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**Research Fields:** Health economics, labor economics, applied econometrics.

## Education

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- 2017–2022    PhD in Business and Economics (*summa cum laude*), Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Basel. Advisors: Conny Wunsch (University of Basel) and Andrea Weber (Central European University). Completed within the PhD program in Applied Economics
- 2013–2015    MSc in Economics, University of Lausanne
- 2010–2013    BSc in Economics, University of Lausanne

## Research Positions and Visits

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- 2022—        Postdoctoral researcher, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Basel
- Spring 2022   Center for Labor Economics, University of California, Berkeley. Host: David Card
- 2018–2022    Research and teaching assistant, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Basel
- 2015–2020    Research associate in health economics, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine (now Unisanté), University of Lausanne
- 2015–2016    Research assistant, Institute for Biomedical Ethics, University of Basel

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

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Zabrodina, Véra, Mark Dusheiko, and Karine Moschetti (2020). A Moneymaking Scan: Dual Reimbursement Systems and Supplier-Induced Demand for Diagnostic Imaging. *Health Economics*, 29(12): 1566–1585.

Moschetti, Karine, Véra Zabrodina, Tenzin Wangmo, Alberto Holly, Jean-Blaise Wasserfallen, Bernice S. Elger, and Bruno Gravier (2018). The determinants of healthcare expenditures of prisoners: Evidence from Switzerland. *BMC Health Services Research*, 18:160.

Moschetti, Karine, Véra Zabrodina, Pierre Stadelmann, Tenzin Wangmo, Alberto Holly, Jean-Blaise Wasserfallen, Bernice S. Elger, and Bruno Gravier (2017). Exploring differences in healthcare utilization of prisoners in the canton of Vaud, Switzerland. *PLOS ONE*, 12(10):

e0187255.

## Work in Progress

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Timing Moral Hazard under Deductibles in Health Insurance (job market paper)

Unemployment Insurance with Response Heterogeneity (with Conny Wunsch)

The Optimal Time-Profile of Unemployment Insurance Benefits (with Conny Wunsch)

Hours Mismatch and Income Tax Incentives for Low-Earning Workers (with Ulrike Unterhofer)

## Policy Reports

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Assessment of the use of diagnostic imaging equipment in the canton of Ticino (2020). Prepared for the Public Health Service of the canton of Ticino, Switzerland [in French], with Karine Moschetti.

Evaluation of the impact of the certificate of need regulation for heavy medical equipment (2020). Prepared for the Public Health Service of the canton of Vaud, Switzerland [in French], with Mark Dusheiko and Karine Moschetti.

Assessment of the need for costly diagnostic imaging equipment subject to certificate of need laws (2016). Prepared for the Public Health Service of the canton of Neuchatel, Switzerland [in French], with Mark Dusheiko and Karine Moschetti.

## Grants, Awards and Scholarships

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2022	Funding for a research visit from the Freiwillige Akademische Gesellschaft (FAG), the Basler Kantonalbank Stiftung, and the Post-Covid19 Travel Fund, Graduate School of Business and Economics, University of Basel
2021	Research Fund of the University of Basel for Excellent Junior Researchers
2019	Early Career Researcher Best Paper Prize, International Health Economics Association
2017–2018	Scholarship, PhD program in Applied Economics, University of Basel
2015	Faculty prize for the highest GPA, MSc in Economics, University of Lausanne

## Further Coursework

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2017–2018	Swiss Program for Beginning Doctoral Students in Economics, Study Center Gerzensee (Microeconomics and Econometrics)
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2016	Swiss School of Public Health+ International Doctoral Courses and Seminars in Health Economics and Policy
2014–2015	MSc exchange semester, University of Zurich
2013	Development economics, Summer School, London School of Economics

### **Presentations at Conferences and Seminars** (including scheduled)

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2023	Tinbergen Institute Rotterdam Health Economics Seminar
2022	University of California, Berkeley; University of Bern; Central European University, Vienna; Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics Annual Congress, Fribourg; European Economic Association Annual Congress, Milan; European Workshop on Econometrics and Health Economics, Fribourg; Verein für Socialpolitik Annual Conference, Basel
2021	Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics, Barcelona (virtual); IRDES-Dauphine Workshop on Applied Health Economics and Policy Evaluation, Paris (virtual); Economics Lunch, Basel
2020	Ski and Labour Seminar, Engelberg; Young Swiss Economists Meeting, Zurich; IHEID Virtual PhD Workshop, Geneva (virtual); EALE SOLE AASLE World Conference, Berlin (virtual); Econometric Society World Congress, Milan (virtual); Economics Lunch, Basel
2019	International Health Economics Association Congress, Basel; Swiss Health Economics Workshop, Lucerne; Swiss TPH HealthEconmix Seminar, Basel
2018	Conference and Doctoral Workshop of the Swiss Society of Health Economics, Lucerne; Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics, St. Gallen; Young Swiss Economists' Meeting, Zurich
2017	Swiss Health Economics Workshop, Lausanne; European Health Economics Association PhD-Supervisor Conference, Lausanne; International Health Economics Association Congress, Boston; IRDES Workshop on Applied Health Economics and Policy Evaluation, Paris; Young Swiss Economists' Meeting, Zurich

### **Teaching**

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2021, 2022	Causal Inference for Policy Evaluation (master and graduate course, lab sessions and teaching assistance), University of Basel
2020	Applied Empirical Analysis (master and graduate course, lab sessions and teaching assistance), University of Basel

2018, 2019    Empirical Research Methods in Labour Economics (master and graduate course, lab sessions and teaching assistance), University of Basel

Advanced Empirical Research Methods (master and graduate course, lab sessions and teaching assistance), University of Basel

### **Refereeing Service**

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Labour Economics, Economic Analysis and Policy, International Journal of Health Policy and Management

### **Professional Service**

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2018–2022    Representative of PhD students and Postdocs on the board of the Graduate School of Business and Economics, University of Basel

2018–2021    Representative of PhD students and Postdocs at the Faculty Assembly of the Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Basel

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