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## Research Interests

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Health Inequality, Experimental Economics, Prosocial Behaviour, Revealed Preferences, Experimentics, Applied Econometrics, Multidimensional Poverty, Distributive Justice.

## Education

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- 2014-18 PhD Experimental Economics, University of York - Pass with No Corrections  
Thesis: “Inequality Aversion and Self-Interest: An Experimental Approach”  
Supervisors: John Bone, John Hey & Richard Cookson  
Viva: Erik Sørensen (NHH) & Andrew Jones (York)
- 2013-14 MSc Health Economics, University of York - Merit
- 2010-13 BA Hons History and Economics, Bangor University - First Class

## Employment

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- 2022- Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Erasmus University Rotterdam  
Erasmus School of Economics
- 2022-25 Visiting Research Fellow, University of York  
Department of Health Sciences
- 2018-22 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of York  
Department of Health Sciences and Centre for Health Economics
- 2014-22 Research Assistant, University of Oxford  
Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative

## Publications

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- 2024 **Robson**, O'Donnell & Van Ourti, ‘Aversion to Health Inequality – Pure, Income-Related and Income-Caused’, *Journal of Health Economics*, 94(1).
- 2023 Evans, Nogales & **Robson**, ‘Monetary and Multidimensional Poverty: Correlations, Mismatches and Joint Distributions’, *Journal of Development Studies*, 60(1).
- 2022 Alkire & **Robson**, ‘On international household survey data availability for assessing pre-pandemic monetary and multidimensional poverty in developing countries’, *Development Studies Research*, 9(1).
- 2021 **Robson**, ‘Inequality aversion, self-interest and social connectedness’, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 183(1).
- 2021 Cookson, **Robson**, Skarda & Doran, ‘Equity-informative methods of health services research’, *Journal of Health Organization and Management*, 35(6).
- 2021 **Robson**, Lord & Doran, ‘Estimating the equity impacts of the smoking ban in England on cotinine levels: a regression discontinuity design’, *BMJ: Open*, 11(9).
- 2017 **Robson**, Asaria, Cookson, Tsuchiya & Ali, ‘Eliciting the level of health inequality aversion in England’, *Health Economics*, 26(10).

## Working Papers

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- 2022 **Robson**, Vollmer, Dogan & Grede, 'Distributional Impacts of Cash Transfers on the Multidimensional Poverty of Refugees: The ESSN Programme in Turkey', *OPHI WP 142*.
- 2021 Parra-Mujica, **Robson** & Cookson, 'Socioeconomic Health Inequalities: Differences Between and Within Individuals', HEDG Working Papers, 21(15).
- 2019 **Robson**, Doran & Cookson, 'Estimating and Decomposing Conditional Average Treatment Effects: The Smoking Ban in England', HEDG Working Papers, 19(20).
- 2018 **Robson** & Bone, 'Giving to Varying Numbers of Others', DERS DP, 18(11).

## Research Visits

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- 2023 Hitotsubashi Institute for Advanced Study, Tokyo, Japan
- 2021 Oxfam GB, Oxford, UK
- 2020 The Arctic University of Norway, Tromsø, Norway
- 2019 Erasmus University, Rotterdam, Netherlands
- 2017 The Choice Lab, Norwegian School of Economics, Bergen, Norway
- 2016 The Field Lab, University of East Anglia, Mbale, Uganda

## Teaching

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*Erasmus School of Economics, Erasmus University Rotterdam*

- 2022- Economics of Health and Health Care - MSc

*Department of Economics, University of York*

- 2017-21 Experimental Economics - Undergraduate (Year 3)
- 2017/18 Economics 2: Microeconomics - Undergraduate (Year 2)
- 2016/17 Econometrics 2 - Undergraduate (Year 2)
- 2016/17 Microeconomics 2 - Undergraduate (Year 2)
- 2015/16 Microeconomics 1 - Undergraduate (Year 1)

*Centre for Health Economics, University of York*

- 2021/22 Supervisor: Rory Allanson (Distinction) - MSc Thesis
- 2019/20 Supervisor: Fiorella Parra-Mujica (Distinction) - MSc Thesis
- 2018/19 Supervisor: Joseph Lord (Distinction) - MSc Thesis

*Department of Health Sciences, University of York*

- 2020- Thesis Advisory Panel Member: Samia Abreu Oliveira - PhD
- 2019/20 Health and Social Behaviour - MSc
- 2018/19 Further Regression Analysis - MSc

## Conference and Seminar Organisation

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- 2022 4th IRNEP Conference, University of Reading: Co-founder and Co-organiser
- 2021-22 EQUIPOL Health Equity Seminar Series (virtual): Co-organiser
- 2019 3rd IRNEP Conference, University of York: Co-founder and Co-organiser
- 2018 Foundations of Utility and Risk (FUR), University of York: Organising Committee
- 2016 2nd IRNEP Conference, University of York: Co-founder and Co-organiser
- 2015 1st IRNEP Conference, University of Reading: Co-founder and Co-organiser

## Conference Presentations and Invited Talks

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- 2024 Four Topics on Health Inequalities (Invited), Sommarøy, Norway
- 2023 International Health Economics Association (iHEA), Cape Town, South Africa  
Keio University (Invited), Tokyo, Japan  
Hitotsubashi Institute for Advanced Study (HIAS), (Invited), Tokyo, Japan  
Welfare and Policy Conference (WAP), Bordeaux, France  
Department of Economics, KU Leuven (Invited), Leuven, Belgium  
International Meeting on Experimental and Behavioral Social Sciences, Lisbon, Portugal  
Lowlands Health Economists' Study Group (IolaHESG), The Netherlands
- 2022 Allied Social Science Associations (ASSA) Annual Meeting, Boston, USA (remote)  
European Health Economics Association (EUHEA) Annual Conference, Oslo, Norway  
Health Economics Study Group (HESG) Meeting, University of Sheffield  
Brocher Foundation Summer Academy, Geneva, Switzerland  
European Health Economics Association (EUHEA) Seminar Series, Bologna, Italy (remote)
- 2021 Multidimensional Poverty Seminars: OPHI/IIEP/UNDP, University of Oxford  
Applied Health Economics and Policy Evaluation Workshop, IRDES, Paris, France  
Health Economics Discussion Group seminar (Invited), University of York
- 2020 Measuring Health: Ethical Perspectives, Aarhus University, Denmark
- 2019 European Workshop on Econometrics and Health Economics, Leuven, Belgium  
Center for Health Decision Science (Invited), Harvard University, USA  
International Health Economics Association (iHEA), Basel, Switzerland  
Economics for the Social Good, De Montford University, Leicester  
Health Economics and Decision Science (Invited), University of Sheffield  
Nordic Conference on Behavioural and Experimental Economics, Denmark  
3rd IRNEP Economics and Philosophy Conference, University of York  
Centre for Health Economics and Medicines Evaluation (Invited), Bangor University
- 2018 Foundations of Utility and Risk (FUR), University of York, UK  
Young Economists' Meeting, Masaryk University, Czech Republic
- 2017 The Choice Lab (Invited), Norwegian School of Economics, Norway  
Royal Economic Society (RES) PhD Meeting, Westminster Business School, London  
2nd IRNEP Economics and Philosophy Conference, University of York
- 2015 2nd Annual PhD Conference in Economics, University of Leicester  
1st IRNEP Economics and Philosophy Conference, University of Reading  
Health Economists Study Group (HESG) Conference, University of Leeds

## Summer Schools

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- 2019 Inequality and Inequity in Health and Healthcare, University of Lausanne, Switzerland
- 2018 Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality, University of Bonn, Germany
- 2017 Spring School in Behavioural Economics, USCD, San Diego, USA
- 2016 Preferences, Personality and Moral Behaviour: The Choice Lab, NHH, Bergen, Norway  
Experimental Development Economics: Lab-in-the-Field, University of East Anglia
- 2015 Experimentics PhD Summer School, University of East Anglia  
Programming Economic Experiments in Z-Tree, Konstanz University, Germany

## Refereeing

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Journal of Applied Econometrics, Social Choice and Welfare, Journal of Health Economics, European Journal of Health Economics, Social Science and Medicine, Social Indicators Research, Health Economics.

## Grants and Funding

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2023	Smarter Choices for Better Health Seed Funding - €10,000
2022	Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship (successful, but turned down) - £126,946
2021	Wellcome Secondment Fellowship in Humanities and Social Science - £14,673
2020	Research Centre for Social Sciences (ReCSS) Grant, University of York - £2,500
2018	Society of Applied Philosophy (SAP) Event Funding - £1,300
2014-17	ESRC Advanced Quantitative Methods (+3) Studentship - £65,000
2014-17	Ellis-Hunter Teaching Scholarship, Department of Economics, University of York - £4,500
2017	ESRC Overseas Institutional Visit, The Choice Lab; Bergen, Norway - £5,300
2017	Royal Economic Society (RES): Special Project Grant Scheme - £900
2016	ESRC Company Internship, The Field Laboratory; Mbale, Uganda - £5,600
2013/14	NIHR Masters Studentship in the Economics of Health - £19,000

## Awards

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2016-19	Acknowledgment of Teaching Excellence
2016-18	Aronson Teaching Prize, Best Designed 2nd Year Module
2013	William and Myfanwy Eames Prize, Economics, Bangor University
2013	Charles Mowat Memorial Prize, History, Bangor University

## Data and Code

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2024	Aversion to Health Inequality – Pure, Income-Related and Income-Caused, Experimental Data and Code in Stata and R
2021	Inequality Aversion, Self-Interest and Social Connectedness, Experimental Code in Stata, Matlab, R and z-Tree
2019	lwcate - Estimation of Conditional Average Treatment Effects using locally-weighted regressions, Stata command

## Languages and Skills

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English (native).

Stata, MATLAB, R, z-Tree, Survey Solutions, LaTeX, QGIS, Corel-Draw, Office.

## References

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