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Education

Ph.D. Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2014

B.A. Economics & Mathematics and German Studies (History), *magna cum laude*, Yale University, 2008

Positions

Assistant Professor, Department of Health Research and Policy, Stanford University, 2014–present

Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), 2015–present

Faculty Fellow, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research (SIEPR), 2015–present

Consultant, McKinsey & Company Inc., Cologne Office, Germany 2008-2009

Research Interests

Health Economics, Public Finance, Economics of Regulation

Publications

1. Regulation of Insurance with Adverse Selection and Switching Costs: Evidence from Medicare Part D
American Economic Journal: Applied, 8(3), July 2016
2. Risk Selection and Heterogeneous Preferences in Health Insurance Markets with a Public Option
Journal of Health Economics, 49, September 2016
3. Private Provision of Social Insurance: Drug-Specific Price Elasticities and Cost Sharing in Medicare Part D (with Liran Einav and Amy Finkelstein)
American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, accepted
4. ACA Marketplace Premiums and Competition among Hospitals and Physician Practices (with Kate Bundorf, Daniel Kessler, and Laurence Baker)
American Journal of Managed Care, forthcoming
5. Marketplace Plans Provide Risk Protection, But Actuarial Values Overstate Realized Coverage For Most Enrollees (with Lynn Hua and Kate Bundorf)
Health Affairs, accepted

Working papers

1. The Welfare Effects of Supply-Side Regulations in Medicare Part D (with Francesco Decarolis and Stephen Ryan)
NBER Working Paper No. 21298, revise and resubmit (2nd round), *Journal of Political Economy*

Work in progress

1. Subsidy Tagging in Privately Provided Health Insurance Markets (with Stephen Ryan)
2. Social Insurance Design under Uncertainty: Evidence from Medicare's Quantity Regulation (with David Chan)
3. Social Insurance and the Labor Markets: Evidence from Long-Term Care. (with Martin Hackmann)
4. Delegating Decision-Making to the Machine: Experimental Evidence from Health Insurance (with Kate Bundorf and Ming Tai-Seale)

Grants, Fellowships, & Awards

CESifo Distinguished Affiliate Award in Applied Microeconomics, 2017

NIA/NIH R21AG052833, Social Insurance Design and International Differences in Health at Older Ages: \$422,772 (with Petra Persson), 2016-2018

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Policy-Relevant Insurance Studies: \$100,000 (with Kate Bundorf), 2016-2017

AHRQ R03HS024800: \$100,000 for research on Affordable Care Act (with Stephen Ryan), 2016-2018

NSF SES-1357705: \$460,000 for research on Medicare Part D (with Francesco Decarolis and Stephen Ryan), 2014-2016

NIA/NIH AG017253 seed grant: \$25,000 for research on Affordable Care Act, 2015-2016

NIA/NIA seed grant under P01AG005842-29 (PI: Wise) for research on Medicare Part D, 2016

University of Chicago Becker Friedman Institute, Health Economics Grant: \$25,000, 2016

IRiSS Faculty Fellowship, 2016-2017

Stanford Spectrum Pilot Grants for Population Health Sciences: \$37,000 (with Petra Persson), 2016

Ernst-Meyer Dissertation Prize of The Geneva Association, 2015

John Heinz Dissertation Award of the National Academy of Social Insurance, 2015

MIT George and Obie Shultz Fund Grant, 2012

MIT Presidential Fellowship, 2009-2011

MIT CIS Summer Study Grant, 2011

Norges Bank Summer School Scholarship, 2010

Yale College, William M. Massee Award for excellence in Economics, 2008

Yale College, Lothar Hausmann Memorial Award for excellence in German Studies, 2008

Yale College, Distinction in Economics and Mathematics, and German Studies, 2008

Yale College, Mellon Forum Fellowship for senior thesis "Policies towards Industrial Organization in Occupied Germany", 2007

Conference and Seminar Presentations

2017-2018 (including scheduled): Rice University's Baker Institute, CESifo Digitization, Tel Aviv Economics, Hebrew University Economics, McGill Economics, Chicago Booth Junior Health Economics Summit, KU Leuven Economics, EIEF, LMU Munich Economics, Columbia Business School

2016-2017: Yale University Economics, Washington University in St. Louis Olin Business School, University of Pennsylvania LDI/Wharton, American Economic Association Annual Meeting, Tulane University

Economics, Chicago Booth Junior Health Economics Summit, CESifo Applied Microeconomics, Bates White Life Sciences Symposium, Natural Experiments and Controlled Field Studies Workshop

2015-2016: BU/Harvard/MIT Health Economics Seminar, CEPR Public Economics Meeting, Advances in Policy Evaluation at Arizona State University, Stanford HRP, ARIA Risk Theory Society Annual Seminar, University of Bonn, University of Mannheim, INF Stockholm, VATT Helsinki, Natural Experiments and Controlled Field Studies Workshop, ASHEcon, Clemson University, Florida State University, American Health Economics Conference (discussant), University of Colorado Denver, Georgia State University, Dartmouth College

2014-2015: Stanford GSB, Stanford Epidemiology, NBER Insurance (joint w/IO) Meeting, NBER Health Care Meeting, International Industrial Organization Conference, ARIA Risk Theory Society Annual Seminar, Stanford HRP, International Health Economics Association World Congress

2013-2014: Georgetown University Economics, University of Illinois-Chicago Economics, Sciences Po, Bocconi, Toulouse School of Economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison Economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Business, Yale School of Management, Stanford Health Research and Policy, WUSTL Olin, MIT

2011: 15th IZA European Summer School in Labor Economics, Munich Center for the Economics of Aging at Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy

Professional Activities

Referee for *American Economic Journal: Applied*, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, *American Journal of Health Economics*, *Econometrica*, *Health Economics*, *Health Services and Outcomes Research Methodology*, *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, *Journal of Health Economics*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*

Book review, Economic History Association, *The Plans that Failed: An Economic History of the GDR* by Andre Steiner

Stanford SIEPR Policy Brief "Health Insurance: Choices, Changes, and Policy Challenges"

Member, Risk Theory Society, American Risk and Insurance Association

Stanford: Pre-major freshman advisor

Stanford: MedScholars advisor

Stanford: Health Policy PhD admission committee 2015-2017

Teaching

Stanford: Graduate Health Economics, 2016-2017, 2017-2018

Stanford: Introduction to Concepts and Methods in Health Services and Policy Research, 2016-2017, 2017-2018

MIT: teaching assistant for Graduate Public Economics, Public Policy in Health Economics, Industrial Organization; Undergraduate Microeconomic Theory and Public Policy (x2) and Industrial Organization and Competitive Strategy, 2011-2014

Personal

Citizenship: Russia

Born: December 1986 in Voronezh, Russia

Last updated: November 8, 2017