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## EDUCATION

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| <b>Ph.D. in Biostatistics</b> , University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI          | July 2017 |
| <b>M.S. in Biostatistics</b> , University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI           | May 2013  |
| <b>B.S. in Biology</b> , Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA, <i>summa cum laude</i> | May 2007  |

## POSITIONS

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| <b>Flatiron Health</b> , New York, NY<br>Quantitative Scientist  | Aug 2017 – present  |
| <b>Google, Advanced Measurement Technologies</b> , New York, NY<br>Intern  | May 2016 – Aug 2016 |
| <b>University of Michigan, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery</b> , Ann Arbor, MI<br>Research Associate II                        | Sep 2015 – Nov 2016 |
| <b>University of Michigan, Institute for Social Research</b> , Ann Arbor, MI<br>Graduate Student Research Assistant              | Sep 2014 – Aug 2015 |
| Regents' Fellow  | Sep 2013 – Aug 2014 |
| <b>University of Michigan, Department of Biostatistics</b> , Ann Arbor, MI<br>Graduate Student Research Assistant                | Jan 2012 – Aug 2013 |
| <b>Abt Associates, Environment and Resources Division</b> , Bethesda, MD<br>Analyst  | Jun 2010 – Mar 2011 |
| Associate Analyst  | Jun 2008 – May 2010 |
| Research Assistant   | Jul 2007 – May 2008 |
| <b>Virginia Tech, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering</b> , Blacksburg, VA<br>Research Assistant                   | Aug 2006 – May 2007 |
| <b>Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pesticide Programs, Communication Services Branch</b> , Crystal City, VA<br>Intern | May 2006 – Aug 2006 |
| <b>Virginia Tech, Department of Biological Sciences</b> , Blacksburg, VA<br>Research Assistant                                   | May 2005 – Aug 2005 |

## PUBLICATIONS

### *Accepted*

Segal, B. D., Braun, T., Gonzalez, R., and Elliott, M. R. (2019). Tests of matrix structure for construct validation. *Psychometrika*, 84(1), 65–83. [doi.org/10.1007/s11336-018-9647-4](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11336-018-9647-4). (open-access [view-only version](#)).

**Segal, B. D.**, Elliott M., Braun T., and Jiang, H. (2018). P-splines with an  $\ell_1$  penalty for repeated measures. *Electronic Journal of Statistics*, 12(2), 3554–3600. [doi.org/10.1214/18-EJS1487](https://doi.org/10.1214/18-EJS1487)

Burgard, S. A., Lin, K. Y., **Segal, B. D.**, Elliott, M. R., and Seelye, S. S. (2018). Stability and change in health risk behavior profiles of U.S. adults. *Journal of Gerontology: Series B*. [doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gby088](https://doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gby088).

**Segal, B. D.**, Bennette, C. S. (2018). Re: “Transportability of Trial Results Using Inverse Odds of Sampling Weights.” *American Journal of Epidemiology*. [doi.org/10.1093/aje/kwy190](https://doi.org/10.1093/aje/kwy190).

**Segal, B. D.**, Braun, T., Elliott, M. R. and Jiang, H. (2018). Fast approximation of small p-values in permutation tests by partitioning the permutations. *Biometrics*, 74(1), 196–206. [doi:10.1111/biom.12731](https://doi.org/10.1111/biom.12731).

### *Submitted*

**Segal, B. D.** Towards replicability with confidence intervals for the exceedance probability . [arXiv:1803.03356](https://arxiv.org/abs/1803.03356).

Bennette, C. S., **Segal, B. D.**, Miksad, R. A., Bellomo, L. P., Nussbaum, N. C., Sarkar, S., Tucker, M., Schrag, D., Capra, W. B., Whipple, S., Abernethy, A. P. Use of a curated electronic health records database to create external control arms for cancer clinical trials.

Bennette, C. S., **Segal, B. D.**, Miksad, R. A., Bellomo, L. P., Nussbaum, N. C., Sarkar, S., Tucker, M., Curtis, M., Basu, A., Schrag, D., Capra, W. B., Whipple, S., Abernethy, A. P. Generating external control arms using real-world data in oncology: Analytic challenges and recommendations.

### *In preparation*

Duren, D. L., **Segal, B. D.**, Elliott, M. R., Tosi, L., Sherwood, R. J., and Jepsen, K. J. Is the human skeleton adapting to a new normal?

## TALKS AND POSTERS

Contributed talk: “Exceedance probability for parameter estimates.” JSM, July 2018.

Invited talk: “P-splines with an  $\ell_1$  penalty for repeated measures.” Statistical learning and data science/nonparametric statistics conference, June 2018.

Contributed poster (winner of best poster from Biostatistics department): “Tests of matrix structure for construct validation.” Michigan Student Symposium for Interdisciplinary Statistical Sciences, Mar 2017.

Contributed poster: “P-splines with an  $\ell_1$  penalty for repeated measures.” ENAR, Mar 2017.

Contributed talk (winner of travel award): “Fast approximation of small p-values in permutation tests by partitioning the permutation space.” JSM Biometrics section student paper awards session, Aug 2016.

Contributed poster: “Fast approximation of small p-values in permutation tests by partitioning the permutation space.” ENAR, Mar 2016.

## TECHNICAL REPORTS

Amarakoon, S., Smith, J., **Segal, B. D.** Lithium-ion batteries and nanotechnology for electric vehicles: Life cycle assessment study. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Design for the Environment Program. EPA 744-R-08-001, Apr 2012.

Socolof, M., Amarakoon, S., Smith, J., **Segal, B. D.** Life-cycle assessment of plenum space communication cable. The Society of the Plastics Industry, Oct 2009.

Greco, S., Smith, J., **Segal, B. D.**, Post, E., Lynch, M., Hattis, D. Evaluating methods for quantifying human noncancer health risks: Case study application, draft report. US EPA, Mar 2009.

Greco, S., Acquaye, A., Peak, K., **Segal, B. D.**, Rast, M. Framework for estimating costs and benefits associated with changes in the reference dose at federal facility hazardous waste sites. US EPA, Oct 2008.

**Segal, B. D.** Biofilm forming properties of the ammonia oxidizing bacteria *Nitrosomonas europaea*. Undergraduate research project. Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Virginia Tech, May 2007.

## SOFTWARE

**fastPerm**: R package for quickly approximating small permutation p-values for the difference and ratio of means. Available at <https://github.com/bdsegal/fastPerm>.

**gammaDist**: R package for computing the distribution and density of the difference of two gamma random variables under the null of equal distributions. Includes a saddlepoint approximation to the density. Available at <https://github.com/bdsegal/gammaDist>.

### *In development*

**matrixTest**: R package for testing symmetric matrices for block-diagonal structure under the null of exchangeable off-diagonal elements. Based on a permutation test with Hubert's gamma and a t-statistic. Available at <https://github.com/bdsegal/matrixTest>.

**psplines11**: R package for fitting additive mixed models with P-splines and an  $\ell_1$  penalty using alternating direction method of multipliers and cross validation. Available at <https://github.com/bdsegal/psplines11>.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor: Statistical Programming Workshop, University of Michigan, Winter 2016. Notes available at <https://bdsegal.github.io/BSA-computing-workshop>.

Grader: Introduction to Public Health (PUBHLTH 610), University of Michigan, Fall 2014

Graduate Student Instructor: Introduction to Biostatistics (BIOSTAT 503), University of Michigan, Fall 2011

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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| Best Poster from Biostatistics Departments at Michigan Student Symposium for Interdisciplinary Statistical Sciences, “Tests of matrix structure for construct validation” | 2017 |
| Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship  | 2016 |
| Travel Award for JSM, Biometrics Section, “Fast approximation of small p-values in permutation tests by partitioning the permutation space”                               | 2016 |
| Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant   | 2014 |
| Regents’ Fellowship   | 2013 |
| Phi Beta Kappa  | 2005 |
| Virginia Tech Paul Dirksen Smith Cycling Scholarship  | 2004 |

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

Reviewer for:

Biometrics

Journal of the American Statistical Association (Applications and Case Studies)

Statistical Methods in Medical Research

Annals of Applied Statistics

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| Session Chair, “Data science,” JSM                                       | Jul/Aug 2018   |
| Session Chair, “Statistical challenges in the analysis of EHR data,” JSM | Jul/Aug 2018   |
| Member, Eastern North American Region International Biometric Society    | 2015 – present |
| Volunteer, Statisticians Without Borders, response to Ebola outbreak     | Oct 2014       |
| Member, American Statistical Association                                 | 2012 – present |
| Committee Member, Abt Associates Community Engagement Program            | 2009 – 2010    |

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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| Volunteer Juggling Instructor, Zip Zap Circus, Washington, DC  | Apr 2011 – Aug 2011 |
| Volunteer, Al-Rowwad Children’s Art Center, Bethlehem, West Bank   | Jul 2010            |
| Participant, Service learning project to help recent immigrants adjust to life in the United States, Roanoke, VA | Jan 2006 – May 2006 |
| Volunteer English Teacher, Salomon Kim School, Quito, Ecuador  | Sep 2005 – Dec 2005 |
| President, Virginia Tech Cycling Club, Blacksburg, VA  | Aug 2004 – May 2005 |
| Sponsorship Officer, Virginia Tech Cycling Club, Blacksburg, VA  | Aug 2003 – May 2004 |

## **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Proficient: R, SAS,  $\text{\LaTeX}$

Familiar: Python, C, Unix, SQL, Git/GitHub, Mplus

## **REFERENCES**

Available upon request