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**Education**

**University of Massachusetts-Amherst**

August 2017 - Now

Ph.D., Biostatistics

**Georgetown University** August 2014 - December 2015

Master of Science, Biostatistics

**Beijing Normal University - Hong Kong Baptist University United International College(UIC)**

September 2010 - June 2014

Bachelor of Science, Statistics

**Research Experience**

**Department of Biostatistics, University of Massachusetts-Amherst Amherst, MA**

**Research Assistant** *September 2018 - Now*

**Advisor: Leontine Alkema, PhD**

* Estimating the stillbirth rate using a Bayesian hierarchical temporal sparse regression model
* Proposing Bayesian Reference Distribution Variable Selection method based on horseshoe prior
* Predicting reporting errors in sibling survival data using covariates related to the respondent and their sibling
* Using sibling reporting error model to estimate survival probabilities from sibling survival data while accounting for reporting errors

**Department of Biostatistics, University of Massachusetts-Amherst Amherst, MA**

**Research Assistant** *September 2017- September 2018*

**Advisor: Xiangrong Kong, PhD**

* Using a hybrid modeling strategy based on Markov transition models with pairwise composite likelihood to deal with the high dimensional correlated data from Stargardt disease trials.
* Studying the visual impairment and eye diseases in HIV-infected people in the Antiretroviral Therapy era in Rakai, Uganda

**Department of Biostatistics, Georgetown University Washington, DC**

**Research Assistant** *September 2015- January 2017*

**Advisor: Ao Yuan, PhD**

* Creating the robust test for multiple endpoints in sequential design based on symmetric distribution assumption instead of normal distribution via simulation and empirical clinical trial data

**Department of Biostatistics, Georgetown University Washington, DC**

**Research Assistant** *January 2015-May 2015*

**Advisor: Lin Cai, PhD**

* Conducted data analysis to compare mixing lidocaine and propofol decreases the severity but not the incidence of propofol pain on injection to injecting lidocaine before propofol in non-premedicated patients undergoing colonoscopy
* Designed questionnaire and test for the study to evaluate first year medical students’ HIV/STI attitudes and counseling knowledge
* Analyzed outcome difference between GLM procedure and MIXED procedure in R and SAS based on CONNOR data
* Conducted data analysis for the study to explore the risk factor of haploid leukemia and URD leukemia

**Department of Biostatistics, Georgetown University Washington, DC**

**Practicum** *January 2015-December 2015*

**Advisor: Ming Tan, PhD**

* Developed Sequential Conditional Probability Ratio Test(SCPRT) for clinic trial data analysis, designed the R packages, evaluated the SCPRT through type I& type II error and discordance probability via simulation

**Department of Science and Technology, UIC Zhuhai, China**

**Advisor: Ping He, PhD** *January 2014-May 2014*

**Research Content: Application of Markov Chain-Monte Carlo method in logistic regression**

* Created a method to predict result of NBA basketball game by using Markov Chain-Monte Carlo method in logistic regression via 2014 NBA data

**Department of Science and Technology, UIC Zhuhai, China**

**Advisor: Jianzhong Zhang, PhD** *September 2012-November 2012*

**Research Content: Application of MATLAB programing**

* Solved a classical complex logistics problem-optimizing the logistics network by using method of enumeration in MATLAB

**Publications and Presentations**

**Wang, Z.,** Fix, M. J., Hug, L., Mishra, A., You, D., Blencowe, H., ... & Alkema, L. (2020). Estimating the Stillbirth Rate for 195 Countries Using A Bayesian Sparse Regression Model with Temporal Smoothing. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2010.03551*.

**Wang, Z.,** Yuan, A., & Tan, M. T. (2016). Computation of the Properties of Multi-Stage Clinical Trial Design Based on SCPRT. J Clin Trials, 6(274), 2167-0870.

Jian-Yu, E., **Wang, Z.,** Ssekasanvu, J., Munoz, B., West, S., Ludigo, J., ... & Kong, X. (2021). Visual Impairment and Eye Diseases in HIV-infected People in the Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) Era in Rakai, Uganda. *Ophthalmic Epidemiology*, *28*(1), 63-69.

Hannallah, M. S., Lopatin, J., Cestare, T., Tefera, E., **Wang, Z.,** & Cai, L. Mixing Lidocaine and Propofol Decreases the Severity but not the Incidence of Propofol Pain on Injection Compared to Injecting Lidocaine Before Propofol in Non-Premedicated Patients Undergoing Colonoscopy.

**Wang, Z.**, Kong, X. Multivariate Longitudinal Data from Eyes – Microperimertry Macular Sensitivity Loss in Patients with Stargardt Disease. (Poster presentation. JSM. Denver, CO.)

**Wang, Z.**, Alkema, L. Imposing Sparseness in a Bayesian Hierarchical Regression Model with Temporal Smoothing via the Horseshoe prior with an Application to Estimate Stillbirths for All Countries. (Paper presentation. JSM. )

**Wang, Z.,** Alkema, L. Stillbirth estimation model (Presentation. Core Stillbirth Estimation Group Meeting UN Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation Meeting. Switzerland)

**Wang, Z.,** Stillbirth rate estimation model (Presentation. Core Stillbirth Estimation Group Meeting UN Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation Meeting. Online)

**Professional Experience**

**Department of Biostatistics, Georgetown University Washington, DC**

**Biostatistics Consultant** *January 2015-Present*

* Worked as an assistant of statistical counselor, and helped customers conduct projects

**Johnson &Johnson Shanghai, China**

**Internship-Project Assistant** *May 2015-August 2015*

* Worked in statistical department, and participated in the VELCADE and ZYTIGA program
* Assisted finishing the SAP of VELCADE and ZYTIGA and analyzing clinical trial data
* Communicated academic experiment design methods with colleagues in J&J in Japan

**Sealand Securities Taiyuan, China**

**Internship-Sales Assistant**  *June 2012-September 2012*

* Wrote the [financial](http://dict.youdao.com/search?q=financial&keyfrom=E2Ctranslation) [plan](http://dict.youdao.com/w/planning/) for VIP client of Sales Department under the guidance of experienced staff
* Designed the classification of customer survey

**National Bureau of Statistics of the People’s Republic of China Beijing, China**

**Internship- Statistic consultant** *June 2011-September 2011*

* Trained colleagues using advanced statistical software (SAS, R)
* Increased the efficiency of public transportation system by more than 10%
* Participated in statistic enforcement for a company