



# UNIVERSITY *of* MARYLAND

## SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

### **Support for Pre-Award Biostatistical Services**

The School of Medicine understands the important role biostatistics play in the support of the research mission.

Working in partnership with a Biostatistician when developing your grant proposal adds to the likelihood of a successful outcome.

All SOM PI's have access to a limited amount of free, pre-award biostatistical services provided by the SOM's Biostatistics Core and are highly encouraged to take full advantage of this.

Institutional support of Pre-Award Biostatistical services is available from 3 different sources:

1. The University of Maryland Greenebaum Comprehensive Cancer Center (UMGCCC) covers the cost of these services for all official, faculty members of the UMGCCC engaged in a cancer-related project.
2. The University of Maryland Baltimore's Institute for Clinical & Translational Research (ICTR) provides all UMB investigators the ability to apply for up to 25 hours of biostatistical support per project if the project is clinical and/or translational in nature.
3. The University of Maryland School of Medicine's Center for Innovative Biomedical Research (CIBR) will fund pre-award biostatistics work done by the School's Biostatistics Core that cannot be funded by the two mechanisms outlined above for SOM investigators until allocated funds are exhausted.

## How to Take Advantage of These Supported Services:

1. UMGCCC investigators engaged in a cancer-related project need do nothing different.
  1. The Biostatistics Core, CIBR & UMGCCC have automated this process via the SOM's iLab system for the last several years.
2. Any UMB Investigator can easily apply for pre-award work to be supported by ICTR when the project is clinical and/or translational in nature.
  1. Learn more [here](#)
  2. Apply [here](#)
3. When pre-award work does not meet the requirements for support by the above two mechanisms the Biostatistics Core will identify the work to be supported by the SOM/CIBR.

## The Biostatistics Core:

- Is directed by [Soren Bentzen, PhD, DMSc \(sbentzen@som.umaryland.edu\)](mailto:sbentzen@som.umaryland.edu) and includes 7 additional full-time, Faculty Biostatisticians
- The Core's Business Manager is Susan Holt ([sholt@som.umaryland.edu](mailto:sholt@som.umaryland.edu) – 410-706-8505) and is a good initial point of contact, as well.
- Website: <http://www.medschool.umaryland.edu/epidemiology/biostats>
- iLab site: [https://cibr.umaryland.edu/service\\_center/3949](https://cibr.umaryland.edu/service_center/3949)

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