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specially reduced airfares

For your convenience, Conference Travel, Ltd., has negotiated discount airfares with Delta Airlines Inc. There is a 5% discount off the lowest applicable fare or a 10% discount on a full coach fare. Any reservation made at least 60 days in advance will receive an additional 5% off the above applicable discount. These rates are attainable only through Conference Travel. To make your reservation for the ACE Annual Conference, call Conference Travel at (800) 448-6989 or (919) 787-5181. Offices are open Monday through Friday from 8:45 am to 5:30 p.m. EDT. The College benefits financially from every booking made through Conference Travel. Early bookings are encouraged.

Front Cover: Built in 1889, the Georgia State Capitol is topped with gold mined from Dahlonega, Georgia, the site of the nation’s first gold rush.

Below: The Fountain of Rings, in Centennial Olympic Park, has become one of the most frequented gathering spots for visitors and is open year-round.

(Courtesy of the Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau)
workshop 1 —
epidemiologic analysis of complex sample surveys

faculty
Donna Brogan, Ph.D., Professor of Biostatistics, Rollins School of Public Health of Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Many epidemiologists conduct primary or secondary analyses of sample survey data. Specialized analytical software usually is needed because complex sample survey designs deviate from simple random sampling. Common deviations are unequal selection probabilities, stratification, and clustering of elements.
the goal of this workshop is to provide participants with:

- a review of general concepts and terminology of sample surveys, as a basis for using SUDAAN
- a summary of the structure and design of the software package SUDAAN
- an explanation of syntax for describing a specific sample survey design to SUDAAN. Illustrative examples will include NHANES-III, PRAMS, BRFSS and NHIS.
- instruction for using two PROCS for descriptive analyses: DESCRIPT and CROSSTAB. One modeling PROC will be discussed: LOGISTIC REGRESSION. Datasets for illustrating these PROCS primarily will be NHANES-III and PRAMS

workshop 2 —

design and analysis of cluster randomization trials in health research

faculty

Allan Donner, Ph.D., Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of Western Ontario, London, Canada

Neil Klar, Ph.D., Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of Western Ontario, London, Canada

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Randomized trials of public health interventions often require that clinics or sites, rather than individuals, be randomized. For example, the randomization unit for an evaluation trial of a new antenatal care program, sponsored by the Special Program of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction, and WHO’s Division of Reproductive Health (Technical Support), was the antenatal care clinic, with 53 clinics located in four countries randomly allocated to provide either the new program or the traditional program currently in use.

Specific methodologies have been developed to design and analyze such cluster randomization trials. Drs. Donner and Klar have contributed a textbook on this topic, “Design and Analysis of Cluster Randomization Trials in Health Research,” to be published in July 2000, by Arnold Press. In conjunction with the World Health Organization, they have also developed a software package, Acluster, linked to the book.

goals of this workshop:

- introduce concepts involved in the design and analysis of cluster randomized trials
- distribute beta versions of Acluster and illustrate its use with examples from recent trials
workshop 3 —
molecular genetics for epidemiologists:
from the basics to advanced topics

Faculty
Jack A. Taylor, M.D., Ph.D., Chief, Molecular and Genetic Epidemiology Section,
Laboratory of Molecular Carcinogenesis and Senior Investigator, Epidemiology Branch,
NIEHS, NIH

morning: 9 a.m. - 12 noon
afternoon: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

This will be a two-part workshop. The morning will consist of a review of molecular
 genetics designed to provide a background in the techniques of DNA analysis for epidemi-
ologists. The workshop will provide a basic background for those who wish a clearer
understanding of concepts and techniques used in molecular epidemiology, and a basis
from which to move on to the afternoon course on advanced topics.

The afternoon will be an extension of the morning workshop and will cover selected
advanced and emerging areas of genetics and genomics. The course will focus initially on
topics related to DNA polymorphism, mutation, and DNA repair, and discuss application of
these issues to the study of disease etiology with a focus on cancer. DNA chips, expres-
sion arrays, and other technologies that have gathered considerable interest within the
epidemiology community, although they have seldom been applied in epidemiologic
studies. The course will provide the epidemiologist with a conceptual understanding of
these technologies and the current limitations on their application. Finally, the workshop
will try to anticipate near and intermediate term applications of emerging genomic tech-
nologies on epidemiologic studies, and suggest practical aspects of tissue procurement
and storage, and consent.

goals of this workshop:
• review selected technical topics of DNA of interest to the epidemiologist including,
polymorphism discovery, spontaneous and induced mutation, DNA repair, DNA as a
 lifetime dosimeter of exposure
• describe the basis of emerging technologies for genetic analysis including DNA
 chips, expression arrays, and mass spectroscopy
• discuss how such technologies and the field of genomics may be applied in
 epidemiologic studies and tissue sample requirements
monday, september 25

8:30 - 8:40 am  Welcome and Introduction
Dale Sandler, Ph.D., ACE President

8:40 - 8:50 am  Welcome to Atlanta
Dixie E. Snider, Jr., M.D., M.P.H.,
CDC, Meeting Host

8:50 - 9:00 am  Introduction of Keynote
Speaker
Sandra Melnick, Dr.P.H., National
Cancer Institute

9:00 - 9:45 am  Keynote Address:
Bioterrorism, Infectious
Disease and Epidemiology
Michael T. Osterholm, Ph.D., M.P.H.,
Chairman and CEO, ICAN, INC.

9:45 - 10:00 am  Coffee Break

10:00 - 12:00 N  Symposium I -
Infection and Protection:
Current Challenges to Epidemiology and Public Health
Moderator: James M. Hughes, M.D., CDC

Infectious Causes of Chronic Disease
Thomas C. Quinn, M.D., Johns Hopkins Univ.
School of Medicine

West Nile Virus in New York City
Denis Nash, Ph.D., M.P.H., CDC/NYC Department of Health

Encephalitis: Nipah Virus in Malaysia and Singapore
Clarence J. Peters, M.D., CDC

Childhood and Adult Immunization Policy Issues
Samuel L. Katz, M.D., Duke Univ. School of Medicine

Above: The famous marquee of the Fox Theatre adorns Peachtree Street. The theatre brings some of the world’s greatest concerts, musical performances and plays to Atlanta.
(Courtesy of the Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau)
12:00 – 2:00 pm  Lunch Roundtable Workshop:  
Objectivity, Conflict of Interest, and Epidemiology  
Informal Roundtable discussions led by Fellows of the College.  
(By reservations only. Must pre-register for this workshop.)  
Moderators:  
Rosanne B. McTyre, Ph.D., The Weinberg Group, Inc.  
Patricia Hartge, Sc.D., National Cancer Institute

2:00 – 4:00 pm  Symposium II - Epidemiologists Look at Society:  
Social Class, Race, Gender, Inequality, and Disease  
Moderator: Eugenia E. Calle, Ph.D., American Cancer Society  
The Measurement of Social Class and Race in Epidemiologic Studies: New Directions  
Lisa Berkman, Ph.D., Harvard Univ. School of Public Health  
The Epidemiology of Intimate Partner Violence: We’re Not There Yet  
Lemyra DeBruyn, Ph.D., CDC  
Upstream and Downstream Approaches to Inequality in Health: The Example of Cardiovascular Disease  
George A. Kaplan, Ph.D., Univ. of Michigan School of Public Health  
Health and Income Inequality  
Ichiro Kawachi, Ph.D., Harvard Univ. School of Public Health

4:00 – 5:00 pm  Business Meeting for ACE Members

5:00 – 7:00 pm  Poster Session and Reception  
Prizes will be awarded for the best student poster and the best general poster.  
Chairs:  
Marlene Goldman, Sc.D., New England Research Institutes  
Betsy Foxman, Ph.D., Univ. of Michigan School of Public Health

7:00 – 9:00 pm  Continuing Poster Viewing  
Dinner on your own
tuesday, september 26

7:30 - 9:00 am  Breakfast Roundtables
Chair: Maureen C. Hatch, Ph.D., Mt. Sinai School of Medicine

Scientific Publication: The Ongoing Revolution
Martha S. Linet, M.D., National Cancer Institute; ACE Publications Committee
Richard Rothenberg, M.D., Emory Univ. School of Medicine; Editor-in-Chief, Annals of Epidemiology

Current Ethical Challenges in Epidemiology
Douglas L. Weed, M.D., Ph.D., National Cancer Institute; ACE Committee on Ethics and Standards of Practice

Medical Record Privacy: New Laws and Practices
Robert A. Hiatt, M.D., Ph.D., National Cancer Institute; ACE Policy Committee

Diversity in Epidemiology: Finding Ways to Improve
Vickie M. Mays, Ph.D., University of California Los Angeles
Victor J. Schoenbach, Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Response Rates: Should We Worry?
Shanna H. Swan, Ph.D., Univ. of Missouri at Columbia

The Ethics of Infectious Disease Epidemiology
Elizabeth A. Bancroft, M.D., S.M., CDC/L.A. County Department of Health Services

Women's Health
Maureen C. Hatch, Ph.D., Mt. Sinai School of Medicine
Marlene B. Goldman, Sc.D., New England Research Institutes

Above: In 1997, the Atlanta Braves moved to their new home at Turner Field, formerly the Olympic Stadium. Turner Field, a baseball entertainment complex, was a definite crowd-pleaser during the 1997 season.

(Courtesy of the Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau)
Can Intragroup Comparisons Be Used To Test Causal Models Of Diversity?
Carol J. Rowland Hogue, Ph.D., M.P.H., Emory Univ. School of Public Health

9:00 – 9:15 am  Break

Moderator: Dixie E. Snider, Jr., M.D., M.P.H., CDC

Genetic Determinants in HIV Infection
Richard A. Kaslow, M.D., M.P.H., Univ. of Alabama at Birmingham

Molecular Aspects of EBV and Lymphoma
Richard F. Ambinder, M.D., Ph.D., Johns Hopkins Univ. School of Medicine

Host Genes and TB Infection
Janet M. McNicholl, M.D., CDC

Host Genes and Malaria
Venkatachalam Udhayakumar, Ph.D., Division of Parasitic Diseases, CDC

11:15 – 11:30 am  Break

11:30 – 12:00 N  2000 Student Prize Paper
TBA

12:00 – 2:00 pm  Banquet Lunch and Poster Prize Awards

2:00 – 4:00 pm  Plenary Debate - Motion: Epidemiologists Should/Should Not Always Put Their Data in a Public Archive
Moderator:
Gina D. Etheredge, Ph.D., Tulane Univ. School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine

Debaters:
Jonathan M. Samet, M.D., M.S., Johns Hopkins Univ. School of Hygiene and Public Health
Christine A. Bachrach, Ph.D., National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
Manning Feinleib, M.D., Dr.P.H., Johns Hopkins Univ. School of Hygiene and Public Health

4:00 pm  Adjourn
registration form

Pre-registration closes on September 5, 2000. Registrations received after September 5 will be processed at on-site rates. Refunds will be issued for cancellations received in writing by September 15, 2000.

Please print or type the following information. It will be used to print your name badge and mail your confirmation.

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workshop registration

Three workshops will be held on Sunday, September 24. Enrollment is limited. Please indicate your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices. You will be assigned your highest priority available.

- Workshop 1: Epidemiologic Analysis of Complex Sample Surveys
- Workshop 2: Design and Analysis of Cluster Randomization Trials in Health Research
- Workshop 3: Molecular Genetics for Epidemiologists: From the Basics to Advanced Topics (BOTH SESSIONS)
- Workshop 3-A: Molecular Genetics for Epidemiologist: MORNING SESSION (Basic Topics)
- Workshop 3-B: Molecular Genetics for Epidemiologist: AFTERNOON SESSION (Advanced Topics)

Workshops 1, 2, or 3 (morning and afternoon)
Member ...................................... $  95 ................................. $_________
Non-Member ............................... $145 ................................. $_________
Student* ..................................... $  55 ................................. $_________

Workshops 3A (morning) or 3B (afternoon)
Member ...................................... $  63 ................................. $_________
Non-Member ............................... $  97 ................................. $_________
Student* ..................................... $  37 ................................. $_________
(A $50 surcharge will be assessed for on-site registration.)

Lunch Roundtable Workshop — Monday, September 25 (must pre-register for this workshop — includes lunch) .......................................................... $16 ......................... $_________

general registration

Registration includes all sessions (except workshops), breaks, roundtable breakfast, banquet, and poster reception.

Before 9/5 After 9/5 and On-site
Member ........................... $225 ................. $275 ................. $__________
Non-Member .................... $310 ................. $360 ................. $__________
Student* .......................... $105 ................. $135 ................. $__________
*Proof of student status is required

Registrations received after 9/15 will be processed on-site.

banquet

Do you plan to attend the banquet luncheon on Tuesday, September 26?  □ Yes  □ No

TOTAL ENCLOSED $___________

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Check or credit card information must be received with registration form. Please either fax OR mail registration form. Do not fax AND mail registration form! Thank you.

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