
Event Agenda

2026 American Causal Inference Conference organized by the Society for Causal Inference

Monday, May 11, 2026

- 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM** **Beyond the Average Treatment Effect: Estimating the causal effects of binary, categorical, continuous, and multivariate exposures in R**
Location: Salon E
Speakers: Nicholas Williams, Kara Rudolph
- 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM** **Causal Inference in Networks: Applications to Public Health**
Location: Salon F
Speakers: Ashley Buchanan, Natallia Katenka
- 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM** **Causal Machine Learning for Discovering Heterogeneous Treatment Effects**
Location: Salon E
Speakers: Falco J. Bargagli-Stoffi, Melody Huang, Ana Kenney, Tiffany Tang
- 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM** **Stress-Testing Assumptions: Bayesian Methods for Sensitivity Analysis in Causal Inference**
Location: Salon F
Speaker: Arman Oganisian
- 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM** **Tom Ten Have Poster Competition**
Location: Salon A-D

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

- 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM** **Breakfast**
Location: Salon A-D
- 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM** **Machine Learning and Causal Inference**
Location: Salon E
Speakers: Lars van der Laan, Grace Ringlein, Mengchu Zheng, Ivana Malenica, Jikai Jin, Mingxun Wang
- 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM** **Difference in Differences, Synthetic Control, Methods for Panel and Longitudinal Data**
Location: Salon F
Speakers: Eli Ben-Michael, Lorenzo Testa, Michael Jetsupphasuk, Giulio Grossi, Ian Lundberg
- 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM** **Generalizability/Transportability**
Location: Salon G-J
Speakers: Kosuke Imai, Wenqi Shi, Harrison Li, Evan Rosenman, Roshni Sahoo, Xinyi Zhang
- 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM** **Break**
Location: Salon A-D
- 10:30 AM - 12:20 PM** **Plenary Session 1**
Location: Salon E-F
Speakers: Cassandra Stubbs, Maria Cuellar, Elizabeth Ogburn, Nandita Mitra
- 12:30 PM - 1:15 PM** **Mentoring Roundtables**
Location: Skylight Ballroom
Speakers: Rohit Bhattacharya, Mireille Schnitzer, Aurelien Bibaut, Daniel Scharfstein, Shu Yang
- 12:30 PM - 1:15 PM** **Causal Inference and Generative AI: Lessons from Academia and Industry**
Location: Salon G-J
Speakers: Avi Feller, David Arbour, Lo-Hua Yuan, Martin Tingley, Ramesh Johari, Iavor Bojinov
- 1:15 PM - 1:45 PM** **Break**
Location: Salon A-D

1:45 PM - 3:15 PM	Surrogates: The Known, the Unknown, and the Unknowable Location: Salon E Speakers: Layla Parast, Denis Agniel, Fatema Shafie Khorassani, Larry Han
1:45 PM - 3:15 PM	Controversies about Counterfactual Utilities Location: Salon G-J Speakers: Kosuke Imai, Jonas Mikhaeil, Benedikt Koch, Amanda Kowalski, Sander Beckers, Scott Mueller
1:45 PM - 3:15 PM	An Overview of Automatic non-parametric (Riesz) learning for causal effects estimation Location: Salon F Speakers: Richard Liu, Caleb Miles, Lars van der Laan, Oliver Hines
3:15 PM - 3:45 PM	Break Location: Salon A-D
3:45 PM - 5:15 PM	Sensitivity Analysis and Partial Identification in Modern Causal Inference Location: Salon E Speakers: Guilherme Duarte, Juejue Wang, Abhinandan Dalal, Alexander Levis, Ting-Hsuan Chang, Dean Knox
3:45 PM - 5:15 PM	Innovations in Experimental Design: Adaptation, Rerandomization, and Optimization Location: Salon G-J Speakers: Nicholas Seewald, Maggie Wang, Alessio Frosini, Willy (Yu-Shiou) Lin, Adam Bouyamourn, Wenxin Zhang
3:45 PM - 5:15 PM	Advances in Causal Inference with Networks Location: Salon F Speakers: Nima Hejazi, Heejong Bong, JungHo Lee, Christopher Harshaw, Yihui He, Yufeng Wu
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Poster Session 1 & Reception Location: Salon A-D

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	Breakfast Location: Salon A-D
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Sensitivity Analysis of SUTVA Location: Salon E Speakers: Brian Knaeble, Carlos Cinelli, Booil Jo, Shuangning Li, Donna Spiegelman, Sam Pimentel, Hanti Lin
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	The Generation and Use of Synthetic Data in Causal Inference Location: Salon F Speakers: Linying Yang, Nir Keret, Daniel Manela, Qi Zhang
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	CATE Estimation in Complex Longitudinal Data Location: Salon G-J Speakers: Ashley Naimi, Edward Kennedy, Daniel Scharfstein, Vasilis Syrgkanis, Yuxuan Chen
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Break Location: Salon A-D
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Advances in design-based causal inference Location: Salon E Speakers: Alexander Levis, Zijun Gao, Fangyi Chen, Jeffrey Zhang, Zion Lee, Liang Zhong
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Modern Approaches to Covariate Balance in Complex Observational Study Designs Location: Salon F Speakers: Lauren Liao, Yige Li, Andy Shen, Yunshu Zhang, Anthony Frazier, Diptanil Santra
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	New Perspectives on Heterogeneous Effects Location: Salon G-J Speakers: Alejandro Schuler, Yonghan Jung, Hui Lan, Phillippe Boileau, Jiaqi Wu

- 12:15 PM - 1:00 PM** **From Theory to Impact: A Panel Discussion on Causal Inference Challenges and Careers Beyond Academia**
Location: Salon G-J
Speakers: Irina Degtiar, Harsh Parikh, Frank Yoon, Quinn Lanners, Gabriel Levin-Konigsberg, Rocky Aikens
- 12:15 PM - 1:00 PM** **2026 ACIC Causal Inference Data Challenge: Results and Discussion**
Location: Salon E
Speakers: Sameer Deshpande, Jennifer Hill, George Perrett
- 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM** **Break**
Location: Salon A-D
- 1:30 PM - 3:25 PM** **Plenary Session 2**
Location: Salon E-F
Speakers: Whitney Newey, Guido Imbens, Pedro Sant'anna, Fabrizia Mealli
- 3:25 PM - 3:55 PM** **Break**
Location: Salon A-D
- 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM** **Novel Designs, Interventions, and Applications in Causal Inference**
Location: Salon E
Speakers: Gary Hettinger, Xiang Meng, Melody Huang, Ritoban Kundu, Laura Forastiere, Yikun Zhang, Timothy Sudijono, Yongjun Lee, Tinghua Chen
- 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM** **Research Spotlight Session**
Location: Salon F
Speakers: Andrew Spieker, Pracheta Amaranath, David Ritzwoller, Guanglei Hong, Mai Dong, Chang Liu, Jack Wolf, Elena Dal Torriane, Guilherme Duarte
- 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM** **Robust and Efficient Causal Inference: Semiparametric and Machine Learning Approaches**
Location: Salon G-J
Speakers: Rahul Ladhania, Alejandro Schuler, Raphael Kim, Sophie Woodward, Amar Venugopal, Asteria Chilambo, Kaiwen Hou, Kevin Christian Wibisono
- 5:45 PM - 6:45 PM** **Poster Session 2 & Reception**
Location: Salon A-D

Thursday, May 14, 2026

- 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM** **Breakfast**
Location: Salon A-D
- 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM** **Some Positive Developments on the Positivity Assumption**
Location: Salon E
Speakers: Paul Zivich, Herbert Susmann, Harsh Parikh, Caleb Miles
- 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM** **Twenty years of Targeted Learning**
Location: Salon F
Speakers: Nima Hejazi, Mark van der Laan, Alex Luedtke, Mireille Schnitzer, Sjoerd Beentjes, Ava Khamseh
- 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM** **Causal discovery: methodology driven by practice**
Location: Salon G-J
Speakers: Y. Samuel Wang, Sisi Ma, Daniel Malinsky, Armeen Taeb
- 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM** **Break**
Location: Salon A-D
- 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM** **Plenary Session 3**
Location: Salon E-F
Speakers: Ilya Shpitser, Kun Zhang, Emre Kiciman, Rohit Bhattacharya