



# Study design and comparative measures: causes and predictors

If you do a research study, what design should you use? Are you looking for causes or predictors, and what is exactly the difference? How should I compare groups, and how do I express and quantify the difference? What if one group is older, or the other has more men? How do I know if there is bias?

These are all pertinent questions that you must ask before you design a study. In this week we will teach you asking the correct questions, and answering them. In the morning we will present the topics and give you the tools for the afternoon program, where we will discuss articles, and do our own calculations. Ever drawn your own Kaplan-Meier survival curve, without a computer program? Here you will learn how it works.

In the evening eminent epidemiologists will give insights in how they addressed important research questions.

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# *Provisionally* PROGRAMM Population Health Management Epidemiology and Methods

**Monday 15 October 2018**

## **Study design**

- 08.30 – 10.30 Study design  
F.R. Rosendaal
- 10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break
- 11.00 – 13.00 Frequency measures  
D.O. Mook-Kanamori
- 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 – 15.30 practicum Study design  
F.R. Rosendaal
- 15.30 – 16.00 Tea
- 16.00 – 17.30 practicum Effect measures  
A. van Hylckama Vlieg
- 17.30 – 18.30 Dinner
- 18.30 – 19.30 keynote lecture:  
Solving a question with several designs  
S.C. Cannegieter

**Tuesday 16 October 2018**

## **Analysis**

- 08.30 – 10.30 Effect measures  
A. van Hylckama Vlieg
  - 11.00 – 12.00 Standardisation  
F.R. Rosendaal
  - 12.00 – 13.00 Survival analysis: Kaplan Meier method  
F.R. Rosendaal
  - 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
  - 14.00 – 15.30 Practicum standardization  
D.O. Mook-Kanamori
  - 15.30 – 16.00 Tea
  - 16.00 – 17.30 Practicum survival analysis  
D.O. Mook-Kanamori
  - 17.30 – 18.30 Dinner
  - 18.30 – 19.30 keynote lecture:  
Epicinema: 'Waarom ik?'
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## **Wednesday 17 October 2018**

### **Bias and confounding**

- 08.30 – 09.30 Confounding: what is it  
F.R. Rosendaal
- 09.30 – 10.30 Confounding: what to do  
F.R. Rosendaal
- 10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break
- 11.00 – 12.00 Regression  
A. van Hylckama Vlieg
- 12.00 – 13.00 Bias  
A. van Hylckama Vlieg
- 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 – 15.30 Practicum: bias  
D.O. Mook-Kanamori
- 15.30 – 16.00 Tea break
- 16.00 – 17.30 working on group assignment
- 17.30 – 18.30 Dinner
- 18.30 – 19.30 keynote lecture:  
'Trump: het problem van een scheve verdeling'  
Dr W.M. Lijfering

## **Thursday 18 October 2018**

### **Prediction**

- 08.30 – 09.30 Diagnosis and prognosis  
E.W. Steyerberg
- 09.30 – 10.30 Predictors and predictions  
E.W. Steyerberg
- 10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break
- 11.00 – 12.00 Predictor analysis  
E.W. Steyerberg
- 12.00-13.00 Prediction modeling  
E.W. Steyerberg
- 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 – 15.30 Practical predictor modeling  
E.W. Steyerberg
- 15.30 – 16.00 Tea break
- 16.00 – 17.30 Practical risk modeling  
E.W. Steyerberg
- 17.30 – 18.30 Dinner
- 18.30 – 19.30 keynote lecture:  
Personalized Medicine: Still wishful thinking?  
D.O. Mook-Kanamori



## **Friday 19 October 2018**

### **Advanced methods**

08.30 – 09.30 DAGs

A. van Hylckama Vlieg

09.30 – 10.30 Multivariable models

F.R. Rosendaal

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 – 13.00 Statistics

F.R. Rosendaal

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 15.30 Presentation groups

15.30 – 16.00 Closing

