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Education

- 2012-2016 University of California, Berkeley, *PhD in Biostatistics*. Advisor: Mark van der Laan.
- 2008-2012 Brown University, ScB in Applied Mathematics.

# —— Primary Positions

- 2021- Associate Professor, Dept. of Statistics, University of Washington.
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- 2016-2018 Assistant Professor, Vaccine and Infectious Disease Division, Fred Hutch.

# Secondary Positions

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# Honors/Awards

- 2024 Raymond J. Carroll Young Investigator Award, Texas A&M.
- 2024 Faculty Excellence in Graduate Teaching Award, UW Department of Statistics.
- 2019 NIH Director's New Innovator Award, NIH.
- 2019 AWS Machine Learning Research Award, Amazon.
- 2019 Statistical Partnerships Among Academe, Industry and Government (SPAIG) Award, American Statistical Association, Member of partnership between Fred Hutch, UW, and Sanofi Pasteur.
- 2016 Eric L. Lehmann Citation, UC Berkeley Department of Statistics.
- 2016 Extraordinary Student Research Award, UC Berkeley Group in Biostatistics.
- 2015 JSM Travel Award, SF Bay Area Chapter of the ASA.
- 2015 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UC Berkeley.
- 2012-2016 Berkeley Fellowship, UC Berkeley.
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- 2012 Reshetko Family Scholarship, UC Berkeley.
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Refereed Publications

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- $\circ~12/2018\text{-}11/2019,\,\$70,\!610$  in subaward total costs

# Statistical methodology for causal inference using machine learning tools Netflix

• 9/24-6/25, \$79,000 in total costs

### Statistical and data management center: HIV Vaccine Trials Network

- Janssen VAX8922HPX3002. Role: subaward PI
- 6/2022-5/2023, \$35,499 in subaward direct costs
- 6/2021-5/2022, \$34,513 in subaward direct costs
- 6/2020-5/2021, \$33,554 in subaward direct costs
- CoVPN 3003 a phase 3 study to assess the Ad26.COV2.S vaccine Janssen VAX8922HPX3002. Role: subaward PI

 $\circ~4/2022\text{-}11/2022,\,\$21,\!551$  in subaward direct costs

• 5/2021-11/2021, \$29,293 in subaward direct costs

# CoVPN 3001 - a phase 3 study to assess the mRNA-1273 SARS-CoV-2 vaccine Janssen VAX8922HPX3002. Role: subaward PI

 $\circ~8/2020\text{-}11/2020,$  \$93,386 in subaward direct costs

### Statistical Methods for Evaluating and Guiding Implementation of New HIV Prevention Strategies. NIH 1R56AI143418-01. Role: subaward PI

o 8/2020-7/2021, \$14,835 in subaward total costs

# Statistical analysis plan for WHO Solidarity Trial for Vaccines WHO Subcontract. Role: subaward PI

 $\circ~6/2020\text{-}8/2020,\,\$4,\!633$  in subaward total costs

# High-resolution inference for correlates of vaccine protection

NIH DP2-LM013340 (New Innovator Award). Role: PI

• 8/2019-7/2024, \$2,332,500 in total costs

Learning to learn from data: using deep adversarial learning to construct optimal statistical procedures. AWS Machine Learning Research Award (Amazon). Role: PI

 $\circ~7/2019{\text -}6/2021,\,\$50,\!000$  in AWS computing credits and  $\$8,\!000$  unrestricted gift

### Invited Talks

 $^\dagger$  denotes virtual talk

- [1] International Chinese Statistical Association Applied Statistics Symposium, TN, 6/2024
- [2] Conference on Statistical Methods for High Dimensional Complex Data, College Station, TX, 5/2024
- [3] University of Pennsylvania, Graduate Group in Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Philadelphia, PA, 4/2024
- [4] CMStatistics, Berlin, Germany, 12/2023
- [5] Harvard University Department of Statistics, Cambridge, MA, 10/2023
- [6] European Meeting of Statisticians, Warsaw, Poland, 7/2023
- [7] CMStatistics, London, UK, 12/2022
- [8] IMS International Conference on Statistics and Data Science, Florence, Italy, 12/2022
- [9] Conference of the International Society for Clinical Biostatistics, Newcastle, UK, 8/2022<sup>†</sup>
- [10] EcoSta Conference, Kyoto, Japan, 6/2022 <sup>†</sup>
- [11] Online Causal Inference Seminar, 4/2022 <sup>†</sup>
- [12] IMS Workshop: Causal Inference with Big Data, Singapore, 12/2021 <sup>†</sup>
- [13] CMStatistics, London, UK, 12/2021 <sup>†</sup>
- [14] Joint Statistical Meetings, 8/2021 <sup>†</sup>
- [15] Ghent University, Ghent, Belgium, 6/2021 <sup>†</sup>
- [16] EcoSta Conference, 6/2021<sup>†</sup>
- [17] UCSF Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, 4/2021 <sup>†</sup>
- [18] Southern Methodist University Department of Statistical Science, 3/2021 <sup>†</sup>
- [19] University of Pennsylvania Center for Causal Inference, 10/2020<sup>†</sup>
- [20] International Biometric Society ENAR Spring Meeting, 3/2020 <sup>†</sup>
- [21] University of Washington Machine Learning Seminar, Seattle, WA, 3/2019

- [22] Emory University Dept. of Biostatistics and Bionformatics, Atlanta, GA, 11/2019
- [23] Atlantic Causal Inference Conference, 5/2018
- [24] Models and Machine Learning for Causal Inference and Decision Making in Health Research (ICERM Workshop), Providence, RI, 11/2019
- [25] International Biometric Society ENAR Spring Meeting, Atlanta, GA 3/2018
- [26] HIV Vaccine Trials Network Sub-Saharan Meeting (Plenary), Cape Town, South Africa, 2/2018
- [27] HIV Vaccine Trials Network Conference (Plenary), Seattle, WA, 10/2017
- [28] Joint Conference on Biometrics & Biopharmaceutical Statistics, Vienna, Austria, 2017
- [29] International Biometric Society WNAR Meeting, Santa Fe, NM, 6/2017
- [30] International Biometric Society ENAR Spring Meeting, Washington D.C., 3/2017
- [31] Columbia University Department of Biostatistics, New York, NY 9/2017
- [32] Conference on Causal Inference in Longitudinal Studies, New York, NY 9/2017
- [33] University of Washington Department of Biostatistics, Seattle, WA, 10/2017
- [34] Johns Hopkins Causal Working Group, Baltimore, MD, 9/2016
- [35] Joint Statistical Meetings, Chicago, IL, 8/2016
- [36] International Biometric Conference, Victoria, Canada, 7/2016
- [37] International Symposium on Nonparametric Statistics, Avignon, France, 6/2016
- [38] Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Seattle, WA, 2/2016
- [39] UC Berkeley Division of Biostatistics, Berkeley, CA, 2/2016
- [40] Stanford University Department of Biomedical Data Science, Palo Alto, CA, 1/2016
- [41] NC State Department of Statistics, Palo Alto, CA, 11/2015
- [42] University of Washington Biostatistics Seminar, Seattle, WA, 11/2015
- [43] Université Paris Nanterre MODAL'X Seminar, Nanterre, France, 10/2015
- [44] MINES ParisTech Centre for Computational Biology, Paris, France, 9/2015
- [45] Joint Statistical Meetings, Seattle, WA, 8/2015
- [46] SF Chapter of the ASA, Berkeley, CA, 6/2015
- [47] University of Pennsylvania Causal Working Group, Philadelphia, PA, 3/2015

# Invited Talks as Panelist or Discussant

- [48] International Seminar on Selective Inference, Discussant of talk on "Efficient and Multiply Robust Risk Estimation under General Forms of Dataset Shift" by Edgar Dobriban, 2/2024 <sup>†</sup>
- [49] Joint Statistical Meetings, Topic-Contributed Panel on "What We Learned Statistically Through Covid-19 Pandemic-Related Research", 8/2022 <sup>†</sup>
- [50] New Jersey/Princeton-Trenton American Statistical Association Chapters, Discussant of talks on "Covid-19 Vaccines/Treatment Trials, and Predictive Modeling", 6/2021 <sup>†</sup>
- [51] Online Causal Inference Seminar, Discussant of talk on "Higher order Targeted Maximum Likelihood Estimation" by Mark van der Laan, 1/2021  $^\dagger$
- [52] NIAID Workshop, Discussant on "Statistical Challenges and Opportunities in HIV/AIDS Research in the Era of Getting-to-Zero HIV infection", 3/2019

University Service

Department of Statistics, University of Washington

- 2023- PhD Curriculum Review Committee, Member
- 2023- Graduate Curriculum Committee, Member
- 2021- Statistics PhD Admissions Committee, Chair

- 2021- Statistics Department Diversity, Inclusion, Community, and Equity (DICE) Committee, Member
- 2019-2021 Statistics Department Diversity, Inclusion, Community, and Equity (DICE) Committee, Chair
- 2019-2021 Statistics PhD Admissions Committee, Member
  - 2019 Statistics PhD Research Prelim Exam Committee, Examiner
  - 2019 Reviewer for Royalty Research Fund
- 2018-2021, Biostatistics PhD Theory Exam Committee, Member 2022-

Department of Biostatistics, University of Washington

- 2023- Organizing Committee for the 7th Seattle Symposium in Biostatistics Vaccine and Infectious Disease Division, Fred Hutch
- 2018 Faculty Advisory Committee

# Other Service

- 2023-2024 Program Committee for the 2024 American Causal Inference Conference (ACIC)
- 2020- Math Alliance Facilitated Graduate Applications Process (F-GAP) Facilitator
- 2011-2012 Rhode Island Urban Debate League, Program Coordinator
- 2009-2011 Rhode Island Urban Debate League, Debate Coach
- 2009-2010 College Advising Corps, Access Scholar (and AmeriCorps Member)

## Editorial Activities

Associate Editor

- 2021- Journal of the American Statistical Association (Reviews)
- 2016- International Journal of Biostatistics

Area Chair / Senior Program Committee

2021- Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI)

Ad Hoc Reviewer for Peer-Reviewed Journals

Annals of Applied Statistics, Annals of Statistics, Bernoulli, Biometrics, Biometrika, Biostatistics, Epidemiology, International Journal of Biostatistics, Journal of Causal Inference, Journal of the American Statistical Association, Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics, Journal of Machine Learning Research, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society - Series B, Management Science, Nature, Pharmacoepidemiology and Drug Safety, Statistical Methods in Medical Research, Statistica Sinica, Statistical Science, Statistics in Medicine

Ad Hoc Reviewer for Conferences

Conference and Workshop on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)

### Teaching History

Formal Courses (University of Washington)

- 2019-2020, STAT 581: Advanced Theory of Statistical Inference (1). 2023
- 2019-2024 STAT 582: Advanced Theory of Statistical Inference (2).
- 2019, STAT 583: Advanced Theory of Statistical Inference (3). 2022-2023

Guest Lectures (University of California, Berkeley)

- 2015 PH 240B: Survival Analysis.
- 2014 PH 252D: Introduction to Causal Inference. PH 243D: Adaptive Designs.
- 2013 **PH 252D: Introduction to Causal Inference**. Teaching Assistant (University of California, Berkeley)
- 2015 PH252E: Advanced Topics in Causal Inference.
- 2013-2014 PH252D: Introduction to Causal Inference.

Other Teaching

- 2018, 2019 Precision Medicine Module at University of Washington's Summer Institutes in Biostats
  - Advising and Formal Mentoring

PhD Committees in Chair Role (ongoing)

- 2021- Lars van der Laan. Co-chair with Marco Carone
- 2022- Jaewon Lim.
- 2022- Nina Galanter. Co-chair with Marco Carone
- 2022- Alex Kokot. Co-chair with Marina Meila
- 2024- Medha Agarwal. Co-chair with Zaid Harchaoui PhD Committees in Chair Role (completed)
- 2019 Nilanjana Laha. Co-chaired with Jon Wellner Current position: Assistant Professor (Tenure Track) at Texas A&M Statistics
- 2021 Hongxiang (David) Qiu. Co-chair with Marco Carone Current position: Assistant Professor (Tenure Track) at Michigan State Epidemiology and Biostatistics
- 2022 Ernesto Ulloa. Co-chair with Marco Carone Current position: Postdoctoral scholar at University of Pennsylvania Biostatistics
- 2022 Adam Elder. Co-chair with Marco Carone Current position: Postdoctoral scholar at University of Washington Epidemiology
- 2022 Xiudi Li. Co-chair with Ali Shojaie Current position: Assistant Professor (Tenure Track) at UC Berkeley
- 2023 Sijia (Lucy) Li Current position: Postdoctoral scholar at Harvard Biostatistics
- 2024 Zhaoqi Li. Co-chair with Lalit Jain Current position: Postdoctoral scholar at Stanford Computer Science PhD Committees in Non-Chair Role

- 2024 Apara Venkat, Sarah Teichman, Ronak Mehta, Pan Zhao (Inria, France)
- 2023 Gaoqian Xu, Alice Qi (Grad School Representative)
- 2022 Wendao Xue, Arash Tarkhan
- 2021 Anna Neufeld, Tianyu Zhang, Yiqun Chen, Aaron Hudson
- 2020 Aaron Osgood-Zimmerman, Kellie MacPhee (Grad School Representative)
- 2019 David Whitney, Brenda Price Master's students
- 2024- Ziming Lin, Facheng Yu
- 2023-2024 Tianyang Jiang
  - Postdoctoral Fellows
  - 2023- Paweł Morzywołek
- 2020-2022 Tzu-Jung Huang
- 2017-2019 Anna Bellach