
Publication List
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Submitted Articles

103. **C. Ward, R. Deardon** & A. Schmidt “Multivariable behavioural change modelling of epidemics in the presence of undetected infections” submitted to *Statistics in Medicine*. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2503.00982>
102. **Y. Mao, R. Deardon** & L. Deeth “Identifying memory mechanisms in Bayesian models of behavioural change during epidemics” submitted to *Annals of Applied Statistics*
101. **Y. Mao, R. Deardon** & L. Deeth “Memory mechanisms for behavioural change in Bayesian individual level spatial epidemic models” submitted to *Infectious Disease Modelling*
100. **Y. Zhang, R. Deardon** & L. Deeth “Behavioural change model choice in spatial epidemic models” submitted to *Canadian Journal of Statistics*.
99. **Y. Zhang, R. Deardon** & L. Deeth “Composite method for fast computation of individual level spatial epidemic models” submitted to *Spatial Statistics* (revision requested). <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2509.04660>
98. **J. Peitsch**, G. Pokharel & **R. Deardon** “Directionally-dependent spatial epidemic models” submitted to *Spatial Statistics* (revision requested).
97. V. Callier, **R. Deardon** & C. Viboud “Spatio-temporal spread of COVID-19 over three waves in the continental United States” submitted to *Proceedings of the Royal Society B* (revision requested).
96. **M. Mahsin**, W. Almutiry & **R. Deardon** “Spatial modeling of infectious disease transmission using continuous time geographically-dependent individual-level models” submitted to *Statistics in Medicine* (revision requested).
95. **J. MacLean** & **R. Deardon** “Behavioural change in Canadian disease outbreaks” submitted to the *Canadian Journal of Statistics*.
94. **R. Li, R. Deardon**, N. Li, J. Conly & J. Leal “Bayesian compartmental modelling of the transmission dynamics of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) within hospitals in Edmonton, Canada” submitted to the *Canadian Journal of Statistics*. <http://arxiv.org/abs/2511.07353>
93. **R. Li, R. Deardon**, N. Li, J. Conly & J. Leal “Modelling the effect of interventions to prevent the transmission of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) within hospitals in Edmonton, Canada” submitted to *Infectious Disease Modelling*.
92. **Kamso et al.** “A semi-automated approach facilitated the assessment of the certainty of evidence for direct comparisons in network meta-analyses” submitted to the *Journal of Clinical Epidemiology*. <http://ssrn.com/abstract=5205661> (revision requested).
91. **Kamso et al.** “A semi-automated approach facilitated the assessment of the certainty of evidence for indirect and mixed comparisons in network meta-analyses” submitted to the *Journal of Clinical Epidemiology*. <http://ssrn.com/abstract=5205660> (revision requested).

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