Curriculum Vitae

Kaspar Rufibach, PhD Biostatistician

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Professional experience:

07/2015 -

Methods, Collaboration, and Outreach group, Biostatistics, F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd, Basel, Switzerland (on 50% rotation from 07/2015 - 12/2016, full time 90% since 01/2017)

- Small group of statisticians serving as point of contact for methodological questions within Roche Biostatistics.
- Develop fit-for-purpose methodology and software.
- Contribute to cross-industry and academic working groups.
- Mentoring interns.
- Provide trainings to Statisticians and non-Statisticians, in- and externally.
- Consulting for Roche Biostatisticians.
- Job titles at Roche: Statistical Scientist (05/2012 03/2015), Senior Statistical Scientist (04/2015 03/2017), Principal Statistical Scientist (04/2017 05/2019), Senior Principal Statistical Scientist (since 06/2019, not a promotion but a rebranding of Roche job titles).

05/2012 - 12/2016

Trial and project statistician (full time until 02/2014, 90% since 03/2014), Biostatistics oncology, F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd, Basel, Switzerland

- Study statistician for a large Phase III registration trial in the GAZYVA development program. Biometrics subteam lead for global filing.
- Project lead statistician for MDM2(4): Planning of Phase 1 dose-finding and pivotal Phase III trial.

02/2012 -

Founder and owner, Rufibach rePROstat - consulting and education in biostatistics, Bern, Switzerland

- Statistical consulting of medical researchers.
- Trainings in Biostatistics for various audiences.
- Teaching in Master of advanced studies program at University of Applied Sciences, Winterthur.

11/2007 - 12/2011

Lecturer in Biostatistics (100%), Division of Biostatistics, Institute of Socialand Preventive Medicine (ISPMZ), University of Zurich, Switzerland

- Methodological research in statistics.
- \bullet Teaching of biostatistics and medicine master students.
- Statistical consulting of medical researchers.

09/2006 - 08/2007

Postdoctoral scholar, Department of Statistics, Stanford University, Palo Alto, United States (Swiss National Science Foundation fellowship)

- Methodological research in statistics.
- Collaboration with neurologists.

03/2002 - 04/2006

Biostatistician (40%–50%), Swiss Group for Clinical Cancer Research (SAKK), Bern, Switzerland

• Statistician for Phase II / III oncology trials.

11/2000 - 08/2006

Research and Teaching Assistant (25–50%), Department of Mathematical Statistics and Actuarial Science (IMSV), University of Bern, Switzerland

- Methodological research in statistics.
- Teaching and mentoring students.
- Statistical consulting.

EDUCATION:

09/2006 - 08/2007

Postdoctoral scholar, Department of Statistics, Stanford University, Palo Alto, United States.

Project: Quantifying heterogeneity in flow cytometry measurements and applications of log-concave density estimation.

Collaborator: Prof. Günther Walther.

04/2002 - 05/2006

PhD in Mathematics (magna cum laude), Department of Mathematical Statistics and Actuarial Science, University of Bern, Switzerland and Institute of Mathematical Statistics, Georg-August-University, Göttingen, Germany. Thesis: Log-concave density estimation and bump hunting for i.i.d. observations. Advisors: Prof. Lutz Dümbgen (Bern) and Prof. Axel Munk (Göttingen).

10/1997 - 11/2001

Diploma in Statistics (cum laude), Minors in Mathematics and Economics, Department of Mathematical Statistics and Actuarial Science, University of Bern, Switzerland.

Thesis: Phase reconstructions for uniform distributions in \mathbb{R}^d (in German). Advisor: Prof. Henri Carnal.

AWARDS:

01/08/11

Certificate of Distinction. Awarded by the journal "Skeletal Radiology" for that the quantity, timeliness, and quality of referee reports during 2010 was above and beyond the call of duty.

10/08/10

Certificate of Distinction. Awarded by the journal "Skeletal Radiology" to top 15% of referees for quality of referee reports during 2009.

25/01/10 - 29/01/10	Invitation to workshop "Statistical Issues in Prediction: What can be Learned for Individualized Predictive Medicine?". Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut, Oberwolfach, Germany.
06/11/06 - 10/11/06	Invitation to workshop "Qualitative Assumptions and Regularization in High-Dimensional Statistics". Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut, Oberwolfach, Germany.
04/12/06	Moser-Prize of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics and Actuarial Science, University of Bern. Awarded for the best Diploma or PhD thesis of the year 2006. SFr 1,000.
18/07/05 - 23/07/05	Participation in European young statisticians training camp, Oslo (50 participants selected out of 120). All expenses covered.

FACE-TO-FACE HEALTH AUTHORITY MEETINGS:

27/10/2017	EMA Biostatistics Working Party. Regular meeting between EMA statisticians and $EFSPI$ regulatory committee.
23/11/2016	$\label{eq:mhra} \mbox{MHRA London. } \textit{Regular meeting between MHRA statisticians and EFSPI regulatory } \\ \textit{committee}.$
28/07/2016	FDA sBLA meeting. Discuss Gallium submission.
08/07/2016	ANSM France. Discuss Gallium submission.
08/07/2015	CHMP Scientific Advice Working Party (SAWP) meeting. $Discuss\ Idas anutlin\ Phase$ 3 $study$.
27/01/2015	FDA Type B Meeting. Discuss Idasanutlin Phase 3 study.

CROSS-INDUSTRY AND ACADEMIC WORKING GROUPS:		
01/2018 -	Oncology estimand working group (initiator and leader). Cross-industry working group initiated by Evgeny Degtyarev (Novartis) and myself, working on guidelines how to implement the ICH E9 addendum for time-to-event endpoints. Status as both, EFSPI scientific interest group and ASA biopharmaceutical section scientific working group.	
07/2017 -	Analysis of adverse events with varying follow-up times (member). Working group with members from academia, industry, and regulators with the goal of evaluating different methods to analysis adverse events with varying follow-up times.	
04/2017 - 09/2018	Neuroscience estimand working group (member). Working group with the goal of developing estimand strategies in neuroscience.	
06/2016 -	RPACT, sub-working group of the AG Statistikleitertreffen of the German Region of the IBS (member). Industry consortium supporting development of rpact, a R package implementing group-sequential and adaptive designs.	
11/2015 -	EFSPI regulatory working group (member). EFSPI special interest group: review of regulatory guidelines, collaboration with EFPIA, regular meetings with regulators.	

Refereeing:

Online list of performed reviews (statistical journals only): Publons

Reviewer for statistical journals

Annals of Applied Statistics (2011: 1), Annals of Statistics (2006: 1, 2011: 1), Biometrical Journal (2008: 1, 2010: 2, 2018: 1), Biometrika (2010: 1), Computational Statistics and Data Analysis (2010: 1), Electronic Journal of Statistics (2010: 1, 2012: 1), Journal of Nonparametric Statistics (2008: 1), Journal of Statistical Software (2011: 1), Pharmaceutical Statistics (2017: 1, 2018: 2, 2019: 3), Scandinavian Journal of Statistics (2005: 1), Statistica Neerlandica (2009: 1), Statistica Sinica (2011: 1), Statistics in Medicine (2011: 1, 2017: 1, 2018: 2), Statistics in Biopharmaceutical Research (2018: 1, 2019: 3), PLOS ONE (2018: 1).

External statistical expert for Skeletal Radiology

2008: 7 expertises. 2009: 10 expertises. 2010: 7 expertises. 2011: 2 expertises.

Reviewer for medical journals

Contemporary Clinical Trials (2008: 1), Critical Care Medicine (2008: 1).

Reviewer for funding agencies

Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (2008: 1), Medical Research Council UK (2019: 1).

Reviewer book proposals

Chapman & Hall/CRC (2015: 1).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

2019	Member of scientific and local organizing committee, 4th EFSPI Regulatory Statistics Workshop, Basel.
2018	Member of scientific and local organizing committee, 3rd EFSPI Regulatory Statistics Workshop, Basel.
2017 -	Region Austria-Switzerland of the International Biometric Society: Accounting Auditor.
2017	Member of scientific and local organizing committee, 2nd EFSPI Regulatory Statistics Workshop, Basel.
2009	Member of organizing committee, Swiss Statistics Meeting, Geneva.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

International Biometric Society (IBS, Austro-Swiss Region), International Society for Clinical Biostatistics (ISCB), Swiss Statistical Society (SSS).

References:

Available upon request.