W. Katherine Tan

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Education

University of Washington

PhD Biostatistics Certificate in Technology Entrepreneurship, Foster School of Business Johns Hopkins University

• B.S. Applied Mathematics & Statistics; Phi Beta Kappa; GPA: 3.90

ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Flatiron Health

Quantitative Scientist

Accelerating cancer research and improving the quality of patient care through generating regulatory-grade real-world evidence derived from electronic health records (EHR) data and rigorously developed statistical methods and designs.

University of Washington

Graduate Research Assistant

- **LIRE pragmatic trial**: Developed and implemented an end-to-end Natural Language Processing (NLP) system to identify 26 common and rare anatomical findings from radiology reports; models achieved an average accuracy (AUC) of 95% and used for automated patient subgroup identification.
- **NEAT-O Phase II clinical trial**: Modeled the effect of a neuroprotective agent in newborn infants; analyses resulted in a peer-reviewed publication and informing subsequent clinical trials.

PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCES (SELECTED)

- Tan WK, Heagerty PJ. Surrogate-guided sampling designs for classification of rare outcomes from electronic medical records data. *Under review.*
- Tan WK, Hassanpour S, Heagerty PJ et al. Comparison of Natural Language Processing Rules-Based and Machine-Learning Systems to Identify Lumbar Spine Imaging Findings Related to Low Back Pain. Academic Radiology 25:11 (2018): 1422-1432.
- Jarvik JG, Gold LS, **Tan WK**, et al. Long-term Outcomes of a Large, Prospective Observational Cohort of Older Adults with Back Pain. *The Spine Journal 18:9 (2018): 1540-1551.*
- Huhdanpaa HT, **Tan WK**, Rundell SD et al. Using Natural Language Processing of Free-Text Radiology Reports to Identify Type 1 Modic Endplate Changes. *Journal of Digital Imaging (2017): 1-7.*
- Wu YW, Mathur AM, Chang T [et al., including **Tan WK**]. High-dose Erythropoietin and Hypothermia for Hypoxic-Ischemic Encephalopathy: a Phase II Trial. *Pediatrics (2016): e20160191*.
- Jarvik JG, Comstock BA, James KT [et al., including **Tan WK**]. Lumbar Imaging With Reporting Of Epidemiology (LIRE) Protocol for a pragmatic cluster randomized trial. *Contemporary Clinical Trials 45 (2015): 157-163.*
- Tan WK. Surrogate-guided sampling designs for biomedical natural language processing applications with rare outcomes. *Joint Statistical Meetings, Chicago, IL, Jul 2016.*

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Computing: R (caret, dplyr, quanteda, rmarkdown), Python (pandas, scikit-learn), SQL, Git, Java, MATLAB, LATEX
- Statistics & Machine Learning: Bayesian Methods, Classification, Correlated Data, Experimental Design, Ensemble Learning, Regression Methods, Sampling Methods, Sparse Learning, Survival Analysis

Additional Experience, Service, and Awards

- Teaching: Teaching Assistant, Applied Biostatistics; Guest Lecturer, Computing tools for Biostatistcians
- Consulting: Statistical Consultant, University of Washington Statistical Consulting Services
- Professional Memberships: American Statistical Association (ASA)
- Awards and Honors: Department of Biostatistics travel award for research in a domestic conference, University of Washington Business Plan Competition Finalist

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> Seattle, WA Sep 2013 – Dec 2018

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> New York, NY Jan 2019 - Present

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