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**Karolinska Institute, Columbia University**, 2010. <http://reliefweb.int/report/haiti/internal-population-displacement-haiti-preliminary-analyses-movement-patterns-digicel>

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With Flowminder and WorldPop, “Population distributions and mobility patterns in West Africa for supporting efforts in controlling ebola virus outbreak” by **WorldPop** 2014. <http://www.worldpop.org.uk/ebola/>

With Flowminder, “*Mobile phone data and disaster response – Bangladesh*”, in “World humanitarian: data and trends 2014” by **UNOCHA** 2015. [http://interactive.unocha.org/publication/2014\\_datatrends/](http://interactive.unocha.org/publication/2014_datatrends/)

With Flowminder, “*Nepal Floods July 2016 Population Mobility, Displacement and Impacted Areas Based on Analyses of Anonymized Mobile Network Data*” by **Flowminder** 2016. <http://reliefweb.int/report/nepal/nepal-floods-july-2016-population-mobility-displacement-and-impacted-areas-based>

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With David Wrathall, "Using mobile network data to understand climate change and migration", **UK Climate & Migration Coalition (UKCMC)** 2017. <http://climatemigration.org.uk/mobile-network-data-provide-new-insights-on-climate-change-and-migration/>

SKILLS Skilled in C, C#, SQL database, Matlab and ArcGIS; Chinese (native) and English (fluent);

## PROJECTS

Jan, 2021-

PI for National Science Fund for Distinguished Young Scholars fund no. 72025405 "Humanitarian Work with Big Data: Data-driven Models for Poverty, Disease and Disasters"

Feb, 2020-

PI for Nature Science Foundation fund no. 82041020 "Study on the exported infection risk and contact network transmission model of 2019-nCoV based on national level population mobility data"

- In collaboration with Hongkong University, Sichuan University, West China Hospital and University of Electronic Science and Technology of China.

Feb, 2020-

PI for Sichuan Science and Technology Plan Project fund no. 2020YFS0007 "Evaluation and Prediction of COVID-19 Based on Big Data of Geo-location"

- In collaboration with Sichuan University, West China Hospital and University of Electronic Science and Technology of China.

Jan, 2018-

PI for Nature Science Foundation fund no. 71771213 "Analysis of Hidden Population and Key Technologies of Network Sampling for Online Community Data"

- In collaboration with China CDC, Karolinska Institutet and Peking University.

Jan, 2017-

Core member for Nature Science Foundation fund no. 71690233 "Task Integration Management on the Innovative Development of High-End Equipment Manufacturing in the Internet and Big Data Era"

- In collaboration with Tsinghua University, Tongji University etc.

Jan, 2016- 2018

PI for Nature Science Foundation Excellent Young Scientists fund no. 71522014 "Big data mining and emergency management"

- In collaboration with China CDC, Karolinska Institutet and Flowminder foundation.

Jan, 2014- 2016

Co-applicant for VR grant funded by Swedish Research Council "Using mobile phone data from 25 million subscribers in four low- and middle-income countries to support elimination child deaths, malnutrition and poverty"

- In collaboration with Karolinska Institutet, Flowminder foundation, Southampton University, MIT and Harvard University.

Jan, 2014- 2016

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PI for Nature Science Foundation Young Scientists fund no. 71301165 "Mobile Communication and Online Social Media Based Study of Human Dynamics under Large-Scale Emergencies"  
- In collaboration with China CDC, Karolinska Institutet and Flowminder foundation.

Dec, 2013- 2015

PI for pre-research project "Data Mining and Visualization of Time Series Data from Online Social Networks"  
- In collaboration with National University of Defense Technology.

Mar, 2010- 2011

Major researcher in using mobile phone data from Haiti tracking population movements during earthquake and outbreak of cholera  
- In collaboration with Columbia University and United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

Jan, 2010- Dec, 2012

EU project ISSC: An integrated surveillance system for infectious disease in rural China.  
- Designing/selecting surveillance models and integrating models with the system.  
- In collaboration with Karolinska Institute, Heidelberg University, Huazhong University of Science & Technology, and Fudan University.

## Teaching (selected)

### **Complex Systems: Theory and Applications** (36hrs, master and phd students)

(Covering a range of complexity theory, including adaptive systems, generic algorithm, complex networks etc.  
Software use: Gephi)

### **Applied Multivariate Statistical Analysis** (60hrs master and phd students)

(Basic algebra and probability theory, statistic Concepts, correlation, hypothesis testing, linear and non-linear regression, GLM, factor analysis, clustering, spatial data analysis, anomaly detection etc. Software use: SPSS, Matlab, Gephi, ArcGIS)

### **Emergency Management** (8hrs, training course for officials)

(The theory of emergency management, prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery, psychological basics on emergency situations, advances in disaster response)

### Data Analytic Basics (8 hrs, training course for officials)

(Statistic concepts, descriptive statistics, correlation, hypothesis testing, regression and prediction, data visualization. Software use: Matlab)

### **Managerial Statistics** (36 hrs, mpa)

(Statistic concepts, descriptive statistics, correlation, hypothesis testing, regression, factor analysis and case studies. Software use: SPSS)

### **Statistic Practice with SPSS** (18 hrs, mpa)

(Data preparation, visualization, descriptive statistics, correlation, hypothesis testing, regression, factor analysis. Software use: SPSS)