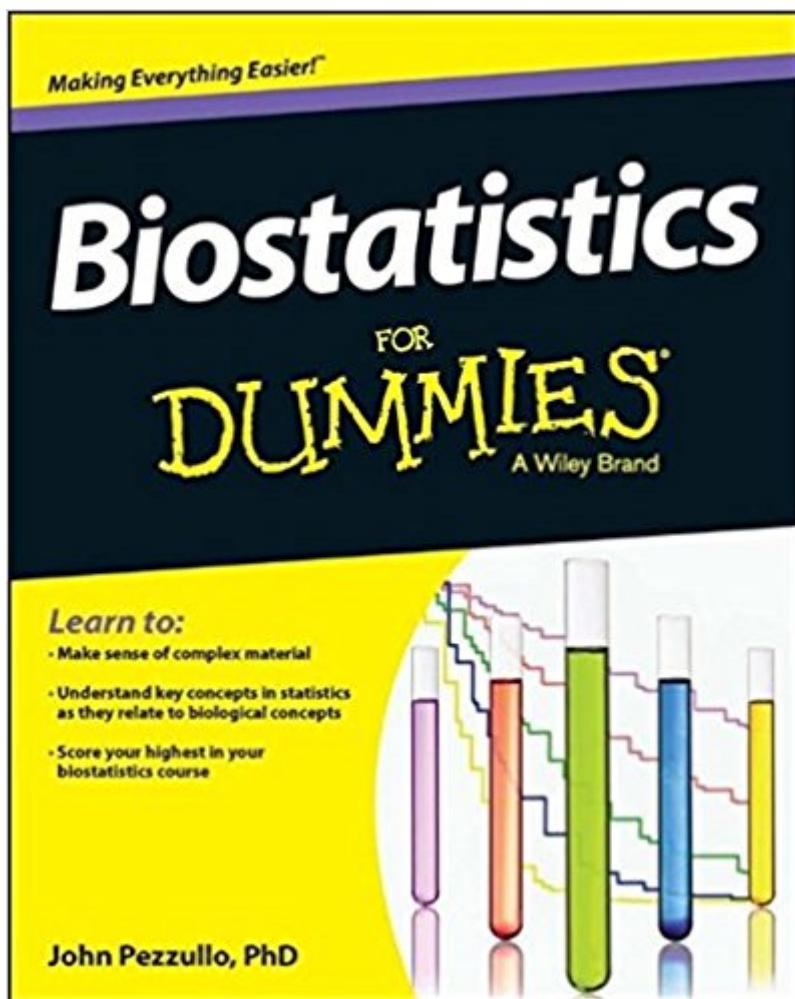


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# Biostatistics For Dummies



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Receiver studying for MPH exam and is using this--loves it.

Didn't quite cover all the areas as I'd expected. The problem might be because I'm doing advance biostatistics. Might be useful though for students at the entry level.

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Didn't help me much with what I needed, but probably useful for someone needing to learn this subject for the long term.

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were good. This book didn't disappoint.

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After a full year of bio-statistics, this is a great resource for summarizing all the important topics. Perfect for someone wanting practical bio-statistics.

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