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EDUCATION	<p><b>Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health</b>, Boston, MA  PhD, Population Health Sciences 2021  MS, Biostatistics 2021</p> <p><b>University of California, Berkeley</b>, Berkeley, CA  MS, Epidemiology 2016</p> <p><b>Brown University</b>, Providence, RI  BA, Comparative Literature and Community Health 2011</p>	
PUBLICATIONS	<p>[1] Juhel BC, Brunelle CL, Bernstein MC, <b>Smith LH</b>, Jung AW, Ababneh HS, Hausman EK, Bucci LK, Bernstein T, Naoum GE, Taghian AG. Side effects of COVID-19 vaccinations in patients treated for breast cancer. <i>Clinical and Experimental Medicine</i>. 2023. doi:<a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s10238-023-01050-z">10.1007/s10238-023-01050-z</a>.</p> <p>[2] Stensrud MJ, <b>Smith L</b>. Identification of vaccine effects when exposure status is unknown. <i>Epidemiology</i>. 2023; 34(2):216–224. doi:<a href="https://doi.org/10.1097/ede.0000000000001573">10.1097/ede.0000000000001573</a>.</p> <p>[3] Moura LMVR, Donahue MA, Yan Z, <b>Smith LH</b>, Hsu J, Newhouse JP, Schwamm LH, Haneuse S, Hernandez-Diaz S, Blacker D. Comparative effectiveness and safety of seizure prophylaxis among adults after acute ischemic stroke. <i>Stroke</i>. 2023; 54(2):527–536. doi:<a href="https://doi.org/10.1161/strokeaha.122.039946">10.1161/strokeaha.122.039946</a>.</p> <p>[4] Moura LMVR, Yan Z, Donahue MA, <b>Smith LH</b>, Schwamm LH, Hsu J, Newhouse JP, Haneuse S, Blacker D, Hernandez-Diaz S. No short-term mortality from benzodiazepine use post-acute ischemic stroke after accounting for bias. <i>Journal of Clinical Epidemiology</i>. 2023; 154:136–145. doi:<a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jclinepi.2022.12.013">10.1016/j.jclinepi.2022.12.013</a>.</p>	

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- [6] **Smith LH**, García-Albéniz X, Chan JM, Zhao S, Cowan JE, Broering JM, Cooperberg MR, Carroll PR, Hernán MA. Emulation of a target trial with sustained treatment strategies: An application to prostate cancer using both inverse probability weighting and the g-formula. *European Journal of Epidemiology*. 2022; 37(12):1205–1213. doi:[10.1007/s10654-022-00929-7](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10654-022-00929-7).
- [7] **Smith LH**, Dollinger CY, VanderWeele TJ, Wyszynski DF, Hernández-Díaz S. Timing and severity of COVID-19 during pregnancy and risk of preterm birth in the International Registry of Coronavirus Exposure in Pregnancy. *BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth*. 2022; 22(1):775. doi:[10.1186/s12884-022-05101-3](https://doi.org/10.1186/s12884-022-05101-3).
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- [14] Mathur MB, **Smith LH**, Yoshida K, Ding P, VanderWeele TJ. E-values for effect heterogeneity and approximations for causal interaction. *International Journal of Epidemiology*. 2022; 51(4):1268–1275. doi:[10.1093/ije/dyab073](https://doi.org/10.1093/ije/dyab073).
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[22] **Smith LH**, VanderWeele TJ. Mediation E-values: Approximate sensitivity analysis for unmeasured mediator-outcome confounding. *Epidemiology*. 2019; 30(6):835–837. doi:[10.1097/ede.0000000000001064](#).

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AWARDS	Harvard Biostatistics Certificate of Distinction in Teaching	2020
	Harvard Epidemiology Teaching Assistant Award	2020
	Winner, Harvard Epidemiology Student Podcast Competition	2020
	Bok Center Certificate of Distinction in Teaching (×3)	2017, 2018, 2019
	Runner-up, Harvard T.H. Chan School Poster Day	2019
	Ralph & June Catalano Award Scholarship	2015
	Reshetko Scholarship	2014
	U.C. Berkeley Graduate Division Block Grant	2014
	Phi Beta Kappa	2011
	Magna cum laude; Brown University departmental honors	2011
INVITED TALKS	C.V. Starr Fellowship for Public Service	2008
	“Introduction to Causal Inference.” MaineHealth Institute for Research. June 26 & July 17, 2023. (Portland, ME)	
	“Closing remarks.” Annual Symposium on Risks and Opportunities of AI in Pharmaceutical Medicine (AIPM). June 5, 2023. (Portland, ME)	
	“Intro to {targets}.” Maine R User Group. May 31, 2023. (Portland, ME)	
	“Challenges in estimating effects of time-varying exposures during pregnancy.” Advanced Methods Workshop, Society for Pediatric and Perinatal Epidemiologic Research (SPER). June 16, 2022. (Chicago, IL)	
	“Causal inference in epidemiology using target trial principles: Applications in pregnancy and prostate cancer.” Statistics seminar, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne. September 17, 2021. (Lausanne, Switzerland)	

“Multiple-bias sensitivity analysis using bounds.” Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM). August 9, 2021. (Virtual)

“Simple sensitivity analysis for selection bias using bounds.” 13th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CMStatistics). December 19, 2020. (Virtual)

“Discussion of ‘Selection bias in 2020.’” Online Causal Inference Seminar. December 8, 2020. (Virtual)

“The magic of R.” Master of Food and Resource Economics Program, University of British Columbia. August 20, 2020. (Virtual)

“Data gets personal.” Maine Medical Center R User Group. July 16, 2020. (Virtual)

“Data manipulation in R.” Maine Medical Center R Group. July 14, 2020. (Virtual)

“Data gets personal.” RLadies Boston, January 29, 2020. (Boston, MA)

“Simple sensitivity analysis for selection bias.” Koenen trauma epidemiology research group, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. December 4, 2019. (Boston, MA)

“Simple sensitivity analysis for selection bias.” Department of Medical Epidemiology and Biostatistics student seminar, Karolinska Institute. November 12, 2019. (Stockholm, Sweden)

“Simple sensitivity analysis for selection bias.” Monthly methods call, Vaccine Safety Datalink. September 12, 2019. (Virtual)

CONTRIBUTED  
PRESENTATIONS  
& WORKSHOPS

“Evaluating missingness assumptions for items in a frailty index.” Society for Epidemiologic Research (SER). June 14, 2023 (Portland, OR). *Oral Abstract Session*.

“Reproducible epidemiology in R.” Society for Epidemiologic Research (SER). June 13, 2023 (Portland, OR). *Pre-Conference Workshop*.

“COVID-19 and preterm birth: Understanding the relationship.” Society for Pediatric and Perinatal Epidemiologic Research (SPER). June 16, 2021 (Virtual). *Speed Talk Session*.

“Challenges in estimating effects of COVID-19 on preterm birth.” Society for Epidemiologic Research (SER). June 23, 2021 (Virtual). *Oral Abstract Session*.

“E-values, unmeasured confounding, measurement error, and selection bias.” Society for Epidemiologic Research (SER). June 18, 2019 (Minneapolis, MN); December 11, 2020 (Virtual); May 21, 2021 (Virtual). *Pre-Conference Workshop, with Tyler VanderWeele / Maya Mathur*.

“Simple sensitivity analysis for selection bias. Society for Epidemiologic Research (SER).” June 20, 2019 (Minneapolis, MN). *Concurrent Contributed Session Oral Presentation*.

POSTERS  
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**Smith LH**, Zaidi J. Identifying direct effects of in vitro fertilization on placental disease. Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health Poster Day. Boston, MA, April 25, 2019. *Runner-up: Best graduate student poster*.

**Smith LH**, Deardorff J, Petito L, Kim H, & Abrams BF. Maternal prepregnancy weight and children’s behavioral and emotional outcomes. Society For Research in Child Development (SCRD). Austin, TX, April 8, 2017.

**Smith LH**, Petito L, Cohen A, Deardorff J, & Abrams B. Gestational weight gain and math and reading achievement among U.S. children. Society for Pediatric and Perinatal

Epidemiologic Research (SPER). Miami, FL, June 20, 2016.

SOFTWARE &  
ONLINE TOOLS

**Smith LH.** Simple sensitivity analysis for selection bias. *Online tool available at [selection-bias.louisahsmith.com](https://selection-bias.louisahsmith.com).*

Mathur MB, **Smith LH**, Ding P, VanderWeele TJ. EValue: Sensitivity analyses for unmeasured confounding or selection bias in observational studies and meta-analyses. *R Package on CRAN.*

**Smith LH.** PHS Summer Prep. *Online introduction to R, probability, and statistics for incoming PhD students available at [bit.ly/phs-prep](https://bit.ly/phs-prep).*

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**EPI 207: Advanced Epidemiologic Methods**  
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**BST 256: Theory and Methods for Causality I**  
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*Instructor:* Andrea Rotnitzky

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**Introduction to R**  
Instructor and course developer

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**Introduction to Epidemiology**  
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**PHS 2000: Quantitative Research Methods**  
Teaching fellow

2017 – 2019

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**University of California, Berkeley**, Berkeley, CA

**PH 150A: Introduction to Epidemiology and Human Disease**  
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2016

**PH 250A: Epidemiologic Methods**  
Graduate student instructor  
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2015

**Guest lectures**

SBS 245: Social and Behavioral Research Methods, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.

MPH 677: Regression Models in the Health Sciences, University of Southern Maine.

PHTH 5202: Epidemiology, Northeastern University.

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Member, Society for Epidemiologic Research (SER)

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Elementary school teacher 2011 – 2014

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Lesson planning, curriculum mapping, analysis of student progress