## Christian T. Covington

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RESEARCH INTERESTS Model misspecification and uncertainty, valid statistical inference in adaptive settings, formal data

privacy, scientific reform

EDUCATION Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

PhD, Biostatistics, September 2022 -

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada

MMath, Computer Science, September 2020 - June 2022

Advised by Xi He and Gautam Kamath

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA

BA, Statistical Science, January 2014 - May 2016

Honors and Awards Graduate Excellence Award, 2020 - 2022

David R. Cheriton Graduate Scholarship, 2020 - 2022 Dr. Derick Wood Graduate Scholarship, 2020 - 2021

Cornell University Magna Cum Laude and Distinction in Statistical Science, 2016

Hunter R. Rawlings III Cornell Presidential Research Scholar, 2014 - 2016

Papers in Preparation Bayesian Model Criticism using Uniform Parameterization Checks

ON Christian Covington, Jeff Miller

ISBA World Meeting 2024 (Forthcoming)

**PUBLICATIONS** 

Unbiased Statistical Estimation and Valid Confidence Intervals Under Differential Privacy

Christian Covington, Xi He, James Honaker, Gautam Kamath

Statistica Sinica: Special Issue on Data Privacy (TBA)

Differences in patient perceptions of integrated care among black, hispanic, and white Medicare beneficiaries

Emilia J Ling, Molly Frean, Jody So, Maike Tietschert, Nancy Song, Christian Covington, Hassina

Bahadurazada, Sonia Khurana, Luis Garcia, Sara J Singer

Health Services Research (2021)

Patient experiences of integrated care in Medicare accountable care organizations and Medicare Advantage versus traditional fee-for-service

Molly Frean, Christian Covington, Maike Tietschert, Hassina Bahadurzada, Jodi So, Sara J Singer Medical Care (2021)

Invertible promoters mediate bacterial phase variation, antibiotic resistance, and host adaptation in the gut

Xiaofang Jiang, A Brantley Hall, Timothy D Arthur, Damian R Plichta, Christian T Covington, Mathilde Poyet, Jessica Crothers, Peter L Moses, Andrew C Tolonen, Hera Vlamakis, Eric J Alm,

Ramnik J Xavier Science (2019)

### Variation in Patients' Perceptions of Integrated Care Among Medicare Beneficiaries By Level of Need

Nancy Song, Molly Frean, Christian Covington, Maike Tietschert, Emilia Ling, Hassina Bahadurzada, Michaela Kerrissey, Mark Friedberg, Sara Singer AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting (2019)

#### Professional Experience

#### Apple, Cupertino, CA

May 2021 - August 2021

Summer Intern

• Developed differentially private algorithms for product teams.

# Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

July 2019 - August 2020

Research Fellow: Privacy Tools Project

- Part of core development team for the SmartNoise Rust library.
- Created software implementation of and extended theoretical results for differentially private Snapping Mechanism.

#### Broad Institute, Cambridge, MA

August 2018 - June 2019

Associate Computational Biologist

- Wrote computational pipelines for preparation and analysis of biological data, including RNA-Sequencing and CRISPR screens.
- Created centralized storage and documentation of lab's computational resources.
- Contributed to automated system for CRISPR repair template design.

# Harvard Laboratory for Systems Medicine, Cambridge, MA July 2017 - August 2018 Data Scientist

- Contributed to R package ehR to assist in analyzing electronic medical record data.
- Built machine learning models for research on physician testing decisions.

# Harvard Business School, Boston, MA

July 2016 - June 2017

Research Associate

• Helped develop simulation for research into dynamic strategic interactions.