New NISS Postdocs

NISS is extremely fortunate to have appointed six new postdoctoral fellows this year, bringing us to an all-time-high total of 8. Affiliates will have multiple opportunities to meet and work with them, but here is a quick introduction:

- Working on the NISS-NASS Joint Research Program: Patricia Gunning (Ph.D., Statistics, Dublin City University), Michael Robbins (Ph.D., Mathematical Sciences, Clemson University) and Jianqiang Wang (Ph.D., Statistics, Iowa State University)

- Joining the Clinical Proteomic Technology Assessment for Cancer (CPTAC) project: Xiangdong Feng (Ph.D., Statistics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign) and Xia Wang (Ph.D., Statistics, University of Connecticut)

- Becoming part of a new NSF/DTRA-funded biosurveillance project: Jian Zou (Ph.D., Statistics, University of Connecticut)

(in the photo: 1st Row, L-R: Jian Zou, Jianqiang Wang, Michael Robbins. 2nd row: Patricia Gunning, Xia Wang, Xiangdong Feng.)

Affiliate Events

2009 Affiliates Annual Meeting. On behalf of all who attended, thanks to the Department of Statistics at UConn for a superb job of hosting the meeting.

Materials from the meeting are on the NISS web site. In addition to the usual reports and Four-Minute Madness, two breakout discussions were held:

The Affiliates Clusters produced strong impetus to move ahead with formation of subgroups of affiliates with common (industry- or problem-defined) interests, but ensuring that opportunities for cross-cluster communication remain.

The Exploration Workshops, at which a profusion of suggested topics emerged, including patient records, concept drift, nanotechnology, decisions during pharmaceutical testing, smart power grids and renewable energy.
NISS Events

**NISS-NASS Cooperative Research Conference**, June 1-2, 2009 at NISS. ARA ELIGIBLE. Details here.


SAMSI Events


Co-Sponsored Events


**Southern Regional Council on Statistics Summer Research Conference**, June 7-10, 2009, Jekyll Island, GA. Hosted by The Department of Biostatistics and Bioinformatics at the Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University. ARA ELIGIBLE. Details here.