



INTRODUCTION TO BIOSTATISTICS

with emphasis on interpretation

Basic course

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General overview

1. Broad introduction to concepts of biostatistics, data analysis and methodology used in biomedical sciences, public health and clinical epidemiology.
2. Basic course with more emphasis on interpretation of the analysis and data.

Principal aims

- Broad introduction
- To provide tools for appropriate interpretation of data analysis
- To develop skills during data description, presentation and summary

Syllabus (5 weeks)

1. “Science before statistics”
2. The research question and study designs
3. General aims of data analysis
4. Types of data
5. Graphs and data description
6. Statistical inference, estimation and hypothesis test
7. Analysis of continuous outcomes
8. Analysis of categorical outcomes
9. Analysis of time-to-event data
10. Stratified analysis and multivariable models

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Materials and contents

- https://github.com/jacalvache/intro_biostatistics



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