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EDUCATION

B.A. (Mathematics), University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
B.S. (Statistics), University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
A.M. (Biostatistics), Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Sc.D. (Epidemiology), Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, MA
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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND EMPLOYMENT
Research Assistant, Rehabilitation Outcomes Research Center, Deparans Affairs, Gainesville, FL

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Statistician I, Department of Epidemiology, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, 2011-2012

Graduate Research Assistant in Biostatistics, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, 2012-2013 MA

Graduate Research Assistant in Cancer Epidemiology, Harvard School of Public Health, 2012-2014 Boston, MA

2014-2016 Assistant Professor, Department of Epidemiology, College of Medicine and College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Visiting Scientist, Department of Epidemiology, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public 2014-Health, Boston, MA

2016-Assistant Professor, Department of Oncologic Sciences, Morsani College of Medicine, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

Assistant Member (Secondary Appointment), Department of Genitourinary Oncology, 2016-H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute, Tampa, FL

Assistant Member, Department of Cancer Epidemiology, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Cen-2016ter & Research Institute, Tampa, FL

Scientific Director, Collaborative Data Services Core, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & 2018-Research Institute, Tampa, FL

TEACHING

University Courses

Teaching Assistant, Statistics 2023: Introduction to Statistics, Department of Statis-2008-2009 tics, University of Florida

Lab Instructor, Biostatistics 210: The Analysis of Rates and Proportions, Department 2011 of Biostatistics, Harvard School of Public Health

- Instructor, Introduction to Biostatistics and Statistical Programming, Summer Program in Epidemiology, Department of Epidemiology, Harvard School of Public Health
- Instructor, Epidemiology Methods II (PHC 6011), Department of Epidemiology, University of Florida
- Instructor, Measurement in Epidemiology and Outcomes Research (PHC 6711), Department of Epidemiology, University of Florida

Other Courses

Faculty/Instructor, AACR Integrative Molecular Epidemiology Workshop: Bridging Cancer Biology and Precision Medicine, Boston, MA. Sections taught: Publicly Available Online Genomics and 'Omics Resources; Bioinformatics Toolkits for Functional Analysis; Precision Medicine: Predictive Modeling from High-Throughput Results

Invited Lectures

- Leveraging big data resources to understand public health disparities. Translational Research and Therapeutics: Bench, Bedside, Community, & Policy; University of Florida course GMS 7593.
- Fundamentals of integrative molecular epidemiology. Quantitative Genomics and Genetics; University of South Florida course PHC 6934.
- Prostate cancer epidemiology. Cancer Epidemiology; University of South Florida course PHC 6007.

Training

Doctoral dissertation committee membership

- Molly Buchanan, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, University of Florida
 Zahra Shekarkhar, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, University of
 Florida
- 2015–2016 Abenaa Acheampong, Department of Epidemiology, University of Florida
- Yuanfang Ren, Department of Computer & Information Science & Engineering, University of Florida

Master's thesis committee membership

Fangyu Su, Department of Epidemiology, University of Florida (Chair)
Chelsea Lutz, Department of Epidemiology, University of Florida (Chair)
Chi Wang, Department of Epidemiology, University of Florida (Chair)
Danmeng Li, Department of Epidemiology, University of Florida

Honors and awards

William R. Jones Most Valuable Mentor Award, Florida Education Fund McKnight Doctoral Fellowship Program

RESEARCH SUPPORT

Current

External grants

Name of PI: Park/Yamoah

Dates: 12/19/2017 - 11/01/2020

Funding Source: V Foundation for Cancer Research

Title: Genomic predictors of aggressive and lethal prostate cancer in

African American men.

Funded Effort: 5%
Role in Study: Co-I
Award Amount: \$600,000

Name of PI: Sellers

Dates: 02/18/1998 - 01/31/2022 (Gerke start date: 01/01/2018)

Funding Source: National Cancer Institute

Title: Moffitt Cancer Center Support Grant: Years 17–23

Funded Effort: 10%
Role in Study: Co-I
Award Amount: \$13,757,890

Internal grants

Name of PI: Gerke

Dates: 09/01/2018 - 08/31/2019

Funding Source: American Cancer Society - Institutional Research Grant

Title: Leveraging big data towards an improved understanding of racial

disparities in prostate cancer outcomes.

Funded Effort: 5% (cost-shared)

Role in Study: PI
Direct Costs: \$30

Direct Costs: \$30,000 Award Amount: \$30,000

Contracts

Name of PI: Kantoff

Dates: 09/30/2018 - 09/29/2021

Funding Source: DoD/Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Title: Mutational landscape of the Y chromosome and prostate cancer.

Funded Effort: 10%

Role in Study: PI, Subcontract

Direct Costs: \$45,964 Award Amount: \$79,058

PENDING

External grants

Name of PI: Enderling/Gatenby
Dates: 12/01/2018 - 11/30/2020

Funding Source: NIH/NCI - R21

Title: Predicting patient-specific responses to personalize androgen de-

privation therapy for prostate cancer

Funded Effort: 5%
Role in Study: Co-I
Direct Costs: \$279,798
Award Amount: \$481,252

Name of PI: Chung

Dates: 01/07/2019 - 01/06/2023

Funding Source: M2Gen - Nova

Title: Characterization of tumor immune microenvironment in poorly

differentiated and anaplastic thyroid cancer with BRAF/RAS mu-

tations

Funded Effort: 2%
Role in Study: Co-I
Direct Costs: \$139,694
Award Amount: \$167,633

Name of PI: Vadaparampil/Niell
Dates: 04/01/2019 - 03/31/2026

Funding Source: FBRP – Bankhead-Coley Cancer Research Program

Title: Breast Cancer: Personalized Risk Estimate Feedback to Enhance

Risk-Based Screening (BC PREFERS)

Funded Effort: 10%
Role in Study: Co-I
Direct Costs: \$1,302,695
Award Amount: \$1,498,100

Name of PI: Yamoah/Park/Rounbehler Dates: 04/01/2019 - 03/31/2023

Funding Source: Florida Department of Health - Bankhead-Coley Cancer Re-

search Program

Title: Characterize the immune-oncologic profile of lethal prostate can-

cer in African American men and develop new therapeutic av-

enues of therapy for this patient population

Funded Effort: 5%
Role in Study: Co-I
Direct Costs: \$782,365
Award Amount: \$899,721

Name of PI: Schmit

Dates: 07/01/2019 - 06/30/2024

Funding Source: NIH/NCI - Roi

Title: PQ2: Variation in Tumor-Associated Immune Profiles and Col-

orectal Cancer Outcomes Across Populations of Diverse Ances-

tral Origins

Funded Effort: 8%
Role in Study: Co-I
Direct Costs: \$2,907,113
Award Amount: \$4,315,837

Name of PI: Yamoah/Park/Rounbehler Dates: 07/01/2019 - 06/30/2022

Funding Source: Department of Defense Health Disparities Research Award

Title: Characterize the immune-oncologic profile of lethal prostate can-

cer in African American men and develop new therapeutic av-

enues of therapy for this patient population

Funded Effort: 5%
Role in Study: Co-I
Direct Costs: \$999,963
Award Amount: \$1,719,936

Internal grants

Name of PI: Gerke/Aden-Buie

Dates: 05/01/2019 - 04/30/2020

Funding Source: DPR Innovative Core Projects

Title: DV³: A customer-driven framework for data spoke creation, ac-

cess and governance.

Funded Effort: 3%
Role in Study: Co-PI
Direct Costs: \$48,447
Award Amount: \$48,447

Contracts

Name of PI: Tyekucheva

Dates: 07/01/2019 - 06/30/2021

Funding Source: NIH/NCI - R21, Dana Farber Cancer Institute

Title: Curated prostate cancer data for novel and reproducible prognos-

tic modeling.

Funded Effort: 10%
Role in Study: Site PI
Direct Costs: \$89,904
Award Amount: \$154,635

COMPLETED FUNDING

Internal grants

Name of PI: Gerke, Kahveci (co-PI)
Dates: 02/15/2015 - 02/14/2016

Funding Source: UF Health Cancer Center Pilot Project Award

Title: Inferring the genetic architecture of gene expression in prostate

cancer.

Funded Effort: 0%
Role in Study: Co-PI
Direct Costs: \$60,000
Award Amount: \$60,000

Name of PI: Gerke, Rollison (co-PI)

Dates: 12/01/16 - 06/30/17

Funding Source: Moffitt Innovation Award

Title: Machine learning approaches to identifying cancer recurrence

from EMR data.

Funded Effort: 0%
Role in Study: PI
Direct Costs: \$40,000
Award Amount: \$40,000

Name of PI: Monteiro

Dates: 07/01/2017 - 06/30/2018

Funding Source: Moffitt Cancer Center, Miles for Moffitt Award

Title: Scaffold/Matrix Attachment Regions: structural genomic ele-

ments modulating cancer susceptibility.

Funded Effort: 5%

Role in Study: Co-I
Direct Costs: \$100,000
Award Amount: \$100,000

Name of PI: Chung/Anderson/Gerke
Dates: 04/01/2018 - 01/31/2019

Funding Source: Moffitt Cancer Center Team Science Award

Title: Precision medicine for thyroid nodules with indeterminate cytol-

ogy.

Funded Effort: 2%
Role in Study: co-PI
Direct Costs: \$100,000
Award Amount: \$100,000

Name of PI: Berglund, Carvajal (co-PI)
Dates: 04/01/2018 - 03/31/2019

Funding Source: Moffitt Cancer Center, Innovative Core Project Award

Title: Complex cohort identification based on patient's timeline

(CCIPT-View): an integrated view of a cancer patient.

Funded Effort: 1%
Role in Study: Co-I
Direct Costs: \$50,000
Award Amount: \$50,000

Contracts

Name of PI: Gerke/Bird/Manini/Prosperi Dates: 01/01/2016 - 12/31/2017

Funding Source: UF Cancer-Aging Collaborative Team Grant

Title: Endotype discovery in prostate cancer and multi-domain analysis

of age-related comorbidities.

Funded Effort: 0%
Role in Study: Co-PI
Direct Costs: \$40,000
Award Amount: \$40,000

PATENTS

2017

Huttenhower C, **Gerke TA**, Sweeney C, Mucci L, Lee G, Börnigen D, Wang X, Tyekucheva S, Jordahl K. Compositions and methods for screening and identifying clinically aggressive prostate cancer. PCT/US2017/014362; WO2017127696A1.

Dissertation

Title: Discovering and validating prognostic biomarkers in prostate cancer by focusing on population impact.

Defended: November 12, 2014, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, MA Committee: Lorelei Mucci (chair), Giovanni Parmigiani, Meir Stampfer, Christopher Sweeney

SERVICE

Moffitt Cancer Center

- Member, Data Documentation and Management Best Practices Task Force. Monthly meetings; 5 hr/month commitment.
- Chair, Cancer Epidemiology Research Data Analyst Task Force. Monthly meetings; 5 hr/month commitment.
- Member, Unstructured Data Mining Advisory Group. Monthly meetings; 2 hr/month commitment.
- Member, Department of Cancer Epidemiology Website Redesign Task Force, Monthly meetings; 1 hr/month commitment.
- Member, High Performance Computing Steering Committee. Monthly meetings; I hr/month commitment.
- Planning Committee Member, The Biology of Cancer Health Disparities Seminar Series, Monthly meetings; 1 hr/month commitment.
- Member, Total Cancer Care Strategic Operations Committee (TCC-SOC), Quarterly meetings; 1 hr/month commitment.
- Member, Health and Research Informatics (HRI) Governance Committee, Biweekly meetings; 2 hr/month commitment.
- Member, Data Sharing & Management Task Force, Monthly meetings; 2 hr/month commitment.

University of Florida

- 2015–2016 Co-chair, Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of Epidemiology
- 2015–2016 Member, Epidemiology Faculty Committee, Department of Epidemiology
- 2015–2016 Member, Seminar Committee, Department of Epidemiology
- 2015–2016 Member, Cancer Recruitment Committee, Department of Epidemiology
- 2015-2016 Member, Fundraising Committee, Department of Epidemiology
- 2015-2016 Member, TL1 Advisory Committee, Clinical and Translational Science Institute
- ^{2015–2016} Consultant, Biostatistics, Epidemiology and Research Design Program (BERD), Clinical and Translational Science Institute

Profession

- ^{2011–2013} IRB panel member, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, MA
- Ad-hoc reviewer: Cancer Medicine
- Ad-hoc reviewer: Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers & Prevention; IEEE/ACM Transactions on Computational Biology and Bioinformatics
- Member, Scientific Review Committee, The Science of Global Prostate Cancer Disparities Conference, Nov 9-12; Orlando, FL.
- Session moderator, Personalized Medicine: From Bench to Bedside to Community; The Science of Global Prostate Cancer Disparities Conference, Nov 9-12; Orlando, FL.
- Ad-hoc reviewer: Cancer Medicine (4); BMC Urology; Cancer Causes & Control; Cancer Research; Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers & Prevention; IEEE/ACM Transactions on Computational Biology and Bioinformatics (2)
- Ad-hoc grant reviewer, Genesis Oncology Trust, Research Project Grants Mechanism
 Co-leader, Computational Patho-Epidemiology Working Group, Transdisciplinary Prostate
 Cancer Partnership (ToPCaP), Boston, MA
- Ad-hoc reviewer: Cancer Research; JNCI; JAMA Oncology (2); European Urology; IEEE/ACM Transactions on Computational Biology and Bioinformatics; Journal of Open Source Software (2); International Journal of Cancer; PeerJ

Ad-hoc grant reviewer: Cancer Research UK, Population Research Postdoctoral Fellowship Mechanism; University of Florida Informatics Institute (UFII) and Clinical Translational Institute (CTSI), Pilot Project Program

2017–2018 Founding organizer, Tampa Bay R Users Group, Tampa, FL

Academic Editor, PeerJ
Ad-hoc reviewer: PeerJ

Professional association memberships

Active member, Transdisciplinary Prostate Cancer Partnership (ToPCaP), Boston, MA
Active member, Prostate Cancer Transatlantic Consortium (CaPTC), Gainesville, FL

²⁰¹⁵ Active member, American Association for Cancer Research (AACR)

Active member, Molecular Epidemiology Working Group of the AACR (MEG/AACR)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. **Gerke TA**, Randles RH. A method for resolving ties in asymptotic relative efficiency. Stat Probabil Lett 2010; 80:1065–1069.
- 2. Kachouie NN, **Gerke TA**, Huybers P, Schwartzman A. Nonparametric regression for estimation of spatiotemporal mountain glacier retreat from satellite images. IEEE Trans Geosci Remote Sens 2014; 53(3): 1135–1149.
- 3. Shui IM, Lindström S, Berndt SI, Campa D, **Gerke TA**, Penney KL, Albanes D, Berg C, Bueno-de-Mesquita HB, Chanock S, Crawford ED, Diver WR, Gapstur SM, Gaziano JM, Hoover R, Johansson M, Ma J, Navarro C, Overvad K, Siddiq A, Stampfer MJ, Stevens VL, Travis R, Trichopoulos D, Vineis P, Mucci LA, Yaeger M, Giovannucci EL, Kraft P. Prostate Cancer (PCa) Risk Variants and Risk of Fatal PCa in the National Cancer Institute Breast and Prostate Cancer Cohort Consortium. Eur Urol 2014; 65(6): 1069–1075. PMID: 24411283. PMCID: PMC4006298.
- 4. Bismar TA, Alshalalfa M, Petersen LF, Teng LH, Gerke TA, Bakkar A, Al-Mami A, Liu S, Dolph M, Mucci LA, Alhajj R. Interrogation of ERG gene rearrangements in prostate cancer identifies a prognostic 10-gene signature with relevant implication to patients' clinical outcome. Brit J Urol Int 2014; 113(2): 309–319. PMID: 24006850.
- 5. Penney KL, Sinnott JA, Tyekucheva S, Gerke TA, Shui IM, Kraft P, Sesso HD, Freedman M, Loda MF, Mucci LA, Stampfer MJ. Association of prostate cancer risk variants with gene expression in normal and tumor tissue. Cancer Epidemiol Biomarkers Prev 2015; 24(1): 255–260. PMID: 25371445. PMCID: PMC4294966.
- 6. Shui IM, Mondul AM, Lindström S, Tsilidis KK, Travis RC, Gerke TA, Albanes D, Black A, Berg CD, Bueno-de-Mesquita HB, Gapstur SM, Haiman C, Henderson B, Hoover R, Hunter DJ, Johansson M, Key TJ, Khaw K, Marchand L, Ma J, McCullough ML, Siddiq A, Stampfer M, Stram DO, Stevens VL, Trichopoulos D, Tumino R, Willett W, Ziegler RG, Kühn T, Barricarte A, Tjønneland A, Mucci LA, Giovannucci E, Kraft P. Circulating vitamin D, vitamin D-related genetic variation, and risk of fatal prostate cancer in the National Cancer Institute Breast and Prostate Cancer Cohort Consortium. Cancer 2015; 121(12): 1949–1956. PMID: 25731953. PMCID: PMC4457645.
- Sinnott JA, Rider JR, Carlsson J, Gerke TA, Tyekucheva S, Penney K, Sesso HD, Loda M, Parmigiani G, Fall K, Stampfer MJ, Mucci LA, Pawitan Y, Andersson S, Andrén O. Molecular Differences in Transition Zone and Peripheral Zone Prostate Tumors. Carcinogenesis 2015; 36(6): 632–638. PMID: 25870172. PMCID: PMC4572920.

- 8. Rider JR, Fiorentino M, Kelly R, **Gerke TA**, Jordahl K, Sinnott JA, Giovannucci EL, Loda MF, Mucci LA, Finn S. Tumor expression of Adiponectin Receptor 2 and lethal prostate cancer. Carcinogenesis 2015; 36(6): 639–647. PMID: 25863129. PM-CID: PMC4481603.
- 9. Terry RS, **Gerke TA**, Mason JB, Sorenson MD, Joseph JP, Dahm P, Su L. Postoperative rhabdomyolysis following robotic renal and adrenal surgery: a cautionary tale of compounding risk factors. J Robotic Surg 2015; 9(3): 195–200. PMID: 26531199.
- 10. Martin NE, **Gerke TA**, Sinnott JA, Stack EC, Andrén O, Andersson S, Johansson J, Fiorentino M, Finn S, Fedele G, Stampfer MJ, Kantoff PW, Mucci LA, Loda MF. Measuring PI₃K activation: Clinicopathologic, immunohistochemical, and RNA expression analysis in prostate cancer. Mol Cancer Res 2015; 13(10): 1431–1440. PMID: 26124442. PMCID: PMC4618038.
- II. Gerke TA*, Martin NE*, Ding Z, Nuttall E, Stack EC, Giovannucci EL, Lis RT, Stampfer MJ, Kantoff PW, Parmigiani G, Loda MF, Mucci LA. Evaluating a 4-marker signature of aggressive prostate cancer using time-dependent AUC. Prostate 2015; 75(16): 1926–1933. PMID: 26469352. PMCID: PMC4738177.
- 12. Ahearn T, Pettersson A, Ebot EM, **Gerke TA**, Graff R, Morais CL, Hicks J, Wilson KM, Rider JR, Sesso HD, Fiorentino M, Flavin R, Finn S, Giovannucci EL, Loda M, Stampfer MJ, De Marzo AM, Mucci LA, Lotan TL. A prospective investigation of PTEN loss and ERG expression in lethal prostate cancer. JNCI 2015; 108(2): pii djv346. PMID: 26615022 PMCID: PMC4862436.
- 13. Conboy L, **Gerke TA**, Hsu KY, St John M, Goldstein M, Schnyer R. The effectiveness of individualized acupuncture protocols in the treatment of Gulf War Illness: A pragmatic randomized clinical trial. PLoS One 2016; 11(3): e0149161. PMID: 27031099. PMCID: PMC4816551.
- 14. Lu D, Sinnott JA, Valdimarsdóttir U, Fang F, **Gerke TA**, Tyekucheva S, Fiorentino M, Lambe M, Sesso HD, Sweeney CJ, Wilson KM, Giovannucci EL, Loda M, Mucci LA, Fall K. Stress-related signaling pathways in lethal and non-lethal prostate cancer. Clin Cancer Res 2016; 22(3): 765–772. PMID: 26490316. PMCID: PMC4738177.
- 15. Stopsack KH, **Gerke TA**, Sinnott JA, Penney KL, Tyekucheva S, Sesso HD, Andersson S, Andrén O, Cerhan JR, Giovannucci EL, Mucci LA, Rider JR. Cholesterol metabolism and lethal prostate cancer. Cancer Res 2016; 76(16): 4785–4790. PMID: 27325648. PMCID: PMC4987257.
- 16. Preston MA, Batista JL, Carlsson SV, Gerke TA, Sjoberg DD, Dahl DM, Sesso H, Feldman AS, Gann PH, Vickers AJ, Mucci LA. Baseline prostate-specific antigen (PSA) levels in midlife predict lethal prostate cancer. J Clin Oncol 2016; 34(23): 2705–2711. PMID: 27298404. PMCID: PMC5019757.
- 17. Moore II RA, **Gerke TA**, Bourgoine D, Eamranond PP. Transition coach program implementation associated with thirty-day readmission rates in a community hospital setting. Arch Community Med Public Health 2016; 2(1): 022-026. DOI: 10.17352/2455-5479.000012.
- 18. Waniga HM, **Gerke TA**, Shoemaker A, Bourgoine D, Eamranond P. The impact of revised discharge instructions on patient satisfaction. J Patient Experience 2016; 3(3): 64–68.
- 19. Kelly RS, Sinnott JA, Rider JR, Ebot E, **Gerke TA**, Bowden M, Pettersson A, Loda M, Sesso H, Kantoff PW, Martin NE, Giovannucci EL, Tyekucheva S, Vander Heiden M, Mucci LA. The role of tumor metabolism as a driver of prostate cancer

- progression and lethal disease: Results from a nested case-control study. Cancer Metab 2016; 4(22): DOI 10.1186/s40170-016-0161-9. PMID: 27980733. PMCID: PMC5142400.
- 20. Sinnott JA, Peisch S, Tyekucheva S, **Gerke TA**, Lis RT, Rider JR, Fiorentino M, Stampfer MJ, Mucci LA, Loda M, Penney KL. Prognostic utility of a new mRNA expression signature of Gleason score. Clin Cancer Res 2017; 23(1): 81–87. PMID: 27663590. PMCID: PMC5215643.
- 21. Fankhauser CD, Mucci LA, **Gerke TA**. Re: New prostate cancer grading system predicts long-term survival following surgery for Gleason score 8-10 prostate cancer. Eur Urol 2017; 72(1): e9-e10. PMID: 28108146.
- 22. Pettersson A*, **Gerke TA***, Fall K, Pawitan Y, Holmberg L, Giovannucci EL, Kantoff PW, Adami H, Rider JR, Mucci LA. The ABC model of prostate cancer: a conceptual framework for the design and interpretation of prognostic studies. Cancer 2017; 123(9): 1490–1496. PMID: 28152172. PMCID: PMC5716345.
- 23. Zareba P, Flavin R, Isikbay M, Rider JR, **Gerke TA**, Finn S, Pettersson A, Giunchi F, Unger RH, Andersson SO, Giovannucci EL, Andrén O, Fall K, Fiorentino M, Mucci LA. Perineural invasion and risk of lethal prostate cancer. Cancer Epidemiol Biomarkers Prev 2017; 26(5): 719–726. PMID: 28062398. PMCID: PMC5413395.
- 24. Chen Z, **Gerke TA**, Bird V, Prosperi M. Trends in gene expression profiling for prostate cancer risk assessment: a systematic review. Biomed Hub 2017; 2:472146.
- 25. Ebot E, **Gerke TA**, Labbé D, Sinnott J, Zadra G, Rider J, Tyekucheva S, Wilson K, Kelly R, Shui I, Loda M, Kantoff P, Finn S, Vander Heiden M, Giovannucci E, Brown M, Mucci LA. Gene expression profiling of prostate tissue identifies chromatin regulation as a potential link between obesity and lethal prostate cancer. Cancer 2017; 123(21): 4130–4138. PMID: 28700821. PMCID: PMC5802874.
- 26. Mucci LA, Pernar CH, Peisch S, **Gerke TA**, Wilson KM. Prostate cancer incidence as an iceberg. Eur J Epidemiol 2017; 32(6): 477-479. PMID: 28560536. PMCID: PMC5709244.
- 27. Stopsack KH, **Gerke TA**, Andrén O, Andersson S, Giovannucci EL, Mucci LA, Rider JR. Cholesterol uptake and regulation in high-grade and lethal prostate cancers. Carcinogenesis 2017; 38(8): 806–811. PMID: 28595267.
- 28. Wang K, Chen X, Bird VY, **Gerke TA**, Manini TM, Prosperi M. Association between age-related reductions in testosterone and risk of prostate cancer an analysis of patients' data with prostatic diseases. Int J Cancer 2017; 141(9): 1783–1793. PMID: 28699177.
- 29. Li D, Mai V, **Gerke TA**, Pinney SM, Yaghjyan L. Interactions of family history of breast cancer with radiotherapy in relation to the risk of breast cancer recurrence. J Breast Cancer 2017; 20(4): 333–339. PMID: 29285037 PMCID: PMC5743992.
- 30. Pettersson A*, **Gerke TA***, Penney KL, Lis R, Stack EC, Pértega-Gomes N, Zadra G, Tyekucheva S, Giovannucci EL, Mucci LA, Loda M. MYC overexpression at the protein and mRNA level and cancer outcomes among men treated with radical prostatectomy for prostate cancer. Cancer Epidemiol Biomarkers Prev 2018; 27(2): 201–207. PMID: 29141848 PMCID: PMC5831163.
- 31. Graff RE, Ahearn TU, Pettersson A, Ebot EM, **Gerke TA**, Penney KL, Wilson KM, Markt S, Pernar CH, Gonzalez-Feliciano AG, Song M, Lis R, Schmidt DR,

- Vander Heiden MG, Fiorentino M, Giovannucci EL, Loda M, Mucci LA. Height, obesity, and the risk of TMPRSS2:ERG-defined prostate cancer. Cancer Epidemiol Biomarkers Prev 2018; 27(2): 193–200. PMID: 29167279 PMCID: PMC5809280.
- 32. Jones AA, **Gerke TA**, Striley CW, Whitehead N, Osborne V, Cottler LB. One step at a time: A latent transitional analysis on changes in substance use, exposure to violence, and HIV/AIDS risk behaviors among female offenders. Am J Crim Just 2018; In press: DOI:10.1007/s12103-017-9419-1.
- 33. Jones AA, O'Leary CC, Striley CW, **Gerke TA**, Striley CW, Crecelius R, Sullivan J, Cottler LB. Substance use, victimization, HIV/AIDS risk, and recidivism among females in a therapeutic justice program. J Subst Use 2018; In press: DOI:10.1080/14659891.2018.1436604.
- 34. Williams V, Awasthi S, Fink A, Pow-Sang J, Park J, **Gerke TA**, Yamoah K. African American Men and prostate cancer specific mortality: A competing risk analysis of a large institutional cohort, 1989–2015. Cancer Med 2018; In press.
- 35. Komura K, Yoshikawa Y, Shimamura T, Chakraborty G, **Gerke TA**, Hinohara K, Chadalavada K, Jeong SH, Armenia J, Du S, Mazzu YZ, Taniguchi K, Ibuki N, Meyer CA, Nanjangud G, Inamoto T, Lee GM, Mucci L, Azuma H, Sweeney CJ, Kantoff P. Synthetic lethality by ATR inhibition in aggressive prostate cancer deficient in male specific histone demethylase KDM5D. J Clin Investig 2018; In press.
- 36. Peeri NC*, Creed J*, Anic GM, Olson JJ, LaRocca RV, Chowdhary SJ, Brockman JD, **Gerke TA**, Nabors LB, Egan KM. Toenail selenium, genetic variation in selenoenzymes and risk and outcome in glioma. Cancer Epidemiol 2018; In press.
- 37. Rounbehler RJ, Berglund AE, **Gerke TA**, Takhar MM, Awasthi S, Li W, Davicioni E, Erho NG, Ross AE, Schaeffer EM, Klein EA, Karnes RJ, Jenkins RB, Cleveland JL, Park JY, Yamoah K. Tristetraprolin is a prognostic biomarker for poor outcomes among patients with low-grade prostate cancer. Cancer Epidemiol Biomarkers Prev 2018; In press.
- 38. Barber L, **Gerke TA**, Markt S, Peisch S, Wilson K, Ahearn T, Giovannucci E, Parmigiani G, Mucci L. Family history of breast or prostate cancer and prostate cancer risk. Clin Cancer Res 2018; In press.
- 39. Stopsack KH, Ebot EM, Downer MK, **Gerke TA**, Rider JR, Kantoff PW, Mucci LA. Regular aspirin use and gene expression profiles in prostate cancer patients. Cancer Causes Control 2018; In press.
- 40. Ahearn TU*, Peisch S*, Pettersson A, Ebot EM, Zhou K, Graff RE, Sinnott JA, Fazli L, Judson GJ, Bismar TA, Rider JR, **Gerke TA**, Chan JM, Fiorentino M, Flavin R, Sesso HD, Finn S, Giovannucci EL, Gleave M, Loda M, Li Z, Pollak M**, Mucci LA**. Expression of IGF/insulin receptor in prostate cancer tissue and progression to lethal disease. Carcinogenesis 2018; In press.
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- Gene expression data management and analysis pipeline: an applied example. Bioinformatics Working Group, Channing Division of Network Medicine.
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- Epidemiologic methods for case-control studies of gene expression. Cancer Epidemiology Fellows Seminar, Harvard School of Public Health.
- 2015 Understanding molecular cancer research. Alachua County Prostate Cancer Alliance.
- Building clinically useful prognostic models from high-dimensional feature spaces by focusing on partial AUC. University of Florida Department of Statistics Seminar Series.
- Computational approaches to the challenge of molecular discovery in prostate cancer.
 University of Florida Health Cancer Center Seminar Series.
- Designing molecular epidemiology studies. University of Florida Biostatistics, Epidemiology and Research Design (BERD) Studio.
- ²⁰¹⁷ Confounding. Moffitt Cancer Center Population Science Seminar Series for Research Staff.
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