

Biostatistics (MATH11230)

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General information

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↪ **Lectures and location:** Tuesday, 14.10–16.00 (there will be a 10 min. break from 15.00 to 15.10), 5326, JCMB.

↪ **Workshops:** Tuesday, 17.10–18.00, on odd weeks (weeks 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11), 5326, JCMB.

General information

- ↪ **Office hours:** Thursday, 10.00–11.00, week 1–11.
- ↪ The first half of the office hours, 10.00–10.30, will be on Zoom, and the second half, 10.30–11.00, will be on my office.
- ↪ Information to join the Zoom meeting is as follows:

`https://ed-ac-uk.zoom.us/j/84682858682`

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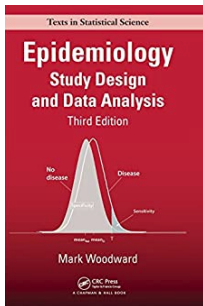
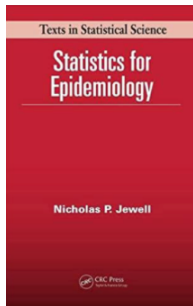
Assessment

- ↪ **Exam** (in December) worths 80% of the final mark.
- ↪ There will be **three** assignments:
 - ↪ **Assignment 1** counts 5% towards the final mark. It will be released on week 3/4 and solutions are to be handed in on week 5 (Friday at 4 pm).
 - ↪ **Assignment 2** counts 5% towards the final mark. It will be released on week 6/7 and solutions are to be handed in on week 8 (Friday at 4 pm).
 - ↪ **Assignment 3** counts 10% towards the final mark. It will be released on week 9/10 and solutions are to be handed in on week 11 (Friday at 4 pm).

Bibliography

Covers from [amazon.co.uk](https://www.amazon.co.uk)

→ All three books are available on the course resources list, under the library resources list tab on Learn.



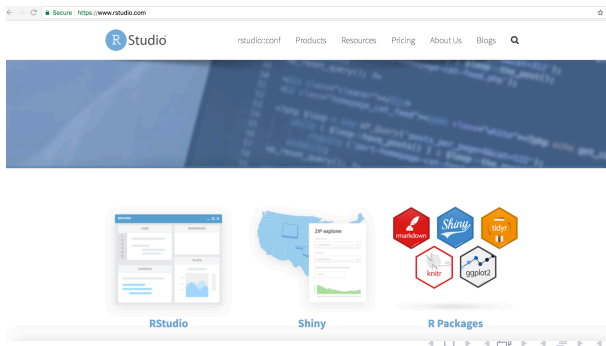
Software

→ We will use R in this course.



Image from www.r-project.org

→ Rstudio is a nice and useful interface.



Scope

- ↪ We will study a variety of concepts and techniques used in biomedical and epidemiological research.

- ↪ Topics to be covered may include:
 - 1 Measures of disease occurrence and of disease-exposure association.
 - 2 Study designs.
 - 3 Estimation and inference for measures of association.
 - 4 Causal inference, confounding, and interaction.
 - 5 Unconditional and conditional logistic regression.
 - 6 Analysis of survival data.
 - 7 Diagnostic testing (if time permits).