

# Matthew D. Koslovsky, PhD

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

*Theory and Methods:* Bayesian modeling, variable selection, graphical models, non-parametric Bayes, statistical computing, multistate Markov models, R package development, varying-coefficient models, hidden Markov models, variational inference

*Application:* cancer prevention, smoking behaviors, mental health, addiction, physical activity, nutrition, microbiome, mHealth, ecological momentary assessment, intensive longitudinal data, environmental health, human health and performance in space

## EDUCATION

***The University of Texas Health Science Center***, Houston, TX  
Doctor of Philosophy, Biostatistics, GPA: 4.0/4.0 Dec 2016  
· Minor: Health Promotions and Behavioral Sciences  
· Title: Deterministic Bayesian variable selection developments for binary outcomes  
· Advisor: Michael D. Swartz, PhD

***The University of Texas***, Austin, TX  
Bachelor of Science, Mathematics Aug 2011  
· Concentration: Scientific Computation

## EXPERIENCE

***Colorado State University***, Fort Collins, CO  
Assistant Professor Aug 2020 - Current  
· Department of Statistics

***Rice University***, Houston, TX  
Post-Doctoral Research Associate March 2018 - July 2020  
· NSF/RTG Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Data Science  
· Advisor: Marina Vannucci, PhD

***KBRwyle***, Houston, TX  
Biostatistician July 2016 - March 2018  
· Human Health and Performance Contract  
· Johnson Space Center

***The University of Texas Health Science Center***, Houston, TX  
Pre-Doctoral Fellow Jan 2015 - Dec 2016  
· National Cancer Institute Pre-Doctoral Fellowship  
· Cancer Education and Career Development Program

Pre-Doctoral Trainee Aug 2013 - Jan 2015  
· National Institutes of Health Pre-Doctoral Traineeship

***Science Systems and Applications, Inc.***, Hampton, VA  
Summer Intern May 2014 - Aug 2014  
· DEVELOP National Program  
· Langley Research Center

**National Space Biomedical Research Institute**, Houston, TX  
 Summer Apprentice May 2013 - Aug 2013  
 · Biostatistics Laboratory  
 · Johnson Space Center

**Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas**, Austin, TX  
 Summer Intern May 2010 - Oct 2010  
 · University of Texas School of Public Health  
 · Biostatistics Department

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Colorado State University**, Department of Statistics  
 Statistical Computing (STAT 600) Spring 2021  
 Logistic/Survival Analysis for Epidemiology (STAR 580A1) Fall 2020  
 Statistics Seminar Series (STAT 592 & 792) Fall 2020

**UTHealth**, Department of Biostatistics and Data Science  
 Lecturer (Ad Hoc), Foundations of Biostatistics (PH1690) Fall 2019  
 · Student evaluation of overall effectiveness - 4.81/5.0  
 Lecturer (Ad Hoc), Foundations of Biostatistics (PH1690) Summer 2019  
 · Student evaluation of overall effectiveness - 4.86/5.0  
 Teaching Assistant, Theory of Biostatistics II (PH1911) Spring 2016  
 Teaching Assistant, Linear Models (PH1915) Fall 2015  
 Teaching Assistant, Intermediate Biostatistics (PH1700) Fall 2015  
 Teaching Assistant, Applied Statistical Analysis I (PH1820) Summer 2015  
 Teaching Assistant, Applied Statistical Analysis II (PH1821) Spring 2013

## PUBLICATIONS

### Submitted/In Progress

1. Liang, M.\* , **Koslovsky, M.D.\***, Hébert, E.T., Kendzor, D.E., Businelle, M.S., & Vannucci, M. Bayesian Variable Selection for Binary Longitudinal Data with Measurement Error: An Application to mHealth Data. (Submitted)  
 \* indicates equal contribution
2. Hoskovec, L., Koehler, K., Peel, J.L., Volckens, J., **Koslovsky, M.D.**, & Wilson, A. Infinite Hidden Markov Model for Multiple Multivariate Time Series with Missing Data (In Progress). [**Honorable mention in the ENVR Student Paper Competition for the Joint Statistical Meetings 2021**]
3. Shaddox, E. , **Koslovsky, M.D.**, & Vannucci, M. A Spiked Dirichlet Process Prior for Joint Network Inference. (In Progress)
4. Hébert, E.T., **Koslovsky, M.D.**, & Businelle, M.S. Time-varying relations for smoking behaviors captured in a novel, smartphone-based just-in-time adaptive intervention. (In Progress)

### Statistical Methodology

5. **Koslovsky, M.D.** and Vannucci, M. (2021+). Dirichlet-Multinomial Regression Models with Bayesian Variable Selection for Microbiome Data. In S. Datta & S. Guha (Eds.), *Statistical Analysis of Microbiome Data*. Springer Verlag.
6. **Koslovsky, M.D.**, Hébert, E.T., Businelle, M.S., & Vannucci, M. (2020). A Bayesian Time-Varying Effect Model for Behavioral mHealth Data. *Annals of Applied Statistics*, **14**(4), 1878-1902.

7. **Koslovsky, M.D.**, Vannucci, M. (2020). MicroBVS: Dirichlet-tree multinomial regression models with Bayesian variable selection - an R package. *BMC Bioinformatics*, **21**(301).
8. **Koslovsky, M.D.**, Hoffman, K., Daniel, C., & Vannucci, M. (2020). A Bayesian model of microbiome data for simultaneous identification of covariate associations and prediction of phenotypic outcomes. *Annals of Applied Statistics*, **14**(3), 1471-1492. [Selected for presentation as “The Best of AOAS” at the Joint Statistical Meetings 2021]
9. **Koslovsky, M.D.**, Swartz, M.D., Chan, W., Leon-Novelo, L., Wilkinson, A.V., Kendzor, D.E., & Businelle, M.S. (2018). Bayesian variable selection for multistate Markov models with interval-censored data in an ecological momentary assessment study of smoking cessation. *Biometrics*, **74**(2), 636-644.
10. **Koslovsky, M.D.**, Swartz, M.D., Leon-Novelo, L., Chan, W., & Wilkinson, A.V. (2018). Using the EM algorithm for Bayesian variable selection in logistic regression models with related covariates. *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*, **88**(3), 575-596.

## Applications

11. Zwart, S.R., Rice, B.L., Dlouhy, H., Shackelford, L.C., Heer, M., **Koslovsky, M.D.**, & Smith, S.M. (2018). Dietary acid load and bone turnover during long-duration spaceflight and bed rest. *The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition*, **107**(5), 834-844.
12. Conkin, J., Sanders, R.W., **Koslovsky, M.D.**, Wear, M.L., Kozminski, A.G., & Abercromby, A.F. (2018). A systematic review and meta-analysis of decompression sickness in altitude physiological training. *Aerospace Medicine and Human Performance*, **89**(11), 941-951.
13. **Koslovsky, M.D.**, Hébert, E.T., Swartz, M.D., Chan, W., Leon-Novelo, L., Wilkinson, A.V., Kendzor, D.E. & Businelle, M.S. (2017). The time-varying relations between risk factors and smoking before and after a quit attempt. *Nicotine and Tobacco Research*, **20**(10), 1231-1236.
14. Conkin, J., Wessel, J.H., Norcross, J.R., Bekdash, O.S., Abercromby, A.F., **Koslovsky, M.D.**, & Gernhardt, M.L. (2017). Hemoglobin oxygen saturation with mild hypoxia and microgravity. *Aerospace Medicine and Human Performance*, **88**(6), 527-534.

## Proceedings

15. Meyers, J., Garcia, Y., Arellano, J., Boley, L., Goodenow D., Kerstman, E., **Koslovsky, M.D.**, Reyes, D., Saile, L., Taiym, W., & Young, M. (2018, September 16-21). Validation of the NASA Integrated Medical Model: A Space Flight Medical Risk Prediction Tool. Paper presented at *Probabilistic Safety Assessment and Management 14*, Los Angeles, CA.

## PRESENTATIONS

- **Koslovsky, M.D.\*** “A Bayesian Model of Microbiome Data for Simultaneous Identification of Covariate Associations and Prediction of Phenotypic Outcomes.” **Best of AOAS**, Joint Statistics Meetings, Seattle, WA. Aug 2021. (Invited Talk)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\*** “A Bayesian Model of Microbiome Data for Simultaneous Identification of Covariate Associations and Prediction of Phenotypic Outcomes.” CMStatistics, virtual conference. Dec 2020. (Invited Talk)

- **Koslovsky, M.D.\*** “A Bayesian Model of Microbiome Data for Simultaneous Identification of Covariate Associations and Prediction of Phenotypic Outcomes.” ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium, virtual conference. Dec 2020. (Invited Talk)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\*** “A Bayesian Model of Microbiome Data for Simultaneous Identification of Covariate Associations and Prediction of Phenotypic Outcomes.” BAYSM:O, virtual conference. Nov 2020. (Invited Talk)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\*** “Bayesian Methods for Behavioral mHealth Data.” Colorado State University, Department of Statistics. Feb 2020. (Departmental Seminar)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\*** “Bayesian Methods for Behavioral mHealth Data.” University of Colorado Denver, Department of Biostatistics & Informatics. Feb 2020. (Departmental Seminar)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\*** “Bayesian Methods for Behavioral mHealth Data.” University of Missouri, Department of Statistics. Jan 2020. (Departmental Seminar)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\*** “Bayesian Methods for Behavioral mHealth Data.” Montana State University, Department of Mathematical Sciences. Jan 2020. (Departmental Seminar)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\***, Hoffman, K., Daniel-MacDougall, C., & Vannucci, M. “A Bayesian Model of Microbiome Data for Simultaneous Identification of Covariate Associations and Prediction of Phenotypic Outcomes.” iBright, Houston, TX. Nov 2019. (Contributed Poster Presentation)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\***, Hoffman, K., Daniel-MacDougall, C., & Vannucci, M. “A Bayesian Model of Microbiome Data for Simultaneous Identification of Covariate Associations and Prediction of Phenotypic Outcomes.” Joint Statistics Meetings, Denver, CO. Aug 2019. (Contributed Poster Presentation)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\***, Hoffman, K., Daniel-MacDougall, C., & Vannucci, M. “A Bayesian Model of Microbiome Data for Simultaneous Identification of Covariate Associations and Prediction of Phenotypic Outcomes.” BigDIA, Houston, TX. Dec 2018. (Contributed Poster Presentation)
- Yu, D., Sedory, A.C., Mohammadi, K., **Koslovsky, M.D.**, & Swartz, M.D.\*. “*Trio\_RVEMVS*: A fast Bayesian variable selection method for trios that identifies individual rare variants,” International Genetic Epidemiology Society Meetings, San Diego, CA, Oct 2018. (Platform Presentation)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\***, Arellano, J., Schaefer, C., Feiveson, A., & Young, M. “CommClust: A network-based algorithm for clustering multivariate repeated measures data.” NASA Human Research Program Investigators’ Workshop. Galveston, TX. Jan 2018. (Contributed Poster Presentation)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\*** “Immersive Data Analysis for NASA Biomedical Data,” Rice Data Science Conference, Houston, TX, Oct 2017. (contributed oral presentation)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\*** “Immersive Data Analysis for NASA Biomedical Data,” Texas Collaboration Center Data Analytics Workshop, Houston, TX, Oct 2017 (Contributed Oral Presentation)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\***, Young, M., Schaefer, C., Arellano, J., & Feiveson, A. “A Network-based Algorithm for Clustering Multivariate Longitudinal

Data.” Joint Statistical Meetings. Baltimore, MD. Aug 2017. (Contributed Oral Presentation)

- **Koslovsky, M.D.\***, Swartz, M.D., Chan, W., Leon-Novelo, L., Wilkinson, A.V., Kendzor, D.E., & Businelle, M.S. “Deterministic Bayesian variable selection for multistate models, with applications to ecological momentary assessment of an attempt to quit smoking.” Joint Statistical Meetings. Chicago, IL. Aug 2016. (Contributed Oral Presentation)
- **Koslovsky, M.D.\***, Swartz, M.D., Chan, W., Leon-Novelo, L., Wilkinson, A.V., Kendzor, D.E., & Businelle, M.S., “Deterministic Bayesian Variable Selection for Binary Outcomes.” Joint Statistical Meetings. Seattle, WA, Aug 2015. (Contributed Oral Presentation)
- Burley, B., Erickson, C., Fenn, T., Hope, J., & **Koslovsky, M.D.\*** “New England Water Resources-Historical Tracking of Harmful Algal Blooms Using Landsat Missions from 1984-2014.” DEVELOP Summer Closeout at NASA Headquarters. Washington, D.C. Aug 2014. (Contributed Poster Presentation)
- Swartz, M.D.\*, **Koslovsky, M.D.**, Vandewater, E.A., & Wilkinson, A.V. “A Stochastic Search Through Smoking Images in Movies, Genetic, and Psycho-social Factors Associated with Smoking Initiation in Mexican American Youths.” International Genetic Epidemiology Society Meetings 2014, 23rd Annual Conference. Vienna, Austria. Aug 2014. (Contributed Oral Presentation)

\* *indicates presenter*

## AWARDS

- Dr. M. Stewart West Memorial Scholarship, 2015
- UTHHealth Division of Biostatistics Travel Award, 2015
- Richard D. Remington Memorial Student Scholarship, 2014
- Robert. H Bigelow Endowed Scholarship, 2013

## MENTORING

- Sherry WeMott-Colton, Colorado State University, Masters in Environmental Health student, Thesis Committee, External member, 01/2021-Current
- Yijun Wang, Colorado State University, PhD Mechanical Engineering candidate, Dissertation Committee, External member, 08/2020-Current
- Xin Tan, Rice University, Undergraduate in Statistics, Co-mentor, 05/2020-11/2020
- Scott Liang, Rice University, PhD Statistics student, Co-mentor, 03/2019-Current
- Yefei Zhang, UTHHealth, PhD Biostatistics candidate, Dissertation Committee, 01/2017-Current
- James Warner, Rice University, Rice Undergraduate Data Science Summer Program, 2018
- Karan Adams, Rice University, Rice Undergraduate Data Science Summer Program, 2018
- Stoyan Komitov, Rice University, Rice Undergraduate Data Science Summer Program, 2018
- Alex Aguilar, Rice University, PhD Statistics candidate, NASA Summer Intern, 2018
- Austin Vo, University of Central Florida, NASA Summer Intern, 2017

- UTHHealth New Student Mentor, Fall 2013

**COMPUTER SKILLS**      *Languages & Software:* R, C++, Rcpp, Shiny, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, STATA, SAS, WinBUGS

**PROFESSIONAL** *Member*

**AFFILIATION**

- American Statistical Association, 2015 - Current
- International Society for Bayesian Analysis, 2020 - Current

**PROFESSIONAL** *Associate Editor*

**SERVICE**

- Journal of Classification

*Reviewer*

- Biometrical Journal, Biometrics, Biostatistics, Nature Communications

*Board Member*

- Johnson Space Center IRB, 2017 - 2018

*Consultation*

- Conference for Food Protection 2019: Program Standards Committee- Standard 8 Re-Evaluation of Staffing Level Model

**DEPARTMENTAL** *Colorado State University*

**SERVICE**

- Statistics Seminar Series, Fall 2020 - Spring 2021
- Communications Committee Fall 2020 - Spring 2021

**CONTINUING  
EDUCATION**

- HACASA - Short Course “Randomized Clinical Trials-Replacing Traditional Analyses with Better Alternatives,” Houston, TX, May 2018
- Joint Statistical Meetings - Short Course “Network Meta-Analysis,” Baltimore, MD, Aug 2017
- Joint Statistical Meetings - Short Course “Evolution of Classification,” Baltimore, MD, Aug 2017
- NASA Human Research Program Investigator’s Workshop - “A New Dawn: Enabling Human Space Exploration,” Galveston, TX, Jan 2017
- Technology Collaboration Center - “Omics Workshop,” Houston, TX, Spring 2017
- Tableau Conference 2016 - Tableau Classroom Training- “Tableau Desktop II,” Austin, TX, Fall 2016
- ENAR - Short Course “An Introduction to Statistical Machine Learning,” Austin, TX, Spring 2016
- ENAR - Tutorial Session - “Data Visualizations in R with shiny and ggplot2,” Austin, TX, Spring 2016
- ENAR - Tutorial Session - “High Performance Computing with R,” Austin, TX, Spring 2016
- ASA Biopharmaceutical Section FDA - Industry Statistics Workshop - “Equivalence and Similarity Testing,” Washington, DC, Fall 2015

- ASA Biopharmaceutical Section FDA - Industry Statistics Workshop - “Designing Observational Comparative Studies Using Propensity Score Methodology in Regulatory Settings,” Washington, DC, Fall 2015
- Joint Statistical Meetings - “Adaptive Methods for Modern Clinical Trials,” Seattle, WA, Summer 2015
- UT Summer Statistics Institute - “Introduction to Mixed Models with Applications,” Austin, TX, Summer 2015
- UT Summer Statistics Institute - “Big Data Analytics,” Austin, TX, Summer 2015

## REFERENCES

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Noah Harding Professor of Statistics  
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Rice University

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