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SENIOR EPIDEMIOLOGIST I

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## PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

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Ms. Meghan Mitchell is an epidemiologist with more than a decade of experience in academia and consulting. She has conducted epidemiological evaluations for numerous cancer types in multiple research arenas, and her work includes conducting systematic literature reviews and writing critical summaries. She has supported pharmaceutical companies in understanding the burden of specific cancers and health events around the world. With a background in statistics, she has managed large databases, conducted numerous statistical analyses, and interpreted results for pharmaceutical companies, as well as prepared budget impact models.

Ms. Mitchell has epidemiological field experience as well. She managed all aspects of the design and implementation of a cohort study in Bedford Stuyvesant, New York, that examined the dynamics of infectious disease transmission, including the development of a pilot surveillance program to monitor the incidence of HSV-2 and HIV at numerous locations in Brooklyn, as well as writing grant applications, managing Institutional Review Board submissions, performing data analysis and quality control, preparing manuscripts, and presenting results.

Ms. Mitchell has served as an adjunct professor at Stevenson University in Lutherville, Maryland, and she has several published conference abstracts and peer-reviewed articles.

## EDUCATION

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- 2004 Master of Public Health in Epidemiology  
Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, New York
- 2001 Bachelor of Science in Animal Science/Pre-Veterinary  
Cornell University, Ithaca, New York

**SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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***Consulting***

Provided epidemiologic evaluations for clients with regard to numerous cancer types and exposures (i.e., benzene, extremely low frequency [ELF] electric and magnetic fields [EMF], ethylene oxide, and friction products), including systematic literature reviews and critical summaries.

Assisted in analyzing the risk of secondary mesothelioma following radiotherapy for lymphoma using the US SEER database.

Provided support to pharmaceutical companies in understanding the incidence of B-cell malignancies worldwide using conventional strategies and direct solicitation of data from cancer registries.

Supported pharmaceutical companies in understanding the incidence and burden of disease, including the incidence and survival of pediatric acute lymphoblastic leukemia and the incidence of skeletal metastasis following breast, colon, and lung cancer.

Performed systematic literature reviews to support meta-analyses on numerous topics, including the potential relationship between benzene and non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and the impact of stray voltage.

Performed large database analysis projects, including statistical programming, interpretation of study results, and preparation of budget impact models for pharmaceutical clients.

Communicated health risk to the public regarding ELF EMF at public meetings and administrative hearings, nationally and internationally.

Developed material targeted to the general public summarizing the state of the evidence on the potential health effects of ELF EMF.

Performed regular systematic literature reviews on ELF EMF and cancerous, neurodevelopmental, and reproductive outcomes to support applications to utility commissions nationwide.

***Academia***

Managed all aspects of the design and implementation of a cohort study in Bedford Stuyvesant, New York, that examined the dynamics of sexually transmitted disease transmission.

Developed an NIH-funded pilot surveillance program to monitor the incidence of HSV-2 and HIV at numerous hospitals in Brooklyn, New York, using remnant serum samples from routine laboratory work. Responsibilities included recruitment of study centers, preparation of grant applications, management of IRB submissions, coordination between study team and centers, coordination of material collection and testing, preparation of manuscripts and presentations, data analysis, and quality control.

Performed a systematic literature review to support a meta-analysis on the efficacy of antibiotics for urinary tract infections.

Worked with the Chicago Department of Health to create a complete database of existing observational health research on Chicago-area populations.

Worked in a laboratory setting on the development of a viral vector for gene therapy related to a lysosomal storage disorder.

Taught an introductory course in laboratory methods to undergraduate students (winter 2013 and spring 2016). Independently developed and taught an introductory course on epidemiology (spring 2018).

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**MANUSCRIPTS**

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**ABSTRACTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

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