

Biostatistics Core FAQs

How do I request a service consultation?

- Visit the [Biostatistics Core website](#) and click on [Request a Consultation](#) at the top ribbon

What does a consultation entail?

- Consultation time for data analysis includes any meetings and time spent on analysis planning and work, data preparation/cleaning, explaining/discussing results, writing sections of the manuscript, responding to reviewer comments with possible additional analysis work and re-writing, and any communication via email/phone/Zoom about the project.

Who are the [biostatisticians](#)?

- [Chiung-Yu Huang, Ph.D.](#), Core Director
- [Chengshi Jin, Ph.D.](#)
- [Amy Shui, M.A., M.A.](#)

What are the services and turnaround time?

Type of Analysis	Forecasted Hours
Advice on analysis plan or analyses already done by requester	5-10 hours
Code review of data cleaning/analysis already done by requester	2-5 hours, depending on complexity of data set/analysis
Perform all analysis for manuscript + manuscript review	approximately 30 hours, but could range from 20-100 hours, depending on complexity of analysis
Providing additional analysis support to address reviewer comments for a paper in which the DoS Biostats Core was not initially involved	10-15 hours, depending on complexity of additional analyses requested
Small requests such as instructions on how to perform a specific test or tests in Stata, R, etc. and how to interpret the results	1-5 hours
Grant proposal help	10-20 hours, depending on type of grant proposal
Abstract Review - clean data, prepare an analysis data set and complete the entire analysis plan for a manuscript and then write an abstract after looking through all of the analysis results	5-40 hours <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ~5-20 if data is relatively clean, and the requester only asks for a few specific analyses for the abstract• >20 if the data is not in an analysis data set format, requires cleaning, and pre-determined analyses for the abstract are not specified, e.g., several analyses are requested before deciding on which results will be included in the abstract

How much does it cost?

- Core Director Dr. Huang \$175
- Senior Biostatistician Dr. Jin or Ms. Shui \$100

How many free hours do I get?

- Residents and post-doctoral fellows receive 20 hours during their residency for fellowship
- Faculty member receive on free consultation per year; three free lifetime consultations
- Junior faculty receive 10 hours/grant for grant submission; maximum 30 hours lifetime allocation

Refer to our [policy](#) for more information

Could you extract and organize my data?

- The Biostat core does not support data extracting. Please refer to the [Core website](#) for more information