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EMPLOYMENT

Australian National University

Research Fellow

June 2024-present

Universitas Gadjah Mada, Indonesia

Lecturer

2018-2020

EDUCATION

Monash University, Australia

2020-2024

PhD in Economics

Examiner(s) : Prof. Denzil Fiebig ; A/Prof. Peter Sivey

Universitas Gadjah Mada, Indonesia

2018

Medical Doctor (MD.)

University of York, UK

2014-2015

MSc. in Health Economics (with Distinction)

RESEARCH

Publications

Addressing Vaccine Hesitancy using Local Ambassadors: Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial in Rural Indonesia (with Armand Sim, Asad Islam, Gita Kusnadi, Jahan Rezki, Michael Vlassopoulos, and Yves Zenou)

European Economic Review, April 2024

Does quality affect choice of family physician? Evidence from patients changing general practice without changing their address (with Hugh Gravelle and Rita Santos) **Economic Modelling, September 2023**

Undertesting of COVID-19 in Indonesia: what has gone wrong? (with Joko Mulyanto, Bayu Wiratama) **Journal of Global Health, December 2020**

Working Papers

Provider responses to market entry under competing health technologies (with Daniel Avdic, Nils Gutacker and Johan Vikström)

Radiating influence? Spillover effects among physicians (with Daniel Avdic, Umair Khalil, and Johannes Kunz)

Selected Work in progress

School Disruptions, Parental Input, and Early Childhood Development (with Jinhu Li and Yijuan Chen)

Compulsory Schooling and Domestic Violence (with Adam Dzulkipli and Sara Hutchinson-Tovar)

Childcare Opening and Household Dynamics (with Jessica Arnup)

Heat and Healthcare Delivery (with Michelle Escobar-Carias)

OTHER WRITING (BOOK CHAPTERS, IMPACT/OP-ED ARTICLE)

Could wastewater surveillance protect Indonesia from the next pandemic? *Indonesia at Melbourne, February 2025*

Equity in Health and Healthcare (in Indonesian), Health Financing handbook, Ministry of Health, Republic of Indonesia (September 2021)

Riset eksperimen di Jawa Barat: duta vaksin lokal bisa turunkan keraguan vaksin COVID (in Indonesian), *The Conversation Indonesia, February 2023*

Ekonomi Kesehatan dan Tingkat Serapan Vaksin (in Indonesian), *KOMPAS newspaper, January 2021*

Jokowi naikkan iuran JKN peserta mandiri, tepatkah untuk menutup defisit parah BPJS Kesehatan? (in Indonesian), *The Conversation Indonesia, November 2019*

Health matters as Indonesia continues to grow (in English), *The Jakarta Post, December 2013*

TEACHING

Guest Lecturer

Health Economics (Monash University); Applied Econometrics (Australian National University; Introduction to Health Services and Research (Australian National University)

Teaching Associate

Health Economics (HEC5980) *Postgraduate level* 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021

Teaching evaluation : Exceeding expectations (very high)

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2025, Diversity and Inclusion Grant, Faculty of Business and Economics - University of Melbourne (AUD \$3,000)

2024, Monash Business School: Purple Letter of Teaching Achievement (HEC5980)

2024, Postgraduate Publication Award - Monash University

2023, AIC-KATALIS Nurse mobility project, with Anthony Scott (AUD\$36,000)

2022, J-PAL SEA-LPEM RCT Fund, with Armand Sim and Jahan Rezki (US\$39,000, Co-PI)

2022, Monash Business School: Purple Letter of Teaching Achievement (HEC5970)

2020, BPJS National Health Insurance Research Fund, with Firdaus Hafidz (US\$40,000, Co-PI)

2020-2024, Monash International Tuition and Graduate Scholarship

2020, The Equity Initiative Fellowship [*Offered, but declined*]

CONFERENCE AND VISITING EXPERIENCE

Short-term research visit

Aug 2023, University of Duisburg-Essen (Host : A/Prof Daniel Kühnle)

Sep 2023, University of Bologna (Host : A/Prof Pietro Biroli)

Presentations

2025 ANU Indonesian Study Group (scheduled), Australasian Public Choice Conference (scheduled), ANU Health Economics Group Workshop, AHES, Australian Public Finance Workshop; Economics of Health and Wellbeing Workshop, Hepburn Springs*

2024 Research School of Economics - ANU*, Econometrics Society Australasian Meeting

2023

Applied Young Economist Webinar (AYEW), Econometric Society Australasian Meeting, 25th Labour Econometrics Workshop (LEW), CINCH-Essen, EuHEA PhD Conference, 30th European Workshop on Econometrics and Health Economics, Asian Workshop on Econometrics and Health Economics (Manila)

2021

Melbourne Institute Brown Bag, UK Health Economics Study Group (UK HESG), University of York (Health, Econometrics, and Data Group), iHEA World Congress, Australian Health Economics Society (AHES)

*(invited) ; ^(presented by co-author)

JOURNAL REFEREEING

Journal of Health Economics, Health Economics, Economic Record, Social Science and Medicine (Economics section)

SERVICES

PhD in Economics Thesis External Examiner, Adelaide University

Custodian, Network for Early Career Teachers, Academics, and Researchers (NECTAR) ANU

Local organizer, 14th Australian Health Economics Doctoral (AHED) Workshop and Australian Health Economics Society (AHES) Conference, Canberra

International Health Economics Association (iHEA) Submission Reviewer, 2025

2021 - 2024, Co-Convenor for ECR, iHEA Economics of Children's Health and Wellbeing Special Interest Group

2021 - 2022, Monash CHE PhD Student Representative

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Australian Health Economics Society (AHES); American Economics Association (AEA); International Health Economics Association (iHEA)