

WILLIAM A. HUBER, PH.D.  
PRINCIPAL

**EXPERTISE** Statistical analysis  
Mathematical modeling  
Geographic modeling and analysis  
Geographic information systems (GIS)  
Environmental statistics and geostatistics  
Decision and risk analysis

**EXPERIENCE** *Collecting and interpreting quantitative data. Specializing in enhancing the value of spatial data with statistical, graphical, and mathematical analyses.*

**Environmental:** Development, application, and dissemination of improved methods to monitor and sample environmental media, assess the quality of data, interpret data, make optimal data-based decisions, present conclusions, and evaluate other interpretations. Negotiation and presentation. Peer review and strategy development for environmental investigations, remediation, and closure. Litigation support.

**Statistical:** Statistical consulting. Development and application of mathematical and statistical models to analyze and process spatial data, including transportation (network) analysis and real estate market analysis. GIS design and analysis.

**General:** Risk analysis. Computer programming and database management. Teaching. Theoretical and applied research in mathematics, statistics, and physics.

*Dr. Huber has completed 200 projects for Quantitative Decisions since 1997, including*

**Environmental liability assessment** **Evaluation of offsite liabilities** at a former pigments manufacturing plant. Developed an offsite investigation work plan, evaluated all data, supported the defense of civil and criminal claims, and provided improved methodology to the health authorities for conducting a community survey and blood sampling program (Mexico, 2002).

**Assessment of potential environmental costs** for brownfields redevelopment at a former refinery. Identified regions most suitable for initial development and evaluated the extent of potential soils contamination (East Coast US, 2001).

**Estimation of financial liabilities** at chemical manufacturing facilities, for computing insurance cost recovery and supporting the development of investigation and remedial strategies (NJ, KY, MI).

**Decision analysis to formulate a strategic plan** to address Superfund liabilities (Puerto Rico, 1997).

*Environmental  
Statistics*

**Evaluate monitored natural attenuation in groundwater.** Agrico Superfund Site (FL), 2009. Uses hydrological modeling and statistical theory to estimate cleanup times and confidence intervals for them. Suggests improvements to methods in US EPA guidance for MNA.

**Develop alternate groundwater monitoring compliance limits (ACLs) for arsenic in groundwater** at a petroleum refinery and pipeline facility, 2008.

**RCRA groundwater monitoring permit development** for a Midwest oil refinery, 2004: comprehensive data review, selection of monitoring wells, monitoring parameters, and statistical tests; negotiation with state and Federal regulatory agencies; creation of the written permit; and development of software to streamline permit compliance.

**Peer review of the Hendry County Groundwater Flow Model** for the South Florida Water Management District, 2001.

**Developing and defending remedial goals and optimizing remedial designs** for metals in soils at Superfund sites (NY, PA).

**Evaluation of soils data for investigations, waste characterization, management, and disposal** (CA, CT, FL, GA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NJ, NY, OH, PA, VA, WI, Canada, and The Netherlands)

**Statistical plans to reduce soil and groundwater sampling costs** for environmental investigations (CA, CT, DE, IL, FL, NJ, NY, PA).

**Developing alternate groundwater monitoring compliance limits (ACLs)** for a uranium mine regulated by the NRC (WY, 1995-7).

**Consulting on RCRA groundwater monitoring issues.** (AR, AZ, KS, KY, MO, NJ, OH, OK, PA, TX, VA).

*Risk  
Assessment and  
Decision  
Analysis*

**Expert reviewer for the USEPA** of procedures developed to establish decision-making guidelines for residual disinfectant levels in drinking water and to set maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) for disinfectant byproducts (1999).

**Invited presenter** at the Second Workshop on the Practical Issues in the Use of Probabilistic Risk Assessment sponsored by the USEPA and University of Florida (1999).

**Participation as an invited expert** in the EPA's Workshop on Selecting Input Distributions for Probabilistic Risk Assessments (NY, 1998).

**Development of a multiattribute valuation function** to prioritize 8,000 sites according to suitability for cellular towers (NJ, 1999).

<http://www.quantdec.com/projects/wireless.htm>

**Decision support** for development of an open space preservation plan, Franklin Township, NJ, 1999. <http://www.quantdec.com/open.htm>

*Litigation  
Support and  
Negotiation*

**Geostatistical mapping of PCB contamination in soils** (AL, 2010).

**DNAPL plume evaluation** (KY, 2010).

**Workplace benzene exposure model evaluation** (AZ, 2009).

**Statistical assessment of crop damage from alleged windborne contamination** (ID, 2008).

**Expert witness, evaluation of principal components/factor analysis** used to identify contamination sources in soils, water, sediments, and groundwater. (OK, 2008).

**Expert witness, modeling and measurement of lead solder contamination** in an industrial building (CA, 2006).

**Statistical support to evaluate MTBE in public water supply wells** (NY, 2006).

**Expert testimony, geostatistics.** US Department of Justice (defendant). Evaluated a complex hydrological model formulated by plaintiffs to support a \$4 billion claim for natural resources damages. Discovered and testified to fundamental flaws in the estimates of a chlorinated groundwater plume extent. The client was subsequently dropped from the case (NM, 2002).

**Expert review and criticism of a complex probabilistic dose reconstruction model.** Provided advice to defense counsel and helped prepare for deposing expert witnesses in hydrogeology, statistics, and risk assessment (CA, 2001-2).

**Independent review of local and regional groundwater data** at an MTBE contaminated wellfield on behalf of a former gas station owner. Addressed regulatory concerns about data quality (high detection limits) and geological conditions (CA, 2000-2001).

**Development of a waste sampling and analysis program** to help a landfill demonstrate attainment of Land Disposal Restriction (LDR) standards (OH, 1999-2001).

**Second opinion, peer review, and support in deposing expert witnesses** for an insurance claim litigation concerning soils contamination by heavy metals at a former rail maintenance yard (PA, 2000).

**Investigation strategy development, data visualization, and geostatistical analysis** to help a chemical manufacturer limit liability for extensive groundwater contamination by chlorinated solvents (CA, 1997-2000).

**Statistical support to defend a client** against a claim of using an incorrect statistical test for RCRA groundwater monitoring at a large hazardous waste facility (OH, 1998).

**Criticism** of a probabilistic ground water model purporting to demonstrate historical landfill releases of chromium (PA, 1997).

**Modeling** **Statistical director, national broadband availability model.** Federal Communications Commission, 2009. <http://www.broadband.gov/plan/>

**Development of new techniques for interpolating and predicting demographic data.** Patent applied for, 2006.

**Development of new techniques to find optimal travel costs in spatially diffuse networks.** Patent applied for, 2006.

**Development of new methods and software** to simulate, evaluate, and predict supply and demand within regional markets. In collaboration with [Fiscal Associates](#), Newark, DE, 2003-present. Patent applied for, 2006.

**Development of new methods and implementation of software** to optimize reallocation of agricultural lands. Alterra, Wageningen, The Netherlands, 2002-3.

**Development of improved techniques and software** for the computation and visualization of contaminant plumes from regional air sources (TNO-MEP, The Netherlands, 1999).

<http://www.quantdec.com/projects/ammonia.htm>

**Critical evaluation and analysis of draft EPA guidance**, for regulated facilities; for example, see “[PCBs in Pipes](#)” at <http://www.quantdec.com/Articles/pcbpipe/pcbpipe.pdf>.

**TEACHING** **Environmental Statistics in Pennsylvania.** 8-hour workshop. PA Council of Professional Geologists, 2010.

**Spatial Statistics.** 8-hour workshop on the web. NITLE, 2010

**Spatial Statistics.** NITLE 40-hour workshop, 2007.

**Introduction to GIS.** Geology 328, Bryn Mawr College, 2007.

**Problem Solving.** Weekly undergraduate seminar at Haverford College, 2005-present.

**Introduction to Statistics.** Math 103, Haverford College, 2006.

**Statistics.** Math 203, Haverford College, 2006.

**Exploratory Data Analysis.** Math 209, Haverford College, 2005.

**Environmental GIS.** Systems Engineering 597, Penn State-Great Valley. Semester course taught to Master's degree candidates, 1997 – 2003.

**Environmental Sampling.** Two-day course developed and taught for *Government Institutes*, 1994-95.

**PREVIOUS  
EXPERIENCE**

**Senior Associate,** Dames & Moore, Inc., Willow Grove, PA and Sacramento, CA. Project management, marketing, and firm-wide technical support for issues related to environmental statistics and information management. Provided written evaluations for approximately 200 projects world-wide and participated in about 200 proposal efforts. Served private sector clients and state government agencies (1992-97).

**Partner,** Integrated Data Technologies, Inc. (IDT), Philadelphia, PA. Developed and managed an environmental software, database, and statistical consulting business (1986-92).

**Consultant,** Time-Life Inc. Database programming (1982).

**Researcher,** Oak Ridge National Laboratories, TN. Computer modeling of quantum mechanical systems (1978-79).

**EDUCATION**

**Ph.D.,** 1985; **M. Phil.,** 1980; **M.A.,** 1979. Mathematics, Columbia University in the City of New York.

**B.A.,** 1978. Philosophy and Mathematics double major, Haverford College, Pennsylvania, with high honors.

- College mathematics prizes 1975, 76, 77.
- Phi Beta Kappa 1977.
- Finalist, Danforth (teaching) and NSF (research) fellowships, 1978.

**CITIZENSHIP**

United States

**PROFESSIONAL  
AFFILIATIONS**

Editorial Board, *Risk Analysis*  
American Statistical Association  
Mathematical Association of America  
Society for Risk Analysis

**SELECTED  
PROFESSIONAL  
ACTIVITIES**

**Peer reviewer**, *Human & Ecological Risk Assessment* (1998); *Environmental Science & Technology* (1997-2002), *Risk Assessment* (1996-99), *Risk Analysis* (2003-2010), *Journal of Hydraulic Engineering* (1994-6; 2005); *Environmental and Ecological Statistics* (1994-2000); *Geotechnical Testing Journal* (1995).

**Elected moderator** of the statistics community on the Web at <http://stats.stackexchange.com>, 2011.

**Best reviewer award**. Society for Risk Analysis, 2009.

**Peer review** of the 2009 Unified Guidance, *Statistical Analysis of Groundwater Monitoring Data at RCRA Facilities*, for the US EPA.

**Author** of over 40 publicly available software programs to perform statistical and geometric analysis and visualization of data.

ESRI (GIS) Support Center User Forums annual “**MVP**” **Award**, 2003, and all semi-annual awards, 2002-2010. <http://support.esri.com> .

**Invited speaker** on *Designing Environmental Investigations with GIS* at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual GIS and Public Health Day: *Methods and Strategies for Enhancing Environmental Health Surveillance*. Center for Public Health Preparedness, School of Public Health, SUNY Albany, NY, May 9 – 10, 2006. [http://www.ualbanycphp.org/Events/GISDay\\_05\\_09\\_06/default.cfm](http://www.ualbanycphp.org/Events/GISDay_05_09_06/default.cfm) .

**Editor**, *Directions Magazine* (<http://www.directionsmag.com/>), 2001. *Directions* is a Web magazine, focusing on geographic information systems, with about 75,000 viewers monthly.

**Contributing Editor**, *Directions Magazine*, 1999-2000 and 2002-2003.

**Founder and owner** of a 1000-member Internet discussion group focusing on technical issues in Geographic Information Systems (GIS), 1999.

**Invited speaker** on statistics at the National Groundwater Association’s Second Theis Conference, Amelia Island, Florida, November 1999.

**Invited panel member**, *Workshop on Selecting Input Distributions for Probabilistic Risk Assessment*, U.S. EPA, New York City, April 21-22, 1998.

**Keynote speaker**, *The Nature Conservancy Mid-Atlantic Region GIS Conference*, Conshohocken, PA, March 1998.

**Invited speaker**, *GIS for Brownfields Redevelopment*, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, November 1996.

**Organizer and speaker**, *Brownfields and Beyond*, March 1996, New York City.

**Invited speaker**, *Statistics in Environmental Applications*, American Statistical Association conference held at the University of Delaware, April 1995.

**Developer** of the Government Institutes' two-day course on *Environmental Sampling*, Washington, D.C., October 1994, and Orlando, FL, January 1995.

- SELECTED PUBLICATIONS** Huber, William A., 2010. *Ignorance is Not Probability*. Risk Analysis **30** (to appear). doi: 10.1111/j.1539-6924.2010.01361.x
- Huber, William A., 2010. Comment on *Why Risk is Not Variance: An Expository Note*. Risk Analysis **30** (to appear).
- Guagliardo, Mark F., William A. Huber, Deborah M. Quint, and Stephen J. Teach, 2007. *Does Spatial Accessibility of Pharmacy Services Predict Compliance with Long Term Control Medications?* Journal of Asthma, 44:10, 881-883. doi: 10.1080/02770900701752680
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- Cox, LA, D Babayev, and WA Huber, 2005. *Limitations of Qualitative Risk Assessment*. Risk Analysis **25** (3), 651-662. doi: 10.1111/j.1539-6924.2005.00615.x
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- Huber, William A., 1999. *Convolution*. Published in three parts on the Web in Directions Magazine at <http://www.directionsmag.com/features.asp>, October 1999.
- Harkness, Bracco, Franz, Tsentas, Becker, Huber, Orient, Rich, & Figura, 1998. *Natural Attenuation of Chlorinated Aliphatics at the Naval Air Engineering Station, Lakehurst, NJ*. In *Natural Attenuation/Chlorinated and Recalcitrant Compounds*, Wickramanayake & Hinchee, Eds.
- Huber, William A, 1996. Discussion: *Detection of Low-level Environmental Pollutants*. [Environmental and Ecological Statistics](#).
- Huber, William A., and Douglas W. Watt, 1994. *Probabilistic Data Analysis and Soil Vacuum Extraction Used for Identifying the Location of DNAPLs*. Technical Papers of the Twelfth Annual Environmental Management and Technology Conference International, Philadelphia, PA, June 1994. Pages 492-513.
- Huber, William A., 1993. Discussion: *Resampling from Stochastic Simulations for Assessing Uncertainty in Global Estimation*. [Journal of Environmental Statistics](#), v. 1, no. 2.
- Huber, William A., 1993. *Graphical Techniques for Enhancing the Utility of Multivariate Environmental Statistics*. *Multivariate Environmental Statistics*, G.P. Patil et al., eds., North Holland/Elsevier, 1993. Pages 203-213.
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