of the International Statistical Institute

**OTHER TRAINING**

2020-2021 Team Science Workshops - Georgia Clinical & Translational Science Alliance

2021 – Foundations of Everyday Leadership – Online course by the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**HONORS/AWARD**

2019 RSPH Supervisor Award

2019 Biostatistics Faculty Mentor Award

2013 American Statistical Association Travel Grant award for attending the 59th ISI conference.