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Ross Ihaka

George Ross Ihaka is a New Zealand statistician of Ngati Kahungungu descent,[1] who is recognized, along with Robert Gentleman, as one of the originators of the R programming language.[2][3][1] He retired as an associate professor of statistics at the University of Auckland in 2017.[4]

Ihaka obtained his doctorate in 1985 from the University of California, Berkeley.[5] He received the Royal Society of New Zealand's Pickering Medal in 2008 for his work on R.[6] As of 2010, he was working on a new statistical programming language based on Lisp.[7][8] The Department of Statistics at the University of Auckland started a public lecture series in his honour in 2017.[9]

Ross Ihaka	
Ihaka at the 2010 New Zealand Open Source Awards	
Alma mater	University of Auckland University of California, Berkeley
Known for	R programming language
Awards	Pickering Medal (2008)
Scientific career	
Fields	Statistical Computing
Institutions	University of Auckland
Thesis	*Ruaumoko* (1985)

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External links

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- Ross Ihaka's Home Page (https://www.stat.auckland.ac.nz/~ihaka/)

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