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## Curriculum Vita

### Information

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### Education

2009, PhD in Statistics, Yale University, USA.

Dissertation: *Penalized Likelihoods: Fast Algorithms and Risk Bounds*.

PhD advisor: Andrew Barron

2006, MA in Statistics, Yale University, USA.

2003, BSc in Geophysics, Peking University, CHINA.

### Academic Positions

- 2019–pres, Associate Professor (with tenure), Department of Biostatistics and Data Science, School of Public Health, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston.
- 2011–2018, Assistant Professor, Department of Biostatistics, School of Public Health, Brown University.
- 2009–2011, Visiting Lecturer, Department of Statistics, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania.
- 2008–2010, Statistical Consultant, Department of Psychiatry, Yale University.

### Publications

My publications have received **3667** citations on Google Scholar (<http://bit.ly/xluopub>), as of October 10, 2022. My h-index is **27** and my i10-index is **46**.

## Full Publications

Student authors for whom I served or am serving as the primary research advisor (excluding those I served as the primary statistical advisor) are shown as \*red. Authorships may be listed in the *alphabetic* order, following the tradition for papers on mathematical statistics.

- 50 Y Zhao, B Wang, CF Liu, A Faria, M Miller, B Caffo, **X Luo** (In Press). Identifying Brain Hierarchical Structures Associated with Alzheimer's Disease using a Regularized Regression Method with Tree Predictors. *Biometrics*.
- 49 \*Y Zhao, **X Luo** (In Press). Multilevel Mediation Analysis with Structured Unmeasured Confounding. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*.

### **2015 ENAR Distinguished Student Paper Award.**

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- 43 \*Y Zhao, **X Luo**(2022). Pathway Lasso: Estimate and Select Sparse Mediation Pathways with High Dimensional Mediators. *Statistics and Its Interface*, 5(1): 39-50. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.4310/21-SII673>

**Student Paper Award** for the 2nd Annual Conference on Statistical Methods in Imaging, American Statistical Association, 2016.

**Travel Award** for the conference on Challenges and Advances on Big Data in Neuroimaging, Cleveland Clinic, 2016.

**Travel Award** for the Women in Machine Learning Workshop, Barcelona, Spain, 2016.

- 42 Y Zhao, B Caffo, **X Luo** (2021). Principal regression for high dimensional covariance matrices. *Electronic Journal of Statistics*, 15(2): 4192-4235. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1214/21-EJS1887>
- 41 Y Zhao, B Wang, S Mostofsky, B Caffo, **X Luo** (2021). Covariate Assisted Principal Regression for Covariance Matrix Outcomes. *Biostatistics*, 2(3): 629-645. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1093/biostatistics/kxz057>
- 40 Y Zhao, B Caffo, B Wang, CR Li, **X Luo** (2021). A Whole-Brain Regression Method to Identify Individual and Group Variations in Functional Connectivity. *Brain and Behavior* 2021;11:e01942. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1002/brb3.1942>
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- 38 H Miao, Q Gao, H Feng, C Zhong, P Zhu, L Wu, MD Swartz, **X Luo**, SM DeSantis, D Lai, C Bauer, et al (2020). Mathematical Modeling of Business Reopening When Facing SARS-CoV-2 Pandemic: Protection, Cost, and Risk. *Frontiers in Applied Mathematics and Statistics*, 6. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.3389/fams.2020.00035> .
- 37 F Bunea, C Giraud, **X Luo** [alphabetic order], M Royer, N Verzelen (2020). Model Assisted Variable Clustering: Minimax-optimal Recovery and Algorithms. *Annals of Statistics*, 48(1): 111-137. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1214/18-AOS1794> .

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- 35 **\*Y Zhao**, **X Luo** (2019). Granger Mediation Analysis of Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Time Series. *Biometrics*. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1111/biom.13056> .

**Student Paper Award** from the Mental Health Section of the American Statistical Association (ASA), 2017.

**Student Paper Award (declined)** following ASA's one award policy) from the Statistics in Imaging Section of the American Statistical Association, 2017.

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**Honorable Mention** for the student paper competition from the Mental Health Section of the American Statistical Association (ASA), 2018.  
PyPI pkg **cdn-fmri** (<https://pypi.org/project/cdn-fmri/>):

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- 29 **X Luo**, S Gee, V Sohal, D Small (2016). A Point-process Response Model for Optogenetics Experiments on Neural Circuits. *Statistics in Medicine*, 35(3): 455-474. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1002/sim.6742>

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17 **X Luo**, S Zhang, S Hu, SR Bednarski, E Erdman, OM Farr, K Hong, R Sinha, CM Mazure, CR Li (2013). Error Processing and Gender-shared and-specific Neural Predictors of Relapse in Cocaine Dependence. *Brain*, 136(Pt 4): 1231-1244. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1093/brain/awt040>

16 **X Luo**, D Small, C Li, and P Rosenbaum (2012). Inference with Interference between Units in an fMRI Experiment of Motor Inhibition. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, 107(498): 530-541. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1080/01621459.2012.655954>

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- 14 S Zhang, S Hu, HH Chao, **X Luo**, CR Li (2012). Cerebral Correlates of Skin Conductance Responses in a Cognitive Task. *NeuroImage*, 62: 1489-1498. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroimage.2012.05.036>
- 13 S Bednarski, E Erdman, **X Luo**, S Zhang, S Hu, C Li (2012). Neural Processes of an Indirect Analog of Risk Taking in Young Non-dependent Adult Alcohol Drinkers - an fMRI Study of the Stop Signal Task. *Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research*, 36(5): 768-779. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1530-0277.2011.01672.x>
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- 8 CR Li, **X Luo**, R Sinha, BJ Rounsaville, KM Carroll, RT Malison, Y Ding, S Zhang, and JS Ide (2009). Increased Error-related Thalamic Activity During Early Compared to Late Cocaine Abstinence. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 109: 181-189. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2010.01.008>
- 7 CR Li, **X Luo**, P Yan, K Bergquist, and R Sinha (2009). Altered Impulse Control in Alcohol Dependence: Neural Measures of Stop Signal Performance. *Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research*, 33(4), 745-750. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1530-0277.2008.00891.x>
- 6 JR Duann, JS Ide, **X Luo**, and CR Li (2009). Functional Connectivity Delineates Distinct Roles of the Inferior Frontal Cortex and Presupplementary Motor Area in Stop Signal Inhibition. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 29(32): 10171-10179. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.1300-09.2009>



- 5 HA Chao, **X Luo**, J Chang, and CR Li (2009). Activation of the Pre-Supplementary Motor Area but not Inferior Prefrontal Cortex in Association with Short Stop Signal Reaction Time—An Intra-subject Analysis. *BMC Neuroscience*, 10: 75. DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.1186/1471-2202-10-75>
- 4 AR Barron and **X Luo** (2008). MDL Procedures with  $\ell_1$  Penalty and their Statistical Risk. *Proceedings Workshop on Information Theoretic Methods in Science and Engineering, Tampere University of Technology, Tampere, Finland, August 18-20*. [http://sp.cs.tut.fi/WITMSE08/Proceedings/PlenaryPapers/plenary\\_Barron.pdf](http://sp.cs.tut.fi/WITMSE08/Proceedings/PlenaryPapers/plenary_Barron.pdf)
- 3 AR Barron, C Huang, JQ Li and **X Luo** (2008). MDL, Penalized Likelihood and Statistical Risk. *Proceedings IEEE Information Theory Workshop, Porto, Portugal, May 4-9*. <http://www.academia.edu/download/44552946/MDLpenalizedLikelihoodStatisticalRiskITW.pdf>
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### Articles under Review

- 2 T Alkis, **X Luo**, K Wall, P Chang, R Hoogeveen, C Ballantyne, J Coresh, E Boerwinkle, A Shah, B Yu A Polygenic Risk Score Improves Prediction of Lifetime Risk for Heart Failure *Under Review*.
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### Book

- 1 D Yu, A Yaseen, **X Luo** (2020). Deep Learning Applications in EHR, chapter in *Statistics and Machine Learning Methods for EHR Data: From Data Extraction to Data Analytics*, ed. by H Wu, JM Yamal, A Yaseen, V Maroufy. Taylor and Francis Group.

### Abstracts/Posters

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- 35 (peer-reviewed) **X Cao**, **X Luo**, B Sandstede. Large-scale Causal Dynamic Network Modeling of fMRI. The Organization of the Human Brain Mapping, June 17 – 21, 2018.
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- 33 **Y Zhao**, **X Luo**. *Granger Mediation Analysis of Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Time Series*. The Joint Statistical Meetings, Baltimore, Maryland, USA, July 29 – August 3, 2017.
- 32 **Y Zhao**, **X Luo**, E Upfal, P Bedard, J Sanes. *Identifying “Hot” Local Brain Subnetworks during Motor Sequence Learning*. The Organization for Human Brain Mapping, Vancouver Convention Centre, California, Vancouver, CANADA, June 25 – 29, 2017.
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- 30 **Y Zhao**, **X Luo**. *Granger Mediation Analysis of Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Time Series*. Brown-NUWC Research Exchange. Providence, Rhode Island, USA, March 31, 2017.
- 29 **Y Zhao**, **X Luo**. *Granger Mediation Analysis of Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Time Series*. The 4rd Annual Mind Brain Research Day, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, USA, March 25, 2017.
- 28 (Oral) **Y Zhao**, **X Luo**. *Granger Mediation Analysis of Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Time Series*. ENAR, Washington DC, March 12 – 15, 2017.
- 27 ME Lacy, GA Wellenius, A Correa, MR Carnethon, RI Leim, **X Luo**, JG Wilson, A Gjelsvik, AP Carson, DR Jacobs, CB Eaton, WC Wu. *Diabetes Risk Prediction and Sick Cell Trait in African Americans From CARDIA and the Jackson Heart Study*. Circulation 135 (Suppl 1), AP053-AP053, 2017.
- 26 **X Luo**, B Caffo, CS Li. *Big Networks: Inferring Large-scale Brain Networks and Pathways*. The Third Annual BRAIN Initiative Investigators Meeting, Washington DC, December 11 – 14, 2016.
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**Travel Award** for the Women in Machine Learning workshop, Barcelona, Spain, 2016.

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**Travel Award** for the conference on Challenges and Advances on Big Data in Neuroimaging, Cleveland Clinic, 2016.

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- 15 D McCarthy, J Moher, P Yan, **X Luo**, J-H Song *Decoding Changes of Mind in Perceptual Decision-making*. RI NIH IDeA Symposium, Providence, Rhode Island, USA, March 17, 2016.

- 14 [\\*Y Zhao](#), **X Luo**. *Pathway Lasso: Estimate and Select Sparse Mediation Pathways with High Dimensional Mediators*, The 3rd Annual Mind Brain Research Day, Brown University, Providence,

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- 12 (Invited) **X Luo**. *Big Data and Neuroimaging: Large-scale Models for Brain Networks*, ENAR, Austin, Texas, USA, March 6 - 9, 2016.
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- 10 ME Lacy, GA Wellenius, A Correa, AE Sumner, S Liu, **X Luo**, JG Wilson, A Gjelsvik, CB Eaton, MR Carnethon, WC Wu. *The Influence of Sick Cell Trait on the Relationship between A1c and Fasting Glucose: The Jackson Heart Study*. DIABETES, American Diabetes Association, June 1, 2015.
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**Runner-up for Best Research Poster Award** among PhDs, postdoctorals, and trainees.
- 8 [\\*Y Zhao](#), **X Luo**. *Estimating Causal Mediation Effect of preSMA on PMC in an fMRI Experiment*. RI NIH IDEa Symposium, Providence, Rhode Island, USA, April 2, 2015.
- 7 [\\*Y Zhao](#), **X Luo**. *Estimating Causal Mediation Effect of preSMA on PMC in an fMRI Experiment*. Mind Brain Research Day, Department of Psychiatry and Human Behavior, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, USA, March 24, 2015.
- 6 (Invited, Oral) [\\*Y Zhao](#), **X Luo**. *Estimating Mediation Effects under Correlated Errors with An Application to fMRI*, ENAR, Miami, Florida, USA, March 15 - 18, 2015.  
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### Software Publications

These software publications intend to supplement my method publications for the goals of reproducible research and method dissemination.

Student authors of my primary advisees are shown in <sup>\*</sup>red.

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- 12 **tabletree** Analyzing multiple (big) SQL-like tables. PyPI package.

Web: <https://pypi.org/project/tabletree>

Web: <https://github.com/rluo/tabletree>

Programming language: Python

Author: **X Luo**

Creator and Maintainer: **X Luo**

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<http://pepy.tech/badge/tabletree>

Most recent update on June 29, 2019.

First public release on June 29, 2019.

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- 11 **cap** Covariate Assisted Principal regression. CRAN R package.

Web: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=cap>

Programming language: R

Author: <sup>\*</sup>Y Zhao, Bingkai Wang, Stewart Mostofsky, Brian Caffo, **X Luo**

Creator and Maintainer: <sup>\*</sup>Y Zhao

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- 10 **cdn-fmri** Causal Dynamic Network modeling of fMRI. PyPI package.

Web: <https://pypi.org/project/cdn-fmri>  
Web: <https://github.com/xuefeicao/CDN.git>  
Programming language: Python  
Author: [\\*X Cao](#), [X Luo](#), Bjorn Sandstede  
Creator and Maintainer: [\\*X Cao](#)  
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<http://pepy.tech/badge/cdn-fmri>  
Most recent update on June 13, 2018.  
First public release on June 13, 2018.

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9 **cfma** Causal Functional Mediation Analysis. CRAN R package.

Web: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=cfma>  
Programming language: R  
Author: [\\*Y Zhao](#), [X Luo](#), Martin Lindquist, Brian Caffo  
Creator and Maintainer: [\\*Y Zhao](#)  
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8 **gma** Granger Mediation Analysis. CRAN R package.

Web: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=gma>  
Programming language: R  
Author: [\\*Y Zhao](#), [X Luo](#)  
Creator and Maintainer: [\\*Y Zhao](#)  
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7 **macc** Mediation Analysis of Causality under Confounding. CRAN R package.

Web: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=macc>  
Programming language: R  
Author: [\\*Y Zhao](#), [X Luo](#)  
Creator and Maintainer: [\\*Y Zhao](#)  
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<https://cranlogs.r-pkg.org/badges/grand-total/macc>  
Most recent update on November 3, 2016.  
First public release on November 3, 2016.

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6 **cord**: Community Estimation in G-Models via CORD. CRAN R package.

Web: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=cord>

Programming languages: R, C++

Author: **X Luo**, F Bunea, C Giraud

Creator and Maintainer: **X Luo**

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<https://cranlogs.r-pkg.org/badges/grand-total/cord>

Most recent update on September 20, 2015.

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5 **pro**: Point-process Response model for Optogenetics. CRAN R package.

Web: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=pro>

Programming language: R

Author: **X Luo**

Contributor: D Small, V Sohal

Creator and Maintainer: **X Luo**

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4 **scio**: Sparse Columnwise Inverse Operator for precision matrix estimation. CRAN R package.

Web: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=scio>

Programming languages: R, Fortran

Author: **X Luo**, W Liu

Creator and Maintainer: **X Luo**

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Most recent update on April 15, 2014.

First public release on May 6, 2012.

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3 **cin**: Causal Inference for Neuroscience. CRAN R package.

Web: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=cin>

Programming language: R

Author: **X Luo**

Contributor: D Small, CS Li, P Rosenbaum

Creator and Maintainer: **X Luo**

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Most recent update on December 28, 2011.

First public release on December 28, 2011.

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2 **lore**: LOW Rank and sparseE Covariance matrix estimation. CRAN R package.

Web: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=lorec>

Programming languages: R, Fortran

Author: **X Luo**

Creator and Maintainer: **X Luo**

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<https://cranlogs.r-pkg.org/badges/grand-total/lorec>

Most recent update on February 20, 2014 .

First public release on November 7, 2011.

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- 1 **clime**: Constrained  $\ell_1$ -minimization for Inverse (covariance) Matrix Estimation. CRAN R package.

Web: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=clime>

Programming language: R

Author: TT Cai, W Liu, **X Luo** (alphabetic order)

Creator and Maintainer: **X Luo**

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Most recent update on May 6, 2012.

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## Talks

### Conference Presentations

- 72 **(Invited speaker)** *Covariate Assisted Principal (CAP) Regression for Matrix Outcomes*. The Statistical Methods in Imaging Conference, Atlanta, USA, May 19, 2021.  
Slides available at <https://bit.ly/smicap21>
- 71 **(Invited speaker)** *Covariate Assisted Principal (CAP) Regression for Matrix Outcomes*. ENAR, USA, March 15, 2021.  
Slides available at <https://bit.ly/ehrnnet20>
- 70 **(Invited speaker)** *Binary Autoregressive Network Modeling of Comorbidity Networks from Electronic Health Records*. ICSA , Houston, USA, December 15, 2020.  
Slides available at <https://bit.ly/ehrnnet20>
- 69 **(Invited speaker)** *Granger Mediation Analysis for Multiple Time Series*. JSM , Philadelphia, USA, August 1 - 6, 2020.  
Slides available at <https://bit.ly/mediationjsm20>
- 68 **(Invited speaker)** *Covariate Assisted Principal (CAP) Regression for Matrix Outcomes*. ICSA , Hangzhou, CHINA, December 20 - 22, 2019.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/icsahz19>
- 67 **(Invited speaker)** *Covariate Assisted Principal (CAP) Regression for Matrix Outcomes*. CM Statistics, London, UK, December 14 - 16, 2019.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/cmstat19>



- 66 **(Invited speaker)** *Covariate Assisted Principal (CAP) Regression for Matrix Outcomes*. The ICSA China Conference, Tianjin, CHINA, July 1 - 4, 2019.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/icsa2019>
- 65 **(Invited speaker)** *Mediation Analysis for Large and Multilevel Data*. The 2019 Conference on Lifetime Data Science, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA, May 29 - 31, 2019.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/medLiDS>
- 64 **(Invited speaker)** *Covariate Assisted Principal (CAP) Regression for Matrix Outcomes*. The ICSA Conference on Data Science, XishuangBanNan, Yunan, CHINA, January 11 - 13, 2019.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/icsa19>
- 63 **(Invited speaker)** *Covariate Assisted Principal (CAP) Regression for Matrix Outcomes*. The 4th International Conference on Big Data and Information Analytics, Houston, Texas, USA, December 17 - 19, 2018.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/bigdia18>
- 62 **(Invited speaker)** *Causal Dynamic Networks: : ODE Network Modeling of fMRI*. The 11th International Conference of Computational and Methodological Statistics, Pisa, Italy, December 14 - 16, 2018.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/cmstat18>
- 61 **(Invited panel speaker)** *Modern Statistical Developments in Big Data*. NextGen: Data Science Day, New England Statistical Society, Yale University, New Haven, USA, October 27, 2018.
- 60 **(Invited)** *Pathway Lasso: Estimate and Select Multiple Mediation Pathways*. The XXIX International Biometric Conference, Barcelona, Spain, July 8 - 13, 2018.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/ibc1807>
- 59 **(Invited)** *Granger Mediation Analysis for Multiple Time Series*. The 2018 ICSA China Conference with the Focus on Data Science, Qingdao, China, July 2 - 5, 2018.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/icsa18>
- 58 **(Invited)** *Inferring Big Graphs using "Network of Networks" with an Application to fMRI*. Conference on Frontiers of Big Data and Statistical Sciences, Vancouver, British Columbia, CANADA, August 18 - 20, 2017.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/canadabd>
- 57 **(Invited)** *Estimating Brain Pathways Using Large-scale Multilevel Models*. The 2017 ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium, Chicago, Illinois, USA, June 25 - 28, 2017.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/icsa17>
- 56 **(Invited)** *Network Clustering with an Application to fMRI*. The 1st International Conference on Econometrics and Statistics, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong, June 15 - 17, 2017.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/ecosta17>

- 55 **(Invited)** *Multilevel Causal Mediation Analysis for Big Functional MRI Data*. The Mathematics and Statistics in Medical Imaging Applications and Big Data Integration Workshop, Sanya, CHINA, December 26 - 30, 2016.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/sanya16>
- 54 **(Invited)** *Variable Clustering via G-Models of Large Covariance Matrices*. The 10th ICSA International Conference, Shanghai, CHINA, December 19 - 22, 2016.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/ICSA2016>
- 53 **(Invited)** *Estimating Information Flow in Large Brain Networks via Pathway Lasso*. The 9th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics, Seville, Spain, December 9 - 11, 2016.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/CMStat16>
- 52 **(Invited)** *Community Detection and Clustering via G-models with an Application to fMRI*. The International Chinese Statistical Association, Atlanta, Georgia, USA, June 12 - 15, 2016.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/XLICSA16>
- 51 **(Invited)** *Network Communities and Variable Clustering: A Covariance Matrix Approach*. The 2016 Conference on Statistical Learning and Data Science, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA, June 6 - 8, 2016.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/SLDS16>
- 50 **(Invited)** *Estimating Brain Pathway Effects Using Large-scale Multilevel Models*. SAMSI CCNS Transition Workshop, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, USA, May 4 - 6, 2016.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/xISAMSI16>
- 49 **(Invited)** *Pathway Lasso: Estimate Brain Information Flow Pathways*. New England Statistics Symposium, New Haven, Connecticut, USA, April 22, 2016.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/xINESS16>
- 48 **(Invited)** *Estimating Information Flow in Large Brain Networks via Convex Optimization*. ENAR, Austin, Texas, USA, March 6 - 9, 2016.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/xIENAR16>
- 47 **(Invited)** *Estimation of Information Flow in Brain Networks*. Joint Statistical Meetings, Seattle, Washington, USA, August 8 - 13, 2015.
- 46 **(Invited)** *Variable Partitioning via Large Covariance Matrix Fusion*. European Meeting of Statisticians, Amsterdam, Netherland, July 6 - 10, 2015.
- 45 **(Invited)** *Covariance Matrix Estimation in Big Data: Approaches Based on Algebraic Properties*. The 29th New England Statistical Symposium, University of Connecticut, April 24 - 25, 2015.
- 44 **(Invited Topic-contributed)** *Algebraic Methods and Brain Networks*. Joint Statistical Meetings, Boston, Massachusetts, USA, August 3 - 6, 2014.
- 43 **(Invited)** *Network Based Discriminant Analysis with Applications to fMRI*. The International Society

for Business and Industrial Statistics 2014 and Statistical Learning and Data Mining Joint Meeting, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, USA. June 9 - 11, 2014.

- 42 **(Invited)** *Algebraic Properties and Fast Large Covariance Estimation*. ENAR, Baltimore, Maryland, USA, March 16 - 19, 2014.
- 41 **(Invited)** *A Simple Probabilistic Model for Predicting Every Spike in Optogenetics Data*. The Annual Meeting of the Statistical Society of Canada, Edmonton, Alberta, CANADA, May 26 -29, 2013.
- 40 **(Invited)** *Inference with interference in an fMRI experiment*. ENAR, Orlando, Florida, USA, March 10 - 13, 2013.
- 39 **(Invited Topic-contributed)** *Inference with interference between units in an fMRI experiment of motor inhibition*. Joint Statistical Meetings, San Diego, California, USA, July 28 - August 2, 2012.
- 38 **(Invited)** *Sparse Inverse Covariance Estimation with Applications in Recovering Brain Networks*. Conference on Statistical Learning and Data Mining, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA, June 5-7, 2012.
- 37 **(Conference travel award)** *A Simple Probabilistic Model for Predicting Every Spike in Optogenetics Data*. Sixth International Workshop Statistical Analysis of Neuronal Data (SAND6), University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA, May 31 - June 2, 2012.
- 36 *High Dimensional Sparse and Low Rank Covariance Matrix Estimation via Convex Optimization*. Joint Statistical Meetings, Miami, Florida, USA, August 3, 2011.
- 35 *CLIME: A Constrained  $\ell_1$  Minimization Approach to Sparse Precision Matrix Estimation*. The Eighth International Chinese Statistical Association Conference, Guangzhou, China, December 19-22, 2010.
- 34 *Average Case Analysis of Sparse Multivariate Regression under Noise*. Joint Statistical Meetings, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, July 31-August 5, 2010.
- 33 *Average Case Analysis of Sparse Multivariate Regression under Noise*. International Conference on Statistics and Society, Beijing, China, July 10-12, 2010.
- 32  *$\ell_1$  Penalized Likelihood: Fast Algorithms and Risk Bounds*. Workshop on Innovation and Inventiveness in Statistical Methodologies in Honor of John Hartigan, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, May 15–17, 2009.
- 31 *Relaxed Greedy Pursuit*. IMS-China International Conference on Statistics and Probability, Hangzhou, China, June 11–13, 2008.
- 30 *Penalized Squared Error and Likelihood: Risk Bounds and Fast Algorithms*. Workshop on Sparsity in High Dimensional Statistics and Learning Theory. Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, March 22–24, 2008.

## Seminars

- 29 *Statistical Methods for Unraveling Large-scale Brain Dynamics*. Department of Biostatistics and Data Science, University of Texas Health Science Center, Houston, Texas, June 7, 2018.
- 28 *A Covariance Matrix Approach to Variable Clustering*. Center for Statistical Research, Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, Chengdu, CHINA, June 20, 2017.
- 27 *Complex Modeling of Brain Dynamics*. RI NIH IDeA Symposium, Providence, Rhode Island, USA, June 2, 2017.
- 26 *"Network Modeling" of Big Data: Promises and Challenges*. Brown Data Science Initiative Retreat, Providence, Rhode Island, USA, January 20, 2017.
- 25 *Inferring Brain networks via Big Covariance Matrix Estimation*. Department of Biostatistics, Columbia University, New York, NY, USA, April 14, 2016.
- 24 *Graphical Models for Brain Connectivity: Algebraic (Non-likelihood) Methods*. Webinar: Statistical and Applied Mathematical Sciences Institute, Research Triangle Park, NC, USA, February 23, 2016.  
Slides available at <http://bit.ly/rtSAMS1602>
- 23 *Large-scale Methods for Brain Networks: Connectivity and Information Flow*. Department of Biostatistics and Bioinformatics, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, USA, February 9, 2016.
- 22 *Clustering "Far-Apart" Data Points Together: A Covariance Matrix Approach*. Department of Mathematical Sciences, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Massachusetts, USA, November 9, 2015.
- 21 *Understand the Brain: Causal Inference and Machine Learning*. Department of Human Development, College of Human Ecology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA, May 7, 2015.
- 20 *Estimating Networks from Big Neuroimaging Data*. School of Public Health, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, USA, February 18, 2014.
- 19 *Algebraic Properties and Large Covariance Estimation*. Department of Statistical Sciences, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, USA, February 13, 2013.
- 18 *Inference with Interference in fMRI*. Department of Public Health, Weill Medical College, Cornell University, New York, USA, December 14, 2012.
- 17 *Recovering Large Networks via Optimizing Non-likelihood Functions*. Division of Applied Mathematics, Brown University, Rhode Island, USA, October 3, 2012.
- 16 *Causality 101*. Alcohol Research Center on HIV (ARCH), Brown University, Rhode Island, USA, July 13, 2012.
- 15 *Graphical Models for Gene Networks and Their Use in Classification*. Center for Computational

and Molecular Biology, Brown University, Rhode Island, USA, February 22, 2012.

- 14 *Understanding the Brain Statistics*. Brown Institute of Brain Sciences, Brown University, Rhode Island, USA, December 8, 2011.
- 13 *LOREC: Low Rank and Sparse Covariance Matrix Estimation*. Department of Mathematics, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA, October 27, 2011.
- 12 *Connectivity, Causal Inference and Graphical Models*. Brown Institute of Brain Sciences, Providence, Rhode Island, USA, September 12, 2011.
- 11 *Covariance Matrix Estimation via Convex Optimization: Theory, Methods, Algorithms and Applications*. Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, USA, April 7, 2011.
- 10 *Covariance Matrix Estimation via Convex Optimization: Theory, Methods, Algorithms and Applications*. Schools of Management, Fordham University, New York, New York, USA, March 24, 2011.
- 9 *Covariance Matrix Estimation via Convex Optimization: Theory, Methods, Algorithms and Applications*. Department of Statistical Sciences and Operations Research, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, Virginia, USA, March 21, 2011.
- 8 *Covariance Matrix Estimation via Convex Optimization: Theory, Methods, Algorithms and Applications*. Department of Mathematics and Computer Sciences, Saint Louis University, Saint Louis, Missouri, USA, March 14, 2011.
- 7 *Covariance Matrix Estimation via Convex Optimization: Theory, Methods, Algorithms and Applications*. Department of Statistics and Applied Probability, National University of Singapore, Singapore, March 10, 2011.
- 6 *Covariance Matrix Estimation via Convex Optimization: Theory, Methods, Algorithms and Applications*. Department of Statistics, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA, March 1, 2011.
- 5 *Covariance Matrix Estimation via Convex Optimization: Theory, Methods, Algorithms and Applications*. Department of Biostatistics, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, USA, February 16, 2011.
- 4 *Covariance Matrix Estimation via Convex Optimization: Theory, Methods, Algorithms and Applications*. Bell Labs, Murray Hill, New Jersey, USA, February 4, 2011.
- 3  $\ell_1$  *Penalized Least Likelihood: Fast Algorithms and Risk Bounds*. Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science, University of Waterloo, Canada, March 30, 2009.
- 2  $\ell_1$  *Penalized Least Likelihood: Fast Algorithms and Risk Bounds*. Department of Statistics, University of California at Riverside, March 19, 2009.
- 1  $\ell_1$  *Penalized Least Likelihood: Fast Algorithms and Risk Bounds*. Division of Statistics, Northern

Illinois University, February 26, 2009.

## Grants

### Current Grants

- 28 NIH *R01AG079324* Biomarkers in Vascular Cog PI: E Marsh, J Mosher  
Period: 09/15/2022 – 06/30/2027  
Role: Co-I
- 27 NIH *R01MH126970* Stat Method for Multiview Data PI: Y Zhao  
Period: 09/01/2022 – 06/30/2027  
Role: Co-I
- 26 NIH *P30AI161943* D-CFAR PI: T Giordano  
<https://reporter.nih.gov/project-details/10397168>  
Period: 04/23/2021 – 03/31/2026  
Role: Co-I
- 25 NIH *RF1AG074204* Bio-AD PIs: J Mosher, M Funke  
<https://reporter.nih.gov/project-details/10301875>  
Period: 09/01/2021 – 08/31/2024  
Role: Co-I
- 24 NIH *R01MH110449* OCD PI: S Rasmussen  
[https://projectreporter.nih.gov/project\\_info\\_description.cfm?aid=9157002](https://projectreporter.nih.gov/project_info_description.cfm?aid=9157002)  
Period: 09/15/2016 – 06/30/2022  
Role: Co-I

### Completed Grants

- 23 NIH *U01NS090407* Imaging Biomarkers PI: S Lhatoo, B Diehl, R Harper  
Title: Autonomic and Imaging Biomarkers of SUDEP  
Period: 07/11/2019 – 07/31/2022  
Role: Biostatistician
- 22 NIH *R01EB022911* Big Brain Networks PI: X Luo  
Title: Large-scale Network Modeling for Brain Dynamics: Statistical Learning and Optimization  
[https://projectreporter.nih.gov/project\\_info\\_description.cfm?aid=9170649](https://projectreporter.nih.gov/project_info_description.cfm?aid=9170649)  
Period: 09/31/2016 – 06/30/2021  
Role: PI  
Total direct cost: \$887,774  
Total cost: \$1,212,178
- 21 AHA/17UNPG33750001 Uncovering New Patterns PI: Liu  
Title: Uncovering Patterns of Gene-diet Interaction for Cardiometabolic Health  
Period: 4/2/2018 – 3/31/2020  
Role: Co-I



- 20 NIH *P20 GM103645 COBRE* PI: J Sanes  
 Title: COBRE Center for Central Nervous System Function  
[http://projectreporter.nih.gov/project\\_info\\_description.cfm?aid=8914005](http://projectreporter.nih.gov/project_info_description.cfm?aid=8914005)  
 Period: 8/12/2013 – 7/31/2023  
 Role: Co-I
- 19 NIH *S10 OD016366 BIBS Cluster Instrument* PI: J Donohue  
 Title: Brain Science Computer Cluster  
[http://projectreporter.nih.gov/project\\_info\\_description.cfm?aid=8447697](http://projectreporter.nih.gov/project_info_description.cfm?aid=8447697)  
 Role: Major User Core (Statistical Neuroimaging) and Advisory Board
- 18 NIH *P01 AA019072 Alcohol Research Center on HIV* PI: P Monti  
 Title: Alcohol and HIV Biobehavioral Interactions and Interventions  
[http://projectreporter.nih.gov/project\\_info\\_description.cfm?aid=8838915](http://projectreporter.nih.gov/project_info_description.cfm?aid=8838915)  
 Period: 09/01/2011 – 05/31/2020  
 Role: Co-I
- 17 AHA/17IFUNP33730001 *Gene/Physical Activity* PI: Lin  
 Title: Genetic Architecture of Physical Activity and Its Relation with Cardio-metabolic Health in Multiethnic Populations  
 Period: 4/2/2018 - 7/13/2019  
 Role: Co-I
- 16 NSF *DMS 1557467 Methods for Big Biomedical Data: CVD/T2D* PI: **X Luo**  
 Title: QuBBD: Large Scale Modeling of Big Multi-cohort Data for Cardiovascular Diseases and Type 2 Diabetes  
[http://www.nsf.gov/awardsearch/showAward?AWD\\_ID=1557467](http://www.nsf.gov/awardsearch/showAward?AWD_ID=1557467)  
 Period: 09/15/2015 – 08/31/2017  
 Role: PI  
 Total award: \$93,653
- 15 Brown/SPH *Gene-Environment Networks* PI: **X Luo**  
 Title: Systematic Methods for Discovering Gene-Environment Networks from Big Biomedical Data  
 Period: 07/01/2014 – 06/31/2017  
 Role: PI  
 Total award: \$50,000.
- 14 NIH *P30 AI042853 Center for AIDS Research* PI: S Cu-Uvn  
 Title: Lifespan/Tufts/Brown Center for AIDS Research  
[http://projectreporter.nih.gov/project\\_info\\_description.cfm?aid=8977058](http://projectreporter.nih.gov/project_info_description.cfm?aid=8977058)  
 Period: 07/01/2012 – 06/30/2017  
 Role: Co-I
- 13 CFAR Dev *HIV-Metabolic* PI: Ingalls  
 Title: Role of Complement Activation in the Development of HIV-associated Metabolic Syndrome  
 Period: 07/01/2016 – 06/30/2017  
 Role: Co-I

- 12 AHA 15CVGPS23670000 *Networks in T2D/CVD* PI: Liu  
 Title: Integrative Genomics of Gene-Diet Interactions in Vascular Outcomes across Ethnicities  
 Period: 02/01/2015 – 01/31/2017  
 Role: Co-I
- 11 BIBS *Brain Networks* PI: J Sanes, **X Luo**, E Upfal  
 Title: Advanced Neuroimaging of Functional Connectivity and Networks  
<http://www.brown.edu/academics/brain-science/news/2015-10/bibs-awards-five-innovation-grants>  
 Period: 07/01/2015 – 06/31/2016  
 Role: CO-PI  
 Total award: \$100,000
- 10 CFAR *Integrated Imaging Method* PI: **X Luo**  
 Title: Integrated Analytics to Unravel the Complex Effects of HIV and Alcoholism on the Brain  
 Period: 07/01/2014 – 06/30/2016  
 Role: PI  
 Total award: \$40,000.
- 9 Brown *seed* Covariance Estimation for Phylogenetics PIs: C Dunn, **X Luo**, J Wu  
 Title: Making Sense of the Data Windfall: New Statistical Approaches to Evolutionary Analyses of Gene Expression  
 Period: 09/01/2013 – 08/31/2015  
 Role: Co-PI  
 Total award: \$80,000.
- 8 NIH *R01 NS05247* Neuromarkers for Aging PI: R Paul  
 Title: Neuromarkers of Age-related Cognitive Decline  
[http://projectreporter.nih.gov/project\\_info\\_description.cfm?aid=7658686](http://projectreporter.nih.gov/project_info_description.cfm?aid=7658686)  
 Period: 09/01/2012 – 08/31/2014  
 Role: Faculty statistician
- 7 Lifespan *Colorectal Cancer* PI: K Perez  
 Title: Colorectal Cancer Study using MALDI-IMS Imaging Data  
 Period: 04/01/2013 – 03/31/2014  
 Role: Consultant
- 6 BIBS *Pilot* Imaging Pharmacogenetics PI: White, McGeary, Leite-Morris, **X Luo**  
 Title: Collaboration on Imaging Pharmacogenetics and Monoamines  
 Period: 05/01/2013 – 04/30/2014  
 Role: Co-PI  
 Total award: \$29,976.

### Training and Mentoring Grants

- 5 NIH *D43TW010050 HIV Fogarty Training* PI: J Hogan  
 Title: Brown Moi Partnership for Biostatistics Training in HIV  
[https://projectreporter.nih.gov/project\\_info\\_description.cfm?aid=8897807](https://projectreporter.nih.gov/project_info_description.cfm?aid=8897807)

Period: 06/24/2015 – 05/31/2020

Role: Trainer

- 4 NSF *SBE 1514246* Computational Neuroscience Trainee: Dan McCarthy  
Title: Changes-of mind in target selection for action  
[http://www.nsf.gov/awardsearch/showAward?AWD\\_ID=1514246](http://www.nsf.gov/awardsearch/showAward?AWD_ID=1514246)  
Period: 07/01/2015 – 06/30/2017  
Role: Faculty co-sponsor
- 3 NIH *F31* Predictive Models for CVD Trainee: Beth Lacy  
Role: Faculty co-sponsor  
Status: Completed.
- 2 NIH *K23* OCD fMRI Trainee: Nicole McLaughlin  
Title: Neuroanatomical Changes After Ventral Capsulotomy for Intractable OCD  
Role: Statistics mentor  
Status: Completed
- 1 NIDDK *K01* Obesity fMRI Trainee: Kathryn Demos  
Title: The Neural Correlates OF Food Choice Decision-Making in Obesity and Weight Loss  
Role: Statistics mentor  
Status: Completed

## Professional Activities

### University-wide

Chair of Faculty Search Committee, Dept of Biostat and Data Science, , UT Health, 2022–pres.

Co-coordinator of Data Science Program, Dept of Biostat and Data Science, , UT Health, 2021–pres.

Member of School's New Facility Planning Focus Group, UT Health, 2021–pres.

Member of Departmental Preliminary Examination Committee, UT Health, 2021–pres.

Member of UTHealth President's Excellence in Postdoctoral Research Award Committee, UT Health, 2021.

Member of School IT Advisory Committee, UT Health, School of Public Health, 2020–pres.

Member of Department Promotion Committee, UT Health, 2020–pres.

Member of Data Science Education Committee, UT Health, 2019–pres.

Member of Department Data Science Task Force Committee, UT Health, 2020–pres.

Chair of Drug and Alcohol Abuse Grant Working Group, UT Health, 2019–pres.

Member for Committee on New Data Science Faculty Candidates and Big Data Center Development, UT Health, 2019–pres.

Member of Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Department of Biostatistics and Center for Statistical Sciences, Brown University, 2017–pres.

Member of Biostatistics Master Admission Committee, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, 2017–2018.

Organizer for the Charles K. Colver Lectureship Series "Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Frontiers of Data Science Research", 2017–2018.

Member of Biostatistics Master Admission Committee, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, 2016–2017.

Brown Seed Grant Reviewer, Office of the Vice-President for Research, Brown University, 2016–2017.

Data science curriculum committee member for Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, 2015–2016.

Advisory Committee for Brain Science Compute Cluster, Brown University, 2013–present.

Advisory committee member for the Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning, Brown University, 2014–present.

Member of Biostatistics Master Admission Committee, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, 2015–2016.

Member of Biostatistics Master Admission Committee, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, 2014–2015.

ALANA Faculty Network member, Brown University, 2012–present.

Faculty search committee member for Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, 2014–2015.

Co-organizer for the Colver Lectureship Series "Inference and Decision Making Based on Large Networks", 2013–2014.

Co-organizer for the seminar series of Department of Biostatistics and Center for Statistical Sciences, 2013–2014.

Public Health Genetic Working Group, Brown University, 2013–2014.

Member of Best Masters Thesis Award Committee, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, 2013.

Organizer of working group *Statistical Analysis of Big Data (SABD)*, 2012–2014.

Member of Biostatistics Curriculum Committee, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, 2013–2014.

Member of Biostatistics PhD Admission Committee, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, 2013–2014.

Member of Biostatistics PhD Admission Committee, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, 2012–2013.

Member of Biostatistics PhD Program Committee, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, 2011–2014.

Chair of Department Website Committee, Department of Biostatistics and Center for Statistical Sciences, Brown University, 2011–2012.

Member of Biostatistics Graduate Committee, Department of Biostatistics and Center for Statistical Sciences, Brown University, 2011–2014.

Member of Dean's Committee on International Students, Yale Graduate School, 2006.

Systems Administrator, Yale Statistics Department, 2005–2006.

Program Coordinator, Statistics Graduate Student Colloquium, Yale University, 2005–2006.

Representative of Statistics Department in Graduate Student Assembly, Yale University, 2005–2006.

### Referee Work

**Academic Editor (AE)** for Frontiers in Neuroscience/Frontiers in Neurology/Frontiers in Neuroimaging Brain Imaging Methods Section, PLOS ONE.

**Regular Reviewer** for the following journals: Neurology, Annals of Applied Statistics, Annals of Statistics, Biometrics, Circulation: Cardiovascular Quality and Outcomes, Frontiers in Neuroscience, Linear Algebra and its Applications, Neuroscience, Nature Scientific Reports, Journal of Biomedical Informatics, Journal of Computational Neuroscience, Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics, Journal of Machine Learning Research, Journal of the American Heart Association, Journal of the American Statistical Association, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Quantitative Finance, Statistica Sinica, Statistics in Medicine, Statistics and Computing, TEST, The Canadian Journal of Statistics.

### Review Panels

- ◇ Junior researcher paper award judge, the 2018 ICSA conference, 2018.
- ◇ Panel member for National Institute of Health, panel review and site visit, 2016.
- ◇ Ad hoc reviewers for National Science Foundation, 2014–present.
- ◇ Program committee for Statistical Learning for Data Science, 2016 IEEE conference on Data Science and Advanced Analytics, 2016.
- ◇ Student award judge, the Statistics in Imaging section of the American Statistical Association, 2016.
- ◇ Student award judge, the Statistical Learning and Data Mining section of the American Statistical Association, 2015.
- ◇ Student award judge, the Statistical Learning and Data Mining section of the American Statistical Association, 2014.
- ◇ Student paper competition award committee, the Statistics in Imaging Section of the American Statistical Association, 2013.

### Other National or International Activities

Chair of the poster session, and executive committee member, the ICSA 2020 Applied Statistics Symposium, 2019-2020.

Program committee member, the 2018 International Chinese Statistician Association Meeting, 2018.

Organizer, topic-contributed session *Evolving Statistical Methods for the Evolving Brain Networks*, Joint Statistical Meeting, 2014.

Co-organizer, topic-contributed session *New Developments in Neuroscience and Neuroepidemiology Statistics*, Joint Statistical Meeting, 2012.

Session Chair, International Conference on Statistics and Society, Beijing, China, 2010.

### Memberships in Professional Societies

Members or past members of

The International Chinese Statistician Association

The International Biometric Society

The American Statistical Association

The Institute of Mathematical Statistics

## Honors and Awards

- ◇ Course Development Award, Brown University, 2016
- ◇ Annie G K Garland Fellowship, Yale University, 2008
- ◇ Francis J. Anscombe Award for Academic Excellence, Yale Statistics Department, 2005
- ◇ Yale University Fellowship, 2003–2009
- ◇ Bateman Fellowship, Yale Geology&Geophysics Department, 2003
- ◇ Academic Excellence Award, Peking University, 2000–2002
- ◇ Peking University Freshman Scholarship, 1999
- ◇ Bronze Medal, China National Physics Olympiad, 1998
- ◇ Gold Medal, Sichuan Provincial Physics Olympiad, China, 1998

### Awards to My Students

- ◇ Katherine Wall (PhD student): **Scholarship** the Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation (SMART) Scholarship-for-Service from the Department of Defense, 2020.
- ◇ Xuefei Cao (PhD student): **Honorable Mention** for the student paper competition from the Mental Health Section of the American Statistical Association (ASA), 2018.
- ◇ Brendan Le (Undergraduate): **Brown Undergraduate Teaching and Research Award** for implementing a research project of my group, 2017.
- ◇ Yi Zhao (PhD student): **Student Paper Award** for our paper from the Mental Health Section of the American Statistical Association, 2017. **Student Paper Award (declined)** following ASA's one award policy) from the Statistics in Imaging Section of the American Statistical Association, 2017.
- ◇ Yi Zhao (PhD student): **Travel Award** for our paper from the Women in Machine Learning Workshop, Barcelona, Spain, 2016.
- ◇ Yi Zhao (PhD student): **Travel Award** for our paper from the conference on Challenges and Advances on Big Data in Neuroimaging, Cleveland Clinic, 2016.
- ◇ Yi Zhao (PhD student): **Student Paper Award** to our paper from the 2nd Annual Conference on Statistical Methods in Imaging, American Statistical Association, 2016.
- ◇ Obinna Ekekezie (MD student, summer intern): **Summer Assistantship** award for implementing a method/tool development project of my group, Alpert Medical School, Brown University, 2015.
- ◇ Yi Zhao (PhD student): **Runner-up for Best Research Poster Award** for our poster, Public Health



Research Day, School of Public Health, Brown University, 2015.

- ◇ Yi Zhao (PhD student): **ENAR Distinguished Student Paper Award** for our paper, the Eastern North American Region of The International Biometric Society, 2015.
- ◇ Abi Kulshreshtha (Undergraduate, summer intern): **CFAR Undergraduate Research Intern Award** for implementing a data science project of my group, from Brown/Tufts/Lifespan CFAR, 2014.
- ◇ Xiaoxing Chen (Masters student): **Brain Science Research Award** for our research project, from Brown Institute for Brain Science at Brown University, 2013.
- ◇ Ye Xu (Masters student): **Best Graduate Research Poster Award** for our poster, from Public Health Program of Brown University, 2012.

## Teaching

### Regular Courses

- 21 PHD 1930 *Survival Analysis*, Department of Biostatistics and Data Science, UT Health, Fall 2022.
- 20 PHM 1690 *Introduction to Biostatistics in Public Health*, Department of Biostatistics and Data Science, UT Health, Summer 2022.
- 19 PHD 1930 *Statistical Computing*, Department of Biostatistics and Data Science, UT Health, Fall 2021.
- 18 PHD 1930 *Survival Analysis*, Department of Biostatistics and Data Science, UT Health, Fall 2021.
- 17 PHD 1930 *Survival Analysis*, Department of Biostatistics and Data Science, UT Health, Fall 2020.
- 16 PHM 1690 *Introduction to Biostatistics in Public Health*, Department of Biostatistics and Data Science, UT Health, Spring 2019.
- 15 PHP 2650 *Statistical Learning and Big Data*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2018.
  - Google Cloud Platform Education Grant** for supporting the students, teaching staff, and instructor to purchase Google cloud computing services.
- 14 PHP 2602 *Analysis of Lifetime Data*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Fall 2017.
- 13 PHP 2650 *Statistical Learning and Big Data*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2017.
  - Course Development Award** from Brown Provost's office for developing this new course and new pedagogical techniques (e.g. video labs), with collaboration from Brown School of Professional Studies and Brown's Harriet W. Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning.
  - Google Cloud Platform Education Grant** for supporting the students, teaching staff, and instructor to purchase Google cloud computing services.
- 12 PHP 2602 *Analysis of Lifetime Data*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Fall 2016.

- 11 PHP 2605 *Generalized Linear Models*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2016.
- 10 PHP 2650 *Statistical Methods for Big Data*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2015.  
**Microsoft Education Award** of \$15,000 for supporting the students and instructor to purchase services from Azure cloud computing.
- 9 PHP 2602 *Analysis of Lifetime Data*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Fall 2014.
- 8 PHP 2602 *Analysis of Lifetime Data*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2014.
- 7 PHP 2601 *Linear and Generalized Linear Models*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Fall 2013.
- 6 PHP 2602 *Analysis of Lifetime Data*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2013.
- 5 PHP 2520 *Statistical Inference I*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Fall 2012.
- 4 PHP 2602 *Analysis of Lifetime Data*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2012.
- 3 STAT 102 *Introduction to Business Statistics*, Department of Statistics, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, Fall 2010.
- 2 STAT 431 *Statistical Inference*, Department of Statistics, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, Fall 2009.
- 1 STAT 107 *Introduction to Statistics*, Department of Statistics, Yale University, Summer 2007.

### Research Courses

- 12 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2018.
- 11 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Fall 2017.
- 10 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2017.
- 9 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Fall 2016.
- 8 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2016.
- 7 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Fall 2015.
- 6 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring

2015.

- 5 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Fall 2014.
- 4 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2014.
- 3 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Fall 2013.
- 2 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Spring 2013.
- 1 PHP 2980 S84 *Graduate Independent Study*, Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Fall 2012.

## Student Advising

### Research Advising: PhD

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|----|--|-------------------------------|
| 18 | 2020–pres. Runzhi Zhou   | Role: thesis advisor          |
| 17 | 2020–pres. Bo Zhao   | Role: thesis advisor          |
| 16 | 2020–pres. Gen Zhu   | Role: thesis co-advisor       |
| 15 | 2020–pres. Katherine Wall  | Role: thesis co-advisor       |
| 14 | 2019–pres. Vi Ly   | Role: thesis advisor          |
| 13 | 2019–pres. Lizhong Liu   | Role: thesis advisor          |
| 12 | 2017–2019. Ke Jun  | Role: thesis advisor          |
| 11 | 2017–2020. Xuefei Cao  | Role: research advisor        |
|    | <b>Honorable Mention</b> for the student paper competition from the Mental Health Section of the American Statistical Association (ASA), 2018. |                               |
| 10 | 2017–2018. Stephannie Shih   | Role: thesis committee member |
| 9  | 2017–2018. Qing Liu  | Role: thesis committee member |
| 8  | 2017–2018. Mengna Huang  | Role: thesis committee member |
| 7  | 2013–2017. Beth Lacy   | Role: thesis committee member |
| 6  | 2013–2017. Yi Zhao   | Role: thesis advisor          |

Dissertation title: *Causal Mediation Analysis of Big Data*

New position: Assistant Professor (tenure-track) at Indiana University

**Student Paper Award** from the Mental Health Section of the American Statistical Association, 2017. **Student Paper Award (declined)** following ASA's one award policy) from the Statistics in Imaging Section of the American Statistical Association, 2017.

**Travel Award** for the Women in Machine Learning Workshop, Barcelona, Spain, 2016.

**Travel Award** for the conference on Challenges and Advances on Big Data in Neuroimaging, Cleveland Clinic, 2016.

**Student Paper Award** for the 2nd Annual Conference on Statistical Methods in Imaging, American Statistical Association, 2016.

**Brain Science Graduate Research Award**, Brown University.  
Support period: 09/01/2016 – 12/31/2016.

**2015 ENAR Distinguished Student Paper Award**,  
the Eastern North American Region of The International Biometric Society.

**Runner-up for Best Research Poster Award** by PhD students, postdocs, and trainees, Public Health Research Day, School of Public Health, Brown University, 2015.

5 2015. Obinna Ekekezie (MD student) Role: Faculty Sponsor  
**Summer Assistantship** award for implementing a research project of my group.

4 2015–2016. Xiaochen Lin Role: thesis committee member

3 2013–2015. Lingyuan Hu Role: thesis committee member

2 2011–2013. Stavroula Chrysanthopoulou Role: thesis committee member

1 2011–2013. Andrea Austin Role: thesis committee member

#### Research Advising: Masters

11 2018–2019. Bernard Chu Role: thesis advisor

10 2018–2019. Yiquan Xu Role: thesis advisor

9 2017–2018. Yifu Liu Role: thesis advisor

8 2016–2017. Yuxi Liu Role: thesis advisor

7 2017. Seoung Won Lim Role: reader

6 2017. Ruiting Guo Role: reader

- 5 2016. Jinjie Liu Role: reader
- 4 2016. Yidan Zhang Role: reader
- 3 2012–2014. Xiaoxing Chen Role: thesis advisor  
**Brain Science Graduate Research Award**, Brown University.  
 Support period: 01/01/2013 – 05/31/2013.
- 2 2011–2012. Ye Xu Role: research advisor  
**Best Graduate Research Poster Award**, Public Health Program, Brown University.  
 Poster title: *HIV-1 Mutation Networks Predict Subtype Drug Resistance*, by Ye Xu,  
 Xi Luo, Austin Huang, Joseph Hogan, and Rami Kantor, April 19, 2012.
- 1 2011–2012. Nuo Xu Role: thesis reader  
*Research Advising: Undergraduate*
- 5 2017–2018. Brendan Le Role: research advisor  
**Brown Undergraduate Teaching and Research Award** for implementing a re-  
 search project of my group.  
 Support period: 09/01/2017 – 05/20/2018.
- 4 2015–2017. Ian Pan Role: honor thesis advisor
- 3 2014 Abi Kulshreshtha Role: research intern advisor  
**CFAR Undergraduate Research Intern Award** for implementing a research  
 project of my group.  
 Support period: 06/16/2014 – 08/01/2014.
- 2 2013 Eleanor Batty (research project) Role: statistics advisor (not thesis advisor)
- 1 2013 Rohan Katpally (**honor thesis**) Role: statistics advisor (not thesis advisor)