QUOTES

- “Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough.” Oprah Winfrey

- “Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow” Melody Beattie

- “When you practice gratefulness, there is a sense of respect toward others.” Tenzin Gyatso

- “Some people are always grumbling because roses have thorns; I am thankful that thorns have roses.” Alphonse Karr
KUDOS

- Congratulations to Christina Mehta and Gavin Tian, co-authors on the recent JAMA article: “Association of Overlapping Surgery with Patient Outcomes in a Large Series of Neurosurgical Cases”
- [https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamasurgery/fullarticle/2661297](https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamasurgery/fullarticle/2661297)
- Over 800 article views and over 100 retweets in under 24 hours

UPCOMING DEPARTMENT MEETINGS

- Tenure-track and tenured faculty meeting, Tuesday 11/21, noon, Room 311

STUDENT PAPER COMPETITIONS

- Submissions are now being accepted for the 2018 Biopharmaceutical Student Paper Awards. These awards are presented annually during the Biopharmaceutical Section open business meeting to be held at the 2018 Joint Statistical Meetings in Vancouver, Canada. Winners will present their paper during in one of the contributed paper sessions at JSM and are encouraged to attend the section's business meeting to receive their award in person. In 2017, the awards were $1000 for 1st place, $600 for 2nd place, and $400 for 3rd place. Honorable mention awards ($200 in 2017) may also be given at the discretion of the Student Paper committee.
  - Student research papers with statistical content applicable to the biopharmaceutical arena are eligible for consideration. Submissions are judged for clarity, contribution to statistics, and biopharmaceutical applicability. Suitable topics include methodological issues in preclinical or clinical trials, epidemiology studies of drug (or device or biological) safety, genetic studies predicting drug (or biological) response, laboratory and toxicological data analyses, methods for high-dimensional data from high-throughput screening, and nonlinear pharmacokinetic modeling.
  - **Both a complete paper and a "blinded" paper should be submitted electronically in pdf format by December 11, 2017.** The submission email should contain the name, school, and contact information of the student.
STUDENT PAPER COMPETITIONS (cont.)

- In the blinded version, the student's name and affiliation/school should not appear and names for references should not be included in the text (numbers for references should be used in text; names should appear on reference page only). References that would unblind a reviewer to the student's name or the student's advisor/collaborator should be removed and replaced with "reference removed."
- The length of the student paper should not exceed 20 pages of double-spaced text with no more than five additional pages of appendices (25 pages maximum). **Because of the volume of submissions received, the length limitation will be strictly enforced.** Consider a manuscript style for the paper to facilitate publication in the proceedings for JSM or another appropriate journal.
- Papers must be submitted no later than one year after graduation and reflect research completed while a student. Submissions should be labeled "Biopharmaceutical Section Student Paper Submission" and sent to Qi Jiang, Biopharmaceutical Section JSM 2018 program chair, at qjiang@amgen.com. In addition to submitting a paper for judging, winners also must submit an abstract of the work as a contributed paper for JSM. All participants will be notified prior to the abstract submission deadline as to whether they have won or not. Requirements for contributed paper submission must be followed in addition to those for the student paper submission.
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**Position Qualifications:** Ph.D. degree in Biostatistics or Statistics or PhD in Data Science or Computer Science with experience in health-related collaborative research. Successful candidates are expected to have excellent written and oral communication skills. Indiana University is an Equal Opportunity/ Affirmative Action employer. Applications from historically underrepresented group members, veterans, and persons with disabilities are encouraged.
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TO WATCH THANKSGIVING FOOTBALL...

THERE IS STILL REASON TO GIVE THANKS.”

“No, the end of November is bad for me.”

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