

# Curriculum Vitae

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### Education/Employment

- 2014– Researcher, Department of Mathematics, Faculty of Natural Sciences, Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica
- 2023– Adjunct associate professor (part-time), Department of Economics, NHH - Norwegian School of Economics, Bergen
- 2009–14 Phd Scholar, NHH - Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration, Department of Economics (advisor: Gernot Doppelhofer). Title: Essays in Partial Identification
- 2011 Visiting PhD student, University of Cambridge, Faculty of Economics (advisor: Richard J. Smith and Alexei Onatski)
- 2009 Mgr. Comenius University, Faculty of Mathematics Physics and Informatics, Mathematics of Economics and Finance (with Honors)

### Published works in Economics/Econometrics

- 2023 Double machine learning in sample selection models (with Michela Bia and Martin Huber) **Journal of Business & Economic Statistics**, accepted for publication
- 2022 Bounds on direct and indirect effects under treatment/mediator endogeneity and outcome attrition (with Martin Huber) **Econometric Reviews**, IF: 1.605, 41 (10), pp 1141–1163
- 2022 Double machine learning for (weighted) dynamic treatment effects (with Hugo Bodory, Martin Huber) **Econometrics Journal**, IF: 4.571, 25 (3), pp 628–648
- 2022 Sensitivity of Bounds on ATEs under Survey Non-response (with Roman Nedela) **Econometrics and Statistics**, forthcoming
- 2022 Causal mediation analysis with double machine learning (with Helmut Farbmacher, Martin Huber, Henrika Langen a Martin Spindler) **Econometrics Journal**, IF: 4.571, 25 (2), pp 277–300
- 2021 Early Child Development and Parents' Labor Supply (with Bernhard Schmidpeter) **Journal of Applied Econometrics**, IF (2019): 1.901, 36, (2), pp 190–208

- 2021 The Impact of Repeated Mass Antigen Testing for COVID-19 on the Prevalence of the Disease (with Martin Kahanec and Bernhard Schmidpeter) **Journal of Population Economics**, IF (2019): 1.840, 34, pp 1105–1140
- 2019 Bounding Average Treatment Effects using Linear Programming, **Empirical Economics**, IF: 1.309, 57 (3), pp 727–767
- 2019 Identification in Models with Discrete Variables, **Computational Economics**, IF: 1.317, 53 (2), pp 657–698
- 2017 Sharp IV bounds on average treatment effects on the treated and other populations under endogeneity and noncompliance, (with Martin Huber and Giovanni Mellace), **Journal of Applied Econometrics**, IF: 2.336, 32, (1), pp 56-79
- 2017 Sensitivity of Bounds on ATE in the Presence of Sample Selection (with Roman Nedela), **Economics Letters**, IF:0.71, 158, pp 84-87
- 2017 A Note on Testing Instrument Validity for the Identification of LATE (with Giovanni Mellace), **Empirical Economics**, IF: 0.974, 53 (3), pp 1281-1286
- 2013 A Note on Bounding Average Treatment Effects, **Economics Letters**, IF: 0.623, 120, pp 424-428

### Work in progress

- 2023 Mothers' job search after childbirth (with Bernhard Schmidpeter)
- 2023 Treatment Effects for Discrete Misreported Outcomes (under Endogeneity) (with Daniel Gutknecht and Giovanni Mellace)
- 2023 Choosing the right workplace experience - A dynamic evaluation of three activation programmes for young job seekers in Slovakia (with Miroslav Štefánik)
- 2023 Locking-in or Pushing-out: The Caseworker Dilemma (with Miroslav Štefánik)
- 2020 Identification of the Average Treatment Effect when SUTVA is violated (with Giovanni Mellace)

### Teaching experience

- MUNI PhD Econometrics
- UMB Probability and Statistics 1 and 2  
Probability theory  
Regression analysis 1 and 2  
Stochastic processes  
Financial mathematics 2  
Computation and Simulation in R 3
- NHH Optimisation and microeconomic theory  
PhD Refresher Course in Mathematics and Statistics  
PhD Introduction to Numerical Methods using MATLAB

## Scientific Grants

- 2023– VEGA 1/0398/23 - Causality and machine learning in econometric models (Principal Investigator)
- 2022– APVV-21-0360 - Applying machine learning methods to support labour market policy making
- 2020–22 VEGA 1/0692/20 - Sensitivity analysis in econometric models (Principal Investigator - within VEGA 2022 projects with most significant results)
- 2020 GAČR 20-16786S - Online activity and financial markets
- 2018–21 APVV-17-0329 - Generating scientific information to support labour market policy making (received rating: excellent)
- 2017–19 VEGA 1/0843/17 - Econometric methods for identification of average treatment effects (Principal Investigator - within VEGA 2019 projects with most significant results).
- 2015 Royal Economic Society Conference Grant
- 2011 Professor Wilhelm Keilhaus Memorial Fund for Economic Scientific Research

## Scientific/Academic Honors

- 2020– Fellow of the Slovak Economic Association
- 2018 Economicus (VÚB foundation) - Best paper in economics in 2017 for economists under 40 in Slovakia - shared with Martin Huber and Giovanni Mellace.
- 2015–16 Career Integration Fellowship (CIF), CERGE-EI Prague
- 2006–08 Merit Scholarship (academic results top 5%)

## Conferences and Presentations

- 2023 Machine Learning in program evaluation, high-dimensionality and visualization techniques in Luxembourg
- 2022 Meeting of the Institute of Economic Research in Smolenice, Norwegian School of Economics, Slovak Economic Association Meeting (SEAM) in Bratislava, Turku School of Economics (virtual), Charles University, ROBUST (Czech Statistical Society meeting), Annual Conference of the International Association for Applied Econometrics in London
- 2021 SEAM - Nitra, Czech Economic Society Conference (virtual), Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics Congress (virtual), COMPIE (virtual)
- 2020 Econometric Society World Congress (virtual), EEA Congress (virtual), SEAM Bratislava (virtual), CMStatistics (virtual)
- 2019 SAV Bratislava, IAAE Meeting Cyprus, EEA Congress Manchester, SEAM Brno
- 2018 RES Conference Brighton, University of Fribourg

2017	SEAM Košice, UPJŠ Košice
2016	Toulouse School of Economics, SEAM Bratislava, IAAE Meeting Milan
2015	Comenius University Bratislava, SEAM Košice, RES Conference Manchester, Paris School of Economics, University of Gothenburg
2014	University of Southern Denmark Odense, NHH Bergen
2013	University College London, NHH Bergen
2012	University College London, NHH Bergen, University of Bergen, UMB Banská Bystrica
2011	University of Cambridge, NHH Bergen, University of Bergen

### Refereeing

Journals	Journal of Royal Statistical Society - series C, Journal of Econometrics, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Human Resources, Biometrics, Advances in Statistical Analysis, Empirical economics, Journal of Econometric Methods, European Journal of Operations Research, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management
Policy	Social Policy Institute, Institute for Healthcare Analyses,
Grants	VEGA grant scheme (Slovakia), Riksbankens Jubileumsfond (Sweden)
PhD	External referee (CERGE-EI)

### Supervised students

2023	Bc.: Dominik Pajonk - Štatistické paradoxy
2022	Mgr.: Simona Zemanová - Statistical models of survival analysis
2020	Bc.: Patrik Liba - Predikcia výnosov akcií pomocou strojového učenia
2020	Mgr.: Matúš Halaj - Neparаметrická regresia
2019	Mgr.: Igor Liška - Google trends as a tool for prediction
2017	Mgr.: Lukáš Zubaj - Pravdepodobnostné modelovanie tém
2016	Mgr.: Martina Marhefková - Štatistické modelovanie frekvencie dopravných nehôd

### Research Interests

Econometrics - Treatment effects, Partial identification, Model uncertainty, Sensitivity analysis, Labor economics, Policy evaluation, Machine learning

### Personal Skills and Competencies

Languages	Slovak, English (fluent)
Computer skills	R, Matlab, Stata, Tex