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Professional Experience:

Professor of Economics, School of Management, Yale University, 2021-Present
Associate Professor of Economics, School of Management, Yale University, 2017-Present
Co-Founder and Director of Analytics at Vela, 2017-Present
Assistant Professor of Economics, School of Management, Yale University, 2012-2017
Postdoctoral Fellow in Health and Aging, National Bureau of Economic Research, 2011-2012

Education:

Ph.D., Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2011
B.A., Economics, Harvard University, Magna Cum Laude, 2006

Research Fields:

Health Economics, Behavioral Economics, Public Economics, Industrial Organization

Publications:

Published or Forthcoming Journal Articles

“Impact of Community Masking on COVID-19: A Cluster-Randomized Trial in Bangladesh” with Laura H Kwong, Ashley Styczynski, Md. Alamgir Kabir, Ellen Bates-Jefferys, Emily Crawford, Jade Benjamin-Chung, Shabib Raihan, Shadman Rahman, Salim Benhachmi, Neeti Zaman, Peter Winch, Maqsd Hossain, Hasan Mahmud Reza, Abdullah All Jaber, Shawkee Gulshan Momen, Aura Rahman, Faika Laz Banti, Tahrira Saiha Huq, Stephen P. Luby, Ahmed Mushfiq Mobarak, *Science*. 2021 Dec 2:eabi9069.

Mortality Effects and Choice Across Private Health Insurance Plans (w/ Mauricio Caceres Bravo, Peter Hull, and Amanda Starc), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Volume 136, Issue 3, August 2021.

What Do Consumers Consider Before They Choose? Identification from Asymmetric Demand Responses (w/ Abigail Adams-Prassl), Volume 136, Issue 3, August 2021.

Less is More: Improving Choices by Limiting Choices in Health Insurance Markets (w/ Jonathan Gruber), conditionally accepted at the *Review of Economic Studies*.

The Case for Universal Mask Adoption and Policies to Increase the Supply of Medical Masks for Health Workers (w/ Judy Chevalier, NA Christakis, Howard Forman, Edward H. Kaplan, Albert Ko, and Sten

H. Vermund), *COVID Economics*, 2020.

Prescription Drug Use under Medicare Part D: A Linear Model of Nonlinear Budget Sets (w/ Jonathan Gruber and Ashley Swanson), *Journal of Public Economics* 164, 106-138.

Trends and Variation in the Utilization and Diagnostic Yield of Chest Imaging for Medicare Patients With Suspected Pulmonary Embolism in the Emergency Department. (w/ Arjun K. Venkatesh, Leila Agha, Craig Rothenberg, Christopher Kabrhel and Ali S. Raja). *American Journal of Roentgenology* 210 (3), 572-577.

The Determinants of Productivity in Medical Testing: Intensity and Allocation of Care (w/ Leila Agha, Chris Kabrhel, Ali Raja, and Arjun Venkatesh) *American Economic Review*, December, 2016.

The Robustness of Checks for Consumer Choice Inconsistencies: Reply to Ketcham, Kuminoff and Powers (w/ Jonathan Gruber), *American Economic Review*, December, 2016.

Evolving Choice Inconsistencies in Choice of Prescription Drug Insurance: Do Choices Improve Over Time? (w/ Jonathan Gruber), *American Economic Review*, August, 2016.

How Well Do Seniors Do in Choosing Medicare Part D Plans (with Jonathan Gruber), *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings*, May 2011.

Choice inconsistencies among the elderly: evidence from plan choice in the Medicare Part D program, (with Jonathan Gruber) *American Economic Review*, June, 2011.

Working Papers:

Fixing Misallocation with Guidelines: Awareness vs. Adherence (w/ Leila Agha, David C. Chan, Daniel Singer, and Diana Zhu), submitted.

A Method to Estimate Discrete Choice Models that is Robust to Consumer Search (w/ Giovanni Compiani), Submitted.

What Would We Eat If We Knew More? The Implications of a Large Scale Change in Nutrition Labeling.

Teaching:

Health Care Strategy, Fall 2012-2020
Public Economics (Policy Design), Spring 2016-2020

Honors, Scholarships, and Fellowships:

NICHM Honorable Mention (2nd Place) for the Best Paper in Health Economics (2017)
NICHM Award for the Best Paper in Health Economics (2012)
Co-investigator, NIA R01 Grant, AG031270, "Dynamics of Plan Choice and Prescription Drug Utilization in Medicare Part D"
NBER Pre-doctoral Fellow in Health and Aging (2009-2011)
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (2007-2009)

Referee: *American Economic Review, American Economic Review: Insights, AEJ: Applied, AEJ: Micro, AEJ: Policy, Econometrica, Economic Journal, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Health Economics, Health Affairs, Health Economics, Quarterly Journal of Economics, International Economic Review, Risks, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Labor Economics, PLOS One, RAND Journal of Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of Political Economy, the National Science Foundation, the Sloan Foundation*

Co-organizer Yale Labor and Public Economics Workshop, 2013-2020