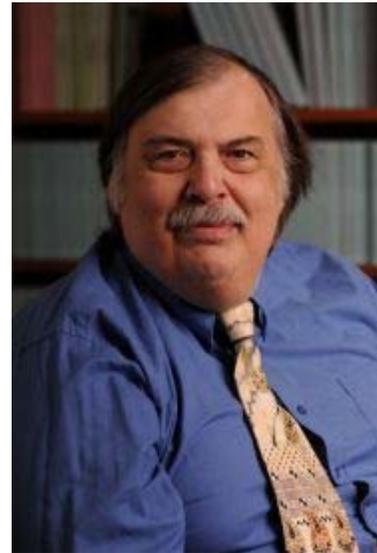


We are deeply saddened to inform you that John L. Klein, PhD, Head of the Division of Biostatistics at the Medical College of Wisconsin and Statistical Director of the Center for International Blood and Marrow Transplant Research, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, July 20th.

Dr. Klein received his BA and MS degrees from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee, and his PhD in Statistics from the University of Missouri at Columbia in 1980. He joined the Medical College of Wisconsin and CIBMTR in 1993, coming from the Ohio State University where he was Professor of Statistics and Preventive Medicine and Statistical Director of The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center. Under his leadership, the CIBMTR advanced the statistical science of clinical outcomes research in blood and marrow transplantation. His expertise and insistence on statistical rigor in all studies were key to establishing the CIBMTR's reputation for high quality clinical research.



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Dr. Klein's more than 180 publications include not only clinical outcomes studies but numerous papers describing his own, National Institutes of Health-funded, methodologic research addressing issues in survival analysis, competing risks and multistate modeling. Dr. Klein was an elected member of the International Statistical Institute and a Fellow of the American Statistical Association, two of the highest honors accorded to those in the statistical fields. His book *Survival Analysis: Techniques for Censored and Truncated Data*, 2nd edition, with Melvin Moeschberger, is a standard biostatistics textbook. He was Associate Editor of *Lifetime Data Analysis* and of *Biometrics*. In addition to his work with CIBMTR, Dr. Klein collaborated with investigators in the Medical College of Wisconsin's departments of Emergency Medicine and Orthopedics and with investigators at Marquette University's School of Engineering. Dr. Klein was a dedicated and respected graduate and medical school educator and mentor. He advised more than 30 graduate students and in 2005 was named Outstanding Graduate School Mentor by the Medical College of Wisconsin.

Those of us who worked with John respected him for his expertise and for the high standards to which he held us. We were also grateful for his unselfish willingness to work one-on-one with whomever needed his help, from medical student to new investigator to tenured faculty. He will be deeply missed but his impact on us and our work will live on.