



*Date: April 27, 2007*  
*Time: 8:00 am—5:30 pm*  
*Location: Harvard School  
of Public Health*

*Organizers: Rebecca  
Betensky, PhD, Department  
of Biostatistics, and Alberto  
Ascherio, MD, Dr.PH,  
Departments of Nutrition  
and Epidemiology*

**Please confirm your  
attendance by  
April 1, 2007.**

**Registration and  
schedule information  
may be found at [www.  
biostat.harvard.edu](http://www.biostat.harvard.edu).**

## Conference on Statistical and Epidemiologic Issues in Multiple Sclerosis

This one-day conference will focus on statistical and epidemiological methods for the study of Multiple Sclerosis. The goals for the conference are

- To present current methodologic and analytic challenges in MS research.
- To promote collaborations between statisticians and epidemiologists and neurologic researchers to address the challenges in MS research.
- To encourage students and junior investigators in Biostatistics, Epidemiology, and Neurology to engage in interdisciplinary collaboration to advance the study of MS.

The day will begin with an overview of current challenges and advances in the study of MS, followed by three sessions: (1) study design in MS, (2) epidemiologic methods in MS with application to vitamin D, and (3) statistical methods for analysis of MS progression.

*This conference is generously co-sponsored by the Harvard School of Public Health Deans' Office, the HSPH Departments of Biostatistics, Epidemiology, and Nutrition, the Partners Multiple Sclerosis Center, Harvard Center for Neurodegeneration and Repair, Teva Neuroscience, the Accelerated Cure Project, and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.*