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EDUCATION

Harvard University Ph.D., Biostatistics Dissertation: "Causal Inference with Complex Exposures in Observational Studies" Committee: Dr. Francesca Dominici, Dr. Jose R. Zubizarreta, Dr. Danielle Braun	<i>Cambridge, MA</i> <i>September 2017 - March 2021</i>
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health M.S., Biostatistics	<i>Boston, MA</i> <i>September 2015 - May 2017</i>
Peking University B.S., Mathematics LL.B., Laws	<i>Beijing, China</i> <i>September 2011 - July 2015</i> <i>September 2011 - July 2015</i>

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health Postdoctoral Fellow; Mentor: Dr. Francesca Dominici	<i>Boston, MA</i> <i>March 2021 - Present</i>
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health Graduate Research Assistant; Mentor: Dr. Francesca Dominici	<i>Boston, MA</i> <i>September 2017 - October 2020</i>
Harvard Business School Research Associate; Mentor: Dr. Lauren Cohen	<i>Boston, MA</i> <i>July 2016 - March 2017</i>
Stanford University School of Medicine Summer Visiting Student; Mentor: Dr. Ying Lu	<i>Stanford, CA</i> <i>June 2014 - August 2014</i>

ACADEMIC AWARDS & HONORS

Barry R. and Irene Tilenius Bloom Fellowship Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health	<i>2021</i>
IMS Hannan Graduate Student Travel Award Institute of Mathematical Statistics	<i>2020</i>
American Statistical Association Scholarship Award ASA Biopharmaceutical Section	<i>2020</i>
ISEE Annual Conference Travel Award International Society for Environmental Epidemiology	<i>2020</i>
American Statistical Association Student Paper Award ASA Statistics and the Environment Section	<i>2019</i>
American Statistical Association Student Travel Award ASA Biopharmaceutical Section Regulatory-Industry Statistics Workshop	<i>2019</i>
Summer Institute in Statistics for Big Data Scholarship University of Washington	<i>2017</i>
1st Prize of the National Mathematics Contest The Chinese Mathematical Society (CMS)	<i>2009</i>

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Facebook Inc

Research Scientist Intern; Mentors: Drs. Abbas Zaidi, Will Bullock

Menlo Park, CA

June 2020 - August 2020

- Developed a Bayesian meta-analytic framework that draws inferences from post-stratified user metrics data

Google LLC

Data Scientist Intern; Mentors: Drs. Li Pan, Meeyoung Park

Sunnyvale, CA

May 2019 - August 2019

- Designed an experimentation platform on user interference network using bipartite graph clustering randomization

PRO Unlimited, Inc. (End Client: Sanofi Genzyme)

Biostatistician Intern; Mentor: Dr. Yi Xu

Cambridge, MA

June 2017 - August 2017, February 2019 - April 2019

- Developed a novel Bayesian adaptive commensurate design that borrows adaptively from historical trial information and optimizes the timing of interim analysis

Peking University Clinical Research Institute

Data Analyst; Mentor: Prof. Chen Yao

Beijing, China

February 2014 - June 2014

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

Boston, MA

Teaching Fellow, Bayesian Methodology in Biostatistics; Instructor: Dr. Jeffrey Miller *Spring 2020*

Teaching Fellow, Theory and Methods for Causality II; Instructor: Dr. Andrea Rotnitzsky *Fall 2019*

Teaching Fellow, Introduction to Statistical Genetics; Instructor: Dr. Martin Aryee *Fall 2019*

Teaching Fellow, Applied Bayesian Analysis; Instructor: Dr. Lorenzo Trippa *Fall 2018*

Teaching Fellow, Applied Survival Analysis; Instructor: Dr. Rui Wang *Spring 2017*

Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

Boston, MA

Guest Lecturer, Computing for Big Data - Working with Medicare Data

December 2018

Harvard Medical School

Boston, MA

Guest Lecturer, An Introduction to Propensity Score Methods

September 2018

PRESENTATIONS

1. Historical Exposure to Air Pollution and COVID-19 Mortality in the United States, All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Air Pollution 2020, London, U.K. (**Remote**).
2. Historical Exposure to Air Pollution and COVID-19 Mortality in the United States, A Briefing at the U.S. House Select Committee on the Climate Crisis 2020, Washington, D.C (**Remote**).
3. Exposure to Air Pollution and COVID-19 Mortality in the United States, Annual Conference of the International Society for Environmental Epidemiology (ISEE) 2020, Washington, D.C (**Oral**).
4. Impacts of Long-term Exposure to Fine Particulate Matter on Mortality Among the Elderly, Annual Conference of the International Society for Environmental Epidemiology (ISEE) 2020, Washington, D.C (**E-Poster**).
5. Causal effects of long-term PM_{2.5} exposure on all cause mortality, Harvard Data Science Initiative Conference 2019, Boston, MA.
6. Optimizing Interim Analysis Timing for Bayesian Adaptive Commensurate Designs, ASA Biopharmaceutical Section Regulatory-Industry Statistics Workshop (BIOP) 2019, Washington, D.C. (**Poster**).

7. Matching on generalized propensity scores with continuous treatments, Joint Statistical Meeting (JSM) 2019, Denver, CO.
8. Matching on generalized propensity scores with continuous treatments, Atlantic Causal Inference Conference (ACIC) 2019, Montreal, QC, Canada (**Invited**).
9. Causal Inference Challenges in Air Pollution Research, Atlantic Causal Inference Conference (ACIC) 2019, Montreal, QC, Canada (**Discussant**).
10. Statistical methods for pooling categorical biomarkers from multiple studies, Joint Statistical Meeting (JSM) 2018, Vancouver, BC, Canada.
11. Causal inference in air pollution epidemiology using generalized propensity score matching, Harvard/MIT ACE Center Science Advisory Committee (SAC) Meeting 2018, Boston, MA (**Invited**).
12. Matching on generalized propensity scores with continuous treatments, European Causal Inference Meeting (EuroCIM) 2018, Florence, Italy.
13. Causal inference in the context of an error prone exposure: air pollution and mortality, International Chinese Statistical Association (ICSA), Applied Statistics Symposium 2018, New Brunswick, NJ (**Invited**).
14. Causal inference in the context of an error prone exposure: air pollution and mortality, Eastern North American Region (ENAR) International Biometric Society Meeting 2018, Atlanta, GA.
15. Methods to estimate causal effects adjusting for confounding when an ordinal exposure is mis-measured in the context of air pollution, Harvard/MIT ACE Center Science Advisory Committee (SAC) Meeting 2017, Boston, MA (**Invited**).

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

1. **Wu, X.**[†], Nethery, R.C.[†], Sabath, B.M., Braun, D. and Dominici, F., 2020. Air pollution and COVID-19 mortality in the United States: Strengths and limitations of an ecological regression analysis. *Science Advances*, 6(45), p.eabd4049.
2. **Wu, X.**[†], Braun, D.[†], Schwartz, J., Kioumourtzoglou, M.A. and Dominici, F., 2020. Evaluating the impact of long-term exposure to fine particulate matter on mortality among the elderly. *Science Advances*, 6(29), p.eaba5692.
3. Shi, L.[†], **Wu, X.**[†], Yazdi, M., Braun, D., Liu, P., Awad, Y., Di, Q., Wei, Y., Wang, Y., Schwartz, J.D., Dominici, F., Kioumourtzoglou, M.A. and Zanobetti, A., 2020. Long-term effects of PM_{2.5} on neurological disorders in the American Medicare population: a longitudinal cohort study. *The Lancet Planetary Health*.
4. **Wu, X.**, Braun, D., Kioumourtzoglou, M.A., Choirat, C., Di, Q. and Dominici, F., 2019. Causal inference in the context of an error prone exposure: air pollution and mortality. *The Annals of Applied Statistics*, 13(1), pp.520-547.
5. **Wu, X.**, Xu, Y. and Carlin, B.P., 2020. Optimizing interim analysis timing for Bayesian adaptive commensurate designs. *Statistics in Medicine*, 39(4), pp.424-437.
6. Won, J.H., **Wu, X.**, Lee, S.H. and Lu, Y., 2017. Cross-sectional design with a short-term follow-up for prognostic imaging biomarkers. *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis*, 113, pp.154-176.
7. Wei, Y., Wang, Y., **Wu, X.**, Di, Q., Shi, L., Koutrakis, P., et al. Causal effects of air pollution on mortality in Massachusetts, 2020. *American Journal of Epidemiology*.
8. Zhang, Z., Li, X., **Wu, X.**, Qiu, H. and Shi, H., 2020. Propensity score analysis for time-dependent exposure. *Annals of Transnational Medicine*, 8(5).

9. Mendy, A., **Wu, X.**, Keller, J.L., Fassler, C.S., Apewokin, S., Mersha, T.B., Xie, C. and Pinney, S.M., 2021. Long-term exposure to fine particulate matter and hospitalization in COVID-19 patients. *Respiratory medicine*, 178, p.106313.

Submitted Manuscripts

1. **Wu, X.**, Weinberger, K.R., Wellenius, G.A., Dominici, F. and Braun, D., 2021. Assessing the causal effects of a stochastic intervention in time series data: Are heat alerts effective in preventing deaths and hospitalizations?. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2102.10478*.
2. **Wu, X.**, Mealli, F., Kioumourtzoglou, M.A., Dominici, F. and Braun, D., 2018. Matching on Generalized Propensity Scores with Continuous Exposures. *arXiv preprint arXiv:1812.06575*.
3. Klompmaker, J.O., Hart, J.E., Holland, I., Sabath, M.B., **Wu, X.**, Laden, F., Dominici, F. and James, P., 2020. County-level exposures to greenness and associations with COVID-19 incidence and mortality in the United States. *medRxiv*.

In Preparation

1. **Wu, X.**, Li, X., Dominici, F. and D'Amour, A., 2020+. Identifying and estimating heterogeneous causal effects of continuous exposures.
2. **Wu, X.**, Gail, M.H. and Wang, M., 2020+. Statistical method for pooling categorical biomarkers from multi-center matched/nested case-control studies.

†indicates co-first authorship