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Nominee Name*

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Present Position*

SVP, Global Head of Quantitative Sciences and Evidence Generation, Astellas

Former Position*

VP, Global Head of Biometrics, Servier

Degree*

Ph.D, MBA

Fields of Major Statistical Activities*

Adaptive design, RWE analytics, decision making analytics, survival analysis, AI/ML

Selected publication*

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ICSA Activities*

Dr. Rui (Sammi) Tang has significantly impacted the statistical field through her roles across several key organizations. At the International Chinese Statistical Association (ICSA) from 2019-2021, she served as an organizing committee member, session organizer, invited speaker, and fundraising chair, showcasing her commitment to data analytics advancement. She has supported ICSA sponsorship again this year through her company .

Professional Committees*

- DIA (Drug Information Association)
 - Team Lead: small population rare disease work stream 2015- 2023
 - Adaptive Design Scientific Working Group Leadership team 2017-2023
- DIA Complex Innovative Design Statistical symposium Organizing committee 2019-2022
- Boston Club for C-level women leadership, Corporate Connection Committee 2023-current
- Co-founder and Vice Present of DahShu, a non-profit organization to promote Data Sciences 2015-current <http://dahshu.org/> ; Created monthly KOL seminar organizer to the statistical and data science community;
- The Bay area Biotech-Pharma statistics (BBSW) <https://www.bbsw.org/> advisory board members 2018-2021 ; Supported Series of events with local ASA-SF chapter collaboration with BBSW
- New England Statistical Society (NESS) <https://nestat.org/> Society Council 2018-2022
- Oncology estimand working group- A cross-industry international working group (Treatment switch, Solid Tumor teams)<https://oncoestimand.github.io/home/oncoestimand.html>
- ASA/DIA Master Protocol Working Group leadership committee 2021-2023
- ASA Biopharmaceutical Section Regulatory-Industry Statistics Workshop 2021 Steering committee
- ASA JSM 2022 Program Committee Associate Chair 2021-2022

- ASA Boston Chapter Pharmaceutical Symposium Organizing Committee 2020-2022
- New England Rare Disease Statistics (NERDS) yearly Conference 2019-current Served as Co-founder, Chair and steering committee members
- International Chinese Statistical Association (ICSA) Symposium Organizing committee 2019-2020
- SCT (Society of Clinical Trials) Program committee and membership committee 2014-2018
- BayHelix Boston Chapter Head, a nonprofit professional global organization of life science business leaders 2020- current
- APBC (Asian Pacific Bioinformatics Conference) program committee&local organizer 2016

Honors and Awards*

- ☐ Recognized as a **Leader in Innovation** for driving AI/ML applications in clinical trial design and medical writing
- ☐ Internal award(s) for **Transformational Leadership** and **Global Collaboration**
- ☐ Recipient of **Excellence in Drug Development** or **Outstanding Scientific Contribution** awards within Company
- ☐ Recognition from **cross-functional leadership** for establishing advance analytics and modernizing statistical and evidence generation practices

Statements*

I am honored to be considered for the role of President of ICSA—a community I have proudly served as an organizing committee member, session organizer, invited speaker, and fundraising chair from 2019 to 2021. ICSA has long been a home for collaboration, excellence, and advancement in statistical science, and I am passionate about building on this strong foundation to lead our association into its next chapter.

With over two decades of experience across both industry and academia, I bring a unique perspective that bridges scientific innovation with real-world impact. I currently serve as an adjunct professor in the Yale Biostatistics Department and lead global quantitative sciences, evidence generation, and medical writing in drug development. Throughout my career, I have championed advanced analytics, real-world data, and AI/ML integration to accelerate drug development and deliver therapies to patients. I believe this kind of boundary-crossing mindset is essential for the future of our profession.

As President, I will focus on:

- **Bridging academia and industry** by creating platforms for cross-sector collaboration, mentorship, and leadership development.
- **Promoting impactful real-world collaborations** that highlight the value of statistical science in improving health, policy, and innovation.
- **Fostering an inclusive and globally connected ICSA community**, amplifying diverse voices across disciplines, geographies, and career stages.
- **Expanding strategic partnerships** with organizations such as ASA, ENAR, DIA, and international societies to elevate the visibility of our members, foster joint initiatives, and promote greater influence for ICSA in global forums.
- **Supporting emerging areas of statistics**, including AI, data science, regulatory science, and evidence generation, to keep ICSA at the forefront of innovation.

I believe in the collective strength of our community. With your support, ICSA can become not only a hub of scientific excellence, but also a globally respected voice that connects, empowers, and leads.

Let's shape the future of statistics—together.