# **Monthly Program Status Report - PROJECT**

Reporting Period:	June 2016			
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Description of Activity:	A recent FDA-sponsored National Research Council Report recommended that "examining sensitivity to the assumptions about the missing data mechanism should be a mandatory component of reporting." While the Report outlines a framework for conducting sensitivity analysis, there are two major problems with existing methods: (1) they have not been implemented in software packages and (2) they do not adequately address non-monotone missing data patterns (i.e., patients provide data irregularly). The objective of this project is to address these gaps by: 1) creating unified and coherent methods for global sensitivity analysis of clinical trials with monotone and non-monotone missing data, 2) developing free, open source and reproducible software in SAS and R to implement the methods, and 3) demonstrating the methods and software using real clinical trial data.			

Project Health Check								
Health ▶	Budget	Budget Schedule			Resources		Deliverables	
Notes ►	Within Budget		On Schedule		Adequate		On Target	

Budget	Budget Tracking – (TOTAL CONTRACT CEILING)							
POP	Ceiling Remaining	Cumulative Funding	Year Funding (Year 1)	Spent to Date	Year Funding Remaining	Month Invoice	Funding Covers	
Base	\$1,094,565	\$1,094,565	\$1,094,565	\$963,018.34 (\$81,198.98 committed)	\$131,546.66	\$853,456.30	Salary, fringe, other expenses, and indirect costs	

# **Activity Summary and Highlights**

We completed two case studies and two simulation studies for non-monotone missing data methodology. We worked on completing the software package. Gave short course at Johns Hopkins. *Biometrics* paper on handling death and intermittent missing data was accepted and an associated software package, called idem, was posted on CRAN.

Key Accomplishments						
Current Reporting Period	Planned for Next Period					
<ul> <li>Gave short course at Johns Hopkins</li> <li>Completed two cases studies and two simulation studies for non-monotone missing data methods.</li> <li>Worked on non-monotone missing data software package.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Short course at University of Washington</li> <li>Submit <i>Clinical Trials</i> manuscript</li> <li>Complete non-monotone missing data software package.</li> </ul>					
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Issues and Risks						
Category	Prior ity	Status	Opened	Issue	Description	
Contract (FDA)	1	Closed	9/30/13	Intellectual Property	Revision to contract regarding intellectual property language.	
Dissemination (FDA)	2	Closed	2/15/14	Website	FDA Personnel cannot connect to www.missingdatamatters.org from their office computers.	
Software (JHU)	1	Closed	3/15/14	Coverage of Confidence Intervals	Simulations indicate that standard procedures for constructing confidence intervals are not providing adequate coverage with typical sample sizes.	
Computing (JHU)	1	Closed	4/21/14	Periods of slow performance of computing cluster	A new computing cluster was installed at Johns Hopkins. We are experiencing periods of slow performance on the cluster.	
Personnel (JHU)	1	Closed	5/21/14	Re-Distribution of Effort	Starting April 1, Aidan McDermott has reduced his percent effort by 20%. Chenguang Wang joined the project starting July 15.	
Invoicing (FDA)	1	Closed	6/6/14	Payment of Invoices	Invoices have not been paid.	
Computing (FDA)	1	Closed	6/6/14	Software on FDA Cluster	Investigate the steps needed to run software on FDA cluster	
Personnel (JHU)	1	Closed	1/13/15	New Effort	Yi Lu joined the project to work on confidence intervals.	
Software (JHU)	1	Open	6/15/16	Coverage of Confidence Intervals	Simulations indicate that standard procedures for constructing confidence intervals are not providing adequate coverage with typical sample sizes.	

Other Activities	

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# **Attachments and References**

#### Upcoming Short Courses/Webinars

- July 26 (8:30-5) University of Washington Summer Institute in Statistics for Clinical Research, Seattle, WA
- September 20 (12-3) ASA Webinar
- October 26-28 BASS Conference, Rockville, MD

### Status of Milestones

- 4: Create Non-Monotone Missing Data Product (due 9/15/16, on schedule)
  - o 4.3: SAS implementation (7/31/16)
  - o 4.4: R Implementation (7/31/16)
  - o 4.5: Two Case Studies (completed, need to write-up)