

***MI255-W: Exposure-Response Modeling of Categorical, Count and Time-to-Event Data Using Bayesian and Maximum Likelihood Methods (2 CR)***

MI255 is an intensive course providing an introduction to modeling of categorical, count, and time-to-event data, and the practical use of WinBUGS and NONMEM<sup>®</sup> for such applications. The course provides some basic theory and illustrates some of the advantages of using Bayesian methods for these types of data sets. Participants may apply the 2 credit hours from this course to the Metrum Institute Certificate Program in Pharmacometrics.

**Instructors**

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**Prerequisites**

Experience with PK-PD modeling and some familiarity with nonlinear regression, mixed-effects modeling, basic Bayesian principles, WinBUGS and R (or S-Plus) is required. Applicable MI courses include: MI200, MI205 (formerly MI220), MI210, MI212 and MI250, or contact us: [info@metruminstitute.org](mailto:info@metruminstitute.org).

**Spring 2011 Schedule**

TBD

**Location**

Live webcast

**Fees**

Regular registration: \$2000 USD / Academic & government registration: \$1000 USD

**Course Outline**

1. Motivating examples
2. General theory/background
  - Modeling from a probabilistic viewpoint: the likelihood function.
  - Maximum likelihood (ML) for continuous data
  - Extending ML to odd-type data
  - Hierarchical (mixed effects) modeling of longitudinal odd-type data
  - Bayesian modeling of odd-type data
3. Modeling binary data
  - Logistic regression models
  - Bernoulli model for individual binary data
  - Binomial model for summary data
  - Mixed effects modeling of longitudinal binary data
4. Hands-on problem 1: Logistic regression for binary data
5. Model evaluation, esp. simulation-based approaches
6. Hands-on problem 2: Longitudinal binary data
7. Modeling ordered categorical data
  - Cumulative logit models
  - Modeling longitudinal data: comparative performance of approx. ML and MCMC
8. Hands-on problem 3: Longitudinal ordinal data
9. Modeling count data
  - The Poisson model
  - Variations on the Poisson model to deal with over-dispersion or “zero inflation”
10. Hands-on problem 4: Longitudinal count data
11. Modeling time-to-event data for a single event per individual
  - Principles and methods of survival analysis for modeling censored data
12. Hands-on problem 5: Time-to-event data: constant hazard model
13. Model with time-varying hazard
14. Modeling repeated time-to-event data
15. Closing discussion