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defining attributes *goal-driven leadership, advanced analytic skills, strategic thinking, resourceful team player, sunny disposition, public speaking, organizational & communication skills*

EDUCATION

PhD in Biostatistics, May 2018, GPA 3.95

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

Thesis: Improving Modern Techniques of Causal Inference: Finite Sample Performance of ATM and ATO Doubly Robust Estimators, Variance Estimation for ATO Estimators, and Contextualized Tipping Point Sensitivity Analyses for Unmeasured Confounding

MS in Biostatistics, December 2013, GPA 3.88

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Thesis: Quantitative Assessment of the Community Research Fellows Training Program

BA with Distinction and Highest Honors

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL

Religious Studies: GPA 3.92 Romance Languages: GPA 3.86

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2019-present

Wake Forest University

Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics and Statistics

2018-2019

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

Postdoctoral fellow with Jeffrey Leek

2017 March-August

RStudio

Internship under Jenny Bryan developing the 'googledrive' R package

2016-2017

Vanderbilt University

NIH Big Data to Knowledge Training Fellow

2015-2016, 2017-2018

Vanderbilt University

Research Assistant, Department of Biostatistics and VA Tennessee Valley

2015 Summer

Cleveland Clinic

Summer Graduate Fellow, Department of Quantitative Health Sciences

2013 Summer

Graham Colditz Laboratory

Summer Intern, Washington University School of Medicine

2012-2014

Washington University School of Medicine

Research Assistant, Gutmann Research Laboratory, Department of Neurology

2012-2014

Washington University School of Medicine

Statistical Data Analyst, Department of Surgery, Division of Public Health Sciences

COMPUTING

Expert: R, Shiny, Git/GitHub, L^AT_EX, HTML/CSS, SAS

Familiar: Python, Stata, ArcGIS

AWARDS

2019	Winning team, ASA Leadership Challenge
2018	Vanderbilt Biostatistics Travel Award (ENAR)
2017	NASA Datanauts, Class of 2017
2017	useR!2017 Young Academic Scholarship
2017	Caucus for Women in Statistics Travel Award
2016	First Place, GSS Student Data Challenge, ASA Joint Statistical Meeting
2016	Second Place, SPAAC Poster Competition, ASA Joint Statistical Meeting
2016	Southern Startup Internship Program in Data Science (South BDHub)
2016	Vanderbilt Commodore Award in Biostatistics
2015	First Place, GSS Student Data Challenge, ASA Joint Statistical Meeting
2015	Prezi Student Ambassador
2014	SAS Student Scholar, PharmaSUG
2014	SAS Student Ambassador, SAS Global Forum 2014
2013	First Place, Student Research Competition, 141st APHA Annual Meeting
2013	Ellis R. Ott Scholarship: ASQ Statistics Division
2013	Best Contributed Paper in the Statistics and Data Analysis Section at SAS Global Forum
2013	SAS Student Scholar, NESUG
2013	SAS Student Ambassador, SAS Global Forum 2013
2012	Gertrude M. Cox Scholarship for Women in Statistics Honorable Mention
2012	NIAF Jim Cantalupo Scholarship
2011-2012	National Society of Leadership and Success
2011	Dunlevie Honors Undergraduate Research Award
2010	Programma Ponte Scholarship
2010	Newman Scholar
2009-2012	UNC Dean's List
2008-2012	UNC Public Service Scholar

OUTREACH

2017-2018 President, Vanderbilt Biostatistics Graduate Student Association
2017-2018 Abstract reviewer, R-Ladies Global
2016-2019 Co-founder, Co-organizer, R-Ladies Nashville
2016-2017 President, Vanderbilt Graduate Student Council
2016-2017 Vice President, Vanderbilt Biostatistics Graduate Student Association
2016 useR Student Volunteer
2015-2016 Tutor, Tennessee Office of Refugees
2015 Scholar, Scholarship of Teaching and Learning
2014-2015 Vice President of Social Affairs, Vanderbilt Graduate Student Council

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Professional Service

2020 Vice-chair, ASA Committee on Women in Statistics
2019-2021 ASA Council of Sections Representative, Section on Statistical Computing
2019 Committee member, ASA Committee on Women in Statistics
2019 Associate Editor (Social Media), The American Journal of Epidemiology
2019 Interim Program Chair, ASA Statistics Communication Interest Group
2018 Committee member, Women in Statistics and Data Science Service Project
2017-2018 President, Nashville ASA Student Chapter
2017 Panelist, Inaugural ASA Student Chapter Workshop
2016-2017 Vice President, Co-founder, Nashville ASA Student Chapter
2014 Abstract reviewer, Applied Public Health Statistics, American Public Health Association

Referee

- Biostatistics
- The American Statistician
- BMJ Open
- rOpenSci
- American Journal of Epidemiology
- Statistics in Medicine
- Journal of the Royal Statistical Society

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Vanderbilt University

- Frank Harrell’s Regression Modeling Strategies (2017)
- Statistical Collaboration in Health Sciences Teaching Assistant (2015)
- Modern Regression Analysis Teaching Assistant (2015)
- Principles of Modern Biostatistics Teaching Assistant (2015)

Washington University in St. Louis

- Introduction to SAS Teaching Assistant (2013)
- Introduction to Clinical Epidemiology Teaching Assistant (2013)
- Randomized Controlled Trials Teaching Assistant (2013)

Online Courses

- DataCamp: Building Dashboards with shinydashboard (2018)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

ENAR 2019

TUTORIAL

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, “Data Visualizations with ggplot2.”

Macalester College

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, “There and back again, a data scientist’s tale.”

ASA Joint Statistical Meeting 2019

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, “Challenges in Augmenting Randomized Trials with Observational Health Records.”

ENAR 2018

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Robert A. Greevy, Jr, “Exploring finite-sample bias in propensity score weights.”

Data Day Texas 2018

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, “Making Causal Claims as a Data Scientist: Tips and Tricks Using R.”

ASA Joint Statistical Meeting 2018

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, “Harnessing the Power of the Web via R Clients for Web APIs.”

SAS Global Forum 2017

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, “Streamline Your Workflow: Integrating SAS, LaTeX, and R into a Single Reproducible Document.”

R-Ladies Nashville

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, “An R + GitHub Journey.”

SAS Global Forum 2016

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Robert A. Greevy, Jr, “Integrating SAS and R to Perform Optimal Propensity Score Matching.”

SAS Global Forum 2015

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Alice Toll, “Using PROC SURVEYREG and PROC SURVEYLOGISTIC to Assess Potential Bias.”

SAS Global Forum 2014

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Melody S. Goodman, Kimberly A. Kaphingst, “Using SAS/STAT® Software to Validate a Health Literacy Prediction Model in a Primary Care Setting.”

CONTRIBUTED PRESENTATIONS

ENAR 2017

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Robert Alan Greevy, Jr, “Simplifying and Contextualizing Sensitivity to Unmeasured Confounding Tipping Point Analyses.”

useR!2017

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Nick Strayer, Jeff Leek, “papr: Tinder for pre-prints, a Shiny Application for collecting gut-reactions to pre-prints from the scientific community.”

ASA Joint Statistical Meeting 2017

SPEED (ORAL + POSTER) PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Robert A. Greevy, Jr, “Contextualizing Sensitivity Analysis in Observational Studies: Calculating Bias Factors for Known Covariates.”

Women in Statistics and Data Science 2017

PANEL

Jenny Bryan, Mine Cetinkaya-Rundel, Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Gabriela de Queiroz, Mine Dogucu, Katherine Scranton, Jennifer Thompson, “R-Ladies Panel: Improving gender diversity in a male-dominated community.”

ASA Joint Statistical Meeting 2016

POSTER

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Robert A. Greevy, Jr, “Practical Guidance and Tools for Rule-Out Sensitivity to Unmeasured Confounding Analyses.”

ASA Joint Statistical Meeting 2016

ORAL PRESENTATION

Ryan Jarrett, Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, “Assessing the Association Between Accident Injury Severity and NCAP Car Safety Ratings”.

ASA Joint Statistical Meeting 2015

SPEED (ORAL + POSTER) PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Alice Toll, “Census Tract-Level Disparities: Examining Food Swamps and Food Deserts.”

141st American Public Health Association Annual Meeting 2013

POSTER

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Melody S. Goodman, “Developing County-Level Estimates of Racial Disparities in Obesity Using Multilevel Reweighted Regression.”

141st American Public Health Association Annual Meeting 2013

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Melody S. Goodman, “Small Areal Estimation of Racial Disparities in Diabetes Using Multilevel Reweighted Regression.”

SAS Analytics 2013

POSTER

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Patrick J. McGowan, “Mining Through Resumes: Utilizing SAS to Increase Efficiency and Objectivity in the Hiring Process.”

Northeast SAS Users Group 2013

POSTER

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, “SAS ® for Budgeting an Ideal Wedding.”

Northeast SAS Users Group 2013

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Melody S. Goodman, “Using PROC GLIMMIX and PROC SGPLOT to Demonstrate County-level Racial Disparities in Obesity in North Carolina.”

SAS Global Forum 2013

ORAL PRESENTATION

Lucy D’Agostino McGowan, Melody S. Goodman, “Multilevel Reweighted Regression Models to Estimate County-Level Racial Health Disparities Using PROC GLIMMIX.”

SOFTWARE

Author & Maintainer

tipr: An R package with tools for conducting tipping point sensitivity analyses.

googledrive: An R package that interfaces with Google Drive from R, allowing users to seamlessly manage files on Google Drive from the comfort of their console.

contributr: A Shiny Application developed in collaboration with Maelle and rOpenSci for finding beginner GitHub issues to contribute to.

papr: Tinder for pre-prints, a Shiny Application developed in collaboration with Jeff Leek and Nick Strayer for collecting gut-reactions to pre-prints from the scientific community

Author

datasauRus: An R package made in collaboration with Steph Locke consisting of The Datasaurus Dozen, a set of datasets with the same summary statistics. They retain the same summary statistics despite having radically different distributions. The datasets represent a larger and quirkier object lesson that is typically taught via Anscombe’s Quartet.

meetupr: An R package authored and maintained by R-Ladies to interface with the Meetup API

Contributer

cowsay: An R package that allows printing of character strings as messages/warnings/etc. with ASCII animals, including cats, cows, frogs, chickens, ghosts, and more.

RJafroc: And R package for analyzing data acquired using the Receiver Operating Characteristic paradigm and its extensions.

PUBLICATIONS

1. Pun BT, Balas MC, Barnes-Daly MA, Thompson JL, Aldrich JM, Barr J, Byrum D, Carson SS, Devlin JW, Engel HJ, Esbrook CL, Hargett KD, Harmon LR, Hielsberg C, Jackson JC, Kelly TL, Kumar V, Millner L, Morse A, Perme CS, Posa PJ, Puntillo KA, Schweickert WD, Stollings JL, Tan A, **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Ely EW (2019). “Caring for critically ill patients with the ABCDEF bundle: results of the ICU liberation collaborative in over 15,000 adults.” *Critical care medicine*, 47(1), 3-14.
2. Blume JD, **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Dupont WD, Greevy Jr RA (2018). “Second-generation p-values: Improved rigor, reproducibility, & transparency in statistical analyses.” *PloS one*, 13(3), e0188299.
3. Murff HJ, Roumie CL, Greevy RA, Hackstadt AJ, **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Hung AM, Grijalva CG, Griffin MR (2018). “Metformin use and incidence cancer risk: evidence for a selective protective effect against liver cancer.” *Cancer causes & control : CCC*, 27(10), 1-10.
4. **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Roumie CL (2018). “Sulfonylureas as second line treatment for type 2 diabetes.” *BMJ*, 362.
5. **D’Agostino McGowan L** (2018). *Improving Modern Techniques of Causal Inference: Finite Sample Performance of ATM and ATO Doubly Robust Estimators, Variance Estimation for ATO Estimators, and Contextualized Tipping Point Sensitivity Analyses for Unmeasured Confounding*. PhD thesis, Vanderbilt University.
6. Roumie CL, Min JY, **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Presley C, Grijalva CG, Hackstadt AJ, Hung AM, Greevy RA, Elasy T, Griffin MR (2017). “Comparative safety of sulfonylurea and metformin monotherapy on the risk of heart failure: a cohort study.” *Journal of the American Heart Association*, 6(4), e005379.
7. **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Bullen JA, Obuchowski NA (2016). “Location bias in ROC studies.” *Statistics in Biopharmaceutical Research*, 8(3), 258-267.
8. Drake BF, Brown K, **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Haslag-Minoff J, Kaphingst K (2016). “Secondary consent to biospecimen use in a prostate cancer biorepository.” *BMC research notes*, 9(1), 346.
9. Kaphingst KA, Stafford JD, **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Seo J, Lachance CR, Goodman MS (2015). “Effects of racial and ethnic group and health literacy on responses to genomic risk information in a medically underserved population.” *Health Psychology*, 34(2), 101.
10. Chen Y, **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Cimino PJ, Dahiya S, Leonard JR, Lee DY, Gutmann DH (2015). “Mouse low-grade gliomas contain cancer stem cells with unique molecular and functional properties.” *Cell reports*, 10(11), 1899-1912.

11. **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Stafford JD, Thompson VL, Johnson-Javois B, Goodman MS (2015). “Quantitative evaluation of the community research fellows training program.” *Frontiers in public health*, 3, 179.
12. Colditz GA, **D’Agostino McGowan L**, James AS, Bohlke K, Goodman MS (2014). “Screening for colorectal cancer: Using data to set prevention priorities.” *Cancer Causes & Control*, 25(1), 93-98.
13. Diggs-Andrews KA, Brown JA, Gianino SM, **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Rubin JB, Wozniak DF, Gutmann DH (2014). “reply.” *Annals of neurology*, 75(5), 800-801.
14. Fisher MJ, Loguidice M, Gutmann DH, Listernick R, Ferner RE, Ullrich NJ, Packer RJ, Tabori U, Hoffman RO, Ardern-Holmes SL, Hummel TR, Hargrave DR, Bouffet E, Charrow J, Bilaniuk LT, Balcer LJ, **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Liu GT (2014). “Gender as a disease modifier in neurofibromatosis type 1 optic pathway glioma.” *Annals of Neurology*, 75(5), 799-800.
15. Griffey RT, Kennedy SK, **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Goodman M, Kaphingst KA (2014). “Is low health literacy associated with increased emergency department utilization and recidivism?” *Academic Emergency Medicine*, 21(10), 1109-1115.
16. **D’Agostino McGowan L**, Gennarelli RL, Lyons SA, Goodman MS (2013). “Using small-area analysis to estimate county-level racial disparities in obesity demonstrating the necessity of targeted interventions.” *International journal of environmental research and public health*, 11(1), 418-428.

PRESS

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Is your research hot or not? US boffins create “Tinder for preprints” (2017) *The Register*. Available at: https://www.theregister.co.uk/2017/06/19/science_research_tinder_preprint_app/

Great paper? Swipe right on the new “Tinder for preprints” app (2017) *Science*. Available at: <http://www.sciencemag.org/news/2017/06/great-paper-swipe-right-new-tinder-preprints-app>

Swipe right for science: Papr app is “Tinder for preprints” (2017) *Nature*. Available at: <https://www.nature.com/news/swipe-right-for-science-papr-app-is-tinder-for-preprints-1.22163>