

# Bayesian Biostatistics Conference

January 26 - 28, 2009  
Houston, Texas

## Program Committee

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**Registration fees cover:**

- all sessions
- handout materials
- continental breakfast days 1-3
- boxed lunch days 1 & 2
- reception & hors d'oeuvres day 1

**Registration (U.S. dollars):**

\$300 - general registration  
\$150 - special student discount

## Preliminary Program

*Monday, January 26, 2009*

8:00 am                      **Registration check-in and on-site registration**

8:00 am - 9:00 am           **Continental breakfast** (provided)

### **Morning Session**

9:00 am - 11:45 am        **Short Course I: Title TBA**  
Donald A. Berry (M. D. Anderson)

15-minute break at 10:15 am

11:45 am - 1:00 PM        **Boxed lunch** (provided)

### **Afternoon Sessions**

1:00 PM - 3:30 PM        **Short Course II: Title TBA**  
Gary L. Rosner (M. D. Anderson)

15-minute breaks at 2:15 and at 3:30 PM

3:45 PM - 5:30 PM        **Keynote Speaker:** Donald B. Rubin (Harvard University)

## Monday, January 26 (continued)

6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

### Welcome Reception

6:30 - 7:30 - Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar

7:30 - 9:00 - Panel Discussion : Topic TBA

#### PANELISTS:

Telba Z. Irony (CDRH, FDA), Moderator

Jim Berger (Duke University)

Donald A. Berry (M. D. Anderson)

Gregory Campbell (CDRH, FDA)

A. Lawrence Gould (Merck)

## Tuesday, January 27, 2009

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

### Continental breakfast (provided)

Registration available

### Morning Sessions

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

### Session 1: Statistical Genetics Applied to Biomedical Sciences

**Speaker: Paola Sebastiani** (Boston University)

**Title:** Bayesian Modeling of Complex Traits: Diagnostic Versus Prognostic Models

**Speaker: Marta Blangiardo** (Imperial College Centre for Biostatistics, UK)

Collaborator: Sylvia Richardson (Imperial College Centre for Biostatistics, UK)

**Title:** A Bayesian Calibration Model for Combining Different Preprocessing Methods in Affymetrix Chips

**Speaker:** TBA

**Title:** TBA

**Chair:** Donald A. Berry (M. D. Anderson)

10:30 AM - 10:45 AM

### Break

10:45 AM - 12:15 PM

### Session 2: Bayesian Clinical Trials

**Speaker: David Ohlssen** (Novartis Pharmaceuticals)

Collaborators: Hayley Jones (MRC Biostatistics Unit, UK), Beat Neuenschwander, Amy Racine, and Michael Branson (Novartis Pharma, Switzerland)

**Title:** A Case Study Examining the Use of Bayesian Methods for Subgroup Analysis in Clinical Trials

**Speaker: Peter Müller** (M. D. Anderson)

**Title:** Borrowing Strength with Non-exchangeable Priors Over Subpopulations

## Tuesday, January 27 (continued)

### Session 2 (continued)

10:45 AM - 12:15 PM

**Speaker:** Alice R. Pressman (Kaiser Foundation Research Institute) Collaborators: Andrew Avins (University of California SF) and Alan Hubbard (UC Berkeley)  
**Title:** A Comparison of Two Worlds: How Does Bayes Hold Up to the Status Quo?  
**Chair:** Kathryn Chaloner (University of Iowa)

12:15 PM - 1:30 PM

**Boxed lunch** (provided)

### Afternoon Parallel Sessions 3 & 4

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

#### Session 3: Bayesian Clinical Trials: Improving Cancer Research

**Speaker:** Stuart Bailey (Novartis Pharma) Collaborator: Daniel Lorand (Novartis)  
**Title:** The Simultaneous Assessment of Safety and Efficacy: An Application of a Bayesian Model to Determine the Optimal Biological Dose in Oncology Phase I Dose Escalation

**Speaker:** Brani Vidakovic (Georgia Institute of Technology and Emory University) Collaborators: André Rogatko (Samuel Oschin Comprehensive Cancer Institute), Mourad Tighiouart (Emory University), and Pulak Ghosh (Novartis Pharma)  
**Title:** Individualized Patient Dosing in Cancer Clinical Trials

**Speaker:** Andrew Mugglin (University of Minnesota)  
Collaborator: Nathan Enas (Eli Lilly and Company)  
**Title:** An Efficient Randomized Bayesian Phase II Study Design: A Model and a Case Study

**Chair:** Sharon-Lise T. Normand (Harvard University)

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

#### Session 4: Bayesian Methods Influencing Health Policy

**Speaker:** A. James O'Malley (Harvard University)  
Collaborators: Sharon-Lise T. Normand (Harvard University) and Richard Frank (National Bureau of Economic Research)  
**Title:** Traditional Instrumental Variables Methods Versus Likelihood and Bayesian Approaches for Comparing Antipsychotic Medications

**Speaker:** Yulei He (Harvard University)  
Collaborators: Bob Wolfe and Sharon-Lise T. Normand (Harvard University)  
**Title:** The Healthcare World Is Not Flat: Understanding Geographical Variations in the Quality of Hospital Care

**Speaker:** Gillian D. Sanders (Duke University)  
Collaborator: Scott Schmidler (Duke University)  
**Title:** Effect of HPV Vaccine Characteristics and Implementation Strategies on the Incidence of Disease

**Chair:** Stacy R. Lindborg (Eli Lilly and Company)

## Tuesday, January 27 (continued)

3:00 PM - 3:15 PM

**Break**

### Afternoon Parallel Sessions 5 & 6

3:15 PM - 4:45 PM

#### **Session 5: Bayesian Clinical Trials: Dose Selection Methods**

**Speaker: Yu-Hui Chang** (University of Iowa)

Collaborators: Kathryn Chaloner and Patricia Winokur (University of Iowa)

**Title:** An Adaptive Dose Exploration Design for the Estimation of Human Colonizing Dose 50 and Human Colonizing Dose 90

**Speaker: François Vandenhende** (ClinBAY, Belgium)

Collaborators: Davorka Tomic, Alexander Coppell, Ping He, Gilmore O'Neill (Biogen Idec, Inc.), and David J. Brooks (Imperial College, UK)

**Title:** Bayesian Dose Selection Strategy in Biomarker Trials: A Case Study Using Brain Imaging

**Speaker: Peter F. Thall** (M. D. Anderson)

**Title:** Utility-based Optimization of Combination Therapy Using Ordinal Toxicity and Efficacy in Phase I/II Trials

**Chair:** Andrew Mugglin (University of Minnesota)

3:15 PM - 4:45 PM

#### **Session 6: Bayesian Methods in the Analysis of Clinical Trial Data**

**Speaker: Joseph W. Hogan** (Brown University) Collaborator: Joo Yeon Lee (FDA)

**Title:** Construction and Calibration of Priors for Handling Missing Data in Clinical Trials

**Speaker: Zachary Skrivanek**, (Eli Lilly and Company)

Collaborators: Brenda L. Gaydos (Eli Lilly and Company) and Scott M. Berry (Berry Consultants)

**Title:** Proof by Simulation: A Case Study

**Speaker: Michael Daniels**, (University of Florida, Gainesville)

Collaborators: C. Wang (University of Florida, Gainesville) and Daniel O. Scharfstein (Johns Hopkins University)

**Title:** Bayesian Semiparametric Selection Models with Application to a Breast Cancer Prevention Trial

**Chair:** Stacy R. Lindborg (Eli Lilly and Company)

5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

**Poster Session**

Wednesday, January 28, 2009

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

**Continental Breakfast** (provided)

## Morning Sessions

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

### Session 7: Bayesian Decision Theory

**Speaker: David Draper** (University of California, Santa Cruz)

**Title:** Bayesian Decision Theory in Clinical Trial Design and Analysis: The Utility of Utility

**Speaker: J. Andrés Christen (CIMAT, México)**

Collaborators: Peter Müller, J. Kyle Wathen, and Judith Wolf (M. D. Anderson)

**Title:** A Bayesian Randomized Clinical Trial: A Decision Theoretic Sequential Design

**Speaker: Robert Parker** (Amgen, Inc.)

Collaborator: Joseph Ibrahim (University of North Carolina)

**Title:** Assessing Similarity to Existing Drugs to Decide Whether to Continue Drug Development

**Chair:** Telba Z. Irony (CDRH, FDA)

10:30 AM - 10:45 AM

**Break**

10:45 AM - 12:15 PM

### Session 8: Bayesian Adaptive Clinical Trials

**Speaker: Jason T. Connor** (Berry Consultants)

Collaborators: Donald A. Berry (M. D. Anderson), Michael Snabes (BioSante Pharmaceuticals, Inc.), and William White (University of Connecticut Health Center)

**Title:** A Phase III Cardiovascular Safety Trial Using A Bayesian Adaptive Design

**Speaker: Frank E. Harrell, Jr.** (Vanderbilt University School of Medicine)

**Title:** Case Study of a Maximally Flexible Bayesian Design in Biologics Research with a Skeptical Prior and Cox Model-based Analysis

**Speaker: Bradley P. Carlin**, (University of Minnesota)

Collaborator: Brian Hobbs (University of Minnesota)

**Title:** Power Priors for Adaptive Incorporation of Historical Information in Clinical Trials

**Chair:** Sharon-Lise T. Normand (Harvard University)

12:15 PM

**Closing Remarks** - Program Committee