

Lineages of Scholars in pre-industrial Europe:
Nepotism vs Intergenerational Human Capital
Transmission
Online appendix

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A Data Sources

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TABLE A.1: Number of Families (Father-Son) by Institution (1/5)

Institution	City	Country	Dates	Nb.	Sources
University of Bologna	Bologna	ITA	1088	157	Mazzetti (1847)
Royal Society of London (...)	London	GBR	1660	72	https://royalsociety.org/
University of Avignon	Avignon	FRA	1303 1793	58	Laval (1889), Fournier (1892), Teule (1887), Duhamel (1895), Barjavel (1841)
University of Tübingen	Tübingen	DEU	1476	46	Conrad (1960)
University of Copenhagen	København	DNK	1475	46	Slottved (1978)
University of Padua	Padova	ITA	1222	41	Pesenti (1984), Casellato and Rea (2002), Facciolati (1757)
Academy of Sciences Leopoldina	Halle	DEU	1652	39	http://www.leopoldina.org/
University of Basel	Basel	CHE	1460	34	Herzog (1780), Junius Institute (2013), Michaud (1811)
University of Montpellier	Montpellier	FRA	1289 1793	30	Astruc (1767), Dulieu (1975, 1979, 1983), Clerc (2006)
University of Jena	Jena	DEU	1558	27	Günther (1858)
Univ. of Pavia	Pavia	ITA	1361	27	Raggi (1879)
University of Marburg	Marburg	DEU	1527	24	Gundlach and Auerbach (1927)
University of Greifswald	Greifswald	DEU	1456	24	
University of Giessen	Gießen	DEU	1607	23	Haupt and Lehnert (1907)
University of Helmstedt	Helmstedt	DEU	1575 1809	21	Gleixner (2019)
University of Paris	Paris	FRA	1200 1793	19	Antonetti (2013), Courtenay (1999), Hazon and Bertrand (1778)
University of Rostock	Rostock	DEU	1419	19	Krüger (2019)
French Academy of Sciences	Paris	FRA	1666 1793	18	http://www.academie-sciences.fr
Leiden University	Leiden	NLD	1575	15	Leiden (2019)
University of Königsberg	Kaliningrad	RUS	1544	14	Naragon (2006)
University of Strasbourg	Strasbourg	FRA	1538	14	Berger-Levrault (1890)

TABLE A.II: Number of Families (Father-Son) by Institution (2/5)

Institution	City	Cntry	Dates	Nb.	Sources
Académie Royale (...) de Lyon	Lyon	FRA	1700 1790	13	https://academie-sbla-lyon.fr/Academiciens/ , Bréghot Du Lut and Péricaud (1839)
Collège Royal	Paris	FRA	1530	13	de France (2018)
University of Aix	Aix-en-Provence	FRA	1409 1793	11	Belin (1896), Belin (1905), Fleury and Dumas (1929), Masson (1931), de la Croix and Fabre (2019)
University of Wittenberg	Wittenberg	DEU	1502 1813	11	Kohnle and Kusche (2016)
Accademia Fiorentina	Firenze	ITA	1540 1783	11	Boutier (2017)
University of Edinburgh	Edinburgh	GBR	1582	11	Junius Institute (2013), Grant (1884)
University of Cahors	Cahors	FRA	1332 1751	10	Ferté (1975)
Académie des inscriptions (...)	Paris	FRA	1663	10	Boutier (2018)
Academy of(...) Mainz	Erfurt	DEU	1754	10	Kiefer (2004)
University of Franeker	Franeker	NLD	1585 1811	9	Feenstra, Ahsmann, and Veen (2003)
Royal Prussian Academy of Sciences	Berlin	DEU	1700	9	BBAW (2019)
Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences	Stockholm	SWE	1739	9	http://www.kva.se
University of Göttingen	Göttingen	DEU	1734	9	Ebel (1962)
University of Cambridge	Cambridge	GBR	1209	9	Walker (1927), Venn (1922)
University of Poitiers	Poitiers	FRA	1431 1793	8	Boissonade (1932)
University of Louvain	Leuven	BEL	1425 1797	8	Ram (1861), Nève (1856), Brants (1906), Lamberts and Roegiers (1990)
University of Angers	Angers	FRA	1250 1793	8	Rangeard and Lemarchand (1868), de Lens (1880), Denéchère and Matz (2012), Port (1876)
University of Toulouse	Toulouse	FRA	1229 1793	8	Deloume (1890), Barbot (1905), Lamothe-Langon (1823)
University of Kiel	Kiel	DEU	1652	8	Volbehr and Weyl (1956)
Utrecht University	Utrecht	NLD	1636	7	Dorsman (2011)
Jardin Royal des Plantes Médicinales	Paris	FRA	1635 1793	7	Jaussaud and Brygoo (2004)

TABLE A.III: Number of Families (Father-Son) by Institution (3/5)

Institution	City	Country	Dates	Nb.	Sources
French Academy	Paris	FRA	1635	7	http://www.academie-francaise.fr/
Uppsala University	Uppsala	SWE	1477	7	Von Bahr (1945), Astro.uu.se (2011)
University of Groningen	Groningen	NLD	1612	7	https://hoogleraren.uu.rug.nl/
Societas Privatas Taurinensis	Torino	ITA	1757 1792	7	https://www.academiadelle scienze.it/accademia/soci/
University of Salamanca	Salamanca	ESP	1218	7	Addy (1966), Rodriguez San Pedro Bezares (2004), Arteaga (1917)
University of Perpignan	Perpignan	FRA	1350 1793	6	Carmignani (2017), Capelle (1914), Izarn (1991)
Bavarian Academy of (...)	München	DEU	1759	6	https://badw.de/en/community-of-scholars/
University of Geneva	Genève	CHE	1559	6	Junius Institute (2013)
Åbo Akademi University	Turku	FIN	1640	6	
University of Nantes	Nantes	FRA	1460 1793	6	Chenon (1890), Grünblatt (1961)
Accademia dei Ricovrati	Padova	ITA	1599	5	https://www.bl.uk/catalogues/ItalianAcademies/
Leipzig University	Leipzig	DEU	1409	5	von Hehl and Riechert (2017)
Royal Society of Edinburgh	Edinburgh	GBR	1783	5	RSE (2006)
Royal Spanish Academy	Madrid	ESP	1713	5	https://www.rae.es/la-institucion/los-academicos/
University of Pont-à-Mousson	Pont-à-Mousson	FRA	1572 1768	5	Martin (1891)
University of Oxford	Oxford	GBR	1200	4	Emden (1959), Foster (1891)
Heidelberg University	Heidelberg	DEU	1386	4	Drüll (1991), Drüll (2002)
University of Rinteln	Rinteln	DEU	1620 1809	4	Hänsel (1971)
University of Valence	Valence	FRA	1452 1793	4	Brun-Durand (1901), Nadal (1861)
University of Lund	Lund	SWE	1666	4	Tersmeden (2015)
Majorcan cartographic school	Palma	ESP	1330 1500	4	http://www.cresquesproject.net
Royal College of Physicians	London	GBR	1518	4	Munk (1878)
Accademia della Crusca	Firenze	ITA	1583	4	Parodi (1983)

TABLE A.IV: Number of Families (Father-Son) by Institution (4/5)

Institution	City	Cntry	Dates	Nb.	Sources
University of Naples	Napoli	ITA	1224	4	Origlia Paolino (1754)
University of Montauban	Montauban	FRA	1598	4	Bourchenin (1882)
Académie d'agriculture de France	Paris	FRA	1761	4	https://cths.fr/an/societe.php?id=502
University of Altdorf	Altdorf bei Nürnberg	DEU	1578	3	Flessa (1969)
Société Royale des Sciences	Montpellier	FRA	1706	3	Dulieu (1983)
Academy of St Petersburg	Saint-Petersburg	RUS	1724	3	
University of Siena	Siena	ITA	1246	3	Frova, Catoni, and Renzi (2001)
University of Harderwijk	Harderwijk	NLD	1647	3	van Epen (1904)
Académie des arts et belles lettres	Caen	FRA	1705	3	de Pontville (1997a)
Braunschweig University (· · ·)	Braunschweig	DEU	1745	3	Albrecht (1986)
Académie (.) de la Rochelle	La Rochelle	FRA	1732	3	https://cths.fr/an/societe.php?id=682
University of Rome	Roma	ITA	1303	3	Renazzi (1803)
University of Sedan	Sedan	FRA	1599	3	Bourchenin (1882)
University of Ferrara	Ferrara	ITA	1391	2	
University of Halle	Halle (Saale)	DEU	1694	2	
University of Torino	Torino	ITA	1404	2	
University of Glasgow	Glasgow	GBR	1451	2	
University of Florence	Firenze	ITA	1321	2	
Viadrina European University	Frankfurt (Oder)	DEU	1506	2	Junius Institute (2013)
Jagiellonian University	Krakow	POL	1364	2	Pietrzyk and Marcinek (2000) , http://www.archiwum.uj.edu.pl/
Universite of Die	Die	FRA	1601	2	Bourchenin (1882)
Collegium Carolinum	Zurich	CHE	1525	2	Junius Institute (2013)
University of Macerata	Macerata	ITA	1540	2	Serangeli (2010)
Gottingen Academy of Sciences	Göttingen	DEU	1752	2	Krahnke (2001)

TABLE A.V: Number of Families (Father-Son) by Institution (4/5)

Institution	City	Cntry	Dates	Nb.	Sources
University of Dublin	Dublin	IRL	1592	2	Venn (1922)
Académie des Sciences et belles lettres	Bordeaux	FRA	1712 1793	2	
University of Saumur	Saumur	FRA	1596 1685	1	Bourchenin (1882)
Académie des belles-lettres, (...)	Marseille	FRA	1726 1793	1	
University of Salerno	Salerno	ITA	1231	1	
Academy of the Unknown	Venezia	ITA	1626 1661	1	https://www.bl.uk/catalogues/ItalianAcademies/
Athenaeum Illustre of Amsterdam	Amsterdam	NLD	1632 1877	1	http://www.albumacademicum.uva.nl/
Academy of the Burning Ones	Padova	ITA	1540 1545	1	https://www.bl.uk/catalogues/ItalianAcademies/
University of Caen	Caen	FRA	1432 1793	1	de Pontville (1997b)
University of St Andrews	Saint-Andrews	GBR	1411	1	
University of Würzburg	Würzburg	DEU	1402	1	Walter (2010)
Freiberg University (...)	Freiberg	DEU	1765	1	
Zamojski Academy	Zamosc	POL	1594 1784	1	
Nijmegen University	Nijmegen	NLD	1655 1679	1	
Veneziana (Seconda Accademia)	Venezia	ITA	1594 1608	1	https://www.bl.uk/catalogues/ItalianAcademies/
University of Orléans	Orléans	FRA	1235 1793	1	Bimbenet (1853), Duijnsteet (2010)
University of Perugia	Perugia	ITA	1308	1	
University of Nîmes	Nîmes	FRA	1539 1663	1	Bourchenin (1882)
University of Aberdeen	Aberdeen	GBR	1495	1	
University of Moscow	Moskow	RUS	1755	1	Andreev and Tsygankov (2010)
Academy of the Invaghiti	Mantova	ITL	1562 1738	1	https://www.bl.uk/catalogues/ItalianAcademies/
University of Rennes	Rennes	FRA	1735 1793	1	Chenon (1890)
University of Lausanne	Lausanne	CHE	1537	1	Junius Institute (2013)
University of Freiburg	Freiburg	DEU	1457	1	
University of Prague	Prague	CZE	1348	1	
University of Erfurt	Erfurt	DEU	1379	1	

TABLE A.VI: Number of Families (Father-Son) by Institution (5/5)

Institution	City	Cntry	Dates	Nb.	Sources
Royal Botanic Garden	Kew	GBR	1759	1	
University of Bordeaux	Bordeaux	FRA	1441 1793	1	
Academie de Beziers	Béziers	FRA	1723 1793	1	
University of Cervera	ESP	Cervera	1714 1821	1	Rubio y Borrás (1914)
Academy of the Umorists	Roma	ITA	1603 1670	1	https://www.bl.uk/catalogues/ItalianAcademies/

B Robustness to Measures of Publications

TABLE A.VII: Two Different Measures of Publications

Moment	library holdings	nb. of works
mean publi son	3.177	2.383
mean publi father	3.932	2.994
b (OLS)	0.513	0.517
b (OLS) intens.	0.361	0.326
corr 2G intens.	0.340	0.340
Q50/Q75 son	0.513	0.488
Q50/Q95 son	0.386	0.352
Q50/mean son	0.958	0.922
Q50/Q75 father	0.642	0.616
Q50/Q95 father	0.502	0.460
Q50/mean father	1.095	1.061
corr 3G intens.	0.292	0.219

C Identification Example

Figure A.1 illustrates our identification strategy by simulating our model. We show the simulated distributions of the underlying (human capital) and the observed outcome (publications), father-son correlations in publications and the corresponding QQ plot.

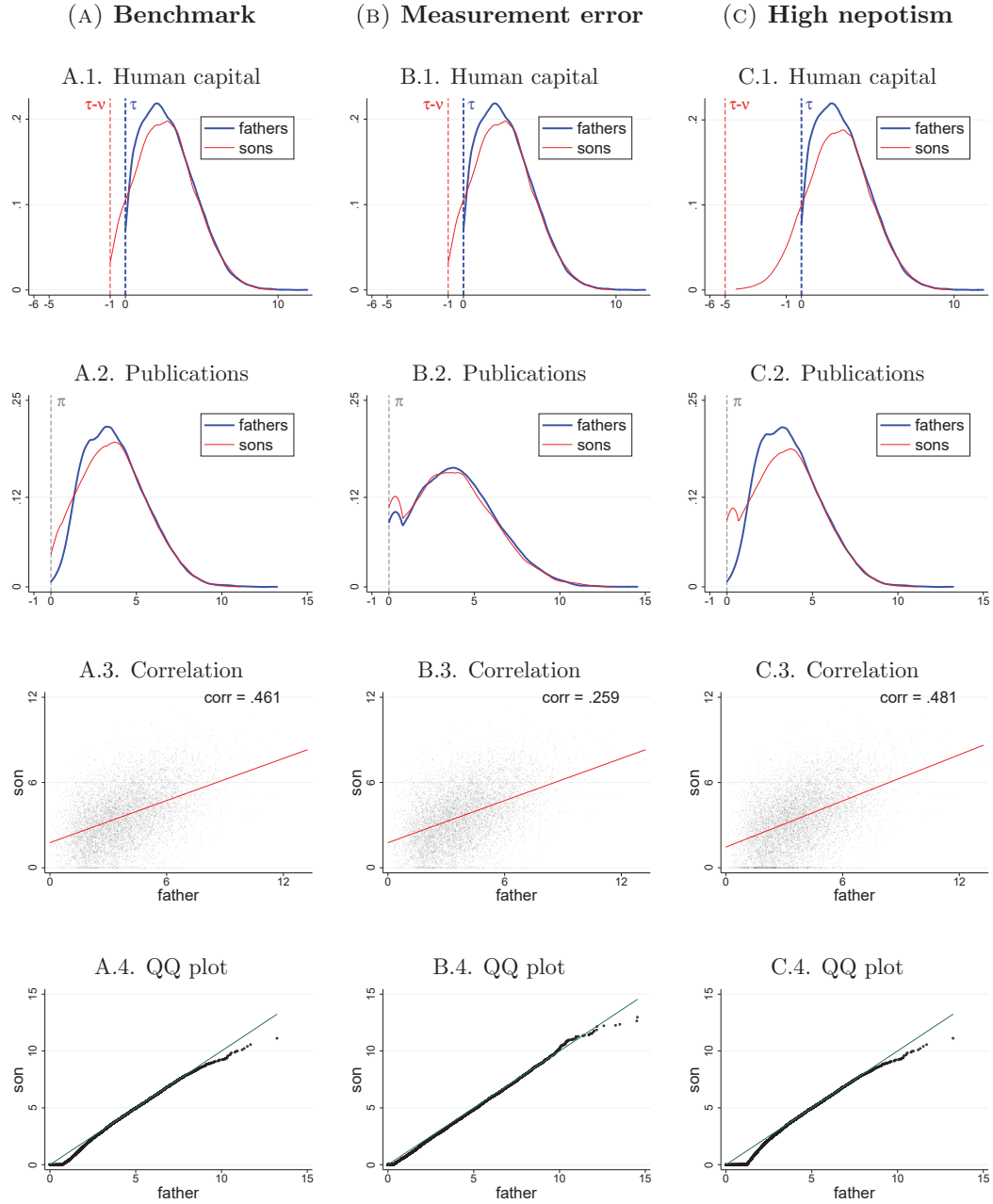
Column A presents a benchmark simulation for 10,000 potential scholars with $\beta = 0.6$, $\nu = -1$, $\tau = 0$, $\mu_e = 1$, $\pi = 0$, $\mu_h = 2$, $\sigma_h^2 = 5$, and $\sigma_e^2 = 0.25$. In Column B, we increase σ_e^2 to 3. That is, we generate measurement error by reducing the extent to which human capital translates into publications. The distribution of h is not altered with respect to the benchmark case, but that of y is: both fathers and sons present a larger mass of zero publications and a larger variance. Since y is similarly affected for fathers and sons, the QQ plot does not reflect distributional differences across generations. However, the increase in measurement error attenuates the father-son correlation in y , which drops from 0.46 to 0.26 with respect to the benchmark case.

Next, Column C increases nepotism with respect to the benchmark case by setting $\nu = -5$. In contrast to the previous exercise, this affects the distribution of both h and y , as sons with low levels of human capital now can become a scholar.¹ This generates distributional differences in observed publications between fathers and sons, reflected in the QQ plot. Most evidently, the mass of sons with zero publications and the variance of sons' publications is now larger than their fathers'. Since nepotism alters both the human capital's and the observed outcome's distribution, father-son correlations become more informative of β than in the benchmark case: the correlation increases from 0.46 to 0.48.

In sum, measurement error and nepotism have different implications for father-son correlations, distributional differences (especially, at the bottom of the distribution), and relative variances of the observed outcome.

¹The father's h distribution is also affected, albeit to a lesser degree. The reason is that marginal fathers, i.e., fathers with an h just above the threshold τ , are now more likely to be in the set of selected families. Before, these fathers were mostly excluded, as their sons were likely to have low realizations of h , falling below the (nepotic) threshold to become a scholar. Similarly, this may decrease the variance of fathers' publications.

FIGURE A.1: Identification example based on model simulations



Notes: The benchmark simulation is for 10,000 potential scholars with $\beta = 0.6$, $\nu = -1$, $\tau = 0$, $\mu_e = 1$, $\pi = 0$, $\mu_h = 2$, $\sigma_h = 5$, and $\sigma_e = 0.25$. Column B increases σ_e to 3, Column C increases nepotism by setting $\nu = -5$.

D Heterogeneity in Nepotism: QQ plots

FIGURE A.II: Quantile-quantile plot by historical period

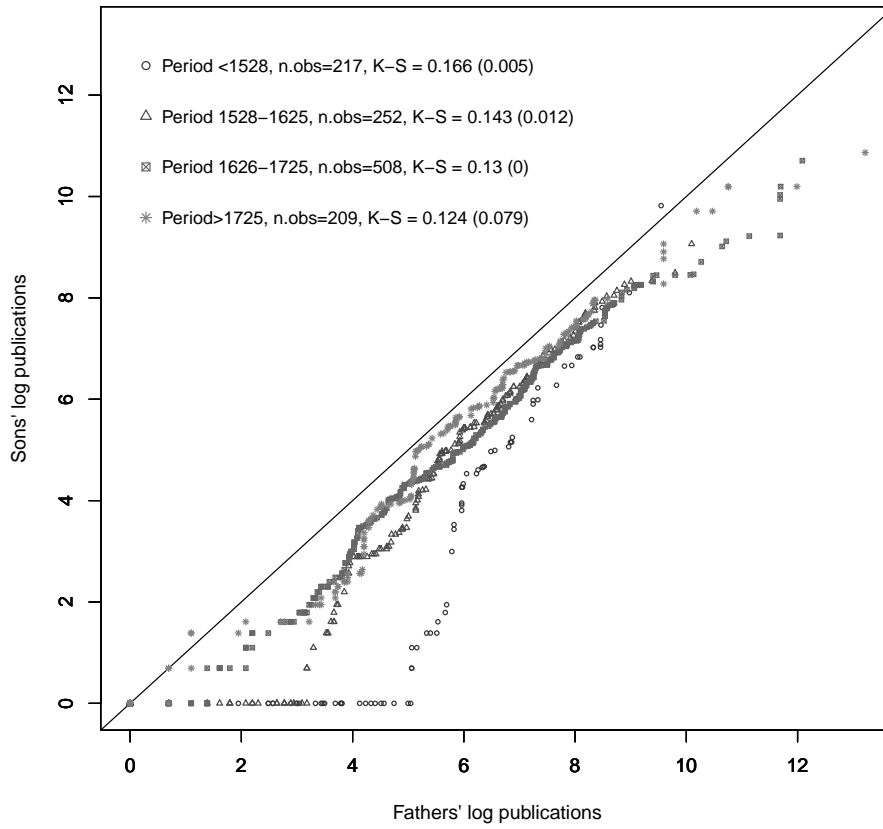


FIGURE A.III: Quantile-quantile plot by Religion

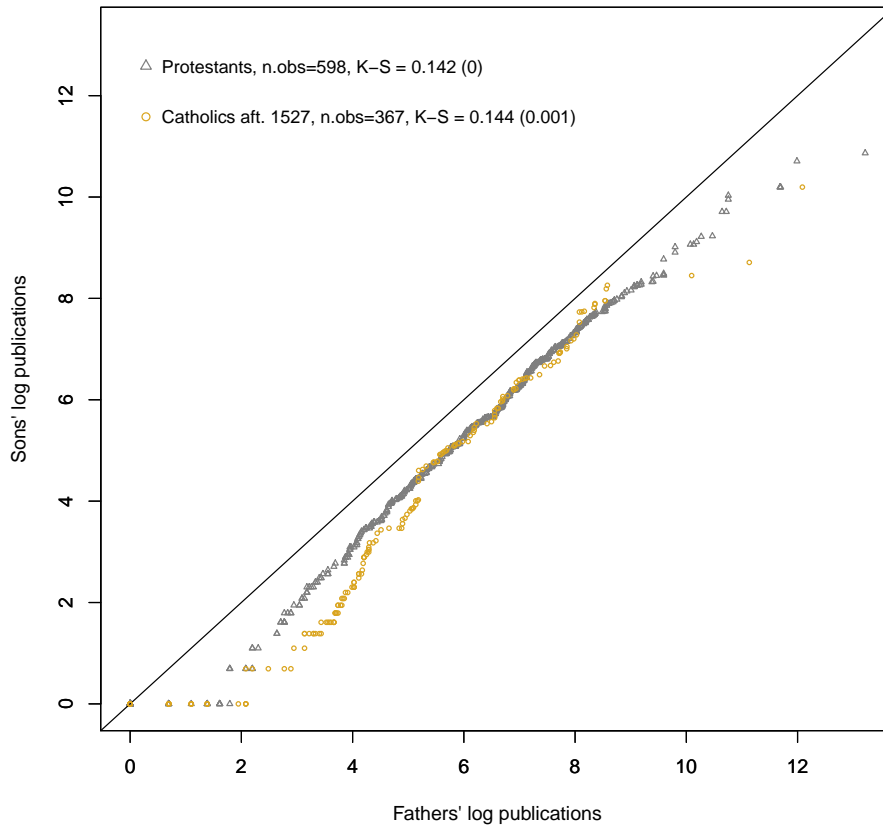


FIGURE A.IV: Quantile-quantile plot by field of study

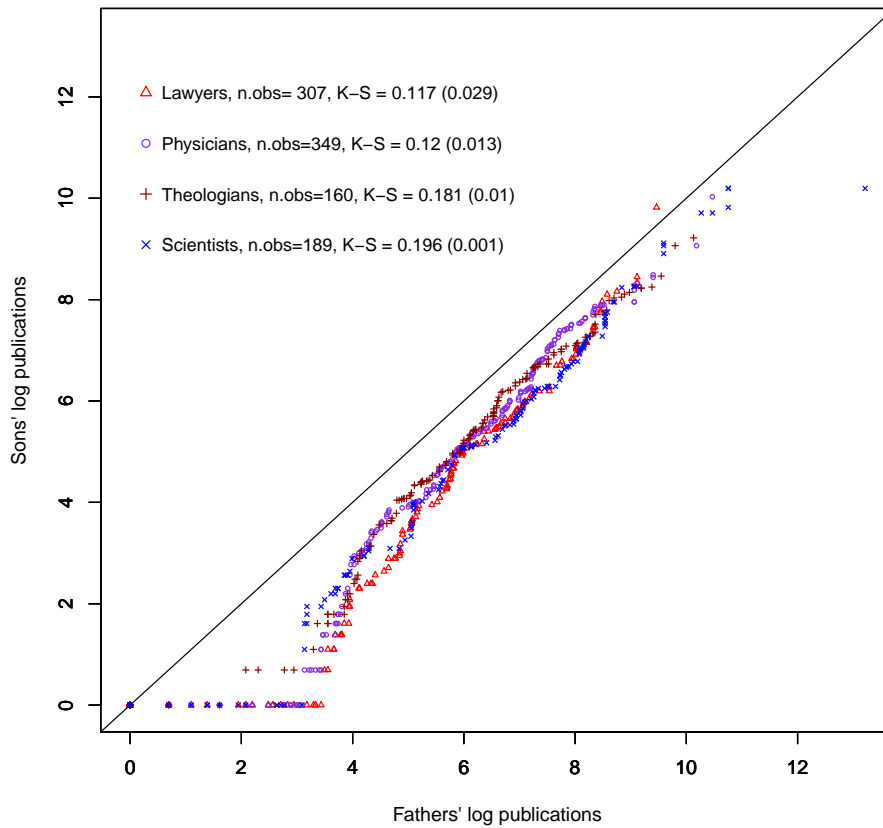
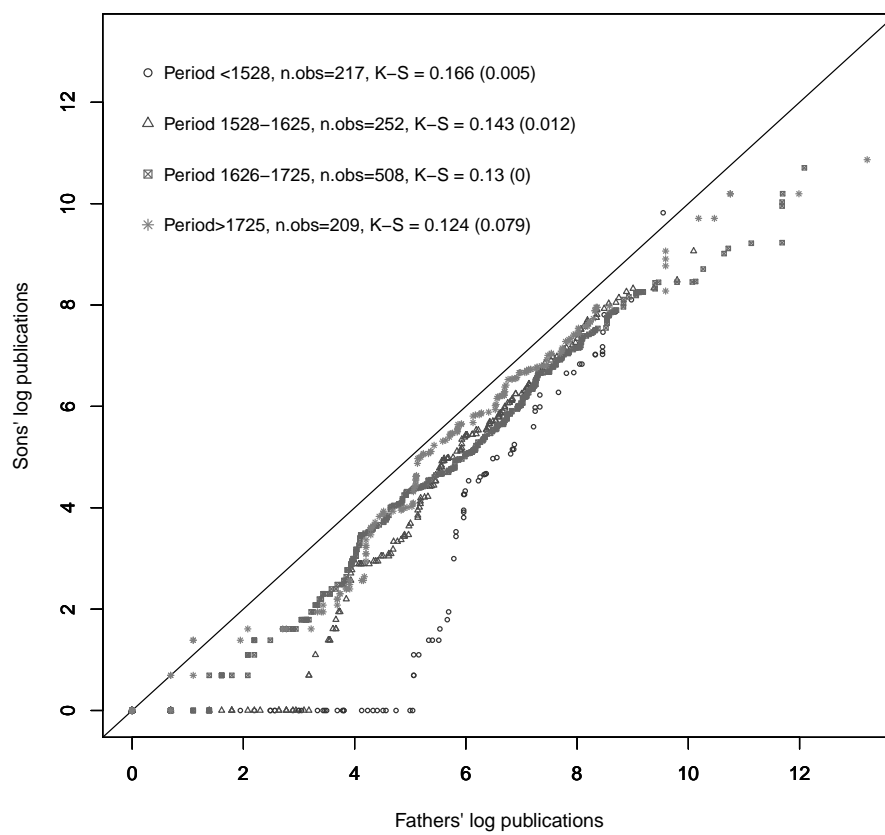


FIGURE A.v: Quantile-quantile plot by Nomination Bef/After Death of Father



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