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EMPLOYMENT

Chancellor's Fellow

(University of Edinburgh's Usher Institute: 2023-present)

Validating a primary care tool for asthma patient risk stratification, and developing an intervention trial.

Honorary Researcher

(Public Health Scotland: 2022-2023)

Analyst and contributor to the EAVE II Covid-19 Surveillance project, including project lead for the NIHR funded Monoclonal Antibody and antiviral therapy project, known as ROTH-COV (Rapid Outcomes for Therapies for COVID).

Research Fellow – Statistics

(Asthma UK Centre for Applied Research and University of Edinburgh's Usher Institute: 2021-2023)

Machine learning, statistical analysis, data visualisation, administrative data processing. Validating and refining a primary care tool for asthma patient risk stratification, and researching frameworks for overcoming identified barriers to implementation.

Research Fellow – Statistics

(Melbourne School of Population and Global Health, Murdoch Children's Research Institute: 2016-2018)

Statistical analysis, data visualisation, administrative data processing

Biometrics Data Analyst

(Total Loyalty Company Hong Kong: 2014)

Cost-benefit analysis of employee health interventions and building automated analytical reports for clients and stakeholders.

EDUCATION

Postgraduate Certificate (PgCert) in Academic Practice (2022-2023)

Electives: 'Working with Postgraduate Students' and 'Accessible and Inclusive Learning'.
Higher Education Academy Fellow.

PhD Medical Informatics, Usher Institute, Medical School, University of Edinburgh (2018-2021)

Thesis title: "Data-driven approaches for predicting asthma attacks in adults in primary care". Supervisors: A. Sheikh, A. Tsanas

My PhD work focused on predicting clinical events in messy administrative data using machine learning classification algorithms.

MPhil Epidemiology, Darwin College, Cambridge University (2015-2016)

Dissertation Title: "The association between age at menopause and coronary heart disease: a comparison of approaches to handle missing data in EPIC-CHD".

Supervisor: A. White

Specialising in advanced statistics and programming in STATA, as well as broadening my medical knowledge.

BSc (Hons) Mathematics, Operational Research and Statistics, Cardiff University (2011–2015)

Specialising in medical statistics and game theory, with statistical industrial placement at Roche Pharmaceuticals (Welwyn Garden City) conducting statistical analysis in phase III and IV clinical trials.

RESEARCH FUNDING

Principal Investigator

- University of Edinburgh's Wellcome Trust Institutional Translational Partnership Award (iTPA). *Clinician Co-Design of an Asthma Clinical Decision Support Tool*. Reference: WT-iTPA-PIII077-SF. £5000 (2024)

Co-Investigator

- NIHR. Improving Equity in Respiratory Disease Outcomes in Africa using Data-Driven Tools: EQUI-RESP-AFRICA. Principal Investigator Prof. Igor Rudan. £3,300,000 (2023)
- GlaxoSmithKline. Characteristics and outcomes of COVID-19 patients treated with Sotrovimab, oral anti-virals, or no treatment in Scotland. Reference: GSK4182136. Principal Investigator Prof. Sir Aziz Sheikh. £198,350 (2022)
- Asthma and Lung UK. Exogenous sex steroid hormones and asthma phenotypes: a population-based prospective cohort study using UK-wide primary care databases. Reference: WAPG22\100019. Principal Investigator Dr. (Syed) Ahmar Shah. £228,493.55 (2022)
- Health Research Council of New Zealand. *Predicting acute asthma events using machine learning*. Reference: 21/867. Principal Investigator Dr. Amy Chan. NZD \$29,498 (2021)

Individual

- Usher Institute Small Grants Award: £250 (2023)
- The Alan Turing Institute Post-Doctoral Enrichment Award: £2000 (2022)
- University of Edinburgh College of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine PhD (eHERC/Farr Institute) Studentship: £63,114 (2018)
- Asthma UK Centre for Applied Research Student Travel Bursary: £300 (2019)
- Funded by University of Cambridge and Medical Research Council (MRC) Advanced Course Studentship: £18,109 (2015)

Named Collaborator

- NIHR School for Primary Care Research. *Development and external validation of a risk prediction model for asthma attacks in primary care: a retrospective cohort study*. Principal Investigator Dr. Matthew Martin. £49,908 (2024)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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