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New appointees in the Centre of Biometry and Bioinformatics

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Payam Mokhtarian and Emi Tanaka have joined the Centre for Bioinformatics and Biometrics (CBB) as research fellows working with Prof. Brian Cullis.

Payam received a master degree in applied statistics in 2009. He started his PhD in statistical methodology under Prof. Ray Chambers at National Institute for Applied Statistics Research Australia (NIASRA), University of Wollongong in 2010. His research area was in the robust approach in linear mixed model and bootstrapping application in small area estimation. In 2014, he has been appointed as research fellow in Biometrics at CBB, NIASRA, University of Wollongong. His appointment is funded by Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA), Pork CRC and Grains Research & Development Corporation (GRDC). In his role at the CBB, Payam is responsible for conducting research on the statistical methodologies required for modelling and analysis of biometrics data. Also, his specific areas of interest in this position are the analysis of multi-environment multiple harvest data for pasture variety evaluation trials.

Emi majored her undergraduate studies in applied mathematics and statistics and completed First Class Honours in statistics at the University of Sydney. She further did her PhD in statistics, under Dr. Uri Keich at the University of Sydney, specialising in sequence analysis. Her appointment as research fellow is funded by GRDC. In her new role, Emi is responsible for liaising with external clients involving contract research for the CBB and the development of methodological research from these collaborations.



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