

Biographical Sketch – Dr. Ji Zhang

Ji Zhang is Vice President, head of Clinical Sciences and Operations, a Scientific Core Platform in sanofi-aventis. In this position, Ji directs over two thousand researchers and professional employees in research sites in over 30 countries in the set up, conduct, data collection and management, statistical analysis and reporting of clinical trials conducted world-wide in over 50 countries. His platform also includes an integrated clinical and experimental pharmacology group, technology information group, quality and continuous improvement group and a business office. As an executive committee member of R&D, he works with others to formulate and execute R&D development strategies, investment strategies, as well as general company procedures and governance policies.

Before assuming the above role, Ji was head of International Clinical Operations, head of Biostatistics and Programming; and prior to joining sanofi-aventis, he was Senior Director, Clinical Biostatistics, Merck Research Laboratories in Rahway , NJ .

Ji Zhang holds a B.S. and M.S. in Mathematics, Probability and Statistics from Peking University , China . He earned a Ph.D. in Statistics from North Carolina State University . He was author or co-author of over 40 peer reviewed scientific papers in the fields of statistics, epidemiology, and clinical medicine, published in, for example, the Journal of American Statistical Association, Biometrics, Biometrika, Statistics in Medicine, Controlled Clinical Trials, European Respiratory Journal, New England Journal of Medicine, Thorax, and Journal of Clinical Pharmacology. He gave over 20 contributed and invited presentations at various international scientific meetings. He was also author or co-author of over 60 technical reports or presentations made by colleagues. He served as peer reviewer for many international scientific journals. He was recipient of Merck Scientific Award, Special Management Awards, Medal of Achievements from North Carolina State University , and several other awards. He organized/chaired many scientific sessions in professional meetings, served on the Regional Advisory Board of the International Biometrics Society, chaired student competition committees. He also served on a Ph.D. student advisory committee at Rutgers University . He served

as a member of the Executive Committee for the Biopharmaceutical Section of the American Statistical Association, the Finance Committee and Fellows Committee of ASA, and co-chair of the FDA/Industry Annual Statistical Workshop. He is an elected Fellow of the American Statistical Association.

Ji is also active in his community volunteering for several worthy causes. He served on the Huaxia Chinese School (Edison) Board of Trustees for 3 years and was chair for one year. He is currently serving on the Board of Directors, PAMS Foundation of North Carolina State University, and successfully co-lead the effort to establish a fund for a named (RA Fisher) professorship at NC State University.